

Program News & Special Events

Ways to Give

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receives. Because the majority of your retirement plan assets could be paid in taxes, the best option could be to leave your retirement plan assets to the MDA Foundation. By naming the MDA Foundation as a beneficiary of all or a percentage of your retirement plan assets, you can request the Foundation use the assets as you wish (as long as your wishes match the mission of the Foundation) and have comfort knowing you are leaving a philanthropic legacy to organized dentistry.

Appreciated stock: The stock market has been good to us over the past few years. Maybe you have stock that has appreciated, and you don't want to pay the capital gains on the appreciated stock. By making a gift to the MDA Foundation, you forego paying taxes on the capital gains. The Foundation sells the stock and obtains the fair market value, and both parties have a win-win situation.

If you would like to learn more about these charitable giving options, contact the MDA Foundation at foundation@michigandental.org or by phone at 800-589-2632 and ask for the Foundation. We can help you with additional information and put you in touch with one of our investment partners who can work directly with you, your attorney, or financial planners to help you make the most of your charitable giving to the MDA Foundation.

Always consult your tax attorney or financial planner for details about your specific tax benefits.



Foundation Supports Veterans Programs

Your MDA Foundation cares about our veterans – many of whom have dental problems and lack access to affordable care. That's why the Foundation has provided partial funding for two programs supporting veterans for a total of \$55,000.

The Foundation helps fund the University of Michigan School of Dentistry's Victors for Veterans program. The program is currently treating 20 veterans who are living below Michigan's poverty level.

The Foundation also has awarded a grant for the past several years to the VINA Clinic in Brighton. This grant provides six-month hygiene appointments to veterans and others living 200% below the poverty level, at 50% of the customary charge.

If you are interested in supporting programs that directly serve our veterans, please note this on your donation. Your Foundation will be sure to get the money to these carefully vetted programs or others.



Veterans receive treatment at Brighton's VINA Clinic.

Sparkling Smiles 2022 Is Back — In Person

The MDA Foundation is excited to announce that our 2022 Sparkling Smiles Celebration will be held in person once more! We will be hosting this event at the Suburban Showplace in Novi on April 27, 2022, during the MDA Annual Session.

The Sparkling Smiles Celebration is a great time to get together with peers, meet others with similar interests in your field, learn about the MDA Foundation, and hear some amazing stories from former and current scholarship and grant recipients about the impact your gifts have had on the community.

Keep a watchful eye on your inboxes for more information soon to come on how to RSVP — or if you are unable to attend, how to make a gift virtually.

The MDA Foundation cannot wait to see your smiling faces once again!

