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## **ADA Foundation Opens Application Period for its Dental Student Programs: Scholarships, Tarrson Award, Zwemer Award, and Bowen Award**

**Chicago, September 7, 2016** – The ADA Foundation is now accepting applications for four programs that provide funding to both dental students and dental schools for student-driven efforts aimed at improving the oral health of the public. See the individual grant guidelines for complete information.

### **Predoctoral Dental Student Scholarship Program** (*application deadline: Nov. 11*)

The ADAF's [Predoctoral Dental Student Scholarship Program](#) includes the Underrepresented Minority Dental Student Scholarships, the Dr. Robert B. Dewhirst Scholarships and the Robert J. Sullivan Scholarships, each of which help dental students defray some of their academic expenses. The ADA Foundation annually awards approximately 54 scholarships valued at \$2,500 each, totaling about \$135,000. [See the eligibility requirements or apply now.](#)

### **E. “Bud” Tarrson Dental School Student Community Leadership Award** (*application deadline: Nov. 11*)

The ADAF [Tarrson Award](#) recognizes exemplary volunteer community service projects within the U.S. that are organized and/or conducted by a group of dental students enrolled in an accredited predoctoral dental education program. One grant of \$5,000 is made annually to a dental school in honor of the selected student outreach program, however the number of awards may be increased depending on available funding. In 2013-2015, the ADA Foundation

awarded five additional Tarrson Awards due to a generous donation from ADA Business Resources, Inc. [See the eligibility requirements](#) or [apply now](#).

**Dr. Thomas J. Zwemer Award** (*application deadline: Nov. 11*)

The ADAF [Zwemer Award](#) recognizes exemplary volunteer community service projects that take place outside of the U.S. and are organized and/or conducted by a group of dental students enrolled in an accredited predoctoral dental education program. One grant of \$5,000 is made annually to a dental school in honor of the selected student outreach program. [See the eligibility requirements](#) or [apply now](#).

**Dr. Ray Bowen Student Research Award** (*application deadline: Dec. 1*)

The ADA Foundation presents the Dr. Ray Bowen Student Research Award in odd-numbered years in collaboration with the Academy of Operative Dentistry. The award provides \$6,000 to support the proposed research and up to \$1,000 to defray the cost of the winner's attendance at the Academy of Operative Dentistry's scientific session to present a table clinic based on the proposed research. [See the eligibility requirements](#) or [apply now](#).

To make a tax-deductible donation to the ADA Foundation, please visit [www.adafoundation.org](http://www.adafoundation.org) or call 312.440.2547.

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**About the ADA Foundation**

As dentistry's premier philanthropic and charitable organization, the ADA Foundation is a catalyst for uniting people and organizations to make a difference through better oral health. The ADA Foundation provides more than \$800,000 in grants, scholarships, and awards annually to programs that are in alignment with the organization's four mission pillars: Charitable Assistance, Access to Care, Research, and Education (C.A.R.E.). As part of these efforts, the ADA Foundation oversees Give Kids A Smile® and also oversees the ADA Foundation Dr. Anthony Volpe Research Center in Gaithersburg, Maryland (formerly the Paffenbarger Research Center). For more information about the ADA Foundation, visit [www.adafoundation.org](http://www.adafoundation.org).