



We know that many of you are annual donors to the Foundation, **and we thank you.** If you have not yet made a gift in 2021, thanks to an anonymous donor, all donations earmarked for medical student scholarships will **be matched dollar-for-dollar, up to \$50,000!** There are several ways to give:

- Visit www.amafoundation.org/HoD to make your donation online;
- Stop by the AMA Foundation's virtual Zoom booth;
- *OR, new this year:* Text "J21" to 41444 to make your donation securely from your mobile phone.

Amidst the many challenges we faced this past year, with the support of members of the AMA House of Delegates, the Foundation achieved some remarkable things:

We awarded 26 scholarships for a total of \$255,000 through the [Physicians of Tomorrow Scholarship Program](#) to support medical students like Gabrielle Sagesse. Gabrielle is a first-generation college graduate with plans to open a community center to serve vulnerable patient populations. *"I can't thank you enough for the investment that you have made into me, and not only me but my community and the communities I will serve and my patients."*

We provided \$398,261 to directly support ten community health organizations such as the Diabetes Association of Atlanta through the [Community Health Program](#). Diabetes Association of Atlanta Executive Director, Karla Hooper, shared that, *"Because of the AMA Foundation, we were able to meet the demand for services, help more families, and make sure that no one was left behind. This support directly helps people, and directly saves lives."*

We established the [David and Donna Marie Meza Health Equity Fund](#) to support initiatives that demonstrate a commitment to addressing health disparities and promoting health equity in diverse, economically disadvantaged environments. Frank Dowling, MD is a founding donor and expressed his pride. *"I'm pleased and proud to have the opportunity to donate to the Meza Health Equity Fund. This fund provides more resources for the AMA, through the Center for Health Equity, and the AMA Foundation, to support community-based pilot projects and programs that seek to eliminate the inequities that cause these unacceptable disparities in health and health care outcomes."*

We invited medical institutions from across the country to submit a proposal for the inaugural [National Fellowship in LGBTQ+ health grant](#). We received 52 proposals and plan to announce the inaugural recipient in celebration of Pride month in June. This Fellowship will create a pipeline of physicians who are knowledgeable and culturally competent in addressing health care disparities and stigmas faced by the LGBTQ+ community, with the ultimate goal of transforming health and health care for LGBTQ+ people. *"Everyone deserves quality health care. The AMA Foundation has done amazing work for LGBTQ+ patients. I have never seen such dedication to making a dream come true."* – Mark J. Milstein, MD

And so much more.

However you choose to donate, in addition to the Zoom background, the Foundation will send you a commemorative donor pin following the meeting as a small token of appreciation.



Thank you for your support in lifting up medical students, communities, and future medical leaders across the country. Beth, a recent scholarship recipient, shares the extraordinary impact you made on her life through your charitable giving.

"This year has been especially trying on medical education, and your continued support in these times is inspiring. Your selfless donation to assist my educational pursuits will allow me to serve the community as an Emergency Physician. I hope to give back to patients with the same level of compassion that you have given me."

–Beth Kolongowski, 2020 Physicians of Tomorrow Scholarship Recipient