



# **FACULTY OF DENTISTRY**

## **ANNUAL GIVING REPORT**

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# DEAN'S MESSAGE

Dear Alumni, Donors and Valued Partners

In 2022, the Faculty continued to receive the generous support of many alumni and friends who stepped forward to partner us in our various initiatives. Their acts of giving reflect a many hands approach as they rallied together to help advance our educational and research missions. With over half a million dollars received, our donors have made an impactful difference in supporting our students in their academic pursuits despite their challenges. Our donors have also enabled our students to be duly recognised for their academic excellence through the many donor-supported academic awards and prizes. Beyond our undergraduates, our donors have also helped the Faculty champion relevant continuing professional development programmes for the dental fraternity. At the same time, the financial contributions of our donors have helped to shape and advance research to enhance oral health and oral healthcare.

Our students have been grateful beneficiaries of many of our donors. This spirit of giving has, in turn, inspired many of them to do the same. Giving does not have to wait and we saw the willingness and readiness of our graduating Class of 2022 paying it forward immediately at the culmination of their BDS course. The Class made their first contribution to NUS and was presented with the Top Achievement Award in the Commencement Class Giving 2022 Campaign. Also, with the many hands approach, no amount of giving is ever too small because together, as a giving community, we can achieve much for the Faculty and Dentistry.

Towards the end of 2022, we were delighted to have hosted our first in-person donor appreciation event. Moving ahead, we hope to organise more gatherings with you, connect with you and express our appreciation as well as share more about the upcoming work we can partner you to accomplish. We look forward to more of such alumni-Faculty engagements ahead.

Truly, the Faculty acknowledges our many faithful alumni, friends and partners who have been supporting the Faculty with their generous giving in 2022. We look forward to our continued engagement with you as we shape the future of Dentistry together.

Associate Professor Wong Mun Loke  
Acting Dean

# DONATIONS RECEIVED

January - December 2022

**TOTAL**  
**\$560,232**



Bursaries,  
Scholarships &  
Student Awards  
\$532,093



Edmund Tay Mai Hiong  
Endowed Fund  
\$16,500



Geriatric Oral  
Healthcare and  
Research  
\$11,639

Congratulations to the BDS Class of 2022 for clinching the Top Achievement Award in the Commencement Class Giving 2022 (CCG22) campaign! Special thanks to our 2022 Graduating Class Champions for their fundraising efforts towards the FoD Research Fund.



Acting Dean and Vice Dean (Academic Affairs)  
Associate Professor Wong Mun Loke receiving the  
Award from NUS President, Professor Tan Eng Chye



The CCG campaign is an initiative by NUS Development Office. Each year, the graduating class makes a parting gift to the next generation of students.

# JOY OF GIVING

I believe in paying it forward. Having been a recipient of financial aid during my undergraduate days, I understand the impact bursaries/scholarships have on the lives of those who are financially less well off. It is heartwarming to know that someone who needs the support is receiving it, and hopefully putting it to good use. As the saying goes "**A little kindness goes a long way**", I hope to be able to give back to the Faculty and help others. - **Dr Darrell Tan, BDS Class of '21**

I understand quite a few of our students worry about family finances and their studies. I did not come from a rich privileged background and finances were tight in the house. Dentistry has been good to me and it has afforded me to do many things in life. I have donated my part-time teaching salary to the Dental Student Bursary fund for over the past decade. It has been an honour and privilege to come back to teach the next generation of colleagues. **I am happy to pay it forward.** - **Dr Kaan, BDS Class of '82**

NUS is my alma mater that gives me the basic professional education to grow and go beyond. I am grateful for that opportunity. I am not rich or famous, but **I believe that giving is not the privilege of the rich alone.** By giving in small ways, I hope that similar minded graduates can be encouraged to do the same, so that more can benefit from the collective effort. All things considered, I count it a blessing to be able to give back a little to my alma mater. Maybe the Chinese proverb "饮水思源" (yin shui si yuan) aptly describes this sentiment. - **Dr Eugene Tang, BDS Class of '81**

*Experience the Joy of Giving!*



# GIFT IMPACT

January - December 2022

## STUDENT FINANCIAL AID



32

Bursaries were given out to support our undergraduate students



## ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

39

Scholarships, Awards, Medals and Prizes were awarded to our dental students who had achieved academic excellence in AY 21/22 (Jul 21 - Jun 22)

## CONTINUING DENTAL EDUCATION



212

Dentists and other healthcare professionals attended the 5<sup>th</sup> Edmund Tay Mai Hiong Distinguished Speaker Programme - "Designing Airway for Better Sleep: From Infant to Adult!" on 27 November 2022



## RESEARCH

5

Research projects were supported by seed funding ranging from \$7,500 to \$25,000

## STUDENT DEVELOPMENT



356

Students were supported in various student development activities such as the Freshmen Orientation Programme, APDSA Annual Congress

**TOTAL**  
**\$132,532**

# GRATEFUL BENEFICIARIES

Thank you so much for your generosity. It is an honour to be awarded this bursary, and this spurs me on to strive for greater excellence. **Your kind gesture has also motivated me to spread kindness in this world.** Moving forward, I'll aim to give back to society in whichever ways I can. And of course, I'll work towards becoming a good dentist and help more patients alleviate their dental worries! – **Recipient of Tooth Fairy Bursary**

**Thank you so much for your generosity and continued support for the next generation of dentists.** I am deeply honoured and I hope that as I continue to learn and grow, I can better embody the ethos that the SDA and our fraternity stands for. – **Recipient of Singapore Dental Association Presidents' Medal & Prize**

I would like to express my most sincere gratitude for your generosity in supporting me in my education. **I am deeply appreciative of your support and all the good that you do for aspiring students like myself every year.** As I step into my final year, I am grateful for all the help that has been given to me so far. I am working towards becoming a competent clinician and hopefully a dentist soon. Thank you again for your very important financial assistance. – **Recipient of BDS Class of '81 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Bursary**

**Thank you for your generous contribution which allowed me to pursue dentistry with less financial concerns.** My undergraduate life will probably be very different without this support. My family and I are very grateful for this, and I will treasure my time in Dentistry and strive to become a well-qualified dentist. I look forward to the day I can contribute back to the society and provide support for others like how you all did for me. Thank you! – **Recipient of Dental Bursary**

Thank you for your generosity in offering this bursary to me. It is extremely important in **allowing me to continue my education in FoD with less worries about the financial burden** placed on my family. We are truly thankful to be able to receive this bursary that goes a long way in helping to ease some of our concerns and allow me to focus on my studies. Your generosity will motivate me to strive further to the best of my abilities through my journey with FoD - **Recipient of Tooth Fairy Bursary**

# DONOR HONOUR ROLL

January - December 2022

*The Faculty wishes to extend our heartfelt appreciation to our generous donors who had made gifts to the Faculty.*

*Thank you for your generosity in supporting the Faculty towards our mission to improve oral health through academic excellence, high impact research and quality clinical service.*

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## **\$10,000 to \$49,999**

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Lee Ai Ling  
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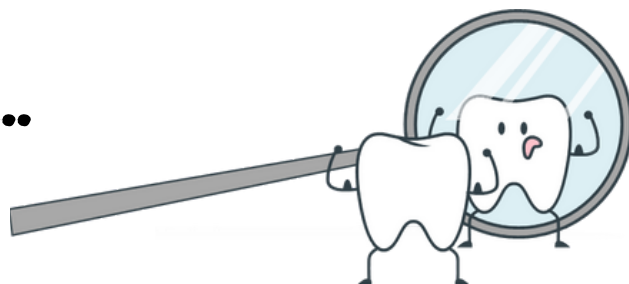
January - December 2022

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*"Alone we can do so little..."*



*... Together we can do so much."*



# DONOR APPRECIATION NIGHT 2022

The Faculty hosted its Donor Appreciation Night 2022 at the NUS Kent Ridge Guild House (KRGH) on Thursday, 3 November 2022. This was our first in-person donor appreciation event since the COVID-19 pandemic struck 2 years ago.

Through the event, the Faculty expressed its appreciation to its donors for their generosity and support through the years. It was also an opportunity for bursary and academic award recipients to meet with their benefactors to express their gratitude.

*"The generous donations have given many, including myself, the opportunity to further our growth as oral healthcare practitioners. I hope that subsequent generations will retain this spirit of giving and continue to support others in their professional development,"* shared Dr Ishreen Kaur Dhillon, recipient of the Academic Year 2021/22 Rashid Tahir The Kids Dentist Medal and Prize, and Academic Talent Development Programme Award.

*"I would like to use this opportunity to express my utmost gratitude for our donors' great help in fulfilling my aspirations to pursue my studies at the dental school. With the high levels of academic rigour and workload, your generous donation helps in taking the heavy weight of the financial burden off my shoulders, allowing me to focus my energy on doing the best I can in school and providing the highest level of care for my patients. Once again, thank you so much for your contributions,"* said Leow Jun Hann Zane, recipient of the Academic Year 2021/22 Lim Kheng Ann Dentistry Bursary.



Acting Dean and Vice Dean (Academic Affairs)  
Associate Professor Wong Mun Loke  
gave the opening address for the evening



Thank you to our donors for their unwavering support through the years



# BDS CLASS OF 2011 CLASS GIFT

When it was supposed to be a tenth year reunion in 2021, it was delayed by a year due to the COVID-19 situation. The BDS Class of 2011 held an 11th year reunion on 11.11.22 instead. It was still a significant milestone for the class as they had not caught up with one another since graduation.

The Class spent the night reminiscing the good old times over videos which captured their undergraduate life at the Faculty. The Class caught up with each other over food and drinks and indulged in merrymaking through table games planned by the organising committee.

80% of the class managed to carve out time to attend this event, which took months of planning and preparation. The healthy turnout was testament that many from the Class still held dear the moments spent, experiences shared and friendships built in their undergraduate years. The Class is grateful to the enthusiastic organisers – Dr Wong Kuan Yee, Dr Lim Wen Yi, Dr Adrian Shi and Dr Chan Boon Hui.

To make the reunion more meaningful, the class made a class gift of over \$12,000 to their alma mater.



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☐ DENTISTRY BURSARY FUND  
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