To YOU, our Donors

Message from the Dean

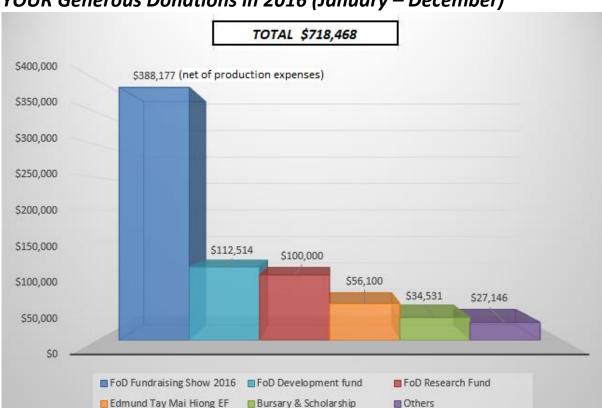


I am pleased to share with you our report on donations made to the Faculty of Dentistry during 2016. Your donation is very important to us, and we greatly appreciate your generosity – thank you.

Our mission is tripartite: education, research and clinical care. We strive to achieve the highest standards in all three areas, and your donation really helps us. Some of you have funded student bursaries, and I can assure you these make a big difference to the recipients. We are also very pleased to receive financial donations, and these are used to fund research projects aimed at improving the oral health of our community. This will make a difference, and some of the work which benefitted from your donations is translating into clinical practice. Given the rapidly aging population, this is an ongoing requirement and I hope you will consider donating further. The big event this year was the "Oral Humour – The show with Bite" event at the Esplanade. We were extremely heartened by the positive feedback from the show, and, the many generous donations we received.

2016 was a good year for fundraising at the Faculty, but we will not be complacent and will continue our efforts in 2017. We greatly value your support and hope you find the information in this report helpful.

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YOUR Generous Donations in 2016 (January – December)

Edmund Tay Mai Hiong Endowment Fund

The Edmund Tay Mai Hiong Endowed Fund is set up to honour Dr Edmund Tay Mai Hiong, the first Dean of the Faculty of Dentistry, who served between 1966 and 1985. Dr Edmund Tay was the longest serving Dean in the history of our University. The Fund will support a distinguished speakers' programme and a graduate scholarship the area of dental sleep medicine, airway-centric dentistry and orofacial pain. The inaugural Edmund Tay Mai Hiong Distinguished Speaker Programme will be held on Sunday 26 March 2017.

We target to raise \$625,000 for the Fund. \$429,750 has been raised as at 31 December 2016, including \$312,500 received from Dr David K. L. Tay and family to kick-start the Fund.

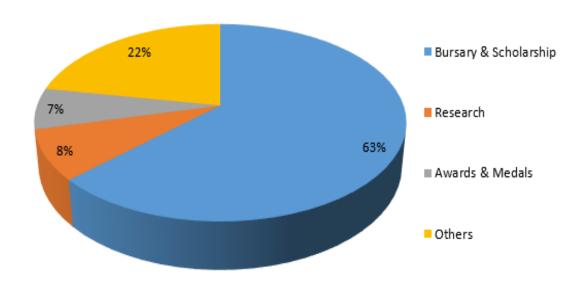
FoD Research Fund

The FoD Research Fund was established to provide seed funding to support and kick-start new projects, so as to enable the researcher to obtain some preliminary results and build his research track record for further competitive funding. Research into gene expression signatures of primary molar ankylosis with infraocclusion was one project funded.

In line with Singapore's push for translational research, the Faculty's strategic research focus will be on oral systemic links, regenerative biology, biomaterials and public health research. With the aging population there is a need to look at new ways enhance repair and regeneration in the soft tissues and bone. Geriatric dentistry and risks of oral diseases are also key thrusts for oral systemic research in public health research.

We are grateful to have received \$100,000 from Sunstar Singapore Pte Ltd towards our FoD Research Fund.

How YOUR gifts have been used in 2016 (January – December)



Impact of YOUR gifts

17 Bursaries, 1 Scholarships and 24 awards & medals were awarded to our dental students in AY16/17.

\$10,000 was provided to seed fund Oral healthcare innovation and research.

YOUR gifts made a difference......

"I am a final-year dental student and a recipient of the A & B LEONG BURSARY for AY2016/2017. Coming from a less affluent family, enrolling in dental school was a joy for me as it had been my dream to be a dentist since I was 14. It was also an apprehensive decision for me because of the high tuition fees. In dental school, I struggled to cope with the demands of school as I had to juggle both school and part-time work.

Being a recipient of the A & B LEONG BURSARY award lifted a great weight off my shoulders and gave me the opportunity to truly enjoy dental school. I was able to concentrate on my studies and fuel my passion for clinical dentistry. Watching my patients leave my dental chair with a smile has been the ultimate reward for me. The bursary has played a huge part in supporting my endeavours to be a good dentist and I hope that my juniors who may be in similar situations could also be given this precious opportunity."

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Fundraising Show "Oral Humour – The Show with Bite"

"Oral Humour – The Show with Bite", held on 28 August 2016 at the Esplanade Concert Hall, was the Faculty's first foray into a musical. The Faculty was privileged to have well known TV producer Ms Andrea Teo and popular artistes such as Hossan Leong, Sebastian Tan, Darius Tan, Dennis Heng, Rani Singam, Yeo Yann Yann, Koh Chieng Mun and Nora Samosir involved in this Show. We were very proud and appreciative of our alumni cast who had volunteered their time and gave off their hidden talents for the Show.





The show was well attended by over 1,400 guests, alumni and friends of the Faculty. The Faculty is heartened by the strong support and generous donations which have raised net proceeds of \$0.39M excluding funding from the Tote Board. The funds raised will go towards enhancing the Faculty's ongoing efforts to improve the oral health of the community, especially, the elderly through research and clinical services. They will also go towards supporting dental education to train future generations of oral health care professionals.

The Faculty of Dentistry would like to thank everyone who had been a part of this fundraising show in one way or another for all their efforts and encouragement which have made the show a success. More importantly, **YOU** have enabled us to strive towards transforming dentistry in the future.

An update on the Centre for Oral Health (January 2017)



The main contractor for the construction of the National University Centre for Oral Health, Singapore (NUCOHS) commenced work on 1 February 2016. Significant construction activities in 2016 included the completion of piling and excavation works and the erection of the megatruss to cover NUH's existing cooling systems. As you pass by the site today, you would have probably seen a pair of tower cranes, the lift corewalls and the building superstructure from ground level to the 3rd storey.



NUCOHS is on track to operationalise in 2019. When ready, NUCOHS will be able offer a suite of subsidized specialist oral health care services to the population. Dentistry, which will be housed in the 5th to 11th storey of NUCOHS, will have expanded teaching, learning and clinical training facilities to cope with the increased intake of dental undergraduates and graduate students.

Funds raised to date: \$ 2.06M

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