

1 Report of the Hawaii Dental Association Foundation – 2020

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3 **Strategic Plan Goal #2 – Community:** Effectively promote oral health awareness and
4 ensure that the Hawaii Dental Association is recognized as the known authority in
5 dentistry and as having an active role in improving the oral health of the people of
6 Hawaii.

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8 This report of the Hawaii Dental Association Foundation (HDAF) covers the period from
9 January 1, 2020 to September 1, 2020. The HDAF board members are Dr. Scott Morita
10 (Secretary); Dr. Jeff Sonson (Treasurer); Dr. Chris Nakamura (At-large); Dr. Chris Lee
11 (At-large); Dr. Rosemarie Tan (At-large); and Dr. Dayton Lum (HDA Board liaison), and
12 our Executive Director Ms. Kim Nguyen.

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14 2020 has been a very unusual and unique year for the HDAF. Many of our activities
15 were canceled or put on hold due to COVID-19. The Foundation had an in-person
16 meeting on March 5, 2020 and then all Zoom meetings for the rest of the year. There was
17 an Emergency Board meeting on March 25, 2020 and subsequent Foundation Board
18 meetings on May 7th, July 23rd, and another scheduled for September 23rd, 2020.

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20 The Foundation at the beginning of the year had a goal to update and implement a new
21 Strategic Plan. However, as the year progressed and COVID-19 began affecting
22 members and the economy to a greater extent, the HDAF decided at the July meeting to
23 put this project on hold until sometime in 2021. The Hawaii Dental Association also
24 decided not to update their Strategic Plan until 2021. The HDAF will continue to follow
25 the existing Strategic Plan which expires on December 31, 2020.

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27 The HDAF’s major community event, Give Kids A Smile (GKAS), was held in February
28 2020 at the Waikiki Health Clinic, just before the pandemic hit. Over 100 member
29 volunteers served over 50 children, educating them on oral health and providing
30 preventative treatment including sealants, in a fun and interactive environment. The
31 HDAF thanks all of the volunteers and sponsors in making this a success.

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33 At this time, it is unclear when GKAS will take place in 2021. In fact, the GKAS
34 committee will not meet to discuss 2021 activities until early 2021. The HDAF will let
35 the membership know when a firm date has been selected; please consider volunteering
36 for GKAS in 2021. The plan to expand GKAS programs to the neighbor islands for 2020
37 was also postponed. Once again it is not known when this will start up in 2021.

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39 In addition, the GKAS fundraising Gala in the Fall was also cancelled for 2020 and
40 rescheduled to September 2021. The financial impact of this postponement to the
41 Foundation is unknown at this time.

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43 The good news is that HDAF grant giving program was active in 2020. One of the
44 HDAF’s goals for 2020 was to continue to get the message out to the community that the
45 HDAF is available to help improve the “oral health of the community of need”. The

46 HDAF plans to increase applications received from other 501C3 non-profit organizations.
47 Another goal was to be flexible in 2020 with grant giving due to COVID-19.

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49 For 2020, the Foundation modified grant giving guidelines due to COVID-19 and
50 instituted the “Give Hawaii A Smile Program.” The HDAF allocated up to \$7,500.00 to
51 donate oral hygiene kits to all four county dental societies, who would then distribute
52 these to non-profits in need. Non-profit organizations that received these included but
53 were not limited to the Aloha Free Clinic and Feeding Hawaii Together on Oahu; the
54 Boys and Girls Club on Maui; Tutu N Me on Hawaii Island; and Nourish Kauai and the
55 Waipa Foundation. These events were very successful.

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57 The Foundation also decided to donate \$10,000.00 to the Aloha Medical Mission Dental
58 Division (AMM). The AMM is in danger of losing its funding from the City and County
59 of Honolulu due to the economic impact of COVID-19. The Foundation joined
60 individual members in an effort to help keep AMM from closing its dental services.

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62 Financially, the HDAF is slowly growing its funds. 2020 has been a very difficult
63 economic year for the Foundation. Thank you to all who have donated in 2020. Please
64 consider increasing your donation via our pledge program. For those who have yet to
65 donate, please do so. It is vitally important that the Foundation grows its financial base.
66 The HDAF has been investigating all avenues to make the Foundation financially strong.

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68 The HDAF sent a report to the Finance Committee of the HDA for projected funding for
69 2021. At this time, the Foundation is optimistic that the virus will be under control and
70 normal activity will resume. Therefore, the Foundation has requested the same amount
71 of financial assistance from the Hawaii Dental Association.

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73 Lastly, the Foundation Board decided to pursue a “virtual” annual report covering a
74 longer period from 2019 and 2020. Please look forward to a notification of the release of
75 this report in early 2021.

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77 Please visit the HDAF website, www.hawaiidentalfoundation.org, to learn more about
78 your Foundation and perhaps get involved with Foundation activities.

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81 Respectively Submitted,

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84 Gary S. Yonemoto, DDS, MS

85 President

86 Hawaii Dental Association Foundation

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89 **Recommendation of the HOD Reference Task Force on the Report of the HDA**
90 **Foundation:**

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92 The HOD Reference Task Force recommends that the Report of the HDA Foundation be
93 accepted.

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95 **Action taken by the House:** The HDA HOD accepted the Report of the HDA
96 Foundation.

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98 **Resolution #2020-02:**

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100 **Background:** In 2021, the Hawaii Dental Association Foundation will continue to
101 exercise sound fiscal management and requires appropriate funding to perform its
102 responsibilities and recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

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104 **Resolved,** that the House of Delegates budget the sum of \$0 (income) and \$11,000.00
105 (expense) for the conduct of the Hawaii Dental Association Foundation activities for
106 2021.

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108 **Recommendation of the HOD Reference Task Force on the Hawaii Dental**
109 **Association Foundation Resolution #2020-02:**

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111 The HOD Reference Task Force recommends that the Hawaii Dental Association
112 Foundation Resolution #2020-02 be adopted.

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114 **Action taken by the House:** The HDA HOD adopted the Resolution #2020-02.

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