



The Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors & the ASTDD Foundation

Advancing ASTDD's mission through philanthropy, partnership, and long-term investment.

The ASTDD Foundation is the philanthropic partner of the Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors (ASTDD). In 2026, ASTDD launched the Foundation to respond to a growing need for sustained investment in the leaders, systems, and support that help state and territorial oral health programs thrive. Working alongside ASTDD, the Foundation helps expand the resources, partnerships, and innovation needed to strengthen programs and advance the future of oral health.

Why This Matters

State and territorial oral health programs are navigating unprecedented demands, workforce pressures, uncertain funding, and rapidly evolving public health priorities. Meeting those challenges calls for both ongoing support and sustained investment in leadership, learning, technical support, and long-term capacity.

ASTDD launched the Foundation to help meet that need. By attracting philanthropic support, the Foundation expands the resources available to strengthen programs, respond to emerging opportunities, and build more resilient oral health systems for the future.

What We Support

The Foundation invests in four core pillars that advance ASTDD's mission and strengthen state and territorial oral health programs:

- **Leadership Development:** Preparing current and emerging leaders to navigate complexity, guide strong programs, and lead with resilience and vision.

- **Education and Training:** Expanding access to practical, evidence-based learning opportunities and resources that strengthen public health and oral health practice.
- **Technical Assistance:** Delivering targeted, expert support to help programs address specific needs, solve problems, and advance priority work.
- **Capacity Building:** Investing in the systems, partnerships, and infrastructure that sustain strong programs and support long-term progress.

Together, these pillars strengthen the people, knowledge, and systems that make lasting oral health impact possible.



How This Advances ASTDD's Mission and Impact

The Foundation works in partnership with ASTDD to extend the organization's mission and strengthen its impact. ASTDD remains the membership organization and trusted national voice for state and territorial oral health programs. The Foundation provides a philanthropic vehicle for investing in the work that helps those programs succeed.

Through this partnership, the Foundation supports the leadership, partnerships, and infrastructure that make progress possible. It helps expand ASTDD's reach, strengthen program resilience, and create new opportunities to advance oral health nationwide.

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How You Can Help

By supporting the ASTDD Foundation, donors and partners invest in the future of state and territorial oral health programs. Philanthropic support helps strengthen leadership, expand learning, provide targeted support, and build the capacity needed for long-term impact.



Join us in building stronger programs, partnerships, and outcomes.

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