## **Delta Dental of Virginia Foundation**



## Delta Dental of Virginia Foundation Accomplishments

The Delta Dental of Virginia Foundation is dedicated to improving the oral health of all Virginians. Below are a few highlights of the Foundation's work in 2024:

- In 2024, grantees provided oral health care to more than 4,123 uninsured, or Medicaid-insured, Virginians through 8,952 oral health visits.
- Thirty-eight educators used the Smart Smiles in School program to teach oral health to 8,054 students across the state of Virginia.
- The 2024 Loan Repayment Program (LRP) funded \$236,000 to 14 providers.
- 2023 LRP providers (serving throughout 2024) treated more than 14,491 patients across 26,201 visits.
- Awarded \$950,000 to 14 safety net organizations, primarily supporting oral health staff serving uninsured and Medicaid patients.
- Graduated 35 students from Dental Health Summer Institute, fostering interest in oral health careers.



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- Invested more than \$100,000 to partner with Virginia Community College System on expanding oral health education.
- Eastern Shore Rural Health System and Augusta Regional Dental Clinic successfully completed training and implementation to become Virginia's first Centers for Inclusive Dentistry, enhancing staff skills, structure and confidence for staff/clinics serving individuals with special health care needs. VCU School of Dentistry and Carilion Dental Care were recruited for Cohort II.
- Awarded 20 scholarships through Delta Dental of Virginia endowed gifts, bringing total dental professional scholarships to 135 since 2013.
- Funded the School Based Oral Health Learning Collaborative through Virginia Health Catalyst.
  Since its inception, 98 schools and 11 Head Start programs now have school based oral health programs providing access to care to more than 16,000 children.

- Continue serving on the Local Impact for Tomorrow (LIFT) Center Leadership Team to help shape vital services for the Fallon Park community, where nearly 25% of families face economic challenges, living at or below the federal poverty line, and three-quarters of residents live at or below 200% of the federal poverty level. The FY23 Annual Report highlights the meaningful outcomes achieved through this partnership. To view this report, click here.
- Funded the 13th annual Delta Dental Oral Health Endowed Lecture educating more than 110 attendees on AI in Orofacial Pain and Oral Medicine with guest speaker Glen Thomas Clark, DDS, MS, of the Hermon Ostrow School of Dentistry at the University of Southern California.

To learn more about the Delta Dental of Virginia Foundation and the work that we do, visit us at DeltaDentalVA.com/foundation.