



## Purpose

The CDA Foundation Webb Family Grant is designed to:

- Support the education and/or training of dental professionals in California;
- Support dental related educational programs in California; and
- Support educational efforts that expand access to dental care for underserved communities, organizations and individuals.

## Award

The grant award is repayment of up to \$5,000 that will be sent directly to lending institutions or approved academic institutions. Recipients are responsible for paying the award back in full if they do not complete their service commitment.

One recipient, either an individual or an educational institution will be announced at an appropriate CDA event in the fall.

## Funding Preferences

Preference may be given to eligible applicants who:

- Have a disadvantaged background with economic, social or other obstacles.
- Live(d) or worked in a rural, highly disadvantaged or Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA) community for an extended period of time.
- Demonstrate an initiative to develop cultural and linguistic competencies reflecting one or more diverse socioeconomic or ethnic communities in California.

## Eligibility Criteria for Individuals

To be eligible for the CDA Foundation Webb Family Grant, an applicant must be either an individual or educational program.

Individual applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Graduate from a Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA)-accredited Predoctoral (DDS/DMD) Dental Education Program, or a Dental Board of California-approved dental school or dental assisting educational program or a Dental Hygiene Board of California-approved educational program within the last three years of the award cycle year or positioned to graduate in the next six months at the time of application.
- Be a legal citizen or resident (with a valid work authorization document) of the United States.
- Submit a completed online application packet.

- Have received student loans from governmental and/or commercial lending institutions licensed to do business in the United States.
- Provide proof of employment by a licensed California dentist or provide proof of self-employment with a valid license using BreEZe records (dentists and RDHAPS only).
- Not be in default or have judgment liens for any debts including, but not limited to, taxes and education assistance programs.

## Eligibility Criteria for Educational Program Applicants

- Program must be approved by the Dental Board of California or Dental Hygiene Board of California or accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation.
- A summary of the educational program including location, class sizes, and coursework offered.
- An overview of how the grant money will be utilized in the program, including impact to students (i.e., cost breakdown of course materials and how many students would be impacted).
- A report to the CDA Foundation on how the award money was used one year after disbursement.

## Disqualification

Funding will not be provided to any “disqualified person,” as defined in Internal Revenue Code section 4958. Such persons include: (i) any person who is in a position to exercise substantial influence over the affairs of the CDA Foundation, or who was in such a position during the preceding five years, including voting members of the CDA Foundation Board of Directors or CDA Board of Directors; and the officers and staff of the CDA Foundation; and (ii) any family members of the above class of persons, including spouses, brothers and sisters (whole or half), and their respective spouses (whole or half), ancestors, children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren.

## Application Process

The CDA Foundation will accept 2023 applications online only from August 15 – September 15.

- One complete application must be received from each applicant.
- Applications must be submitted online.
- Finalists will be invited to a brief video interview with the selection committee.