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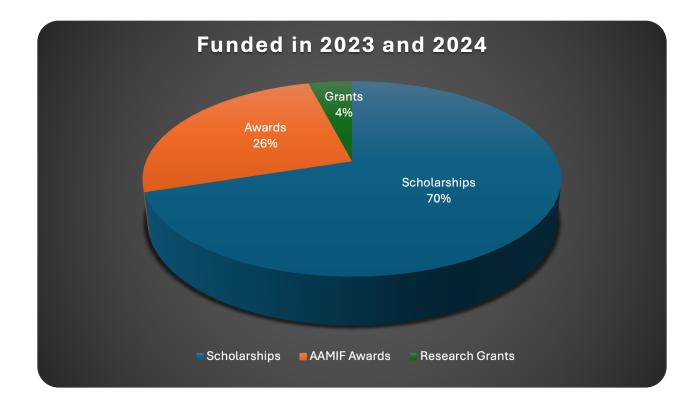
Welcome to the inaugural issue of the new AAMI Foundation Newsletter. The intent of this new communication tool is to provide up-to-date information about the AAMI Foundation to help our supporters learn how contributions make an impact on people's lives and medical research. In this issue, read on to learn more about individual recipients, review some of the Foundation's activities at the 2024 AAMI eXchange, hear from our Board of Directors, and understand how your donations contribute.

## Scholarships, Research Grants, and Awards

The various levels of recognition and funding granted by the AAMI Foundation span the broad range of health technology specialties and needs. Donors can direct their contributions to specific areas or to general support that will help fund all of the Foundation's activities.

## **LEARN MORE & DONATE**

Contributions by donors to the AAMI Foundation along with earnings from the AAMI Foundation endowment are used to support funding for the scholarship, grants, and awards. Here is a breakdown of where your 2023 and 2024 contributions helped the future of health technology:



## **Research Supports AEMs: AAMI Foundation Grant Recipient Shares Insights**



In 2020, Ekundayo Shittu and Connor Roberts applied for and won a highly competitive Mary K. Logan Research Grant from the AAMI Foundation. Since then, Roberts and Shittu have been closely examining the relationship between how often a medical device is used and how often it needs repairs, better informing alternative equipment maintenance programs for HTM professionals.

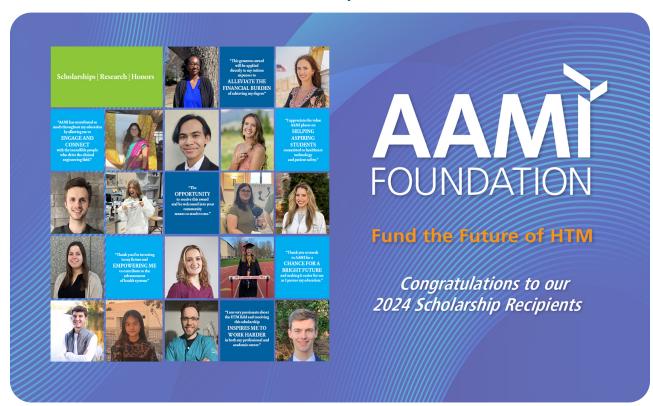
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#### Testimonial: Luis-David Guay Wins 2024 Kilmer Fund Scholarship

"My studies have allowed me to realize how crucial the field of microbiological control and sterility is for public health. This cause is now close to my heart, and my research has shown me that antimicrobial peptides are an interesting option for addressing this problem.

The financial support provided by this scholarship is really important to young graduate students like me. It can facilitate our participation in international symposia, allowing us to present our research and engage with the broader scientific community. This opportunity will surely impact my career as a young scientist, providing invaluable experience, networking opportunities, and exposure to cutting-edge research."

This August 2024, Guay attended the European Peptide Symposium, an international conference that takes place every two years. There, he showcased new ideas and preliminary research results. Stay tuned for a deep dive into that and more with AAMI News.



#### **AAMI Foundation Awards 2024 Scholarships to Students**

The AAMI Foundation is delighted to introduce the students who have been awarded this year's Michael J. Miller Scholarships and AAMI Foundation & HSEA Scholarship. Meet the 2024 class of high school and college students who have demonstrated abundant technical aptitude, academic excellence, and commitment to the healthcare technology fields.

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# **Getting to Know the Foundation**

#### Meet AAMI Foundation Board member - Steve Yelton, PE, CHTM



- Steven J. Yelton, P.E., AAMIF

I have been involved with AAMI for more than 30 years, but I must admit that I didn't totally understand the Foundation until I joined the AAMI Board of Directors in 2006.

The AAMI Foundation's scholarship program as well as its outreach programs are very beneficial to professionals in healthcare technology management. The grants that AAMI foundation awards can benefit the HTM field with the research that they fund, while scholarships and grants give students the opportunity to enter the field.

I tell scholarship recipients to get involved with AAMI immediately. They will receive a free student membership and have access to all the benefits of any AAMI member, including many online opportunities for networking and education. If possible, they should try to attend any meetings available to them and, most importantly, stay involved with AAMI once they start their careers.

This is also why I contribute to the AAMI Foundation. I believe in the Foundation's mission and I have been lucky enough to witness the impact that the Foundation has made to our profession.

Who Supports the AAMI Foundation? Meet TRIMEDX's Dawn Griffin



We're interviewing the outstanding individuals and organizations that support the AAMI Foundation.

In the first of this growing series, Ralph Basile speaks with Dawn Griffin, chief human resource and diversity officer for TRIMEDX, about why she and TRIMEDX value the power of scholarships and research.

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# AAMI Foundation at eXchange 2024

#### The Foundation's Future: More Grants, More Research, More Good!



The AAMI Foundation is working to deliver even more grants, student scholarships, and support for every corner of healthcare technology. Longtime AAMI board members and standards development volunteers Janet Prust and Ralph Basile joined Robert Burroughs, AAMI's chief learning and development officer, to discuss the Foundation's future.

## WATCH THE VIDEO



## eXchange 2024 Attendees Show Their Support for the AAMI Foundation

(Pictured, Ralph Basile and Janet Prust pose with the 2024 Foundation contribution raffle winner).

Over the course of only three days on the expo hall floor, the AAMI Foundation garnered a record number of individual member contributions, receiving more than \$2500 from eXchange attendees eager to support the Foundation mission.

# Additional donations matching these funds have resulted in a grand total of \$5000 for the AAMI Foundation's bright future!



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