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- **General Scholarship Fund**
  ADHA’s Institute for Oral Health Scholarship Program develops dental hygienists’ access to educational programs. Scholarships help offset tuition costs for dental hygiene students and dental hygienists who demonstrate a commitment to advance the profession. Donations may be made to the General Scholarship Fund or one of the specific scholarships listed below

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  The scholarship was established in memory of Carol Bauhs Benson. It is awarded to a student pursuing an Associate degree and who resides in Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, or Wisconsin.

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• **Wilma Motley Memorial California Merit Scholarship**

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• **Sigma Phi Alpha Scholarship**

The scholarship is awarded to outstanding students a school with an active chapter of the Sigma Phi Alpha Dental Hygiene Honor Society. The student may be a potential future Sigma Phi Alpha member or a current member in good standing.

• **Dr. Esther Wilkins Scholarship**

The scholarship was established by Dr. Esther Wilkins. It is awarded to students pursuing additional degrees necessary for a career in dental hygiene education.

• **Alice Hinchcliffe Williams, RDH, MS Merit Scholarship**

The scholarship is funded by the Virginia Dental Hygienists’ Association Foundation to honor their deceased colleague and benefactor who helped to establish the VDHA Foundation. It is awarded to a student who is a resident of Virginia.

• **Irene Woodall Graduate Scholarship**

The scholarship is in honor of Irene Woodall. It is awarded to a student seeking a graduate degree in dental hygiene or a related field.

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• **Healthy Start for Texas Teeth Community Service Grant**

The Healthy Start for Texas Teeth Community Service Grant fosters collaborative efforts between individuals or local components of the Texas Dental Hygienists’ Association and community agencies servicing underserved populations to provide the preventive benefits of fluoride varnish for underserved populations.

• **Rosie Wall Community Service Grant**

The community service grant was established in honor of Rosie Wall. This program provides funding for a specific community health or research project which includes health education.