AOF Mission Statement

The AOF is a philanthropic organization that develops and provides financial support for optometric research and education in vision and eye health to improve clinical patient care.

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Looking back over 2016, it was a very successful year thanks to our supporters, leadership, and staff. I am pleased to report that the American Optometric Foundation (AOF) is as vibrant as ever and continues to advance optometry’s future with funding for our talented researchers, students, and educators.

As always, the Academy’s annual meeting is the highlight of the year. The American Optometric Foundation will remember Academy 2016 Anaheim for the warmth and generosity of its donors! The AOF received more than $230,000 in donations and new commitments at the meeting. We welcomed three new President’s Circle members, two new Ezell Club members, two Legacy Society members, and three President’s Circle members moved up a level. The AOF awarded nine coveted Ezell Fellowships. Lecturers generously donated their honoraria totaling over $10,000.

We were deeply saddened by the passing of AOF President-Elect and Academy Life Fellow Dr. Judith A. Clay in October. Dr. Clay became a Fellow of the Academy in 1974. She was passionate about the AOF’s mission, serving on the AOF board of directors since 2013. Dr. Clay was a President’s Circle Gold member.

With assets of nearly $6 million and an endowment of $3.9 million, the AOF hopes to provide more than $450,000 in fellowships, scholarships, and grants in 2017. You have helped the American Optometric Foundation in its mission to develop and provide financial support for optometric research and education in vision and eye health to improve clinical patient care.

These accomplishments would not have been possible without the generous support of our donors, both personal and corporate. The AOF takes pride in its continued growth and the successes of the exceptional individuals we have supported. YOU can advance optometry’s future by contributing to the American Optometric Foundation!

David G. Kirschen, OD, PhD, FAAO
President
The annual Academy meeting provides the American Optometric Foundation with a forum in which the Foundation Board, staff, and award recipients can connect with donors on a personal level. It is the focal point for the largest fundraising drive of the year. With your support, the Foundation received more than $230,000 in contributions and pledges at Academy 2016 Anaheim.

**Celebration Luncheon**

The annual Celebration Luncheon celebrated the 2016 award recipients, and announced the newest President’s Circle and Ezell Club members. Thank you to all donors and awardees for advancing optometry’s future. The Foundation extends its gratitude to Essilor, a loyal sponsor of the Celebration Luncheon and the Foundation for over 15 years.
Silent Auction

The Foundation is appreciative of our wonderful volunteers who provide their time to make the annual silent auction a success. Thank you for supporting the silent auction.

Auction Donors

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Sandy Ghormley
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David G. and Alyse Kirschen
Gerald E. Lowther
Kerri McTigue

Ruth E. Manny
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Nicole Marie Putnam
Earl L. Smith, III and Janice M. Wensveen
Jeannette Woodard
Stanley J. Yamane

An Evening of Dazzling Visions for the Future of Optometry

The American Optometric Foundation hosted a major donor reception at The Ranch. Guests enjoyed entertainment and food, while mingling with current and potential donors to the Foundation.
Howard the Hedgehog Experience

Alcon Foundation sponsored an event to raise $25,000 for the AOF. Howard the Hedgehog is the main character in a book entitled “Howard and the Amazing Eye Exam” which prepares children for their first eye exam. The Alcon Foundation event, which took place during Academy 2016 Anaheim, featured the Howard the Hedgehog Experience where visitors to the booth had their photo taken with Howard the Hedgehog and viewed the e-publication. The Howard the Hedgehog Experience was also available in the Academy 16 mobile app containing the pdf of the “Howard and the Amazing Eye Exam” book. Over 2,020 downloads of the pdf during the meeting resulted in a contribution of $25,000.

Judith A. Clay Remembered

The Foundation was deeply saddened by the passing of Academy Life Fellow Dr. Judith A. Clay of Florida on Tuesday, October 4, 2016.

Dr. Clay became a Fellow of the Academy in 1974. She was passionate about the American Optometric Foundation’s (AOF) mission, serving on the AOF Board of Directors since 2013 and was serving as AOF President-Elect at the time of her passing. Dr. Clay was a President’s Circle Gold member.

New Awards Announced

Two new AOF awards will be presented in 2017.

Joseph T. Barr Early Career Cornea and Contact Lens Research Award

In recognition of extraordinary contributions to optometry and contact lenses, the AOF established an award to honor an exceptional mentor and role model of our profession, Dr. Joseph T. Barr. As an academic, researcher, clinician, and industry leader, Dr. Barr acknowledges that some of his success is due to a combination of having wonderful mentors and amazing support systems in his early career development.

The award provides an entering first or second year MS or PhD vision science or physiological optics student attending a North American School/College of Optometry support of $2,000 for research project seed funding. The project must be in the area of cornea/ocular surface or contact lenses for a new upcoming project not already funded from another source. The recipient also receives $750 travel funding to the AAO annual meeting. The award application opened February 1, 2017.

Donald Korb and Joan Exford “Dry Eye Award”

Dry eye is one of the most common of all eye conditions. The Donald Korb and Joan Exford “Dry Eye Award” was established by a lead gift from Drs. Donald R. Korb and Joan M. Exford. The first “Dry Eye Award” of $25,000 (USD) will be awarded in 2017. The award is designed to support an individual to further their knowledge in the broad area of dry eye. The individual must possess an OD or relevant graduate degree and must be a member of the American Academy of Optometry, as a student, candidate, or Fellow at the time of applying for the award. The successful individual must have a demonstrable interest in either a clinical or basic science area of dry eye and may be a clinician, educator, researcher, or student. The award application window opens May 1, 2017.

For additional information on these new awards, visit www.aaopt.org/AOF
Awards

Glenn A. Fry Lecture Award
Erica L. Fletcher, OD, PhD, FAAO
Melbourne University
Presented: Mechanisms and Potential Treatments of Early Age-Related Macular Degeneration

Michael G. Harris Family Award for Excellence in Optometric Education
Timothy B. Edrington, OD, MS, FAAO
Southern California College of Optometry

Public Health and Environmental Vision Henry B. Peters Memorial Award
Kovin S. Naidoo, OD, PhD, FAAO
Brien Holden Vision Institute
Presented: Myopia: Responding to a Global Public Health Crisis in Waiting

Julius F. Neumueller Award in Optics
Kelly E. Moore, OD, MS
University of Houston
Paper: Peripheral Defocus of Myopic Eyes with Spherical Soft Contact Lenses
In 1947, inspired by the need to advance optometric research and education, William C. Ezell founded the American Optometric Foundation (AOF). The William C. Ezell Fellowship provides financial support to graduate students enrolled in a full-time program of study and training in vision-related research that leads to a Master’s or PhD degree. Nine outstanding individuals were selected to join this elite group in 2016. Thank you to Essilor of America for their support of the 2016 Ezell Fellowship Dinner.

The Alcon Foundation Ezell Fellow
Jessica Wei, BS
University of California, Berkeley, School of Optometry

Research Focus: Delineating the immunomodulatory roles of lipid mediators in autoimmune uveitis.

“Many thanks to the American Optometric Foundation and the Alcon Foundation for awarding me the fellowship and supporting my research in autoimmune uveitis. I am encouraged by the recognition of my scientific endeavors and will continue to strive for research excellence. I’d also like to thank all my mentors throughout my career, especially my PI Karsten Gronert, for guiding my development as a research scientist.”
American Academy of Optometry Ezell Fellow

Kristen Bowles, OD, MS
University of Houston, College of Optometry

Research Focus: Clinical evaluation of photoreceptor function.

“I am honored to be the recipient of the American Academy of Optometry (AAO) William C. Ezell Fellowship. I sincerely thank the AAO and the American Optometric Foundation for their support of my education and research. I am encouraged and motivated by the recognition of my efforts towards achieving excellence in clinical research, and look forward to opportunities this award provides as I become an independent clinician scientist.”

AAO Section on Cornea, Contact Lenses & Refractive Technologies Ezell Fellow

Cameron K. Postnikoff, MASc
University of Alabama at Birmingham, School of Optometry

Research focus: The role of the closed eye and leukocyte-mediated inflammation in dry eye disease.

“It is an honor to receive the William C. Ezell Fellowship, and I would sincerely like to thank the American Optometric Foundation and the Section on Cornea, Contact Lenses, and Refractive Technologies. It is humbling to join the ranks of personal mentors and academic heroes who were previous Ezell fellows. I am grateful for the many opportunities I have had, and look forward to a long career as an independent scientist in optometric research.”

Irvin M. Borish - Essilor Ezell Fellow

Aiswaryah Radhakrishnan, BS Optom, MPhil Optom
Universidad Complutense de Madrid

Research focus: Understanding vision with newer multifocal corrections for treatment of presbyopia and myopia progression.

“I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the American Optometric Foundation for honoring me with the William C. Ezell fellowship and my thanks to Irvin M. Borish Fund and Essilor of America for their generous support. I’m grateful to Professor Susana Marcos and Dr. Carlos Dorronsoro for mentoring and continual support during the early stages of my career. This award will help me establish a full-time career in vision research and optometry education.”
Mike Daley - Essilor Ezell Fellow

Wenlin Zhang, MD
Indiana University, School of Optometry

Research focus: Corneal endothelium physiology and pathophysiology.

“I am fortunate and greatly honored to be awarded the 2016 William C. Ezell Fellowship. I would like to thank American Optometric Foundation, Essilor of America, and Mr. Mike Daley for the generous support of my academic and scientific education. I sincerely appreciate my advisor Dr. Joseph Bonanno and mentors Drs. Arthur Bradley and Carolyn Begley for their invaluable guidance in my scientific, professional and personal growth to become an independent vision scientist.”

Merton C. Flom Leadership Ezell Fellow

Anna F. Ablamowicz, OD, FAAO
University of Alabama at Birmingham, School of Optometry

Research focus: Insights into the lid margin: characterization of membrane associated mucins in ocular surface disease.

“I am greatly honored to be awarded the 2016 Merton C. Flom Ezell Fellowship in Leadership. I would like to express my gratitude to Dr. Flom and his family for the establishment of this fund and the support it will provide in my endeavors to become a clinician scientist. I will strive to live up to the ideals it represents through dedication to leadership, teaching, and research that will benefit all patients.”

Michael G. Harris Ezell Fellow

Alexandra E. Boehm, BS
University of California, Berkeley, School of Optometry

Research Focus: Investigating the relationship between structure and function in the human retina using scanning laser ophthalmoscopy.

“I am honored to be awarded the Michael G. Harris Ezell Fellowship and would like to express my appreciation to the American Optometric Foundation and Dr. Michael G. Harris for their generous support of my research, and to my advisor Professor Austin Roorda for his exceptional guidance and mentorship. Receiving the Ezell fellowship will be instrumental in the advancement of my future career goals as a researcher and educator in vision science and optometry.”

Optometric Glaucoma Society Ezell Fellow

Jack Phu, BOptom, MPH, FAAO
University of New South Wales, School of Optometry

Research Focus: Spatiotemporal characteristics in visual field testing in ocular disease.

“I am honored to be the recipient of the 2016 William C. Ezell Fellowship, and thank the American Optometric Foundation and the Optometric Glaucoma Society for their support of my research. I would also like to thank my three recommenders, and my advisors Professor Michael Kalloniatis and Dr. Sieu K. Khuu for their mentorship. This award will provide important support for my future career as a developing clinician-scientist in the area of glaucoma and psychophysical research.”
Karla Zadnik 2017-2018 Ezell Club Fellowship Announced

In 2014, the American Optometric Foundation began a tradition of honoring a former Ezell Fellow by naming an Ezell Club Fellowship in their name for that given year. For 2017-2018, the Ezell Fellowship will be named for Karla Zadnik, OD, PhD, FAAO. This fellowship will be recognized at the American Academy of Optometry’s annual meeting in Chicago.

As a graduate student, Dr. Karla Zadnik never applied for an Ezell Fellowship because she was already supported by a federally funded grant. However, Dr. Zadnik ultimately became a very influential optometric clinician scientist. She chaired two multi-center observational trials sponsored by the National Eye Institute. These investigations significantly increased our clinical knowledge of eye and visual development, myopia, and keratoconus. They also improved the stature of clinical science in optometry while teaching clinicians about the rigors of good science and inspiring clinicians to pursue research endeavors and careers. Dr. Zadnik is also the Chair of the American Optometric Association’s Council on Research and the American Academy of Optometry’s Research Committee, which co-host a semi-annual research institute that has generated over $80 million dollars of clinical research grants since 1988. The scope of her research influence is both far and deep, and that is why she is the first recipient of an American Optometric Foundation Honorary Ezell Fellowship.

Vision Impact Institute Ezell Fellow

Preeji S. Mandathara, BSc, MSc
University of New South Wales, School of Optometry

Research Focus: Role of corneal nerves, sensitivity and tear neuromediators in keratoconus.

“I would like to express my gratitude to the American Optometric Foundation for awarding me the prestigious William C. Ezell Fellowship. I am really honored to be a part of this elite group of researchers and scholars. I would like to thank the Vision Impact Institute for their generous support and my mentors Mark Willcox and Fiona Stapleton for their continuous guidance. This award will be a huge recognition and motivation to develop my academic and research career.”

Fellowship Announced
Scholarships

The VSP Practice Excellence Scholarships are funded by VSP Global Eyes of Hope® Global Charitable Fund in collaboration with FYidoctors in Canada.

Jamie Blavat & Emily Hutchins
Illinois College of Optometry

Brittany Foerg & Tyler Vermeer
Indiana University, School of Optometry

Sai Ka Oscar Tsang & Dominic D’Orazio
Inter-American University of Puerto Rico, School of Optometry

Detlef (Hans) Sleichter & Anna Liew
Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, School of Optometry

Gabrielle Smiley & Hannah Rillema
Michigan College of Optometry at Ferris State University

Dianne Settlage & Desiree Vanderstar
Midwestern University Arizona, College of Optometry

Avani Dave & Michael Merritt
New England College of Optometry

Pamela Martin & Laura Langford
Northeastern State University Oklahoma, College of Optometry

Kaily Tschantz & Justin Chelette
NOVA Southeastern University, College of Optometry

Taylor McGann & Nicole Mikels
The Ohio State University, College of Optometry

Kelsey Elrod & Paul Nefedov
Pacific University, College of Optometry

Carly J. Grodin & Jenna Roney
Pennsylvania College of Optometry at Salus University

Michael Tran & Emma Ly
Southern California College of Optometry at Marshall B. Ketchum University

Tyler Boone & Ben Roach
Southern College of Optometry

Karen Levy & Drake R. Devos
State University of New York, College of Optometry

Ellen Prewitt & Kelly Cleary
University of Alabama at Birmingham, School of Optometry

Sloan Rajadhyksha & Annie Lee
University of California, Berkeley, School of Optometry

Elisabeth Hottel & Michael O’Neal
University of Houston, College of Optometry

Kirsti Ramirez & William Reid Cluff
University of the Incarnate Word, Rosenberg School of Optometry

Peter Bako & Elias Toubia
University of Missouri-St. Louis, College of Optometry

Annie-Pier LeBlanc & Solange Lacroix
University of Montreal, School of Optometry

Victoria Lomax & Karin Lypka
University of Waterloo, School of Optometry and Vision Science

Katherine Ha & Victoria Chan
Western University of Health Sciences, College of Optometry
Scholarships

The Awards of Excellence and J. Pat Cummings Scholarships are supported by funding from Johnson & Johnson Vision Care, Inc.

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Grants and Fellowships

The Allergan Foundation Research Grant
Stephen A. Burns, PhD, FAAO
Indiana University, School of Optometry
High Resolution, Adaptive Optics Imaging of the Trabecular Meshwork in Vivo

Fredric Rosemore Low Vision Educational Grant
Richard Jamara, OD, FAAO
New England College of Optometry
Applying online peer-led case-based learning to improve clinical reasoning in Low Vision rehabilitation
Tammy Labreche BSc, OD
University of Waterloo, School of Optometry and Vision Science
Enhanced Experiential Learning of Rehabilitation for Acquired Brain Injury

Beta Sigma Kappa (BSK) Research Fellowships
Anna Ablamowicz, OD, FAAO
University of Alabama at Birmingham, School of Optometry
Investigation of an Inflammatory Component of Lid Wiper Epitheliopathy in Dry Eye Disease

Innovation in Education Grants
This program is supported by educational funding from Johnson & Johnson Vision Care, Inc.
Elena Z. Biffi, OD, PhD, FAAO
New England College of Optometry
Effectiveness of a Novel Smartphone App for Diagnostic Interpretation of OCT Data
Jason Ng, OD, PhD, FAAO
Southern California College of Optometry at Marshall B. Ketchum University
Development of an Interactive Learning Module to Improve Learning of Signal Detection Theory
Jingyun Wang, PhD
Pennsylvania College of Optometry at Salus University
Can Prompt Feedback Provided to Students Using “Poll Everywhere” Improve the Effectiveness of Optometric Education?

Elmer H. Eger Memorial Student Travel Fellowship
Kimberly Renner
The Ohio State University, College of Optometry

N. Rex Ghormley Student Travel Fellowship
Samaneh Delshad
Queensland School Brisbane

Beta Sigma Kappa (BSK) Student Travel Fellowship
Lenna Walker
New England College of Optometry
Residency Awards and Support

The Bert C. and Lydia M. Corwin Contact Lens Residency Award
Caitlin J. Morrison, OD
State University of New York, College of Optometry

The Douglas W. Hopkins Primary Care Residency Award
Shannon K. Leon, OD
University of the Incarnate Word, Rosenberg School of Optometry

The Alfred A. Rosenbloom Low Vision Residency Award
Erin M. Kenny, OD
Pennsylvania College of Optometry at Salus University

Jill & George Mertz Fellowship
Pauline Kang, PhD, BOptom, FAAO
University of New South Wales, School of Optometry

The Johnson & Johnson Vision Care, Inc. Residency Support

George W. Mertz Contact Lenses
Elaine Chen, OD
Southern California College of Optometry at Marshall B. Ketchum University

Sheldon Wechsler Contact Lenses
Michelle Man, OD
Illinois Eye Institute
Illinois College of Optometry

Terrance N. Ingraham Pediatric Optometry
Jameel Kanji, OD, MS
New England College of Optometry
Ann Morrison, OD, MS
The Ohio State University, College of Optometry

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Cumulative Gifts & Pledges

Thanks to our many loyal and generous supporters, the Foundation has funded many individuals who will lead the discovery of new innovations and better patient care.

*Through December 31, 2016*

**Visionary Circle**
(gift or pledge of $1,000,000 and up)
- Johnson & Johnson Vision Care, Inc.

**Pioneer Circle**
(gift or pledge of $500,000 - $999,999)
- Carl Ziem Vision
- Essilor of America
- Vision Service Plan (VSP)

**Founder’s Circle**
(gift or pledge of $100,000 - $499,999)
- Abbott Medical Optics Inc. (AMO)
- The Alcon Foundation
- The Allergan Foundation
- Bausch & Lomb
- Irvin M. (d) and Beatrice (d) Borish
- CooperVision
- Michael G. Harris
- William R. Jackson, Jr. Estate
- George (d) and Jill (d) Mertz
- Joseph and Linda Molinari
- Fredric M. (d) and Marion Rosemore
- John Schoen Estate

**President’s Circle Diamond**
(gift or pledge of $75,000 - $99,000)
- Beta Sigma Kappa (BSK)
- Joan Exford and Don Korb
- Karla and Kurt Zadnik

**President’s Circle Gold**
(gift or pledge of $20,000 - $49,999)
- Tony and Elna Adams
- Ian and Valerie Bailey
- Melissa Bailey
- Baycross Christian Family Foundation
- Brett and Robin Bence
- Peter Bergenske and Cheryl Bruce
- Mark A. Bullimore
- Barbara Caffery
- Judith Clay (d)
- Rachel Anastasia “Stacey” Coulter*
- Sally Dillehay
- Mark and Susan Eger
- John G. Flanagan and
  - Kathy Dumbleton
- Sandy Ghormley
- Sidney Greenberg
- Gunilla Haegerstrom-Portnoy and
  - Robert Portnoy
- Brien Holden (d)
- Roberta Hopkins
- Joshua Josephson
- David and Alyse Kirschen
- Pete and Elli Kollbaum
- Gerald and Andrya Lowther
- Ruth E. Manny*
- Timothy and Kay McMahon
- Martha Rosemore Morrow
- Donald Mutti
- Optometric Glaucoma Society
- Howard Purcell
- Eric Ritchey and Moriah Chandler
- Lois Schoenbrun
- Jim Sheedy
- Earl L. Smith III and Janice Wensveen
- Sarita and Ashok Soni
- Vision Impact Institute*
- Richard Weisbarth
- Joe and Cheryl Yager

(* indicates new “Circle” member, (d) deceased)
President’s Circle
(gift or pledge of $10,000 - $19,999)

Cathie and John Amos
Heather and Gary Anderson*
Juan Carlos Aragon
Ian and Valerie Bailey
Neal Bailey
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Marc Bloomenstein
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Karen Brandreth
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Nancy Carr Brent
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Dori Carlson and
Mark Helgeson
Janet Carter
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Susan Cotter and
Lou Lipschultz
Shaban Demirel
Bernard and Jane Dolan
Bradley Dougherty
Barry Eiden
Norman and Joy Einhorn
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Associates
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Roanne Flom and
Thomas Raasch
Walter Flom and
Gail Fadenrecht
Murray Fingeret
Desmond and Anita Fonn
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Charline A. Gauthier
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Mohinder M. Merchea*
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Michael Mittelman
Clarke Newman
Kelly and Jason Nichols
Tracy Nguyen and
Suresh Viswanathan
ODwire*
The Gary Orsborn Family
Lisa Ostrin*
Dennis P. Pardo
Stan and Lisa Peacock
William Phibrick
Louis Phillips
Gil Pierce

Daniel Powell
Thomas and Susan Quinn
Sam Quintero
Jeffery Rabin
Rachel Redfern Rump
Shilpa Register
Kathryn Richdale
Colleen Riley
Alfred (d) and
Sarah Rosenbloom
Natalie Rosenbloom and
Lowell Lebovitz (In memory
of David Rosenbloom)
Nicholas Rumney
A. Lee Scaief
Jack L. Schaeffer and Family
Cristina Schnider and
Mal Patton
David and Laura Seibel
Valerie Sharpe*
Jerome Sherman*
Joseph Shovlin
Chris Smiley
Carl and Katie Spear
Loretta B. Szcztoka-Flynn
Rod Tahrans
David Troilo
Michael Twadr
Danne Ventura
Helen Viksnins*
Edward K. Walker (d)
Barry A. Weissman
John Whitener
Mark Willcox
Stanley J. Yamane

If you are interested in becoming a member of this elite group, please contact
Director, Development, Maureen Dimont at MaureenD@aaoptom.org.
Giving Back to the Profession

Student Matching Gift Travel Grant Program

Designed to increase AOF student participation, create a climate of giving back to the profession, and promote involvement at the annual Academy meeting, this program provides $750 in matching travel funds to students selected at each institution whose chapter raises the same amount through individual giving or fundraising activities.

Jennifer M. Sitko & Sara Marie Siebert
Indiana University, School of Optometry

Thomas B. Lambert & Taylor Dahms
University of Missouri-St. Louis College of Optometry

Jacqueline Duong & Amy Field
Northeastern State University Oklahoma, College of Optometry

Catherine D’Ardenne & Ryan Nguyen
State University of New York, College of Optometry

Katharine Funari & Samantha Myers
Pennsylvania College of Optometry at Salus University

Recognizing Consistent Giving

The Foundation thanks those individual supporters who have demonstrated an ongoing commitment to optometric research and education by making a consistent annual contribution. These donors each received a special commemorative pin during Academy 2016 Anaheim.

15-Year Consistent Giving

Mark A. Bullimore
Judith A. Clay (d)
Lester Caplan
Lois Schoenbrun
Stephen R. Chun
Karla Zadnik

Legacy Society

The Legacy Society recognizes those individuals who have included AOF in their estate plans. Contributions received through bequests are a vital part of our planned giving program and help endow future programs and initiatives.

Anthony and Elna Adams
Ian and Valerie Bailey
William and Honey Baldwin
Brett and Robin Bence
Peter Bergenske and Cheryl Bruce
Irvin M. and Beatrice Borish
Mark A. Bullimore
Bert and Lydia Corwin
N. Rex and Sandy Ghormley
Martha Rosemore Greenberg
Sidney Greenberg
Michael G. Harris
William Reginald Jackson, Jr. Estate
Detleff and Lila Jans Estate
Helen Langhoff Estate
Gerald and Andrya Lowther
Jill Mertz
Joseph Molinari
Stuart Richer
Fredric and Marion Rosemore
Rose Salierno
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- **Fundraising**: 22.3%
- **General and Administrative**: 7.5%
- **Education and Research Support**: 70.2%

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