## Delta Dental Community Care Foundation

#### 2020 Mississippi Giving

# In 2020, the Delta Dental Community Care Foundation awarded \$288,000 in the state of Mississippi.

The Delta Dental Community Care Foundation partners with local communities to increase access to care, support dental education, fund research that advances the oral health field and respond to disasters or other community needs as they arise.

#### Responding to COVID-19 in Mississippi

2020 was an extraordinary year for our partners in Mississippi. In addition to huge surges in demand for services, the economic impact of the pandemic limited fundraising opportunity and ability. We were among the first corporate philanthropies to get money into the hands of our community partners.

We removed all restrictions from our funding and trusted the nonprofits of Mississippi to allocate the funds as they felt best. In addition to our traditional support of federally qualified health centers, dental clinics and dental schools, we provided funding to fight food insecurity by providing significant funding to local organizations feeding hungry Mississippians. Since 2011, the Foundation has awarded more than \$60 million across 15 states and the District of Columbia in the form of:

Access to Care grants are awarded to organizations working to increase access to quality dental care for underserved children, seniors and adults.

**Education and research grants** provide funding for oral health research and scholarships for students pursuing the dental profession.

**Community Giving grants** support local nonprofits, including organizations promoting social justice, chronic disease and disaster relief.





### Organizations we supported in 2020

**Coastal Family Health Center** Biloxi

Jefferson Comprehensive Health Center Fayette

**Central Mississippi Civic Improvement Association** Jackson

Mission First Jackson

**Mississippi Food Network** Jackson

University of Mississippi Jackson

Amite County Medical Services Liberty

Manna Ministries Picayune

East Central Mississippi Healthcare Sebastopol

#### **Outreach Health Services**

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