The mission of the North Dakota Trauma
Foundation is to promote quality trauma care
for North Dakota citizens, advance trauma
education for health care professionals,
and promote trauma prevention
and safety for the public.



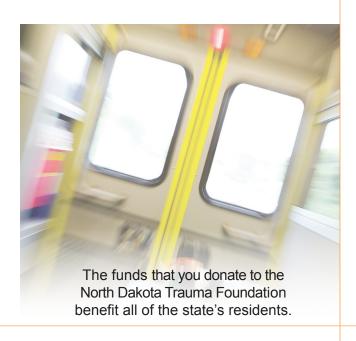




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What is the North Dakota Trauma Foundation?

In 1995, federal funding for the North Dakota trauma system ceased to exist. At that point, six urban hospitals, the Emergency Nurses Association (ENA), and the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Association donated money in an attempt to fund the vacated Trauma Coordinator position. In 1996, the state health department also allocated funding to support the position.

The North Dakota Trauma Foundation was officially formed in October 1998. The board of directors consists of a surgeon, emergency room physician, emergency registered nurse, registered nurse, trauma coordinator, hospital administrator, pre-hospital providers, and laypersons representing various geographical areas of the state.

Your donations to NDTF are needed for various purposes. First of all, donations support professional trauma education in the state. NDTF supports the Annual North Dakota State-Wide Trauma Conference for physicians, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, nurses and pre-hospital personnel.

We do our best to keep the cost of the conference very minimal so health care workers are able to attend. This advanced trauma education for health care professionals will result in optimal care of the injured patient, decreasing morbidity and mortality.

Donations to NDTF support yearly grants to emergency medical services and hospitals for education, equipment to care for trauma patients, and injury prevention projects. The grant committee consists of a surgeon, emergency room physician, emergency room RN, trauma coordinator, hospital administrator, RN, pre-hospital providers, and lay persons.

Each year, approximately \$5,000 is granted to various health care facilities and ambulance services. The money is awarded as a one-to-one match for trauma-related education and equipment. In past years, the funds have been used to provide the Trauma Nursing Core Course and Pre-hospital Trauma Life Support course, and to purchase items such as blood and fluid warmers, immobilization equipment and crash carts.

Remember that trauma does not discriminate. Anyone can be a victim at any time. Being better prepared for the worst helps ensure a better outcome. The funds that you donate to the North Dakota Trauma Foundation benefit all of the state's residents.

The North Dakota Trauma Foundation is an IRS 501(c)(3) organization and your contribution is tax deductible.

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