

**The Dr. J. M. Chadha
Orthodontic Educational Foundation**
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Dear Fellow LSU Ortho Alumni and Friends of the Department,

I hope this letter finds all of you and your families happy and healthy. It is that time of the year when we reach out to our LSU Orthodontic alumni family to provide updates on the residency program and ask for donations to provide continued support of our wonderful program. I can still remember the immense gratitude I felt when cashing the scholarship checks that many of you funded during my residency. That was a much-appreciated moment of financial relief when debt was stacking up. Your donations also made it an easy decision to take, and a motivator to try to pass, my ABO board exam the fall after graduation. Attending AAO meetings in San Diego and Orlando with my co-residents still stand out as some of the greatest times that we shared together. All of these things couldn't happen without our fantastic alumni and your continued support.

In addition to funding annual scholarships and ABO expenses, last year your donations also helped purchase \$20,000 worth of pliers, handpieces, and instruments for the residents to use. From now on, the residents will use these instruments instead of purchasing their own. They will get to experiment with these and decide what they like before going out into practice – another small financial burden taken off their plate. Lastly, your donations also covered the lodging for our residents to attend the AAO in Miami. Attending these AAO meetings as a group has always been and continues to be a highlight for the residents.

Our seminar and resident room renovations are finally complete! Although we didn't fund these renovations directly, supporting the department in these other ways mentioned above helped Dr. Armbruster pay for the renovations completely out of clinic revenue. Check out some photos of the room below. It was a much-needed upgrade to help our program stay up to date.

Our alumni support is one of the strongest attributes of our program, and we appreciate each of you. It was a priority of mine to start giving back to a program that gave so much to me as soon as I started practicing. A lifelong financial commitment, even a small amount monthly, makes a large impact over time. We have made it even easier for you to donate via <https://www.chadhaorthoeducationfoundation.com>.

Sincerely,
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Class of 2017
Director, Dr. J.M. Chadha Orthodontic Educational Foundation



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