

What is the ACOS Trust Fund?

Established in 1967 by the American College of Osteopathic Surgeons Board of Governors, the ACOS Trust Fund supports charitable, educational, and scientific activities to further the osteopathic surgical profession. The ACOS Trust Fund is overseen and managed by the Board of Trustees composed of the ACOS President, President Elect, Immediate Past President, Secretary-Treasurer, Chief Executive Officer, and one Member at Large, elected by the Trustees.

The ACOS Trust Fund is a not-for-profit 501 (c) (3) organization. Contributions are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

What Does the ACOS Trust Fund Support?

The ACOS Trust Fund supports charitable, educational, and scientific activities and projects that contribute to the advancement and recognition of the osteopathic surgical profession—projects that would not be possible from dues revenue alone.

Online and In-Person Education

- **On-Demand courses** for CME credits and board preparation.
- Prominent **keynote speakers** at the Annual Clinical Assembly to educate members and improve your practice.
- **Online osteopathic surgical journals** for residents and members to publish peer-reviewed research.
- **Webinars** that offer content across six surgical disciplines.

Professional Development and Networking

- **Leadership Seminars** that enable participants to increase leadership strengths, implement collaborative problem-solving skills and become more effective leaders.
- **Women Surgeons Forum and Reception during the Annual Clinical Assembly** that provides a forum for discussion and networking.

Member Awards for Excellence and Service

- **Scientific Research Awards** for exceptional presentations of scientific exhibits and posters at the Annual Clinical Assembly.
- **Humanitarian Awards** recognizing members' voluntary service to their local, state, nation and/or the international community.
- **Guy D. Beaumont Awards** recognizing academic excellence in improving the quality of osteopathic surgical education.
- **Distinguished Osteopathic Surgeon Awards** recognizing members for outstanding accomplishments as a surgeon, educator, and/or researcher.
- **Orel F. Martin Medals** awarded to members who have made outstanding contributions to the College or to the osteopathic profession.

Resident Awards and Student Grants

- **Robert C. Erwin Literary Awards** for outstanding manuscripts written by residents.
- **Resident Achievement Awards** recognize residents with outstanding clinical abilities, professional relationships with patients, medical staff, and significant community involvement.
- **Grants** to the Student Osteopathic Surgical Association (SOSA) to fund student activities, programs, and scholarships.

How Can I Contribute?

General Contributions—Contributions to the ACOS Trust Fund may be made online through the ACOS website at www.facos.org/trustfund using your VISA, MasterCard, Discover, or American Express card. Contributions via check or money order may be mailed to ACOS at 1680 Duke Street Suite 500 Alexandria, VA 22314.

Sherman Trust Directive—Contributions to the Sherman Trust Directive support ACOS resident members specializing in urological surgery by providing textbook stipends to residents in their OGME I year and grants for missionary trips for discipline members.

Tribute Gifts—Honor the life of someone who has made a difference in yours by making a Tribute Gift to the ACOS Trust Fund. Tributes may be made in memory of a loved one or in honor of an individual who has made an important impact on your life. Honoring a favorite teacher or program director who inspired you, or a parent who encouraged you to fulfill your dream of becoming a surgeon, is a lasting acknowledgment of their influence in your life that in turn is improving the lives of your patients.

Legacy—Adding a bequest provision in your will or trust to the ACOS Trust Fund will give the gift of learning and support of scientific research for generations to come. Make arrangements through your attorney and/or financial planner today to invest in the future of the profession.

Stock—Contributing stocks to the ACOS Trust Fund is an exceptional way to give while reducing your tax liability. Simply instruct your financial advisor or broker to transfer shares and contact the Director of Finance and Administration at ACOS Headquarters to finalize the transaction.

For more information or to inquire about additional contributions, please contact the ACOS Director of Finance and Administration at (800) 888-1312.

Recognizing Contributors

We believe contributors should be recognized for their commitment to the profession. All contributors will receive an acknowledgment card and a ribbon to wear at the Annual Clinical Assembly. Those contributing \$500 or more per year will be invited to attend the exclusive Past Presidents' Reception at the Annual Clinical Assembly and receive a gold pin.

Cumulative contributions also earn recognition. At giving levels over \$2,500 contributors are recognized with acknowledgments in the ACOS Newsletter and with exquisite lapel pins at the following giving levels:

\$20,000 – Gold pin with three diamonds
\$15,000 – Gold pin with two diamonds
\$10,000 – Gold pin with one diamond
\$5,000 – Gold pin with one ruby
\$2,500 – Gold pin with one sapphire



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Making a Contribution

Please consider investing in the future of your profession by making a tax-deductible contribution to the ACOS Trust Fund today. Simply complete this form and return it to ACOS Headquarters at

1680 Duke Street Suite 500 Alexandria, VA 22314.

You may also contribute on-line at www.facos.org/trust

My Contribution:

General Contribution in the amount of

☐ \$500 ☐ \$250 ☐ \$100 ☐ Other

To the Sherman Trust Directive in the amount of

☐ \$500 ☐ \$250 ☐ \$100 ☐ Other

Tribute Contribution in the amount of

☐ \$500 ☐ \$250 ☐ \$100 ☐ Other

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• In Honor of: _____

• Send Notice to: _____

For legacy and stock contributions, please contact the ACOS Director of Finance and Administration at (800) 888-1312.

Payment Method:

☐ Check Enclosed (*payable to: ACOS Trust Fund*)

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An acknowledgement of your contribution will be mailed to you. Contributions to the ACOS Trust Fund may be deductible as charitable contributions for federal tax purposes, to the extent allowed by law.