

**ASRT Foundation**  
**2025 Chair's Report to the ASRT House of Delegates**  
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It is my pleasure to provide this report to the ASRT House of Delegates in my capacity as chair of the ASRT Foundation Board of Trustees.

2024 marked the Foundation's 40th anniversary and thanks to the generosity of our resolute donors and corporate supporters, the Foundation gave a record high of 253 scholarships and grants totaling \$537,422 in fiscal year 2024. Here are the highlights.

**Advancing Education and Research**

Because of the unwavering support of loyal donors, we continue to fulfill our mission to provide scholarships to medical imaging and radiation therapy professionals who want to advance their education through an additional degree or credential. We also provide entry-level scholarships to ASRT members who will be joining our profession. During the 2024-2025 academic year, 101 scholarships totaling \$428,875 were awarded.

Our tiered research grant opportunities available to ASRT members make research accessible to all experience levels. We continue efforts to inspire new researchers to take advantage of our Emerging Researcher Grant, which gives them the opportunity to collaborate with a mentor from our Research Mentor Advisory Group and receive other complimentary resources. Two research grants were funded this year. In addition, one International Collaborative Research Grant was awarded for a pair of U.S.- and Canada-based researchers.

**Strengthening Affiliate Connections and Membership**

In partnership with the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists, we again offered the ARRT Professional Education and Growth Grant. The goal is to award at least one recipient per active affiliate up to \$500 to help reimburse the cost of continuing education, educational conferences or products, and ARRT primary or secondary exam fees. In addition to the \$500 reimbursement, the grant covers the recipient's new or renewed affiliate membership and first-time ASRT membership, both of which are required to be eligible for this opportunity.

The Foundation also provides grants to the two affiliates who raise the most money in their region and the two who raise the most money per capita in their region through our Annual Drawing affiliate contest. The grant can be used to help the affiliate accomplish a strategic initiative.

The Foundation provided 66 students with ASRT membership through its Sponsor A Student program to emphasize the importance of being involved with the profession right from the beginning.

### **Expanding Global Outreach**

ASRT members will again share their expertise and knowledge at home and abroad. Two members are selected annually to receive the International Speakers Exchange Award and represent ASRT at the meetings of our sister societies in the United Kingdom and Canada. The Foundation recently established a partnership with the Australian Society of Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy for a speaker exchange at each society's 2026 conference.

The Foundation remains committed to its longtime partnership with RAD-AID International's global community outreach projects. Twenty medical imaging and radiation therapy professionals received RAD-AID/ASRT Foundation Outreach Fellowship grants to support global projects during the year.

The Weber State University Student Global Engagement Scholarship provided a student with funding to participate in a study abroad program related to medical imaging or radiation therapy.

### **Find the Right Opportunity**

The Foundation offers a variety of other programs to help medical imaging and radiation therapy students and professionals achieve their goals. Please visit, [foundation.asrt.org](https://foundation.asrt.org) to learn more about the programs available throughout the year.

### **Looking to the Future**

The Foundation is committed to building a stronger profession by offering programs that are meaningful to our membership. We accomplish this goal by looking for new corporate partnerships that will enhance our offerings and by cultivating stronger relationships with our faithful members, donors and potential donors. We graciously thank everyone who makes this work possible.