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The Dental Assisting Class of 2020 at Tunxis Community College in Farmington, Connecticut raised money for nonprofit organizations that help children who have limited access to dental care. Through a campus "Halloween Bake Sale," they raised \$520 which they divided between the ADA Foundation's Tiny Smiles: A Give Kids A Smile Program and the America's Toothfairy program of the National Children's Oral Health Foundation.



**A 20/20 Dental Assistant
Looking Toward the Future**



From Middlesex Community College in Lowell, Massachusetts: "Our students recognized the dental assistants in their externship sites by providing each dental assistant mentor with a letter of recognition and thanks. MCC DA student posters were hung around campus to showcase the professionalism, depth of knowledge, and contributions that dental assistants make to the dental profession and the oral health of the public. The MCC DA students held a drive to collect toothbrushes, toothpaste and floss, and made a donation to help the underserved in our community. Then our students celebrated DARW with a pizza party and cake!"



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Dental Assisting students from Camden County College in Blackwood, New Jersey celebrated DARW by presenting each of their affiliate offices DAs with beautiful daisies showing their gratitude for all of their hard work and especially thanking them for helping to carve their path to be strong assistants when they graduate and go out into the real world. "This 2020 vision is looking into the future, BLOOMING, thanks to you." Program leadership says, "We could not be any more grateful to these sites for their commitment to our program." The week ended with the instructors recognizing the students for their dedication this year with a pizza party.



From Central Oregon Community College: "In the spirit of this year's Dental Assisting Recognition Week our students and staff were presented with a celebratory cake and shiny tooth keychains. Our celebration took place at our 7:30 am morning huddle before seeing patients for our low-income dental clinic. In our dental assisting program, it is never too early to eat cake or to demonstrate our appreciation for our awesome dental assisting students and staff at Central Oregon Community College."