



Spring 2020



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

What a year this has been so far. With the unprecedented spread of COVID-19 we have had to adjust to physical distancing and the use of virtual spaces including AIHce EXP. Although we will miss seeing you in Atlanta proudly wearing your conference pins on your badges and lanyards and cheering our runners and walkers on as they pass the finish line, we are meeting each new challenge with innovative solutions on ways you can support the Foundation.

The Fun Run has gone virtual, which will now also be open to family members. Run, walk or bike on a physically distanced course of your choice and then post your results on the [AIHF Facebook page](#) (watch our new promotional [video](#) for more). You can also support the Foundation by purchasing a conference pin or making an online donation.

I'm happy to announce that the Foundation will be awarding a little over \$87,000 worth of scholarships to IH/OHS students, including several new scholarships like the Frederick W. Boelter Risk Science Scholarship, Gary S. Kephart Memorial Scholarship, Sampling and Laboratory Analysis Committee Scholarship and the President's Leadership Award. I'd like to offer my congratulations to the scholarship recipients who are our up and coming stars of the profession!

Now more than ever, we need IH/OEHS students in the pipeline to continue the important work that we do and it's your donations that help deserving students through that process.

Sincerely,
Kathleen S. Murphy, CIH
AIHA President



SCHOLARSHIPS

2020 Scholarship Recipients

Congratulations to our 2020 AIHF Scholarship Recipients. AIHF recently awarded a total of \$87,274 worth of scholarships to 55 IH/OHS students.

"I'd like to add my sincere congratulations to all the scholarship recipients. You are the future of the profession and undoubtedly, you'll play a critical role in elevating the awareness of our profession – to audiences that range from secondary school students to the business C-suite. Now, in these times of the COVID-19 pandemic, your knowledge, grit, and determination are needed more than ever!"

- Larry Sloan, CAE, AIHA CEO



This year, AIHF will begin awarding the [President's Leadership Award](#). The award consists of a major scholarship and a professional development opportunity to attend an international conference on occupational health and safety.

The prestigious President's Leadership Award is made possible thanks to a generous endowment by John Henshaw, MPH, CIH, FAIHA, who served as president of AIHA from 1990 to 1991. "This is a way for me to give back to the profession by helping others as others have helped me in my career as an industrial hygienist. I see the establishment of this award as the 'gift that keeps on giving' to the working women and men around the world in ensuring their health and safety," said Henshaw.

To qualify, the awardee must demonstrate scientific, literary, and research acumen in industrial hygiene, environmental, and occupational health disciplines. He or she must be a graduate student with a focus in IH/OH or exposure science. The student must also demonstrate a strong propensity toward leadership, volunteerism, and problem-solving. Most notably, the student must show a genuine passion for using his or her knowledge, experience, and talents to make a tangible and positive impact on worker health and safety.

AIHF encourages everyone who supports the advancement of the IH/OH profession to join in and make a [tax-deductible contribution](#) to this award.



NEWS

The 34th Annual AIHF Fun Run Goes Virtual

Have you heard the news? AIHF's beloved Fun Run is going virtual! Join us June 1 – 15 for the inaugural AIHF Virtual Fun Run. Learn more and register [here!](#)

Anyone can participate, your neighbors, friends and family, just simply share the link to the [Virtual Fun Run page](#) and our new Fun Run [video](#) to get them excited to join! Share your results and photos on the [AIHF Facebook page!](#)

Thank You AIHF Virtual Fun Run Sponsors

A special thank you to our generous donors!

- **Premier sponsor:** Amazon
- **Silver sponsors:** Alliant, REPSS, Inc., SevenGen
- **Bronze sponsors:** ALS Global, Half Draft Acres, Workplace Health Without Borders

Be a Part of the AIHF Volunteer Community – Open Call Process

Additional members are needed to serve on our two AIHF committees. If you're interested in serving on one of these committees, please contact [Thursa Pecoraro](#). We will be accepting nominations until June 12.

- **Scholarship Advisory Committee**
The purpose of the committee is to select scholarship recipients who fit the program's criteria and eligibility.
- **Donor Relations and Fundraising Committee**
The purpose of the committee is to strengthen donor relationships, cultivate and identify new sources for contributions, and increase donations to the Foundation.

Leave a Legacy with Your Estate Planning

Are you in the process of creating or updating your estate planning? Consider making a bequest in your will or trust to the Foundation as part of your lasting legacy to the IH profession and its future. For more information regarding estate planning, please contact [Thursa Pecoraro](#).

Does Your Company Match?

Did you know that many companies offer a matching gift program to encourage philanthropy among their employees? And that some companies will match donations made by spouses or retirees? Find out if your company will double or even triple your donation to the American Industrial Hygiene Foundation. Contact [Thursa Pecoraro](#) for details.