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Developing all generations of nurse leaders has never felt more important than it does today. As we continue to combat a global pandemic, we not only look to our current nurse leaders but also to those emerging nurse leaders being shaped by this crisis.

The work of the Sigma Foundation for Nursing—to assist Sigma in developing nurse leaders anywhere to improve healthcare everywhere—embraces our commitment to all generations of nurses. And we know it is only because of dedicated donors like you that we are well positioned to continue helping nurses when they need it most.

Thank you for your unwavering support this past year.

Warmly,



Linda A. Streit
Board Chair and proud Foundation donor



The Dorothy Brooten Permanent Fund Established

Dr. Brooten established the Dorothy Brooten Permanent Fund to award a small nursing research grant because she knows small grants are essential in developing science and nurse scientists. In her words, “These grants provide direction for further research, provide investigators with confidence that others believe in their research, and provide opportunities to pilot methods, problem-solve hurdles, develop teams, work with institutional review boards, and publish and present study results.”

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Supporting Nurse Researchers and Developing Leaders

Champion Nyoni—a recent inductee and 2020 [Emerging Nurse Researcher Award recipient](#)—is continuing his research and leadership journey with support from you and other Sigma Foundation for Nursing donors. In 2017, he received a research grant to overcome education challenges midwives in Lesotho were facing as they worked to decrease maternal and child mortality rates. Champion’s attendance at Sigma’s first virtual meeting—the 31st International Nursing Research Congress—was also supported by the Foundation. These grants help developing nurse leaders who are needed now and in the future.

[Read Champion's story »](#)



Sigma's Small Grants Help Combine Clinical Experience and Research Training

Our [Small Research Grant program](#) often serves as a starting point for a larger body of study and can help bridge the gap between clinical and academia. In the last fiscal year, Mia Cajita was selected to receive funding to implement her study to find self-care intervention for heart failure patients. “While this study is a product of my nursing experience, it is also the beginning of the next leg of my nursing journey.”

The next round of Sigma Small Research Grant recipients will be announced by May 2021.

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