

## Your Donations In Action

### For the Love of Hearts

This February, in celebration of American Heart Month, the Foundation hosted a **'For the Love of Hearts'** fundraiser. We encouraged people to donate for their love of hearts between **February 8 - 15**. Each day that week, we posted a [video from an ASE member](#) sharing what the Foundation means to them and why they give. This fundraiser raised **\$3,984** in contributions from **70 donors!** This nearly \$4,000 could help fund opportunities in 2027 such as:



- 4 Top Investigator Travel Grants
- 10 ASE 2026 Registrations for Sonographer Students
- 4 Council Travel Grants

Thank you for supporting the Foundation and kicking off our 2026 Annual Appeal! The scope and success of all Foundation projects are completely dependent upon donor giving. The easiest way to support the Foundation is to donate [online](#), but we accept donations in a number of ways. See all the ways you can contribute [here](#).

## Announcements

### ASEF Council Travel Grants – Final Days to Apply *Application Closes: March 15*

The ASE Foundation funds [Council Travel Grants](#) for trainees to support their attendance at the annual [ASE Scientific Sessions](#). These grants are part of an ongoing effort by the Foundation and the Council Steering Committees to support trainees in cardiovascular specialties, provide echo specific educational opportunities, and to encourage participation of these enthusiastic new members in the Councils. Recipients will receive a **\$1,000 USD travel stipend** to help cover expenses for attending the ASE 2026 Scientific Sessions. Application details are available [here](#).



### 17th Annual Research Awards Gala – Register Today! *Saturday, June 27, 2026, 6:30 – 11:00 PM*

The ASE Foundation will host its premier fundraising event, the annual Research Awards Gala, on Saturday, June 27, during the ASE 2026 Scientific Sessions. [Tickets are on sale now!](#) Join us for an evening to honor [ASE's 2026 Award Recipients](#) and celebrate cardiovascular ultrasound research. There will be a cocktail reception, followed by dinner,

award recognitions, after-event dancing, and a night cap! A portion of each table or ticket purchase is considered a charitable donation to the ASE Foundation's 2026 Annual Appeal. More details are available [here](#).



## Research Funding Available

### 2026 Early-Career Development Grants for Echo Scientists (EDGES)

*Application Opens: April 2*

The [Early-Career Development Grant for Echo Scientists \(EDGES\)](#) program awards **three grants** worth up to **\$25,000 USD** to fund projects that address a clinical gap in cardiovascular ultrasound imaging through research led by an early-career scientist. The 2026 application cycle will open **April 2, 2026**. No specific research themes will be prioritized, and clinical gaps may include, but are not limited to new imaging technologies, novel approaches or populations for diagnostic imaging, ultrasound therapy, workflow automation, or patient/practitioner safety. Physicians, PhDs, veterinarians, sonographers, and other healthcare professionals who are within seven years of having completed training are eligible to **apply through July 1, 2026, 5:00 PM ET**. Learn more [here](#).



It's not too early to start thinking about your 2026 charitable contributions. Learn about the numerous ways you can give to the ASE Foundation [here](#).

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