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## **Why I give to OOPAC & AOAPAC**

Whether you like it or not and whether you participate or not; optometry is a legislated profession. Our ability to see and treat patients is based on what Oregon law allows us to do. This is the basis for why I support both OOPAC and AOAPAC.

Oregon optometrists have spent countless hours and more importantly substantial dollars to work with key legislators to achieve the practice law we all use daily. This means we need an Executive Director who is involved in Salem and as importantly a lobbyist who knows the day to day operations in Salem and who the important players are in any given year. It also means it is important to know who our legislators are and if they can support our profession or if they have the mindset to work against us. Now that the legislature has moved to yearly sessions the role of OOPAC is even more important. As we have worked to expand our scope and have the ability to treat our patients there is a constant force that wants to limit and even reduce what we can do.

Optometry has provided me a profession I enjoy, a recognition from my community and friends that match my goals and a lifestyle which exceeds my lifelong expectations. When I have all these things, it is imperative to give back to my profession (OOPAC) and my community (favorite charities).

Be part of this great profession and support it to the fullest including OOPAC!