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THE LIVES WE CHANGE WILL CHANGE THE WORLD

The University of Montana Foundation is an independent, nonprofit that serves UM by managing private fundraising efforts, donations and investment of endowed gifts. Governed by a Board of Trustees, the UM Foundation operates under an agreement with UM that is reviewed and approved by the Montana University System Board of Regents.
Private support for the University of Montana is critically important every single year. Your gifts unlock opportunities for innovation, growth and excellence for our students, our faculty and our communities — now and into a future well beyond our lifetimes. The power of that generosity cannot be underestimated.

In Fiscal Year 2021, however, your giving took on another, especially important role. Your continued support during the COVID-19 pandemic showed us just how strong our giving community is. During this time of constant change, you showed us just how dedicated you are to supporting UM in meeting its mission of helping put students on the course for career and life success. You gave us hope and optimism. Thank you. Thank you for your continued charitable contributions. For inspiring us to continue our work. And for your collective commitment to the University of Montana.

Despite the pandemic, we entered the year with energy and momentum generated by the great success of Campaign Montana, and with your support we carried it through the year. Thanks to your steadfast dedication to UM, the UM Foundation raised $8.9 million to support privately funded scholarships as part of the $44.3 raised for students, faculty, program and facilities. We invite you to continue reading to learn about the many other ways in which your giving to the UM Foundation in support of the University has changed lives.

Again, we are deeply grateful for your ongoing support of students and the critical work that takes place at UM.

We wish you and your family good health and happiness always.

Cindy Williams  
President and CEO  
University of Montana Foundation

Rich Roth  
Chair, Board of Trustees  
University of Montana Foundation
The UM Foundation provided $16.5 million in support to UM. Support includes student scholarships, faculty salaries, equipment purchases, as well as other expenditures that intend to further the mission of the University.
The COVID-19 pandemic has upended all our lives, but the UM family remains focused on the University’s promise. During FY21 alumni, friends and the campus community stepped up with commitment and purpose to help students adapt and pursue their academic goals.

More than 500 donors gave to the Emergency Student Support Fund for students experiencing financial hardship during the pandemic.

1,392 new UM donors gave their first-ever gifts to the UM Foundation in support of the University.
SUPPORTING THE FUTURE

$270.3 million
Endowment balance at fiscal year end

43
New endowed funds were created by donors

NOT JUST A NAME
Endowed professorships send strong message of support

Prestigious named and endowed positions help UM recruit and retain top faculty and staff. Financial resources associated with named and endowed positions can supplement state salaries, provide access to research and professional development opportunities, and help faculty engage students in research and other experiential learning opportunities.

Among the endowed professorships making a difference on campus is the Suzanne and Dave Peterson Distinguished Professor of Gifted Education, held by Dr. Jeb Puryear, pictured here.
Thank you for supporting the University of Montana. Your generosity transforms lives.

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