



# Central Wyoming College - Foundation



Together We Make Our Way Campaign Dashboard  
(July 1, 2018 – December 31, 2025 unless otherwise noted)

# Student Spotlight

## Keira Lincoln



Keira Lincoln, Eastern Shoshone, Northern Arapaho and Navajo, is a current student athlete at Central Wyoming College (CWC). Keira is majoring in nursing and plays on the women's basketball team. She is proud to be from the Wind River Reservation and is proud to be attending college. She explained, "The Wind River Reservation is one of the most overlooked communities, people hear about the crimes that are committed. There is a lot going on in the community that people don't know. It's a big deal to believe in the possibility of attending college and experience it."

The Reservation is home but I don't want to live here forever. I want to succeed in basketball and my academics. I want to visit lots of places, including New York City. I am friends with other college students who have lived in many different places and had amazing experiences. I am looking forward to being able to experience different places, atmospheres and ways of living.

Keira chose CWC for the great opportunities available here, especially in the nursing program and the basketball program. It is hard to be a student-athlete but everyone has been supportive and caring. In other schools students, particularly student athletes, may be expected to just do what they are supposed to do. At CWC people actually ask how you are, that can mean a lot. It is a blessing and is very uplifting when I can go to practice, do the best I can and see the team's and my achievements.

When asked why she chose to study nursing,

Keira shared, "I want to go into nursing because I am big on helping people. Helping others completes me. I have had health experiences and everyone I worked with during those times had one thing in common, they were caring people. As I learn about my own health, I also learn about ways I can help others. My goal is to earn my nursing degree, work as a nurse and get experience in the medical field. I want to continue my studies to become a dermatologist. I want to travel around the world to help others. I want to help provide the type of medical care we have in the United States that is not available, now, in other countries. I am looking forward to experiencing different cultures and environments."

Keira shared about her connection with the sport of basketball. "Lots of people in my community play basketball, it's always there, when other things are not available."

She explained, "My Grandpa inspires me to play basketball, he was the best basketball player. He inspires me to do my best, not by what he did with basketball, but what he didn't do." Keira went on to explain that many community members turn to alcohol and substance use, for many reasons. "Alcohol and substance use is prevalent on the Reservation, among all age groups. I did not want to go down that path when I was young – basketball kept me away from it. Basketball kept me focused on my goals, helped me be disciplined, taught me how to live right."

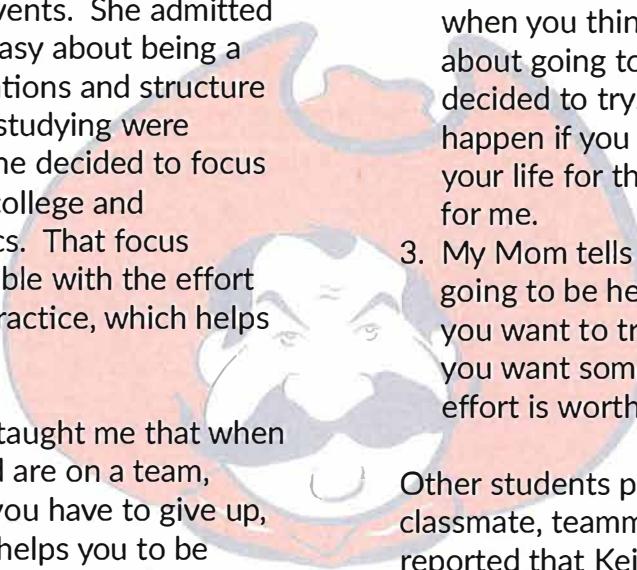
She continued, "In this way, basketball has been a blessing to my family. Sports in general taught us to have goals and expectations. We all were pretty competitive. Especially me I wanted to be able to take it as far as I can but along the way it has taught me to stay consistent and focused."

Keira reports that she was nervous about attending college, her worries included not being able to hang out with old friends and missing out on activities or community events. She admitted that at first she did not feel easy about being a college student. The expectations and structure around classes, practice and studying were difficult to adjust to. Then, she decided to focus on why she chose to attend college and participate in student athletics. That focus helped her be more comfortable with the effort she puts into school and at practice, which helps her focus.

"Being a student athlete has taught me that when you are attending college and are on a team, while there are some things you have to give up, you have to sacrifice time, it helps you to be focused, more clear minded to accomplish your goals. When you start accomplishing goals, your confidence increases and you have the drive to accomplish even more. Basketball at CWC has done that for me. I don't want to quit, I want to keep going."

Keira shares this encouragement and advice with others.

1. College isn't as bad as you may think. I wasn't sure about that. I learned that you do need to take a different approach to school to be successful. You can do that. When you have the right mindset, you will put in the right effort to achieve your goals, whatever they are.
2. Take good risks, it's okay to try something new and different. Yes, it may be scary at first but risks help us grow. There are lots of people to help you work through the scary stuff. If you don't want to be stuck in the same place, it helps to grow.



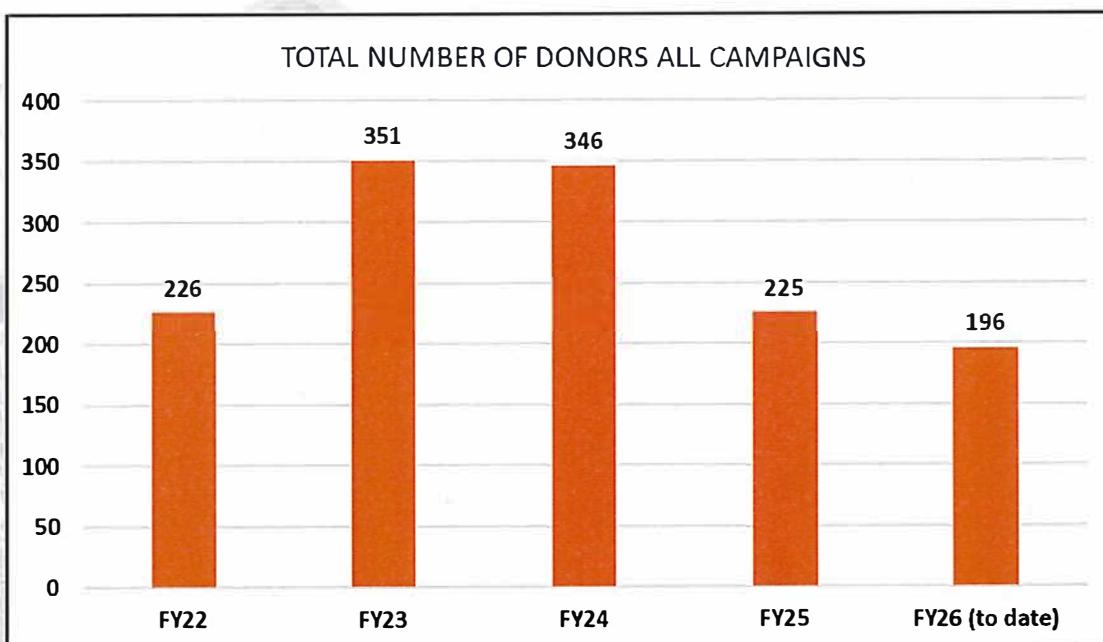
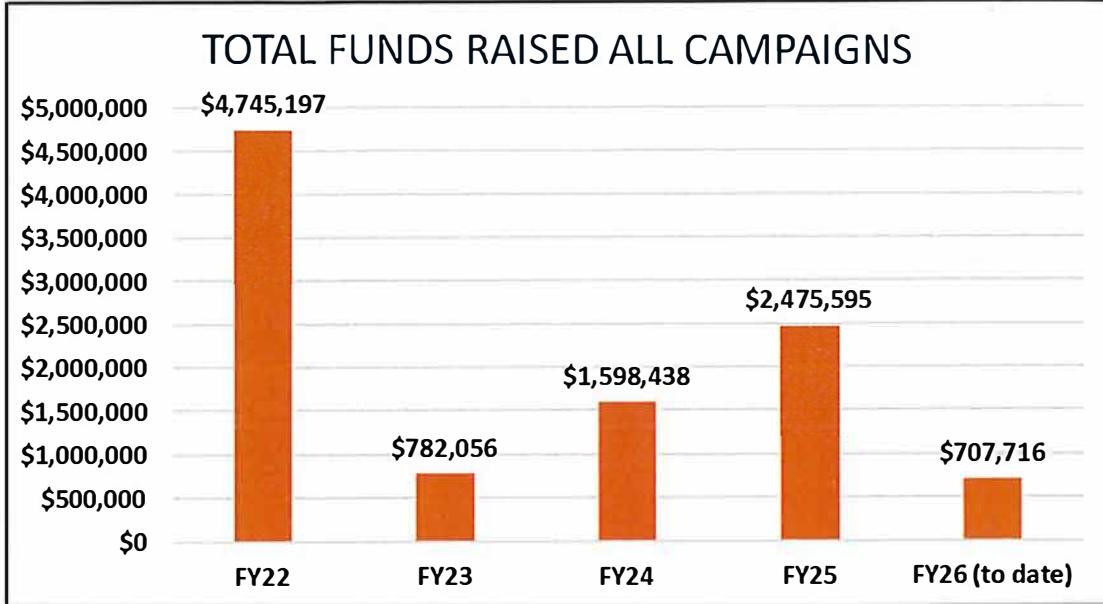
I didn't think I would adapt to college but I did. There are good people, professors, coaches, who will help you.

1. Be open-minded, try new things. People may have higher expectations of you, as a student, especially a student-athlete, don't let anyone or anything stop you from going for what you want.
2. Take the risk of getting your education, even when you think you can't do it. I wasn't sure about going to college. I am glad that I decided to try. You never know what will happen if you don't try and it can change your life for the better, just like it's working for me.
3. My Mom tells me, "The Reservation is always going to be here. It's up to you to go for it, if you want to try something different." When you want something bad enough, 100% effort is worth it.

Other students provided insights into Keira, as a classmate, teammate and roommate. They reported that Keira is inspiring to others, every day, just by the way she shows up – every day. She is "inspiring, super kind, and is ambitious. She gives everything at practice – runs fast, plays hard and is always reaching, working for more. Keira helps others see that they can do better, encourages them to do the best they can, she is there for others, helps them to see what they can be and what they can do.

We are proud to have Keira as a CWC student-athlete and looking forward to continuing to work with her on this leg of her journey.

# FINANCIALS



# Campaign Goals

Rustler AG & Equine Program & Building Enhancements:  
Goal: \$2,500,000  
Total Raised: \$1,223,511

Jackson Program & Building Enhancements:  
Goal: \$2,500,000  
Total Raised: \$1,189,298

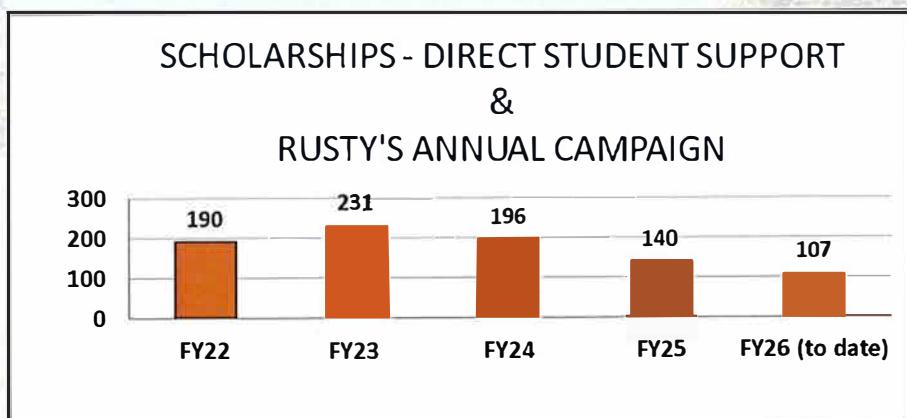
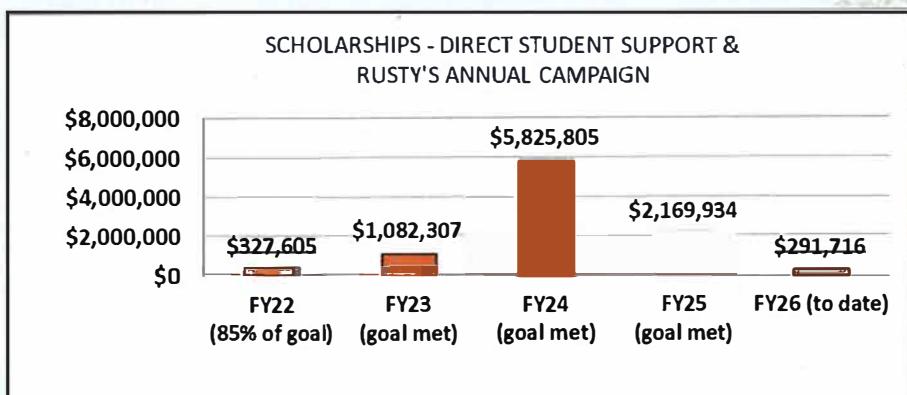
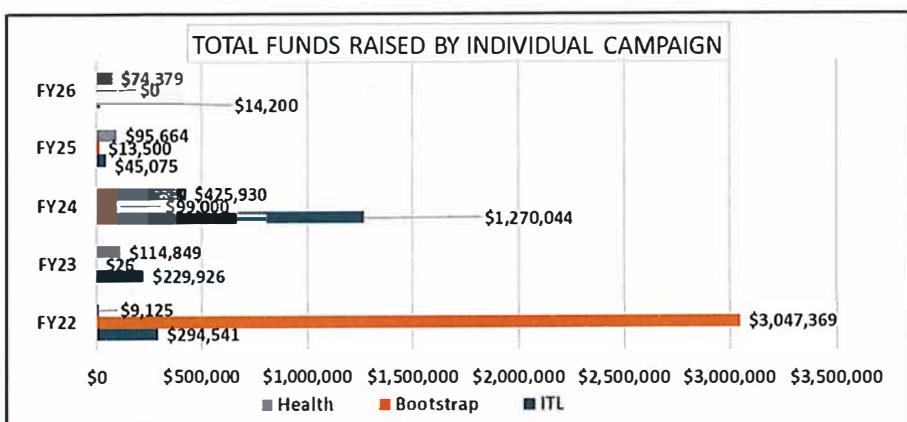
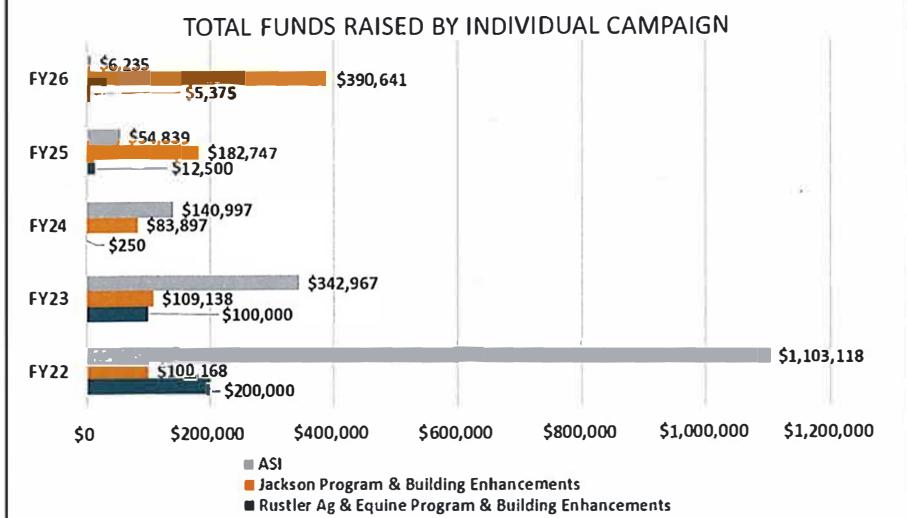
Alpine Science Institute:  
Goal: \$3,000,000  
Total Raised: \$931,926

Institute of Tribal Learning:  
Goal: \$5,000,000  
Total Raised: \$2,730,098

Bootstrap Collaborative:  
Goal: \$2,500,000  
Total Raised: \$113,526

Health:  
Goal: \$3,000,000  
Total Raised: \$1,727,987

Scholarships—Direct Student Support & Rusty's Campaign:  
Annual Goal: \$500,000



# GRANTS

## CWCF Grants - FY25

FY 24/25 Totals by Campaign (some proposals still pending) Applied for from 07/01/2024 - 06/30/2025	Granting Agency	Proposal Title	Date Sub'd	Campaign	Amount Requested	Indirect Funds Requested	Total Amount Funded	Indirects Funded
	Department of Family Services	Central Wyoming Food Systems Support	8/3/24	ASI	\$310,720.00	\$77,680.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
RUSTLER Grants = \$172,578 proposed / \$10,000 awarded	Department of Education FIP SE	Basic Needs for Post Secondary Students Program	8/5/24	Other	\$90,000.00	\$21,500.00	\$90,000.00	\$21,500.00
RUSTLER IDC = \$75,000 proposed / \$0 awarded	NASDAQ	Financial Literacy Empowerment Grant	8/7/24	Bootstrap	\$200,000.00	Not Allowed	\$0.00	\$0.00
Jackson Grants = \$461,260 proposed / \$10,000 awarded	Walmart Spark Good Micro Grant	Spark Good Community Grant	8/10/24	Other	\$5,000.00	Not Allowed	\$0.00	\$0.00
Jackson IDC = \$64,989 proposed / \$0 awarded	Citi Bar Foundation	ASI Trails Support Grant	8/15/24	ASI	\$5,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	National Arts Endowment	International Photography Award	8/15/24	Other	\$10,000.00	\$1,400.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	USDA SARE Grant	CWCF Meats Certificate Training Funding	9/1/24	RUSTLER	\$10,000.00	Not Allowed	\$10,000.00	\$0.00
ASI Grants = \$1,845,341 proposed / \$650,000.00 awarded	USDA NIFA Grant	Ranching Renaissance CTE Program	11/15/24	RUSTLER	\$162,578.00	\$75,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
ASI IDC = \$508,801 proposed / \$162,500.00 awarded	Natl Science Foundation ATE Grant	Higher Ed Tech Education (GIST)	12/15/24	ASI	\$650,000.00	\$162,500.00	\$650,000.00	\$162,500.00
	Dollar General Adult Literacy Grant	Library Writing Center	2/6/25	Other	\$10,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TL Grants = \$5,000 proposed / \$5,000 awarded	HRSA Nursing Grant	Scholarships for Nursing Students	2/19/25	Scholar	\$367,000.00	\$55,050.00	Pending	Pending
TL IDC = \$0 proposed / \$0 awarded	Community Foundation Jackson Hole	Native Voices	3/5/25	Jackson	\$28,000.00	Not Allowed	\$10,000.00	\$0.00
	USDA RD Distance Learning	Jackson Internet Connectivity	3/6/25	Jackson	\$433,250.00	\$64,989.00	Withdrawn	Withdrawn
Bootstrap Grants = \$200,000 proposed / \$0 awarded	Nat'l Endowment for the Arts	Visual Arts Support for K12n	3/11/25	Other	\$48,000.00	Not Allowed	Funding Cr'd	Funding Cr'd
Bootstrap DC = \$0 proposed / \$0 awarded	Walmart Spark Good Micro Grant	Athletics Booster Club	3/24/25	Other	\$2,000.00	Not Allowed	\$1,500.00	\$0.00
	Wyoming Arts Council - Music (CWCF)	Hot Notes Coal Nites	3/31/25	Other	\$8,000.00	Not Allowed	\$4,386.00	\$0.00
Scholarships Direct - Student Support Grants = \$805,000 proposed / \$0 awarded	Rocky Mtn. Power Blue Sky Energy	SolarPanels	3/31/25	Other	\$335,047.00	Not Allowed	Withdrawn	Withdrawn
Scholarships Direct - Student Support Grants IDC = \$90,000 proposed / \$0 awarded	Wyoming Arts Council - Theater (CWCF)	Theater Program Support	3/31/25	Other	\$15,000.00	Not Allowed	\$7,956.00	\$0.00
	Laura J. Musser Grant	Cottonwoods on ASI Trails	3/31/25	ASI	\$50,000.00	Not Allowed	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ginger Grants = \$575,397 proposed / \$128,092 awarded	EPA Thriving Communities Grant	Man and Student Scholarships for Farm	3/31/25	ASI	\$280,000.00	\$70,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ginger IDC = \$187,400 proposed / \$72,500 awarded	HRSA Behavioral Health Grant	Scholarships for Social Work Students	4/1/25	Scholar	\$438,000.00	\$35,040.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Dpt. Homeland Security	SLCP Grant Cybersecurity Funding	4/5/25	Other	\$24,250.00	Not Allowed	\$24,250.00	\$0.00
	Kubota	ASI Farm Tractor Funding	4/14/25	ASI	\$50,000.00	Not Allowed	Pending	Pending
	Enbridge Solutions	Tribal Leadership Program	5/18/25	TL	\$5,000.00	Not Allowed	\$5,000.00	\$0.00
	USDA Local Food Promotion Program	Nourishing Communities, Food Systems	5/27/25	ASI	\$499,621.00	\$197,621.00	Pending	Pending
	Levitt Foundation AMP Music Series	Hot Notes Coal Nites	5/30/25	Other	\$28,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
					\$4,649,476.00	\$868,780.00	\$803,092.00	\$185,000.00
							\$549,621.00 still pending decision	\$197,621.00 still pending decision

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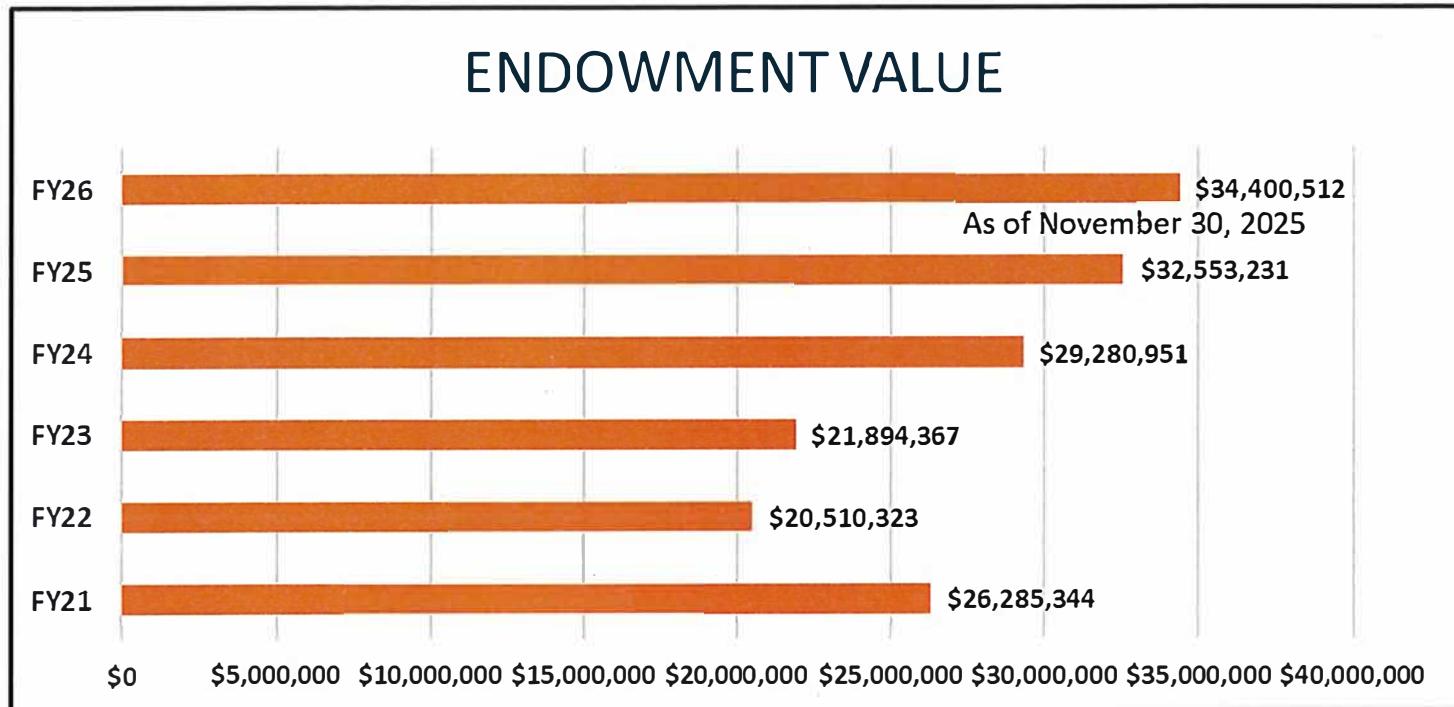
## CWCF Grants - FY26

FY 25/26 Totals by Campaign (some proposals still pending) Applied for from 07/01/2025 - 06/30/2026	Granting Agency	Proposal Title	Date Sub'd	Campaign	Amount Requested	Indirect Funds Requested	Total Amount Funded	Indirects Funded
	Dept. of Education NASNTI	Pathways for Rural, Low-Income, and Indigenous Learners	8/8/25	ITL	\$2,125,000.00	Not Allowed	Funding Cx'd	Funding Cx'd
RUSTLER Grants = \$0 proposed / \$0 awarded	First Interstate Bank Community Support	Athletics Booster Club Funds	9/23/25	Other	\$500.00	Not Allowed	\$500.00	\$0.00
RUSTLER IDC = \$0 proposed / \$0 awarded	America 250/Wyoming250 Community Grant	Native Voices 2026	10/1/25	Jackson (NV)	\$25,000.00	Not Allowed	\$0.00	\$0.00
	Falley Decorative Arts Grant	Native Voices 2026	10/5/25	Jackson (NV)	\$15,000.00	Not Allowed	\$3,500.00	\$0.00
Jackson Grants = \$190,550.00 proposed / \$43,500.00 awarded	Wyoming Humanities Foundation	Native Voices 2026	10/7/25	Jackson (NV)	\$20,000.00	Not Allowed	\$20,000.00	\$0.00
Jackson IDC = \$0.00 proposed / \$0 awarded	Wyoming Cultural Trust Fund	Native Voices 2026	10/7/25	Jackson (NV)	\$33,050.00	Not Allowed	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
	Indian Land Tenure Foundation	NASNTI Funding Supplantation	10/25/25	ITL	\$50,000.00	Not Allowed	Pending	Pending
ASI Grants = \$58,855 proposed / \$0 awarded	Santa Fe Natural Foundation	Native Voices 2026	10/28/25	Jackson (NV)	\$20,000.00	Not Allowed	Pending	Pending
ASI IDC = \$4,460 proposed / \$0 awarded	Wyeth Foundation for American Arts	Stewart Collection Education and Exhibits	11/14/25	ITL	\$20,000.00	Not Allowed	Pending	Pending
	USDA - Western SARE	Biochar Soil Production and Education	11/20/25	ASI	\$58,855.00	\$4,460.00	Pending	Pending
ITL Grants = \$2,195,000.00 proposed / \$0 awarded	Max and Victoria Dreyfus Foundation	CNC Theater Support	11/4/25	Other	\$11,000.00	Not Allowed	Pending	Pending
ITL IDC = \$0 proposed / \$0 awarded	VA Art Fund	Public Art for new Jackson Campus Building	11/7/25	Jackson	\$72,500.00	Not Allowed	Pending	Pending
	Wyoming Community Gas Grant	Native Voices 2026	12/18/26	Jackson	\$5,000.00	Not Allowed	Pending	Pending
Bootstrap Grants = \$0 proposed / \$0 awarded	EPSC Special Project Grant* sub under LCCC	Wyoming Built: CDL and HEO Training	12/5/26	Other	\$1,999,990.00	\$101,870.00	Pending	Pending
Bootstrap IDC = \$0 proposed / \$0 / \$0 awarded								
Direct Student Support Grants = \$0 proposed / \$0 awarded								
Direct Student Support Grants IDC = \$0 proposed / \$0 awarded								
Other Grants = \$2,011,490.00 proposed / \$500.00 awarded								
Other IDC = \$101,870.00 proposed / \$0 awarded								
					\$4,455,895.00	\$106,330.00	\$44,000.00	\$20,000.00
							\$2,237,345.00 still pending decision	\$106,330.00 still pending decision

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# CWC FOUNDATION ENDOWMENT



The CWC Foundation endowment is invested in a "Growth/Income" allocation. Approximately 57% in stocks and 43% in bonds and cash. These stock and bond allocations are broadly diversified across different asset classes and managers. TIAA Kaspick serves as the investment manager for the endowment. The following compares their performance to our identified benchmarks as of November 30, 2025.

	CWCF Endowment	Multi-Asset Benchmark	Traditional Benchmark
One Year	9.4%	10.4%	10.0%
Three Year	9.8%	10.6%	11.8%
Five Year	5.6%	6.3%	7.3%
Ten Year	6.4%	6.8%	7.9%
Twenty Year	6.2%	6.3%	6.9%

# Darrell Winfield Scholarship Endowment

Darrell Hugh Winfield was born on July 30, 1929 in Little Kansas, OK. He went onto marry Lennie L. Spring on July 3, 1948 in Hanford, CA. Together they raised six children, 3 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild.

In 1968, Darrell and his family moved to Pinedale, WY. He was working on the Quarter Circle 5 Ranch in Pinedale when he was discovered by Leo Burnett/Philip Morris Advertising and became the "Marlboro Man". He remained loyal from 1968 to the time of his death. At one time, his face was known as the most photographed around the world. Darrell was asked what his life would have been like if he had not been the Marlboro Man, he said "life would have basically been the same".

Darrell was a "true" cowboy. In 1974 he moved to Riverton and started WD/Winfield Horses.

He followed the American Indian Spirituality. He was given the Native American name of "Strong Mountain". He attended sweats at several lodges, including his own, where everyone was welcome.

In his younger years he belonged to the Rodeo Cowboy Association (RCA), which later became the PRCA. He was also a member of the Screen Actors Guild.

He loved horses, rodeo, especially team roping, ranching, and the cowboy way of life. He collected bits and spurs, loved to read western non-fiction, history, and stories of the Native Americans. He loved to play Gin Rummy and Backgammon with his family and friends.

## USES AND PURPOSES

This Fund shall be used primarily to provide scholarship support for students actively involved in the CWC Equine Studies program. The fund may also provide an ongoing source of money to purchase equipment, supplies, expenses, and other items for the support of the Equine Studies program at CWC. The annual distribution will be split between scholarships for students and program costs and will be determined annually by the CWC Equine Studies Director and approved by the CWC Administration during the College budgeting process.

Students who meet the following criteria will be eligible to apply for this scholarship.

1. Majoring in Equine Studies at CWC
2. Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0
3. Full-time or part-time student enrollment status

Scholarship recipients shall be selected by the Equine Studies Scholarship Committee in coordination with the Central Wyoming College Office of Student Financial Aid. The annual scholarship award(s) will be disbursed one-half for Fall semester and one-half for Spring semester to one or more students enrolled at Central Wyoming College. The number of scholarships and the amount of the award is variable and will be determined annually.

