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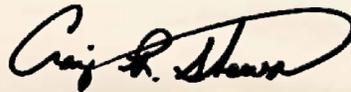
Year after year I write this introduction. Each time I feel more grateful for the generosity of Wyomingites just like you. You amaze me.

So much good was accomplished across Wyoming and in your community in 2017. Each success was made possible because you supported the work we do. **We hope this annual report, full of feel-good stories, lets you see the impact you made.**

Because of you, the Wyoming Community Foundation is building a better Wyoming. We're travelling the state with a mission of helping nonprofits and connecting donors to the causes they care most about. Nonprofits feel the impact of your generosity. Wyoming feels it too.

Thank you so much for all you do for us, and for Wyoming!

My sincerest gratitude,



Craig Showalter, *President*
Wyoming Community Foundation



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Home Away from Home

Derek's mom has wished for a long time that her son could have a normal life.

Derek's first treatment started in Denver. Treatments seemed to work, and they eventually headed back to Laramie, cancer-free.

Derek Augustin, a second grader at the time, relapsed twice more. Eventually, he and his family would be long-term visitors to the Children's Hospital in Aurora. There, Derek would receive stem cell transplants for his neuroblastoma.

The transplants required Derek be watched closely. His immune system was vulnerable, and he could easily become sick. Derek and his family stayed in Denver for five months as he got treatment.

His mom, Lisa, explained that because he was so vulnerable, the family could hardly go anywhere.

"At times, it was horrible," said Lisa. "We were so antsy and ready to get out."

One thing made it bearable though: Jason's Friends at Brent's Place.

Jason's Friends is a statewide nonprofit based in Casper. They support non-medical needs of families of kids with cancer.

Because of you, the Wyoming Community Foundation made a grant to Jason's Friends. The grant means families like the Augustins now have a special living space available to them at Brent's Place in Denver.

The space made a world of difference to the Augustins and now it will make a difference to so many other Wyoming families.

Bonds that Last a Lifetime

Brent's Place is comfortable and welcoming. It's also as close to sterile as living quarters can get. Each room has its own ventilation system. There are no carpets and the couches are leather. All surfaces can be easily cleaned. A must for kids like Derek.

It was also so much more for Derek and other families staying there. Shared recreational spaces let families get to know one another.

"Nobody stares at you because you're bald or have a feeding tube or wear a mask," says Lisa as she thinks back on her son's experience.

She shares that the families would come together to watch a movie, play games or talk. They quickly bonded. Derek became very close with a boy from Casper.

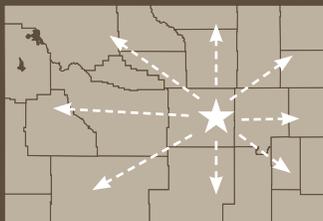
Lisa believes families at Brent's Place have stayed connected because of the shared experience. "You just know what others are going through. You both view life a bit differently."

Thanks to you, Jason's Friends has created a safe, welcoming place for Wyoming families dealing with the worst.

As for Derek's health? This is his longest remission. He's been cancer-free for a year and a half now. His mom hopes this means a return to a more normal life soon!



Derek enjoys some time outdoors, cancer-free!



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Derek's experience was made just a bit easier because of Brent's Place.

STATS & FACTS

Funded by WYCF's Grace Amspoker Fund

Number of apartment spaces for Wyoming kids at Jason's Friends at Brent's Place



In just seven months, 23 Wyoming families have utilized the space.



Walking distance to the hospital:

15 minutes



Trouble

on Whiskey Mountain

Even by Wyoming standards, Dubois is remote. Once you wind your way to the small town though, chances are you'll be rewarded. The Whiskey Mountain herd of Bighorn Sheep lives just a few miles away. They're nearly as accessible as the local coffee shop.

The sheep have always been a part of the community. But today, they're facing tough times. According to Sara Domek, Director of the National Bighorn Sheep Interpretive Center in Dubois, disease is threatening them.

Scientists are Baffled

"Lambs are not surviving the summer months," says Sara, "which is the time of year they should be their strongest."

A healthy herd usually has 30 lambs per 100 ewes. Last year there were only 11 per 100 ewes. If this trend continues, the situation will soon be dire.

"The community is concerned," says Sara. "We all feel a sense of ownership to protect the herd."

If you love wildlife, you likely feel the same way.

A Fund for Bighorn Sheep

"There are no easy answers," says Sara, "but people here are committed to finding them."

For the National Bighorn Sheep Interpretive Center, this means prioritizing education. Offering more opportunities for learning and research. Creating more 'place based' education in the wild.

Luckily, Sara and the group are getting a leg-up in reaching that goal. They created an Agency Endowed Fund with the Wyoming Community Foundation 15 years ago. They've now decided they're ready to start using the funds.

In 2017 the National Bighorn Sheep Interpretive Center accepted their first grant from the fund. Grants they'll be able to count on each year.

Because of your support, the Wyoming Community Foundation helps nonprofits like this one create funds that give back. Forever.



"There are no easy answers, but people here are committed to finding them."





A sheep from the Whiskey Mountain herd leaps above the water.

Photo: Bill Sancavage

STATS & FACTS

Current herd population

750 → **1,300**

Herd population objective

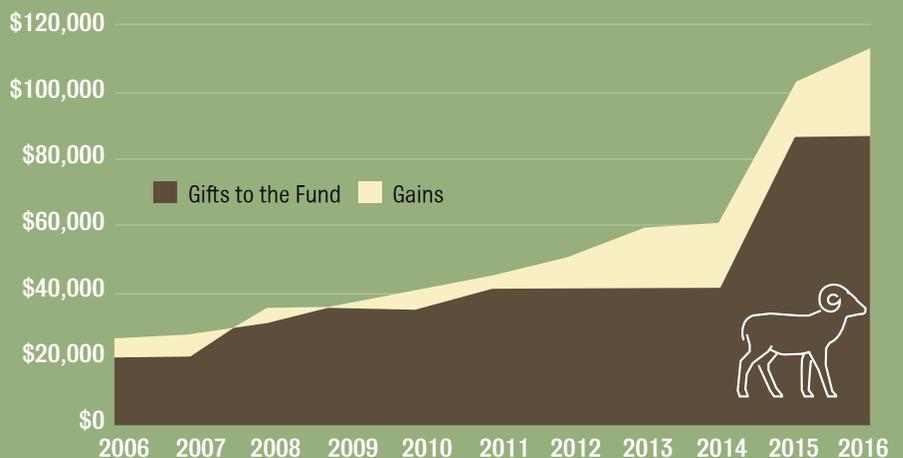
Current lamb population

11 PER EVERY 100 EWES → **30** PER EVERY 100 EWES

Healthy lamb population

Bighorn Sheep summer in the high country, making them difficult to study during those months

National Bighorn Sheep Interpretive Center Fund



Making it on Her Own

“I want the opportunity to do something that is complex and challenging and lets me make enough money to make a living,” says Pamela T.

Pamela is 26. She’s been a social worker since 2015. She enjoys the job, but the part-time work has not covered her expenses.

Last year, Pamela decided it was time to do something different.

She needed a career change, but she didn’t have the money to go back to school. She started looking at available resources. Pamela learned the Wyoming Women’s Business Center (WWBC) offered Individual Development Accounts (IDAs) – matched savings accounts – that would help her save for her education.

Matching Money with Drive

You know that one of the surest ways to self-sufficiency is through education. Because of your support, in 2017 the Wyoming Women’s Foundation made a grant to the WWBC’s IDA program. It will help fund Pamela’s, and many other women’s, paths to self-sufficiency.

Because of your support, the Wyoming Women’s Foundation grant has allowed more women to start an IDA to help them reach their financial goals.

“Many people, including women, have the drive to create better lives for themselves and their families,” says Director of the Wyoming Women’s Foundation, Rebekah Smith. “Sometimes they just need an opportunity and a bit of support to get there.”

For Debbi Gorski, Director of WWBC, the grant has made a huge difference.

“This grant has let us launch an expansion of our program,” Debbi says.

In fact, the IDA program has doubled because of the grant. Now 20 Wyoming women can use the money to further their education, build their small business or help with a down payment on a house.

“The women who qualify are low-income. They’re learning about money,” Debbi says. “These women are learning the importance of saving. And they’re making a habit of it.”

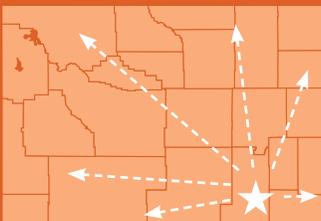
The WWBC insists on a minimum saving period of six months. “But most women end up saving and planning for an average of 12-18 months toward their goal,” Debbi says.

They realize how important savings are in reaching their goals.

For Pamela, the IDA program is helping her create a path to self-sufficiency. She’s learning to become a medical coder.

“Medical coding is interesting to me,” she says, “and I can make more money doing it.”

An interesting job that creates self-sufficiency. That is exactly the kind of opportunity that your support allows the Wyoming Women’s Foundation to provide for women in Wyoming.



“I want the opportunity to do something that is complex and challenging and lets me make enough money to make a living.”



A PRIORITY FUND

More Wyoming women will achieve self-sufficiency because they have access to the IDA program.

STATS & FACTS

20 The number of Wyoming women utilizing the IDA program

Used to determine eligibility for the program: **WYWF's Self-Sufficiency Standard**

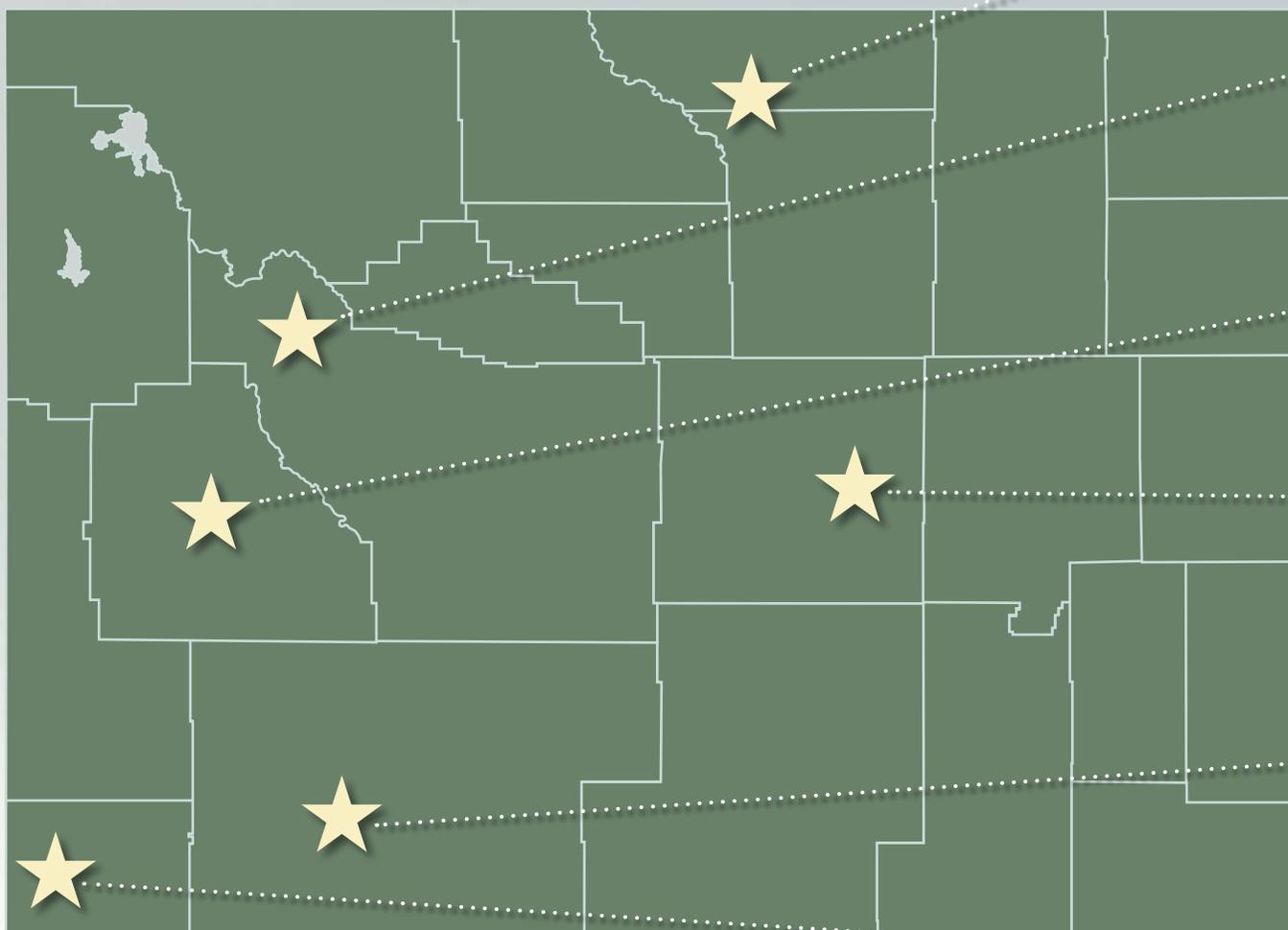


Wages for medical coders in WY: **\$20K-48K**



Connecting Locally for the

The Wyoming Community Foundation's Local Boards, like you, love their communities. They make grant recommendations to strengthen the places we call home.



Greatest Good



Sheridan-Johnson Local Board

17 grants totaling \$68,075

Highlight: A grant to the Senior Citizens Council provided support for the Help at Home program, which gives assistance to more low-income seniors.



Dubois – Crowheart Local Board

18 grants totaling \$54,550

Highlight: A grant to the Dubois Volunteer Fire Department allowed them to purchase rescue equipment for auto extrication, heavy rescue and life safety. Community members are safer because of it!



Sublette Local Board

11 grants totaling \$70,320

Highlight: The Sublette County Library, with a grant from the local board, installed a bike/skateboard repair station. **Read about this unique library grant on the back cover!**



Casper Area Local Board

37 grants totaling \$333,150

Highlight: The Downtown Development Authority received a grant to support David St. Station. The outdoor performance plaza is a gem in the community, bringing locals and visitors together.



Rock Springs Area Local Board

9 grants totaling \$33,834

Highlight: Two community batting cages are now available at the Paul J. Wataha Recreation Area. The cages were made possible because of a grant made to the Rocks Springs Girls Softball Association.



Evanston Area Local Board

11 grants totaling \$45,800

Highlight: With a grant from the local board, the Uinta Cancer Foundation ensured those dealing with cancer were able cover their non-medical expenses.

WYCF Advisory Committees

BP Communities Fund:

2 grants totaling \$177,817

Gordon and Edna Sykes Endowment Fund:

8 grants totaling \$61,910

Hazel Patterson Memorial Endowment Fund

7 grants totaling \$41,726

Kemmerer Foundation Fund

4 grants totaling \$47,092

McMurry Library Endowment Fund

2 grants totaling \$15,000 to public libraries and 20 grants totaling \$22,500 for education needs of library staff

Upton Economic Development Fund

10 grants totaling \$7,737

Story Community Fund

4 grants totaling \$26,000

Afterschool Turns Things Around

“Katie” is only 15, but she’s already been in a lot of trouble. Some very serious.

When she was 12, Katie got caught stealing. She was caught with drugs that year too. At 14 she was pulled over driving her uncle’s car, which he’d reported stolen. This past year she was again found with drugs.

Katie’s seen the courts and spent time doing community service. She’s been put on probation and even attended the Girls’ School. Katie is so far down this path, that many do not hold out hope for her.

She’s on the “school-to-prison” pipeline.

You might be wondering how Katie, and so many kids just like her got here. What went wrong? When did it all begin? It’s hard to know. But data collected over the years tells us that there are warning signs. Warning signs that if we pay attention to, might help change the course of Katie’s life.

A Child Struggles

If you could ask Katie’s first-grade teacher if he had concerns about her when she was young, he’d likely say yes. You see, there were indicators – red flags – that showed up in her life. Even in first-grade.

“Low performance in school, chronic absenteeism, and behavior issues. When you see those signs,” says Linda Barton, Director of the Wyoming Afterschool Alliance, “interventions should be made.”

Though it’s heartbreaking to think of a child that young struggling, it happens every day. And it happens right here in Wyoming.

The good news is prevention can turn things around. One proven prevention: enrolling a child in an afterschool program.

Afterschool programs are for every kind of kid, and can be especially helpful for kids who are struggling.

Steve Hamaker, Director of Greater Wyoming Big Brothers Big Sisters, says afterschool is unique. “We can build trust with students and families and help bring people together on their behalf. Families realize that everyone – including the school and law enforcement – is here to help.”

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Your support of the Wyoming Afterschool Alliance is helping curb the school-to-prison pipeline. The Wyoming Afterschool Alliance hosts its juvenile justice conference so Wyoming’s kids – especially those struggling – get the help they need.

Providers who attend the conference learn about strategies that work for our kids. They listen to others who have implemented programs. They hear about successes and failures.

The Wyoming Afterschool Alliance, like you, believes no child is destined for a life in prison. Your support lets them continue to work for each child.

STATS & FACTS

Across the nation, Wyoming ranks:

#4 in school referrals to law enforcement

#1 in suicides among children and youth

#2 in youth under court order to a detention facility or residential placement





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A PRIORITY FUND

Afterschool programs
can help prevent future
struggles for our kids.

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The Cost of Detention:

\$9,660 per child per year vs. **\$800** per child for year for afterschool programming



Number of kids in afterschool programs in WY **14,000**

Little Critters, Big Impact

The Gary Butler Non-game Species Fund

You'll be quickly corrected if you ask Gary Butler how he hopes his newly created fund with the Wyoming Wildlife Foundation will be used.

"Not mine. Ours!" he says.

That's because Gary, a retired Wyoming Game and Fish biologist, believes Wyoming's great outdoors belong to all of us. He trusts Wyomingites like you feel the same way.

Gary set up the Gary Butler Non-game Species Fund at the Wyoming Wildlife Foundation. The fund will ensure hundreds of non-game animals (think small critters, reptiles and song birds) in Wyoming continue to be a part of the landscape you love.

Non-game species may not receive the same limelight that an elk or bison might. In fact, it often takes a keen eye to spot a Wyoming Toad, Big Brown Bat, or Hummingbird. They are equally important to our ecosystem though.

"Typically," says Gary, "non-game species have fewer advocacy groups and funding for projects."

Gary wants to change that.

552 Species Get a Helping Hand

"I'm interested in the ecological web of animals and their shared habitats – regardless of big game, game birds or non-game."

The Butler Fund's main purpose is habitat conservation and restoration, but that's not all. It can also be used for habitat improvements, research and more.

"Many of the non-game species are very sensitive to environmental degradation," says Gary. "Whether it's amphibians or bald eagles, we want to be aware of warning signs. These species may very well be the 'canary in the mineshaft', telling us there is something we need to be aware of," says Gary.

With help from folks like you, Gary has a goal of raising his

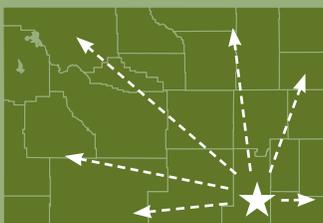
fund to at least \$250,000 within the next 10 years. This will ensure there will be money available for non-game efforts long after we are gone.

"Wyoming is pretty unique and special. I'd like it to remain that way when it comes to wildlife."

Because you support the Wyoming Wildlife Foundation, Gary, and folks just like you are working together to sustain Wyoming's wildlife.



Wyoming Toad. Photo: Flickr Sara Armstrong USFWS



"Wyoming is pretty unique and special. I'd like it to remain that way when it comes to wildlife."



The hummingbird is just one of the non-game species that could be supported by the Butler Fund.

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STATS & FACTS

As of June 2017, there were
552 non-game species
living in Wyoming
(Wyoming Natural Diversity Database)

17 Amphibians


371 Birds


113 Mammals


51 Reptiles


The Verdict is in: Court is Cool

Imagine: A room full of 20 fourth graders learning about the judicial system. Do you envision kids staring off into space? Pokes, prods and blank stares?

If you're watching kids explore Wyoming's Judicial Learning Center, you'll find just the opposite.

In the back of the Law Library in the basement of the Wyoming Supreme Court, there's a room chock-full of information. It was funded, in part, by the Wyoming Community Foundation.

The space is bright and interactive. Timelines fill the walls and students take part in activities.

You'll see kids taking turns spinning the "What does it take to become a Supreme Court Justice?" wheel.

A few others are listening to actual Supreme Court cases over phones. They'll have to decide the verdict.

There is a line of students outside the room. They're waiting their turn to don a robe and bang a gavel.

In these moments, each child finds the judicial system approachable. Cool, even.

Students quickly realize the judicial branch is anything but boring. They also get to see it in action by taking part in a very serious trial.

A Lofty Decision

On the stand sit four students joined by Wyoming Supreme Court Justice, Kate Fox. The kids are listening to two real-life lawyers present a case about the following:

Justice Fox: "Alexander T. Wolf was convicted of two counts of felony property destruction for knowingly

destroying the straw home of Little Pig #1 (aka Porky) and the stick home of Little Pig #2 (aka Babe) in violation of W.S. 6-3-201 (a).

"Mr. Wolf was sentenced to six years' incarceration as a result of his convictions. He now appeals his convictions, arguing that there was insufficient evidence to prove that he knowingly caused the destruction of the pigs' homes. Standing as the Wyoming Supreme Court, it is up to you to listen to the arguments and decide whether Mr. Wolf was wrongfully convicted."

You can feel the excitement in the room as two seasoned lawyers argue the case.

"Mr. Wolf did not knowingly blow down the house. He suffers from severe allergies due to the Wyoming wind."

"Our expert witness has testified that a sneeze cannot produce that much force."

"The pigs did not hear Mr. Wolf correctly. He said, 'I'm making a cake and need only a pound,' not 'I'll huff and I'll puff and I'll blow your house down.'"

After hearing the two sides, the kids, aware of this heavy responsibility, lay down their judgement to uphold the conviction of the wolf.

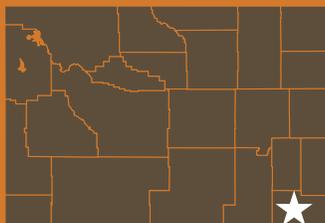
Thanks to donors like you, children in Wyoming have the chance to visit the Judicial Learning Center and be a part of this great experience.

Who knows, 30 years from now maybe one of them will sit on the bench. They may even credit this experience for getting them there!

TURN THE PAGE TO LEARN
HOW THE FRENCH CREEK
ENDOWMENT FUND HELPED
FUND THIS PROJECT



A Jessup Elementary student learns what it takes to be a Supreme Court Justice.



In these moments, each child finds the judicial system approachable. Cool, even.



Reagan, a student at Jessup Elementary, eagerly raises her hand.



The Honorable Justice Fox listens to her fellow justices debate the fate of the Big Bad Wolf.

STATS & FACTS

Source: Annenberg Public Policy Center

Only **1/4**

of Americans can name all three branches of government



Nearly **1/3**

cannot name ANY of the three branches

Nearly **4 in 10**

believe the Constitution gives the president the power to declare war



Western Giving

French Creek Endowment Fund

“**R**oger got along as well at elegant dinner parties in Paris as he did at the Cowboy Bar in Encampment,” according to a colleague. “His love of fly fishing on the North Platte equaled his love for reading in French provincial archives.”

A native son of the West, Roger L. Williams grew up in Colorado and had an early interest in music and the natural sciences. Roger served in the European theatre during World War II as an army supply sergeant. Later he was placed in intensive French language school as preparation for the military occupation.

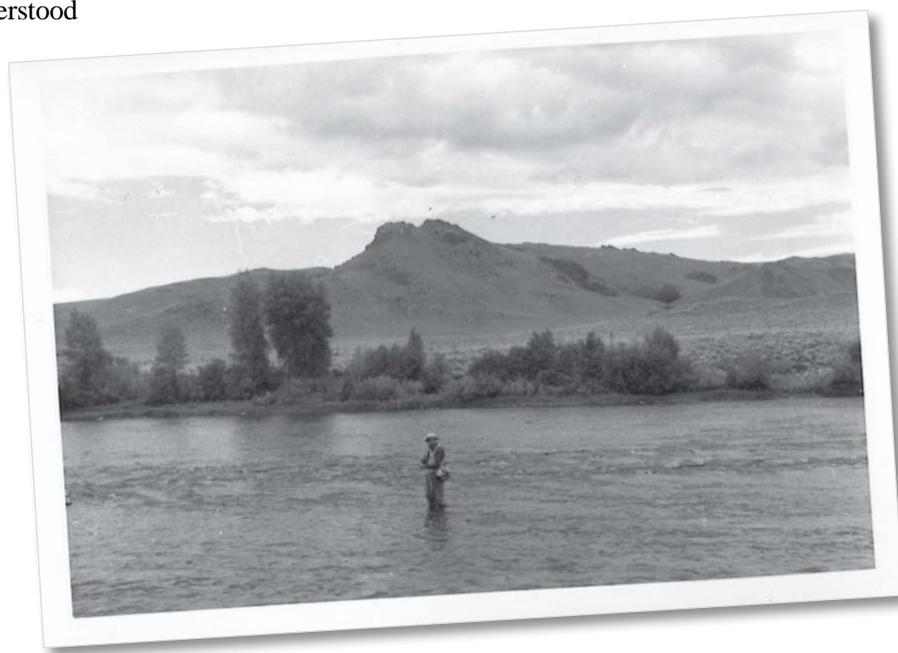
Both teacher and scholar, Roger published more than a dozen books in French history. After retirement he wrote more books on the botanical history of France as well as the botany of the American West.

He taught at several universities over the years, one of which was UC Santa Barbara. When pressed by the university to take a high administrative position, Roger declined. He decided in favor of the University of Wyoming and Wyoming’s mountains, plains, and rivers. Wyoming was the better for it.

Quietly Making a Difference

Roger was not born wealthy. Over the years, he lived modestly, saved, and invested. He gave thoughtfully and generously.

Early on, he understood the Wyoming Community Foundation could bring the state together and improve the quality of life within our communities. As a result,



Roger left his entire estate to the Community Foundation.

He divided the distributions from his French Creek Endowment Fund at the Community Foundation to the three causes that meant most to him: his favorite scholarly society, a conservation group, and to WYCF for unrestricted grant making.

Shortly before he died, Roger used money from his then donor-advised fund to support the Judicial Learning Center. He saw the impact the civic learning project could have on kids and on Wyoming’s future.

Thanks in part to his gift, hundreds of smiling, engaged kids have visited the Center. They see the judicial system in a new light. A brighter one.



Roger loved Wyoming. He created a fund with WYCF to ensure it would always be taken care of.

Roger died last year. He left behind scholarly works that will be read for years to come. But perhaps more importantly, he left behind a Wyoming legacy of giving that will live on. Forever.

Legacy Members

Legacy Members have Wyoming's future in mind. They create a permanent endowment in their estate plan at the Wyoming Community Foundation to ensure the charities they care most about are taken care of, forever.

Anonymous	Paul Etchepare	Claudia Pearson	Press and Shirley Stephens
William and Teresa Ankeny	John F. Freeman	Lollie Benz Plank	Tommy and Betsy Wagner
Joy Bell	George and Linda Gault	Greg and Martha Ptasnik	Wayman Wing
Gary and Ann Cazin	James and Jenny Gersack	Susan and	Terry and Lynn Zumbrennen
Carol Chapman	Catherine and John MacPherson	Doug Samuelson	
		Craig and	
		Carmen Showalter	

Key Club

Key Club members help facilitate a major gift or the establishment of a new fund with WYCF.

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President's Circle

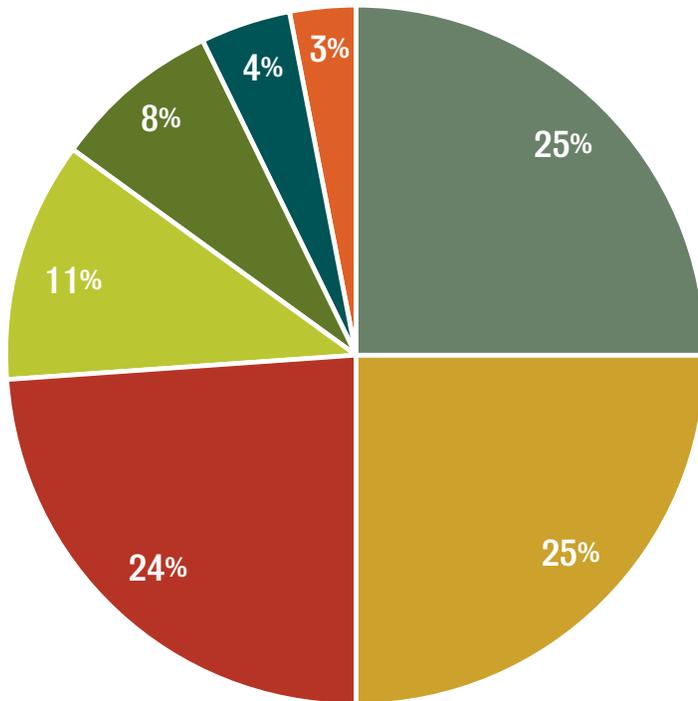
President's Circle members are dedicated, past board members who continue to give back to Wyoming and WYCF.

Billie Addleman <i>Cheyenne</i>	Serena Cobb <i>Casper</i>	Dave Kathka <i>Loveland, CO</i>	Lollie Benz Plank <i>Banner</i>
Bill Ankeny <i>Wayzata, MN</i>	Linda J. Cooper <i>Bondurant</i>	Dennis M. Kirven <i>Buffalo</i>	Jim Rice <i>Dubois</i>
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Connie Brezik <i>Casper</i>	Arne Jorgensen <i>Jackson</i>	Anna Moscicki <i>Dubois</i>	

2017 WYCF Grantmaking: \$6.4 Million

Grants Distributed by Fund Type:

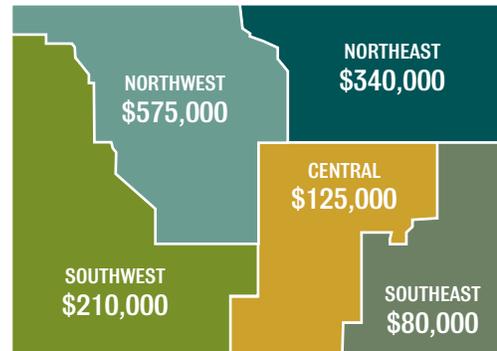
Over \$6.4 Million



- Donor Advised
- Geographic/Field of Interest
- Agency
- Governor's Big Game License Coalition
- Fiscal Sponsorship/Initiatives
- Scholarships
- Unrestricted

Agency (Nonprofit) Fund Distributions

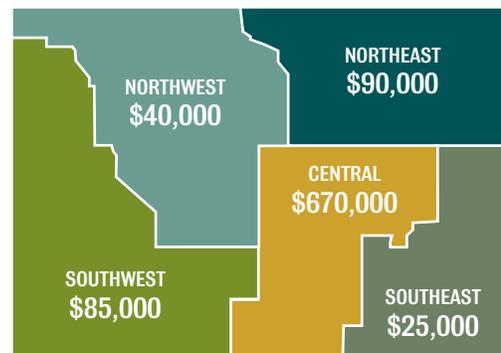
\$1.5 Million



Statewide agency grants made: \$170,000

Donor Advised Fund Grants

\$1.6 Million



Statewide and national grants made: \$695,000

Agency Fund Distributions by Program Area



Donor Advised Fund Grants by Program Area



Thank you to our 2017/2018 Volunteer Boards!

STATEWIDE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Hot Tamale Louie

“He was the son of nobody knows who, ...and the great-great-grandson of nobody knows who.” That’s how Kathryn Schulz described Zarif Khan in her New Yorker article, *Citizen Khan*.

To folks in Sheridan, Zarif was Hot Tamale Louie. He was a man known for burgers and tamales at his hole-in-the-wall restaurant. You know his food was delicious. Everyone still talks about it.

But how does a man who owned a tiny restaurant years ago in Sheridan get a write up in the New Yorker? And why in the world did a group spearhead an effort to create a sculpture of him?

It takes a bit of explaining.

Welcome to Sheridan

Born in Afghanistan around 1887, You can bet Zarif had near-to-nothing in hand and spoke little English when he arrived in Sheridan in 1909. Back in those days, someone who wasn’t white wasn’t always welcome. But the people of Sheridan accepted Tamale Louie.

Maybe it was because he was such an amazing cook. Maybe it was because he was a kind man. Or maybe they decided that welcoming him was the right thing to do.

Wyoming is a tight-knit community. You help out your neighbors and welcome new-comers. You do it because you want to. You like people to feel at home. But you

also do it because that’s the Wyoming way.

If you talk to Dana Arbaugh, retired Lt. Col. of the U.S. Air Force, and the person who first dreamed up the idea of a sculpture of Tamale Louie, he’ll tell you it’s the American way.

A Self-Made Man

“Louie’s story is quintessential rags to riches, self-made individual.” Dana says. “With dedication, he was able to build his life.”

Zarif was a hard worker. According to *Citizen Khan*, he devoted himself to his restaurant, working long hours and making sure it was open every day. He also learned about investing and eventually made a small fortune.

All the while, Zarif’s family grew. He married, had kids and time passed. Tamale Louie went about doing what he always did as a community member in Sheridan, Wyoming.

Eventually, Zarif became a naturalized citizen.

This was not without trial though. As the New Yorker

article points out, he was initially stripped of citizenship because he was not a “white person.”

Zarif never protested or complained. He simply continued to work his restaurant and make investments.



The Hot Tamale Louie sculpture, by Jerry Smiley, in Sheridan.



Wyoming’s ethnic population continues to change and we welcome those who join us. As a KIDS COUNT grantee, WYCF was able to support research that highlights the face of race in Wyoming today. (See page 22)

Then, in 1964, on a trip to visit family in Bara, Afghanistan, Zarif was murdered. According to *Citizen Khan*, his great-grandnephew, who had made some bad choices, was angry Zarif wouldn't share his money. He killed him.

Zarif's family and the town of Sheridan mourned.

Tamale Louie Leaves a Legacy

Stories of Tamale Louie were shared after his death.

But like so many things, they began to fade with time. Until an unfortunate event a few years ago.

In 2015 descendants of Zarif Khan helped open a mosque in Gillette. A small group protested the mosque. According to the *Citizen Khan* article, lewd language and threats erupted. They were aimed most pointedly at the Khans, a family who had called Wyoming home for over 100 years.

A Tribute

The variety of faces that make up Wyoming's landscape are as important to building community today as they were in 1909. That's why Dana and a group of folks in Sheridan rallied for the sculpture.

"Anyone who has empathy or believes in the pillars of our country can relate to Zarif's story," says Dana. "The statue is not just to honor Louie, it's honoring all of his family. A big part of his contribution to community are his descendants. His family."

People were eager to raise funds for the sculpture and approached the Wyoming Community Foundation for help. Because of support from you, the Wyoming

Community Foundation has the capacity to help with projects like this.

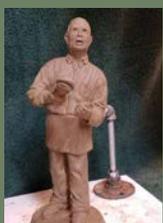
The sculpture was unveiled on April 28th. It is a beautiful piece of Wyoming history, and a reminder that the faces of Wyoming's past and present are colorful.

The people who rallied behind the making of this sculpture know hate is not the Wyoming way. As our ethnic population grows, we'll continue to welcome newcomers. Because that's the Wyoming way. Tamale Louie's sculpture will remind us of that.

The article "*Citizen Khan*" available online at: www.newyorker.com/magazine/2016/06/06/zarif-khans-tamales-and-the-muslims-of-sheridan-wyoming



Zarif's daughter and grandchildren, as well as Dana and Linda Arbaugh, enjoy the sculpture unveiling.



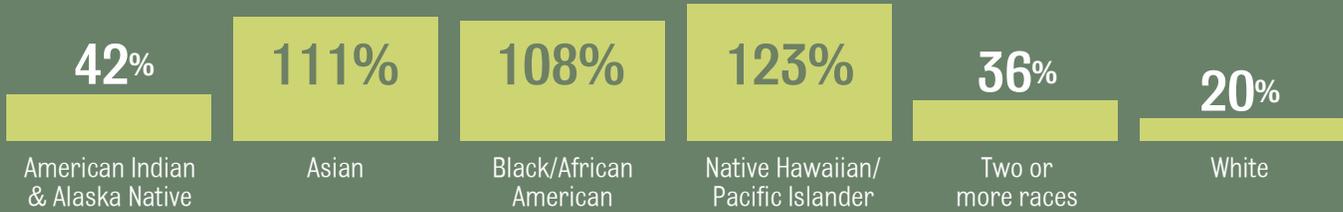
The sculpture was made possible because of a generous donation from the Ewan Family Foundation, started by Dr. George Ewan, and support from Robert "Bob" Ewan, Dana and Linda Arbaugh, Kim Love, Heather Burgess Plank and numerous others.

Race in Wyoming



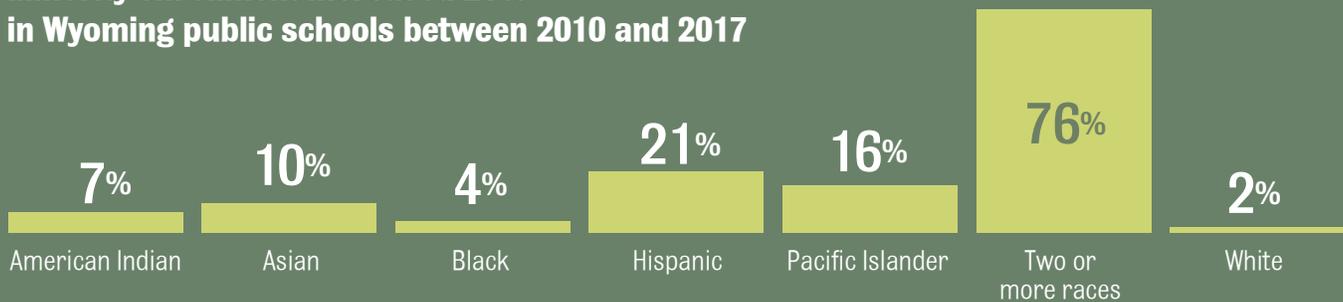
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Minority population increased 57% between 2000 and 2016

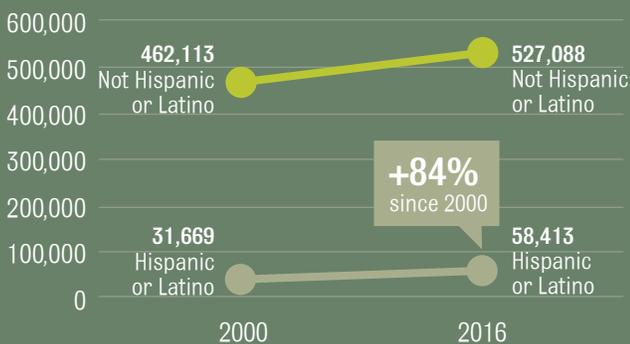


While the white population in Wyoming is still much larger, since 2000, the growth of Wyoming's minority groups, across all races and ethnicities, has outpaced the white population.

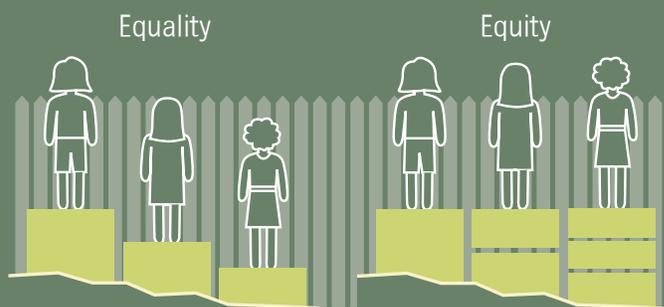
Minority enrollment increased 21% in Wyoming public schools between 2010 and 2017



Hispanic and Latino Population Up 84% since 2000



Leveling the Playing Field: The Difference Between Equality and Equity



Beginning a conversation about race, equality, equity and inclusion takes us one step closer to ensuring everyone in Wyoming has access to the programs and services that can open opportunities to help all of us thrive.

Access the full report: Does Race Matter in Wyoming at wycf.org/race-matter-wyoming/

The report was funded by the Annie E. Casey Foundation. Research was completed by Wyoming Survey and Analysis Center.

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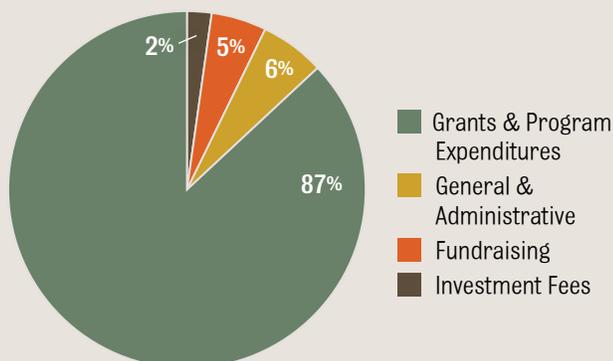
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Current Assets	2017	2016
Cash and cash equivalents	3,849,712	8,490,185
Investments	146,353,305	115,461,232
Other receivables and other assets	800	5,502
Prepaid expenses	51,693	25,097
Property & Equipment, net	600,570	541,351
TOTAL ASSETS	150,856,080	124,523,367
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Accounts payable	94,097	93,919
Accrued expenses	51,188	50,978
Grants payable	2,039,449	2,151,271
Security Deposits - Tenants	500	500
Funds held as agency endowments	23,149,399	20,968,179
Funds held in trust	7,568,912	7,088,395
TOTAL LIABILITIES	32,903,545	30,353,242
TOTAL NET ASSETS - UNRESTRICTED	117,952,535	94,170,125
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	150,856,080	124,523,367

Statements of Activities

Support and Revenue	2017	2016
Contributions	16,283,462	11,872,740
Amounts rec'd. for agency endowments	118,818	(2,939,895)
Other Income	1,992,908	1,946,293
Investment Income	14,474,828	8,865,036
TOTAL SUPPORT AND REVENUE	32,870,016	19,744,174
Expenses		
Grants	5,685,742	7,452,494
Grants made from agency endowments	(719,014)	(668,483)
Administration	608,736	569,224
Program Expense	2,835,979	2,764,657
Fundraising Expenses	442,910	434,504
Investment fees	233,253	211,149
TOTAL EXPENSES	9,087,606	10,763,545
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	23,782,410	8,980,629
NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	94,170,125	85,189,496
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	117,952,535	94,170,125

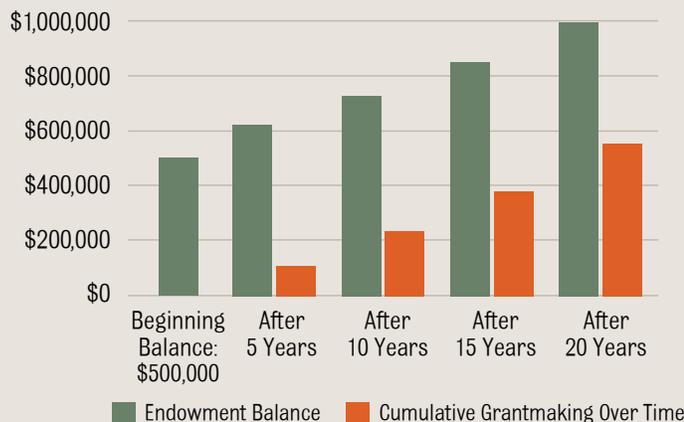
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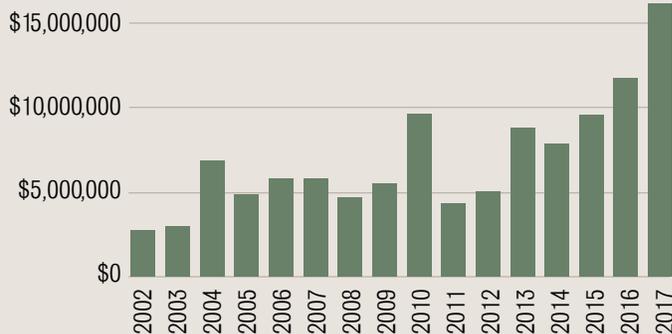
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Do you remember what a visit to the library looked like 30 years ago? Card catalogs lined the floor. You'd open the long wooden drawers and search for your favorite title. The Dewey Decimal System fresh in your mind as you worked through the alphabet.

Books are still the soup de jour at libraries, but libraries also fill so many other community needs. Some unexpected.

At the Sublette County Public Library, you'll find a unique offering: a bike and skateboard repair station. Because of your support, the Wyoming Community Foundation made a grant to fund it.

A Gem in the Community

The Sublette County Library is buzzing with activity. Adults and kids alike use the space. The library recently even created a Young Adult area that seems to always be busy.

Across the street is a skate park. As you might guess, kids swarm to it too. They brave all sorts of weather and play hard. They complete jumps and tricks, but they also crash. With crashes come broken parts.

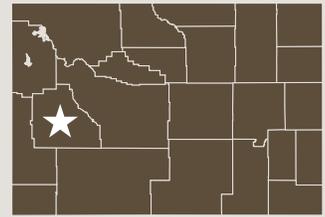
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"The kids sometimes recruited us for our muscle strength," Jacque says.

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Books, tools and bikes. Libraries offer so much to Wyoming's communities. They're meeting community needs. Each one is better for it.



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