The University of Wyoming Endowment Challenge Program is a remarkable public-private partnership that is unique to Wyoming. The University of Wyoming works diligently to fulfill its mission of education, research, and outreach, and for 17 years this program has made all the difference, surpassing even our greatest expectations. It has touched every aspect of the University of Wyoming—from campus infrastructure to state-of-the-art technology, from student scholarship support to faculty excellence funds, from annex remodels to the construction of new facilities, from the funding of club sports to the creation of whole academic programs.

Established in 2001 by the Wyoming State Legislature, the state matching program is designed to leverage the generosity of donors and to encourage new levels of giving by creating incentives to invest in UW and its academic, athletic, and facility priorities. It is not often that an investment yields a 100 percent return, but that’s just what happens with this program—eligible endowment gifts of $50,000 or more and facility gifts of $25,000 or more are doubled by the State of Wyoming.

But the return on investment of this amazing program goes way beyond the leveraging of monetary support—it impacts public morale, student success, outreach, and our state’s economic future. The numbers don’t lie.
SCHOLARSHIPS MAKE ALL THE DIFFERENCE

UW senior Rachel Ziejka of Lake in the Hills, Illinois, has always loved animals. Her junior year in high school, she had to choose between being a paramedic or going into zoology—she chose zoology. “I like to work with animals more than people,” she says with a smile. She chose UW because she loved the area, UW had her program, and it was cost-effective for her to attend. She graduates in December and will go on to pursue her master’s. Eventually, she wants to work in animal conservation, specifically big cats, to understand their behaviors in order to help conserve them. This dedicated student has been helped on her way by the UW Honors Program Scholarship and the Dr. Scholl Honors Scholarship endowments, both of which were state matched. She also was awarded the Rocky Mountain Scholars scholarship, which is supported by UW’s block grant. The support of the State Legislature makes all the difference not only for exceptional students like Rachel but for all of Wyoming’s students.

“By receiving multiple scholarships, I have had the opportunity to attend a school that includes a wonderful zoology program and a great community. The scholarships have not only allowed me to focus on my studies but also to work a bit less and enjoy other activities provided by the university, such as riding on the Equestrian Team. Overall, the scholarships I have been granted have enabled me to succeed as a student and grow as an individual.”

RACHEL ZIEJKA
Senior in Zoology
UW’s Literacy Research Center and Clinic is the epicenter of literacy in the state, and the level of philanthropic support it has received is truly significant. First Lady Carol Mead, a leading spokesperson for literacy initiatives, has played a major role in the creation of the center, and it was made possible by the generosity of UW’s many supporters whose donations were doubled by state matching funds. Donne and Sue Fisher’s extraordinary $2.5 million contribution and the John P. Ellbogen Foundation’s amazing gift totaling $1 million were doubled through the matching funds program to $5 million and $2 million, respectively. Other donors include Mickey and Jeanne Klein, the Joe and Arlene Watt Foundation, Don and Betty Walters, Thea Stidum, and Archie Jurich, to name a few. These gifts directly support faculty and graduate students in the UW College of Education. For example, the Fisher Fund supports the clinical work led by Dr. Dana Robertson. The Ellbogen Community Outreach and Partnership Fund supports the work of a cadre of faculty and doctoral students as they work in Wyoming communities.

“I am honored to have played a role in the establishment of the LRCC, and I am proud that UW and the College of Education have and continue to lead the way in advancing literacy through state-of-the-art technology, cutting-edge research, and service to our state through training teachers at all stages and tutoring young learners. I am also so grateful to major donors for providing the capacity to fund the endowed chairs within the LRCC and opportunities for faculty research.”

FIRST LADY CAROL MEAD
UW’s student-athletes have a new home in the remarkable $44 million Mick and Susie McMurry High Altitude Performance Center, a renovation and expansion of the Curtis and Marian Rochelle Athletics Center—the RAC. Opened this year, the McMurry Center is a premier collegiate athletics complex that solidifies Wyoming’s reputation as a state committed to excellence, producing student-athletes who succeed in the classroom and on the field. Another remarkable aspect of the center, more than half of the total cost came from private philanthropy, including Mick and Susie McMurry through the McMurry Foundation and Marian H. Rochelle. The center’s new and expanded spaces focus on academic success, nutrition, strength and conditioning, sports medicine and rehabilitation, and recovery for all of Wyoming’s more than 400 student-athletes. This amazing facility is forever a testament to the McMurry credo of “Building a Better Wyoming.”

“State Matching program has enabled UW Athletics to build a facility that will develop the whole person, as this building is a combination of athletics skill and strength development, academic counseling and health and well-being. The McMurry High Altitude Performance Center is designed to develop leaders who can achieve greatness in competition, academics, and life. This could not have been possible without the state match portion. We believe the new facility and the renovated Rochelle Athletics Center will catapult the athletics program forward.”

TOM BURMAN
UW Director of Athletics
## UW STATE MATCH TOTALS
### 2001–2018

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**UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING 2018 STATE MATCHING PROGRAMS | 5**
STATE ENDOWMENT MATCH GIFTS AND PLEDGES BY PURPOSE AND AMOUNT

$107,842,598

Excellence in Academics
$39,733,740
36.8%

Faculty Support
$22,631,684
21%

Student Support
$35,543,842
33%

Technology & Facility
$2,740,780
2.5%

Serving Wyoming
$2,696,130
2.5%

Yet to be Designated
$224,801
0.2%

Other
$4,271,621
4.0%
MATCHABLE GIFTS TO THE UW ENDOWMENT CHALLENGE
September 2017–August 2018

GIFTS FOR NEW ENDOWMENTS

EXCELLENCE IN ACADEMICS

The Kembel Family Literacy Excellence Fund
Established by the Kembel Family Fund to foster excellence and provide financial support to the Literacy Research Center and Clinic

Le Norman Endowed Leadership Chair in Petroleum Engineering
Established by David D. and Cory A. Le Norman to support the department head of Petroleum Engineering

Le Norman Family Excellence Fund in Petroleum Engineering
Established by David D. and Cory A. Le Norman to foster excellence and provide financial support to the department of Petroleum Engineering

STUDENT SUPPORT
This match was fully secured through donor gifts in a prior reporting period.

GIFTS MATCHED FOR EXISTING ENDOWMENTS

EXCELLENCE IN ACADEMICS
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STUDENT SUPPORT
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MATCHABLE GIFTS TO THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING SMALL POOL MATCHING PROGRAM

September 2017–August 2018

GIFTS FOR NEW SMALL POOL MATCHING PROGRAMS

EXCELLENCE IN ACADEMICS
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STUDENT SUPPORT
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GIFTS FOR EXISTING SMALL POOL MATCHING PROGRAMS

EXCELLENCE IN ACADEMICS
Mrs. Naomi G. Binning
To foster excellence and provide financial support to the Literacy Research Center and Clinic

John P. Ellbogen Foundation
To foster excellence and provide financial support to the Literacy Research Center and Clinic

Dr. Louise A. Jackson
To foster excellence and provide financial support to the Literacy Research Center and Clinic

Mr. Phillip E. Lantz
To foster excellence and provide financial support to the Literacy Research Center and Clinic

Ann Pickard and Daniel Smith
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Janet R. and Duane M. Swinton
To foster excellence and provide financial support to the Literacy Research Center and Clinic

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SERVICE TO WYOMING
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MATCHABLE GIFTS TO THE UW ACADEMIC FACILITIES CHALLENGE
September 2017–August 2018

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MATCHABLE GIFTS TO THE UW ATHLETICS CHALLENGE
September 2017–August 2018

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MATCHABLE GIFTS TO THE UW HIGH ALTITUDE PERFORMANCE CENTER CHALLENGE
September 2017–August 2018

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STATUS OF $109.7 MILLION MATCHING ENDOWMENT FUND
March 1, 2001 to June 30, 2018

$120 IN MILLIONS

- Funds Received From Donors: $100,759,862
- Matching Funds Committed: $107,842,598
- Total Matching Pool: $109,697,598

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STATUS OF $49.0 MILLION ATHLETICS FACILITIES MATCHING FUND
September 13, 2003 to June 30, 2018

IN MILLIONS

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### STATUS OF $60.3 MILLION ACADEMIC FACILITIES MATCHING FUND

**October 1, 2005 to June 30, 2018**

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$70 IN MILLIONS
UW PRIVATE SUPPORT TOTALS
2008–2018

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USE OF ENDOWMENT EARNINGS
2004–2018

Fiscal Years Ending June 30

IN MILLIONS

$18
$15
$12
$9
$6
$3
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