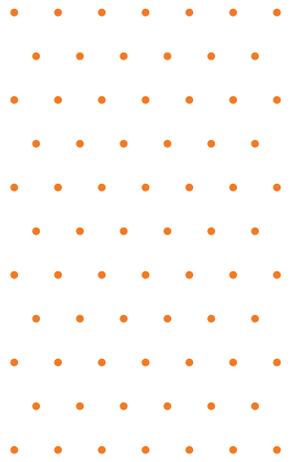




COLORADO STATE
UNIVERSITY

2020-2021 ENDOWMENT REPORT



WITH YOU,
WE *thrive.*



Every endowed gift to Colorado State University is an expression of confidence in the students who will create a better world for all and in our community of educators, innovators, and researchers who are helping our students navigate their academic careers and achieve their dreams.

We honor that confidence by fulfilling our promise to be not only good stewards of your generous support, but also to amplify your impact through sound, strategic investments. The financial performance, health, and continued growth of our endowment sustains and lifts our efforts to build on our land-grant legacy and rise to the challenges set before us.

With your support, we're fostering programs that create equity and provide greater access and opportunity. We're ensuring student success through scholarships and innovative learning environments. We're driving excellence in research and building a sustainable future for our planet and humanity.

Thanks to your foresight and generosity, Colorado State University is thriving and well prepared to develop tomorrow's leaders.



Excellence



Equity



Student Success



Sustainability



Our Bold Future Together



Your generosity enables us to reach our goals, inspires us to push our fields forward, and, to one day, reciprocate the support to future generations of Rams.”

— **ALEX OLSEN-MIKITOWICZ**, *Recipient, Thomas R. and Catherine A. Madson Scholarship, M.S., Watershed Science, '21*

A Message from CSU Foundation



“This was an extraordinary year for investments at your CSU Foundation. Thanks to your generosity, an exceptional market, and the foundation’s smart investment strategy launched more than three years ago and built on the successes of decades of prudent management, we delivered a 34.13% return on our endowment investments! This historic, record-setting investment return means more dollars for students and programs. More dollars for faculty and research. More dollars for facilities and equipment. Your endowed giving bolsters CSU’s resilience and excellence, now and for generations to come.”

CHERÍ O'NEILL
CSU Foundation President and CEO

Building Financial Resilience to Thrive

CSUF Assets, Liabilities, & Net Assets (by fiscal year):

	2021	2020
ASSETS	\$732,500,298	\$573,710,618
LIABILITIES	\$23,185,055	\$27,752,483
NET ASSETS	\$709,315,243	\$545,958,135

Endowment Impact in FY21:

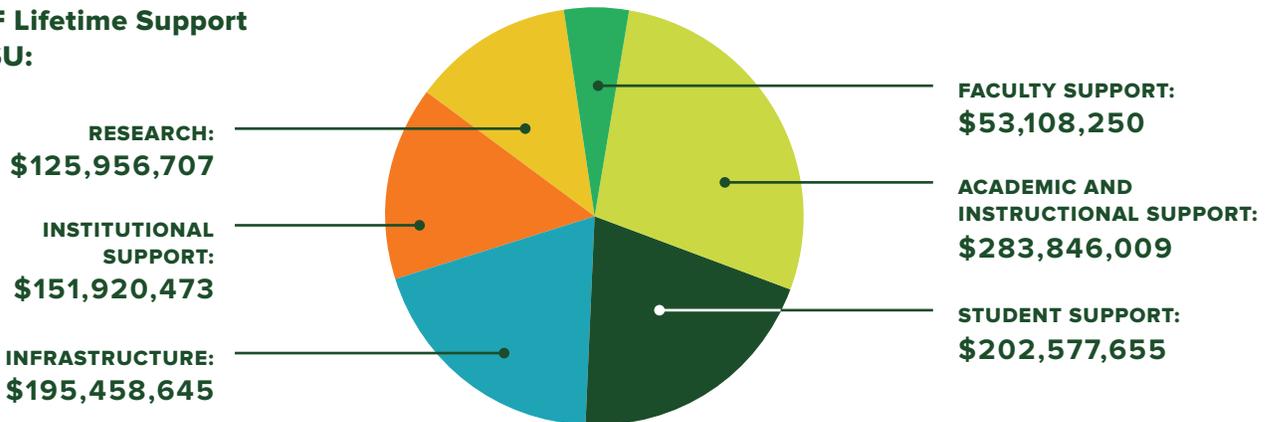
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Number of New Endowments

\$558,004,083
Total Endowment Value

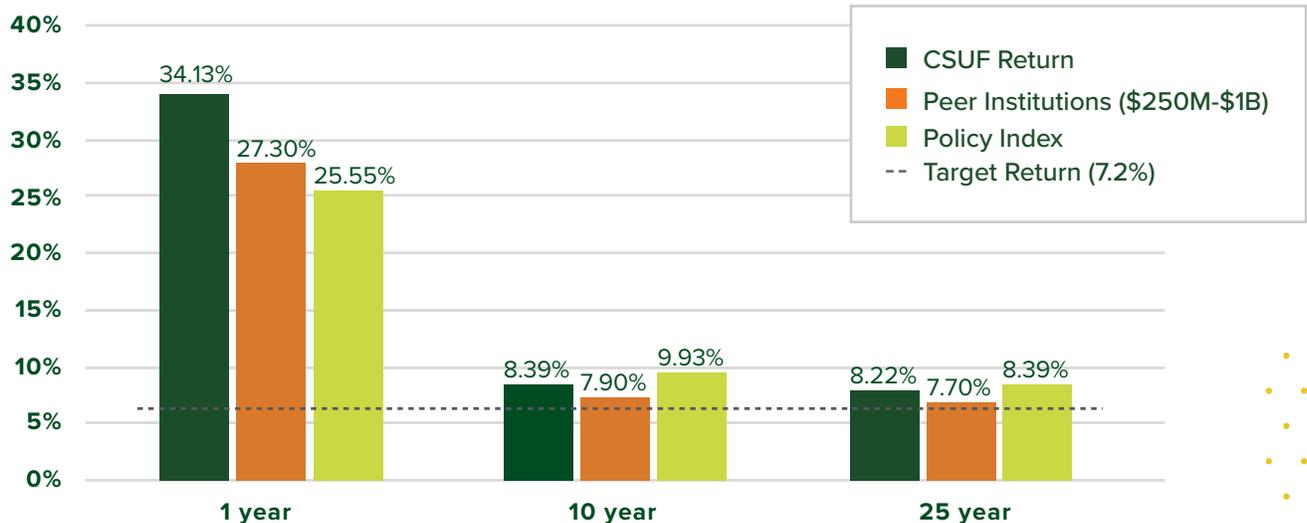
\$53,633,140
Total New Endowment Gifts

\$67,760,462
Total Dollars Made Available to CSU

CSUF Lifetime Support to CSU:



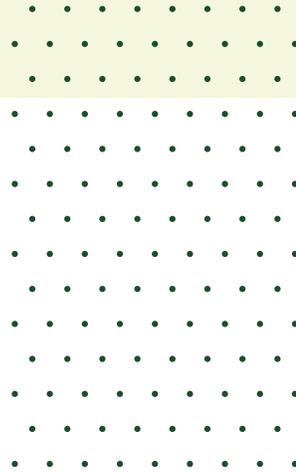
CSUF FY21 Investment Performance:





Excellence

Advancing innovation, creativity, and research



Endowment Impact To Date:

Transforming Education Delivery and Research Capabilities



284

**TOTAL PROGRAM
AND RESEARCH FUNDS**



16

**TOTAL
PROFESSORSHIPS**



35

TOTAL CHAIRS



Our goal and vision is to be the premier center for veterinary cardiology in the world. This requires the best people, the best equipment, and the most options to treat and cure heart disease in animals. The Helen D. Van Dyke Chair in Interventional Cardiology and Cardiac Surgery Endowment provides the funds needed to do just that.”

– **BRIAN SCANSEN**, Service Head, Cardiology & Cardiac Surgery, Department of Clinical Sciences, College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences

Native Women in Science

Endowment enables application of sciences in Native communities

When Nizhoni “Aspen” Hatch learned her mother had been diagnosed with brain cancer, she immediately assumed caregiver responsibilities. She also worried about her ability to continue courses in biomedical science and microbiology with the ultimate goal of tackling health issues plaguing Native American communities like her own.

The Native Women in Science Scholarship helped alleviate that concern. Started in 1996, this endowment has supported more than 375 women of Native ancestry studying in the sciences who share Aspen’s aspiration to help historically underserved communities.





Equity

Uplifting our diverse community



You have really inspired me to help others to improve our world for the better by offering everyone from different backgrounds the opportunity to receive education and improve their quality of life.”

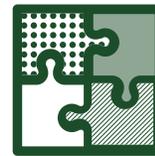
— **MOHINUR YUSUFJANOVA**, Recipient, LC Real Estate Group Scholarship and the Nathan and Kristina Klein Family Scholarship



1 in 5

CSU STUDENTS IS FIRST GENERATION*

**At CSU, a first-generation student is one whose parents have not completed a bachelor's degree.*



CSU CELEBRATES 7 STUDENT CULTURAL AND RESOURCE CENTERS* AND MORE THAN 500 STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

**Asian Pacific American Cultural Center, Black/African American Cultural Center, El Centro, Pride Resource Center, Native American Cultural Center, Student Disability Center, Women and Gender Advocacy Center*

Fostering Success

Developing Caring Communities

Notes of gratitude from Fostering Success participants to donors have a universal sentiment: “This program changed my life.” Recognized as a national model, the program provides scholarships, peer mentoring, care packages, and social events for students experiencing independent status.



Whether they come from foster care situations, have been declared wards of the court, or have lost both parents, students feel welcomed, cared for, and safe, thanks to three transformational endowments fulfilling CSU’s promise to create opportunity for all, especially those with the most need.



Student Success

Nurturing academic achievement



**Endowment Impact
To Date:**
Promoting Student
Opportunities



1,299

**TOTAL SCHOLARSHIPS,
AWARDS, AND
FELLOWSHIPS**

“Receiving this scholarship has renewed my sense of determination to excel in this career field. Knowing that somebody believes I can make a positive impact and supports my growth is incredibly motivating and uplifting.”

— **MARIA MANGO**, Recipient, College of Natural Sciences Military Scholarship,
B.S., Biological Science, anticipated Fall 2021

Rough Patch Rescue

Program removes barriers to success

An out-of-state family emergency. A visit to the emergency room. A failed transmission. Unanticipated financial hardships like these can derail academic journeys. As a professor, Harry Zinn (M.Ed., '65; Ph.D., '98) witnessed students struggle through rough patches they had no control over. “My goal,” he said, “is to help promising students stay in school and succeed.” Established to assist students in the Department of Human

Dimensions of Natural Resources, the Rough Patch Rescue endowment exemplifies broad donor commitment across colleges and programs to support those in urgent need. Recipient Mya Hunter (above) has published a book about her native O’ahu and has conducted research on protected marine areas of Fiji and Palau.





Sustainability

Planning for our environmental and economic future

Salazar North American Conservation Center Endowment

Building consensus for action through a shared vision



According to Salazar North American Conservation Center founder and former U.S. Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar, “Extraordinary innovation is needed to protect and enhance our most beloved landscapes and to support community health and resilience.” Supporters of the center’s endowment share that vision. Their generosity supports initiatives such as the center’s Thriving Cities Challenge, an incentive competition focused on finding nature-based solutions that improve the equity, health, and resilience of urban communities in North America.

CSU Foundation Celebrates Banner Year:



34.13%

**INVESTMENT RETURN;
LARGEST IN
CSUF HISTORY**



\$1B

**LIFETIME TOTAL
FUNDS GRANTED
TO CSU**



\$162M

**CSU
ENDOWMENT
GROWTH**



**PERFORMED
IN THE TOP DECILE
AMONG PEERS
FOR FY21**

Legacy of Endowment Impact



“Through endowments, your generosity provides the life force that will sustain Colorado State University for generations – through times of triumph and periods of uncertainty. Your visionary gifts nourish our University community and ensure our ability to fulfill the promise of creating opportunity for all in higher education. With grateful hearts, we thank you.”

KIM TOBIN, Ph.D. ('18), CFRE

Vice President for University Advancement



Our Bold Future Together

A flourishing humanity and sustainable, thriving planet

COURAGEOUS STRATEGIC TRANSFORMATION

At Colorado State University, we're working together to craft our Courageous Strategic Transformation, a strategic planning initiative focused on building up areas of institutional strength while cultivating new ones. As we embark on this inclusive process and proactively seek out the insights of our campus community, one of the themes we hear most consistently is a renewed commitment to financial and operational excellence.

That commitment stems largely from our growing endowment, powered even further by historically great investment returns. Through the generous support of donors like you, we've consistently shown the incredible power of our endowment to amplify what we do best at CSU: supporting a growing student body, hiring and retaining world-class faculty, and generating transformational research.

CSU's Courageous Strategic Transformation is our opportunity to align the campus community and position our University as THE aspirational land-grant university. As we seek to achieve our ambitious goals – to ensure a flourishing humanity and sustainable, thriving planet – we need the financial sustainability of our endowment more than ever. The financial security provided by our endowment will enable CSU not just to survive the rapidly changing educational and financial landscape, but also to cultivate our path, allowing us to thrive for years to come.



A Message from the President



“We’re very intentionally calling what we’re building together Courageous Strategic Transformation. Colorado State University is a courageous place, committed to doing bold things and going all in while others stand on the sidelines. That’s something our endowment donors exemplify; that powerful, wholehearted commitment. We’ve also demonstrated that we can be incredibly strategic, even under very difficult circumstances, like, say, a global pandemic. So, we’re ready for a positive transformation, for positive change you can see and feel. I’m excited, and I know everyone who loves CSU will be too.”

JOYCE MCCONNELL
CSU President

Our endowment – and your impact on CSU and its students – grows by the day, thanks to your generosity. We promise to honor your confidence in the potential of our students with an unwavering commitment to excellence in teaching, research, service, and engagement that develops diverse leaders for Colorado and the world and helps our communities and the planet thrive.

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