

# **Mission**

The mission of Gillette College Foundation is to enhance the offerings and operations of Gillette College.

### Vision

Our vision is to help fulfill the needs of Gillette College by providing direct financial assistance for scholarships, grants, programs and capital so all students are able to realize the academic goals and our college has a valued partner for sustainable growth.

## **Our Students**



Chelsie works full time at the Senior Center, has four cats, one dog and has been married for four years. She is currently working towards her administrative assistant certificate. Her next education goal is to obtain an associate degree in business, possibly advancing to a bachelor degree in the future. In the next 10 years, Chelsie sees herself as a mother and hopes to be working towards the position of Assistant Director of the Senior Center. "Gillette College makes it possible to do what you think is out of your reach."

James is married with children and is employed in the L&H Industrial machine shop. He is currently working towards his associate degree as a machinist. In the next 10 years, he hopes to still be with L&H. James was born and raised in Gillette, and now resides just down the road in Moorcroft. He is married with children and is employed in the L&H Industrial machine shop. "There are so many opportunities here. Gillette College is definitely a positive part of the community."



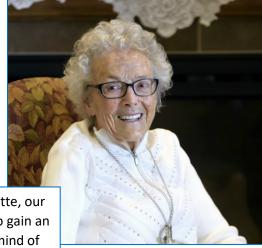


### **History of Gillette College**

Gillette College just celebrated its 50<sup>th</sup> birthday! The Gillette Campus was established in 1969 when Northern Wyoming Community College District began offering night classes in Gillette. From these humble roots, Gillette College moved into the old Campbell County Memorial Hospital Building. Our community leaders were passionate about giving Gillette College a permanent home. In 2003, "Old Main" was built. In 2008, the Herb

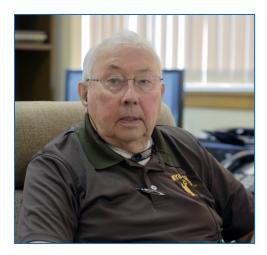
and Dorothy Carter
Health Science
Building was
dedicated to enhance
our outstanding
nursing program.
partnered with us
Center was built in
Gillette College
growing student

"Thanks to the college in Gillette, our local youth are empowered to gain an education with the peace of mind of remaining close to home. Gillette College is one of our biggest assets. When our youth stay in Gillette and work and raise families in Gillette, our community thrives." — Pat Litton



After that, our local industry and the Technical Education 2009. During that same year, built student housing for the population.

In 2017, the Pronghorn Center was dedicated. This \$19M facility houses an arena, nursing simulation lab, veterans center, and fitness center. We also dedicated our Rodeo/Ag Complex and Inspiration Hall that same year. All of these facilities were built due to the vision of our community leaders, industry partners, and advisory board members who were all passionate about offering higher education options here at home in Gillette, WY.



"I give to the foundation because it supports our youth and it supports our community. What other reason do you need? It's simple: Gillette College improves lives and brings us together." – Cliff Kirk



#### **Programs and Services**

Gillette College offers 34 degree programs. Most of our students, 79% are from Campbell County, WY. Upon graduation, 84% of our graduates live and work in Campbell County. Our strategic vision is to help every student earn a degree, and we take that to heart. Our students are not just individuals wanting to create a better future, they are *our* 

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**neighbors, our children** and vital members of our community. Won't you help us help these students? Their success is our success. Not only does Gillette College provide s skilled workforce, we are providing the community leaders of tomorrow.



"An investment in Gillette College is an investment in the community. By providing higher education locally, dollars stay here and enhance the community for all of us. If you are unsure about giving, attend a graduation. The pride on the students' faces quickly makes the value of your investment clear." – Bob Palmer

#### How can I help?

Not only are you supporting our students with your charitable gifts, you are making an impact on our community as well. Your gifts are always appreciated. Interested in leaving a legacy gift? We can help you with that as well. Let us show you a variety of ways you can support Gillette College and leave a lasting legacy gift.

Please contact Heidi Gross, Executive Director, at 307-681-6400 or <a href="mailto:hgross@sheridan.edu">hgross@sheridan.edu</a> if you want to make a gift that will have lasting impact today and tomorrow.



