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SAF Awards \$63,000 in Circle of Succe\$\$ Scholarships to Montana Students

From Lincoln to Carter, and the Montana counties in between, 63 students are breathing easier about paying for college in the fall thanks to the recent award of Student Assistance Foundation's Circle of Succe\$\$ scholarships.

"Thank you so much for this scholarship," wrote 2012 Circle of Succe\$\$ recipient Bryce Worthington. "It means so much to my success and to helping me become the best student I possibly could. This money will go a long way in alleviating some of the stress that debt will cause me once I graduate from college."

Worthington, who is from Billings, is attending Montana Tech of The University of Montana in Butte, and is studying for his Petroleum Engineering Degree. While he understands that he will likely work outside of Montana at the start of his career, his plans are to return to Montana and raise a family when the opportunity presents itself.

Darbie Hess, grants and scholarship manager for SAF, said helping students like Worthington is exactly what SAF employees intended when they established the scholarship program seven years ago.

"The Circle of Succe\$\$ program is particularly meaningful to SAF employees because it was initially funded solely through voluntary payroll deductions," she said. "Today, we look to the proceeds of our annual golf tournament and generous donors in the community to allow us to help even more Montana students in need."

Hess added that the employee committee charged with selecting the scholarship recipients had a challenging duty in narrowing the numerous applications to meet the number of scholarships available.

"Each year we see requests from so many dedicated and talented students, it's always difficult to select just a few to receive Circle of Succe\$\$ scholarships," she said.

To date, SAF has distributed \$404,000 in Circle of Succe\$\$ scholarships.

To learn more about SAF and our 2012 Circle of Succe\$\$ scholarship program recipients, check us out on Facebook!

Student Assistance Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit Montana corporation that provides students with knowledge and tools to finance and pursue their postsecondary education. Funds generated by SAF are returned to Montanans in the form of education grants and public benefit programs - to date more than \$22.8 million. For more information, visit www.safmt.org or www.SmartAboutCollege.org.

County	Student's Name	County	Student's Name
Beaverhead	Jacy Suenram	Hill	Karlee Young
Beaverhead	Macy Ropp	Jefferson	Cory Martini
Carter	Cory Lovec	Judith Basin	Shelbye Brady
Cascade	Kimberly Clark	Judith Basin	Courtney White
Cascade	Debbie Kleinsasser	Lake	Juanita Irvine
Cascade	William Omholt-Montague	Lewis & Clark	Jared Clairmont
Cascade	Jolina Waldner	Lewis & Clark	Samantha Cooley
Cascade	Deborah Wurz	Lewis & Clark	Cade Foster
Cascade	Linda Wurz	Lewis & Clark	Brayden Oats
Cascade	Lucas Wurz	Liberty	Lauren Woods
Cascade	Stephen Wurz	McCone	Tiana Jensen
Dawson	Ashley Langton	Mineral	Tyler Cheesman
Dawson	Karissa Linn	Missoula	Aimee Duncan
Dawson	Erin Switzer	Missoula	Shelby Gensch
Deer Lodge	Trace Forkan	Missoula	Nickolette Lannan
Fallon	Hillary Beach	Missoula	Merri MacDonald
Fergus	D'Jeane Peters	Ravalli	James Robison
Flathead	Ryan Bowman	Rosebud	Kelsey Bailey
Flathead	Cole Francisco	Rosebud	Ryan Hensleigh
Flathead	Sarah Greskowiak	Sanders	Trent Thompson
Flathead	Shanel Libby	Silver Bow	Jennifer Carr
Flathead	Shaunna Ogden	Silver Bow	Elizabeth Patterson
Flathead	Aspen Rose	Stillwater	Ashley Stewart
Flathead	Mark Schuman	Teton	Trisha Christensen
Flathead	Shelley Struck	Teton	Kegan Cunniff
Flathead	Candy Van Frachen	Treasure	Kena Lackman
Flathead	Jessica Wambeke	Valley	Kevin Tweten
Gallatin	Courtney Jones	Wibaux	Collin Harrell
Gallatin	Janessa McGuire	Yellowstone	Heather Begger
Gallatin	Kendra Riggs	Yellowstone	Bryce Worthington
Gallatin	Wade Robinson		
Gallatin	Alexandra Schwier		
Gallatin	Kimberly Siemsen		