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**SAF Distributes \$75,000 in Circle of Succe\$\$ Scholarships to Montana Students**

Seventy-five Montana students were surprised last week with the news that they were recipients of \$1,000, Circle of Succe\$\$ scholarships from nonprofit Student Assistance Foundation (SAF).

“Thanks for this scholarship as it helps me get one step closer to achieving my dreams,” said Kailey Grover, who is studying Exercise Science at Montana State University.

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

“It’s truly our honor to provide these dedicated and talented students with much-needed assistance to continue their postsecondary education,” Hess said. “Thanks to employee payroll deductions, combined with private donations and the proceeds of our fundraising activities, we are able to make a difference in the lives of these Montana students.”

Scholarships are awarded to second, third, and fourth-year students based on six regions. The college-age population per region determines the number of scholarships distributed in each region. An employee committee narrows the numerous applications received each year to meet the number of scholarships available.

This year’s Circle of Succe\$\$ awards bring the total of funds distributed through the program to \$542,000.

To learn more about SAF and our 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 \$28 million. For more information, visit [www.safmt.org](http://www.safmt.org) or [www.SmartAboutCollege.org](http://www.SmartAboutCollege.org).*

**2014 Circle of Succe\$\$ Recipients List**

<b>First Name</b>	<b>Last Name</b>	<b>Hometown</b>	<b>First Name</b>	<b>Last Name</b>	<b>Hometown</b>
Dan	Bentley	Belgrade	Brianna	Eaton	Billings
			Kale	Lemelin	Billings
Carlan	Campbell	Big Timber	Sally	Weinand	Billings
Sojin	Josephson	Big Timber	Jakota	Schatz	Billings

Jamie Kerry	Montes Murphy	Box Elder Box Elder	Myra Hannele Anna	Kuykendall Ballantyne Johnson	Helena Helena Helena
Connor Megan Jessica Jonathan Kathryn Rebecca Richard Sarah	Hausauer McInnis Harpster Dupea DesLauriers Boylan Clark Gilkerson	Bozeman Bozeman Bozeman Bozeman Bozeman Bozeman Bozeman	Bradford  Courtney  Kailey Patti  Cole	Huff  Bruce  Grover Guslander  Erickson	Kalispell  Laurel  Lewistown Lewistown  Libby
Leticia Chelsy Andrea Anne Randi Kelsey	Diaz Chavez Higgins Running Wolf Grant Phelps Alley	Browning Browning Browning Browning Butte Butte	Lena Kimber Anna	Sleight Krausz Claypool	Miles City Miles City Miles City
Comfort  Dustin  Madison  Aerionna  Madyson  Jocelyn  Tory  Aimee  Carissa Meghan Angela Holly Megan	Bolen  Barnes  Owens  Hardesty  Klapmeier  Acheson  Scribner  Kuntz  Petty O'Dell Medina Johnson Meyers	Charlo  Choteau  Ennis  Florence  Forsyth  Fort Peck  Geraldine  Glendive  Great Falls Great Falls Great Falls Great Falls	Ashley Brianna Alice Madeleine Emily Jessica Katy Lindsey Marcus Michelle Amanda Cara  Shelley  Geena  Kellie  Randi  Jerraca  Shelby  Emma Tawnya  Laura	Rollin Burke Olson Robertson Pierce Muehlhausen Weiss Warner Trent Gray Nemetchek Stubb Guderian  Covers Up  Tyler  Caldbeck  Sunford  Allhands  Cooper  Russell Gilstrap  Tonnessen	Missoula Missoula Missoula Missoula Missoula Missoula Missoula Missoula Missoula Missoula  Moiese  Moore  Polson  Saco  Sheridan  Superior  Townsend Whitehall  Wolf Point