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WyAA Arts and Culture Survey Responses

What arts and cultural activities have you and your family members attended, participated in, or supported in the past year?

- * Dance, Music, Film/Media, Visual Arts.

Considering your own personal background and education, what arts or cultural classes, programs or activities did you participate in?

- * Instrumental Music, Drawing/Painting/Sculpting, Vocal Music.

What role do you believe Wyoming and/or local government should play in supporting arts and culture to enhance economic and community development?

- * Given the wide range and diversity of the arts, it should be primary role of local governments rather than the state in the support of the arts in each individual community.

What role do you believe Wyoming and/or local government should play in supporting arts and culture to provide a comprehensive education for Wyoming K-12 students?

- * The state through the mandated opportunity in the public school system and the local districts to implement those mandates.

What role do you believe Wyoming and/or local government should play in supporting arts and culture to enhance quality of life?

- * At the state level, it should be limited and at the local level I support voter-authorized ballot initiatives as a funding source.

The recently-released ENDOW Report proposes increasing the Wyoming Cultural Trust corpus to \$100 million. Rank your degree of support for this proposal.

*** Neither Unsupportive nor Supportive**

The ENDOW Report also proposes a Creative Ready Community Grant and Loan Program that would expand state financial support for innovative arts-oriented community projects. Rank your degree of support for this proposal.

*** Very Supportive**

The ENDOW Report also suggests making it easier for Wyoming communities to impose a local tax to build creative and cultural sector "capacity." Rank your degree of support for this proposal.

*** Very Supportive**

For the 2018-19 grant cycle, the Wyoming Arts Council distributed more than \$800,000 in grant funds to local communities. (The total amount requested in 2018 was \$1.45 million.) How do you feel about this level of financial support to Wyoming communities and local arts organizations?

*** Just Right**