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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, Theatre, Music, Film/Media, Literary Arts, Visual Arts. Spoken word poetry, storytelling.

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

* Theatre, Film/Photography, Literary Arts, Poetry.

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

* The government should play a central role in advocating for the arts; arts advocacy *is* economic development and quality of life can't be separated from a robust art and cultural scene.

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?

* Again, central. Every study confirms that art education has a constellation of effects on brain development, sense of identity, and cultural connection to your community. Arts education is vital and our kids deserve it.

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

* We should fund it, we should participate and to the best of our ability we should keep articulating its necessity so that others can be engaged.

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

*** Very 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?

*** Not Enough**