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COMMUNITY IMPACT REPORT



Learning Today to Lead Tomorrow

When you choose to give to Mount Royal University (MRU), you're supporting the vision of Opening Minds and Changing Lives. Your generosity empowers students to reach their full potential, fuels innovative ideas, provides support when students need a hand up and transforms classrooms into a place where work-ready skills are fostered.

In the last year we have seen incredible support that impacts areas all across campus; from the creation of the NourishU program: Fuelled by Canadian Natural, PrairiesCan investment in the Aviation Program, the formation of the Viewpoint Foundation Peer Support Cafe, countless gifts supporting scholarships and bursaries, and so much more.

You are creating opportunities for students to excel academically, engage meaningfully, and contribute positively to our community. Thank you for making a difference in the lives of countless students today and beyond.

2023/24 NUMBERS AT A GLANCE



Over **\$2.4 million** in donor funded scholarships and bursaries provided to **1,319** students this year



In 2023/24 over **\$8.2 million** raised



1,887 donations



844 donors, an increase of 18.5% over last year

"Support from donors like you has not only made my academic pursuits possible but has also created a community that fosters growth, collaboration, and excellence...Your investment in my education has not only lightened the financial burden but has also motivated me to strive for excellence in all that I do."

- Zaid Y.

For more information about how you can have an impact on MRU students visit us here



Meet Khushi



Thank you.

Thank you for making this semester a little less stressful.

Thank you for letting me support my family.

Thank you for investing in my future.

My name is Khushi, I am a fourth-year accounting student who just graduated from Mount Royal University. Quite honestly, at the time of my high school graduation I was in a low place, but I chose to pursue my degree at MRU because I felt safe and welcomed.

My professors, peers and other faculty have always noticed my efforts and appreciated me. They have guided and supported me in more ways than I can count. Aside from academia, I have had access to medical and counseling that has drastically improved my quality of life. MRU understands the importance of other pillars in life and supports the fact that everyone has different priorities – and this is all made possible through support of donors like you.

I carry a little more responsibility than the average university student. I have worked since I was 15 years old, but not for pocket money but rather to cover grocery costs at home. I come from a single parent household and finances have always been a challenge. I try to help my mom as much as I can but sometimes it's overwhelming when you have thousands of dollars to pay for tuition.

Your contributions allowed me to support my family significantly, which has made a world of a difference to the stress level at home and school. Over the past four years, I have worked five internships in different industries such as food, oil and gas, construction, and an accounting public firm. Alongside school, I have worked on myself consistently by staying active, trying new activities, and participating in networking events. Support from donor funded awards have also made it possible for me to give back and volunteer my time at Catshome Foundation that rescues and rehabilitates cats.

Your generosity has eased my path, and many other students like myself, through university and I really appreciate your financial support in my education.

With gratitude,

Khushi Saunal