



COLLEGE OF NURSING INNOVATION FUND REPORT

July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024

FUNDS RAISED:

\$61,272

DONORS:

413

SUPPORT FOR UNMCAA:

\$12,500

SUPPORT FOR COLLEGE OF NURSING STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

\$48,772

THE COLLEGE OF NURSING INNOVATION FUND SUPPORTED:

- the work and outreach of the University of Nebraska Medical Center Alumni Association and Alumni Engagement Council;
- graduates preparing for licensure and certification exams; and
- student travel for leadership and professional development.

“Nebraska has lost approximately 2,600 nurses from the workforce in the last two years. By 2025, it is predicted that we will need over 5,400 new nurses to meet the state’s needs. Of our 93 counties, eight have no nurses employed. Our rural health care partners are struggling to maintain services due to a lack of health care providers. These demands inspire us to seek innovative strategies to increase enrollment, recruit and develop faculty, address health access and support student success. These challenges drive us to remain focused on our mission. Your support makes a lasting impact on the health outcomes of our communities and shapes the future of nursing. Thank you for your generosity and commitment to advancing the nursing profession.”

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