

RMC RECEIVES TWO SAMPLE FOUNDATION GRANTS

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BILLINGS – The Rocky Mountain College Services for Academic Success program and the RMC Institute for Peace Studies have received grants from the Sample Foundation.

The Sample Foundation awarded \$3,000 to the Services for Academic Success program to support cultural enrichment opportunities for disadvantaged students. The grant will make it possible to expose students to art exhibits, professional theater productions, dance, the symphony, and the opera - all kinds of cultural events that they would be unlikely to experience on their own.

“This program has had an amazing impact on our students not only while they are here at Rocky, but I'm sure these wonderful experiences will insure that they will be arts lovers and arts goers the rest of their lives,” said Jane Van Dyk, RMC associate vice president for SAS.

The RMC Institute for Peace Studies was awarded a \$2,500 grant for its Peace Village Camp. The Peace Village Camp was introduced in August of 2003. A diverse group of children meets for a week of conflict resolution education, cooperative games, nature walks, yoga, art, visits with Rocky's international student community, classes on personal health and nutrition, and a story session highlighting peacemakers around the world.

“We are very appreciative for the Sample Foundation’s continuing support for our program,” said Cindy Kunz, RMC Institute for Peace Studies administrator.

The Sample Foundation is one of the top 50 foundations awarding grants in Montana, according to the U.S. Foundation Center.

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