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# GEER Grants: Update and Lessons Learned

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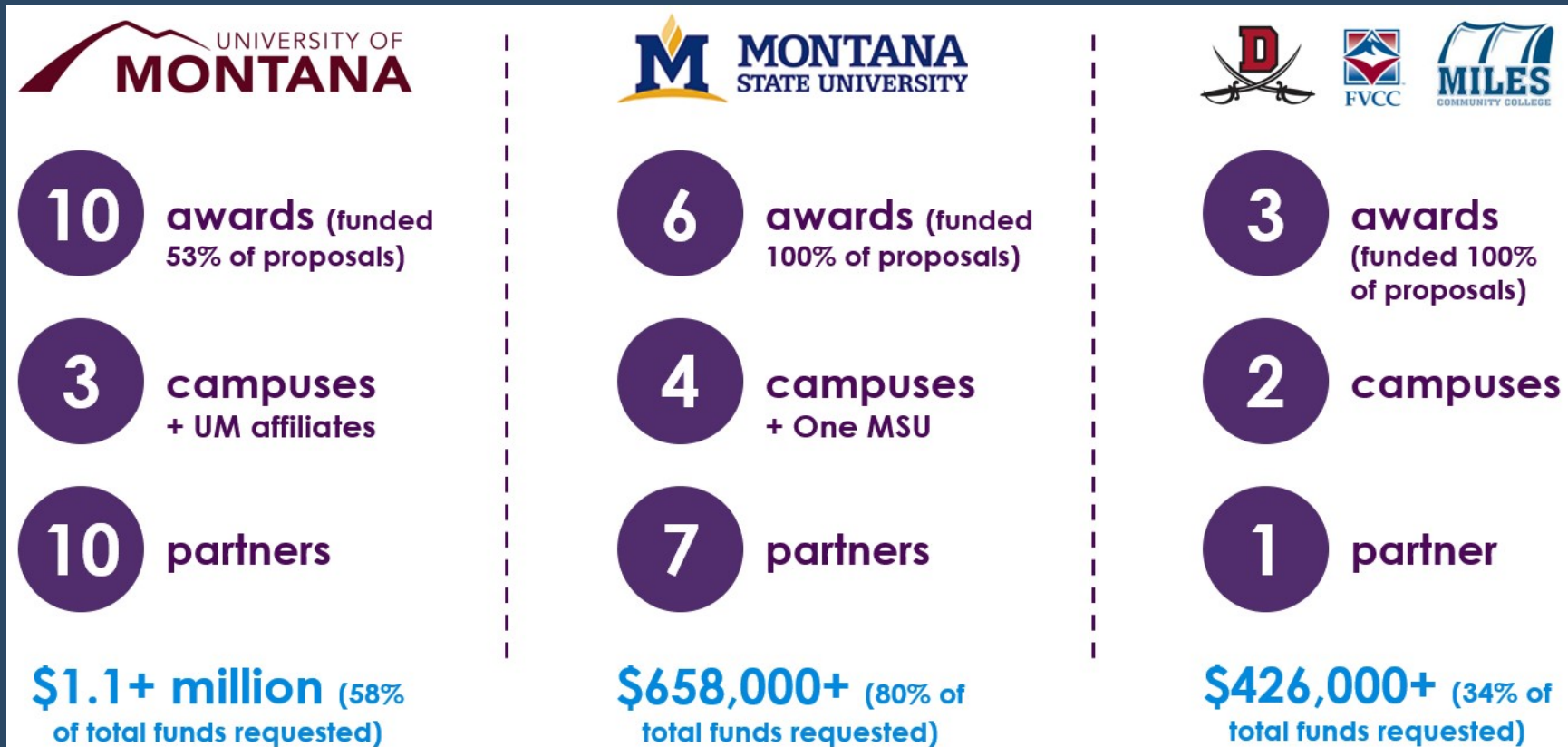
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# Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund

- Workforce Training and Remote Delivery Initiative
- \$2.2 Million



# Funding Priorities



Collaboration



Up-Skilling



Credentials



Remote Learning



# Program Highlights – MSU Northern

## Accelerated Apprenticeship Education

Electrical and Plumbing

## Upgrade or Re-Skill

Fifty Electrical and Plumbing Apprentices



# Program Highlights – MSU Northern



## Access and Remote Delivery

Online and face-to-face labs in Billings, Bozeman and Great Falls

## Credentials

Certificate through the Workforce Apprenticeship Director, MT DLI



# Program Highlights – Missoula College

## **IT Workforce Remote Education Initiative**

Computer Science and Information Technology

## **Course Development**

Redevelopment of IT coursework with an emphasis on remote delivery

## **Cyber Range**

Launched the State's first Cyber Range. Sandbox where cyber attacks can be launched. High impact education practices (experiential learning - active learning practices)

## **Upskilling Instructors**

Faculty professional development. Instructors either renew Industry Recognized Credentials (IRC) or gained new IRCs from Amazon and CompTIA

## **Course Sharing**

Accessible to students on different campuses; sharing instructional staffing costs across institutions

## **Development of the Cyber Hub**

for cyber workforce education



# Next Steps

- Continue Cross-Campus Collaboration
  - More Industry Engagement
- Focus on Access and Flexible Delivery Models

