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A [\\$26.7 million grant from the U.S. Air Force](#) will support MSU's Applied Quantum CORE facility, helping it move advanced quantum technology applications in cybersecurity, communications technology and national defense from concept and testing to market.

Nearly a dozen rural Montana communities will participate in the fourth annual MSU Extension Reimagining Rural virtual gathering. The event brings people together in towns across the state to hear new ideas for [rural community vitality](#).

MSU will offer a summer [program for Montana high school teachers](#) that provides hands-on research experiences and ideas for bringing science, technology, engineering and math into their classrooms.

MSU was [one of 18 teams nationwide to receive funding through the NSF's new Accelerating Research Translation, or ART, program](#). The [\\$6 million grant](#) will help MSU translate its research into products and solutions with real-life impact.

MSU will receive [\\$10 million from the EPA to establish a regional partnership](#) to provide resources and help to underserved rural and tribal communities to aid them in addressing environment- and energy-related priorities.

An essay by MSU geology student Natalie DeMarco [was featured](#) on NASPA's [Center for First Generation Student Success](#) website. She wrote about how MSU's [TRIO Student Support Services](#) helped her succeed and inspired her to support other first-generation students.

Accounting students from MSU's [Jake Jabs College of Business and Entrepreneurship](#) are offering [free help preparing tax returns](#) for MSU students and individuals who made less than \$60,000 last year.

MSU professor Elizabeth Shanahan was awarded the [Presidential Medallion for Achievement](#), recognizing scholarship of an international caliber, an exemplary commitment to teaching and mentoring, and leadership.

MSU's [Research Cyberinfrastructure Core Facility](#) received a [\\$500,000 grant from the NSF](#) to support large research objectives like quantum science, data analysis, machine learning and artificial intelligence.

MSU College of Agriculture researchers received [\\$4 million in new funding](#) to study disease prevention and management of wild and domestic sheep around the state and region.