

# SUPERINTENDENT'S ENDOWMENT & FUND



West Point  
**READY** 

READY TO SERVE. READY TO LEAD.



## #1 CAMPAIGN PRIORITY: THE SUPERINTENDENT'S ENDOWMENT

Augmenting the Corps' academic, athletic, military and character development, the Superintendent's Endowment makes West Point stronger. While the government does its part to sustain the core mission of the Academy, that funding stream can fluctuate making it more difficult to respond to emerging needs and to accomplish long-term strategic goals. It is critical to have a steady, stable funding source to remain agile and be able to grow Margin of Excellence opportunities that are vital to developing leaders of character for our Army and nation.

Comprised of unrestricted gifts from alumni and friends of the Academy, the endowment allows funds to be directed wherever they are most needed at any given time. It gives the Academy's leadership the flexibility to support existing priorities or emerging, innovative opportunities that evolve from ever-changing global influences, thereby ensuring that West Point remains a world-renowned leadership development institution

By contributing to the Superintendent's Endowment, you are making a long-term investment in West Point. The endowment will become an important part of the Academy's financial foundation, protected from year-to-year budgetary fluctuations and providing a stable, permanent source of funds. Each new gift adds to the total endowment and provides the Academy with greater financial security to maintain its level of excellence for today and for the future.

The Superintendent's Endowment also helps bridge the crucial gap between federal funding and the true cost of a cadet's complete 47-month experience at the Academy. It complements the restricted gift dollars that are designated for specific uses. While the amount of restricted funding isn't immune to cutbacks, unrestricted gifts give West Point the flexibility to sustain and enrich its vibrant programs, while ensuring that cadets have access to all the necessary tools needed to develop into tomorrow's leaders.

Funding supports cadets like Melanie Yell '24, a Geospatial Information Sciences major who investigated the geological processes that shaped numerous western landscapes as part of the Geology Field Course. Cadets worked on geologic mapping exercises and met veterans from the Army and the Marine Corps who now work in mining and petroleum engineering. "I'm



"Now that my son Benjamin is a member of the Class of 2023, the Long Gray Line takes on a whole new meaning. I can't count how many times someone has said, 'You must be proud to have Ben follow in your footsteps.' While true, I'll be more proud to see him create his own path. For me, consistently contributing to the Superintendent's Annual Fund helps Ben and all other current and future cadets find their path to becoming leaders of character and members of the Long Gray Line."

—Thomas Lopez '93

grateful for this experience. There's a rich geological history in Colorado, but also American history. Geology relates to my major so that I can have a better understanding of the earth that I will be studying."

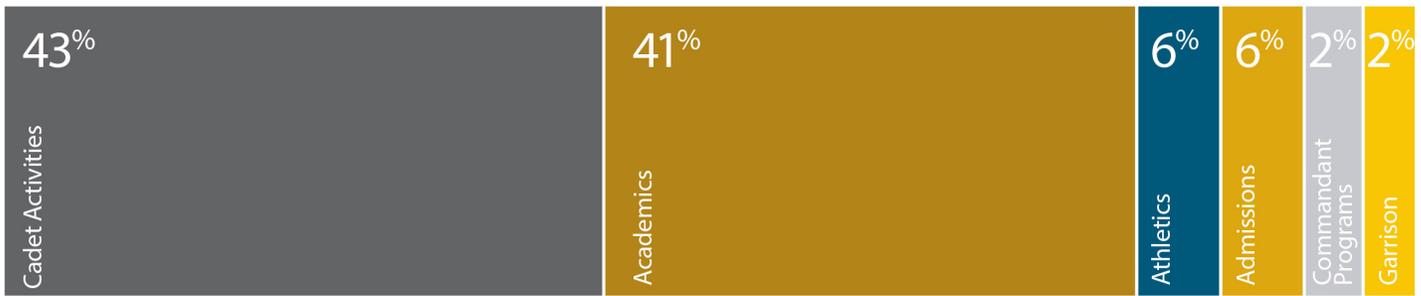
Indeed, the Superintendent's Endowment funds everything from cadet awards, conferences, and competitions to athletic equipment. With your help, we can raise the unrestricted funds we need each year to enhance cadets' development. If you would like to support the flexibility inherent in the Superintendent's Endowment but have a general funding area that you are most interested in, you may elect to support one of four general subcategories within the endowment: Academics, Athletics, Military Leadership, and Diversity. A gift to any of these subcategories still provides the Superintendent with ample discretion to apply the funds in a way that best serves cadets.

By donating to West Point, you are choosing to invest in our greatest assets: our cadets. Your investment yields long-term returns in the state of our Army and the security of our nation. Please join us as we ensure West Point's reputation as a leader in all endeavors, and take pride in the transformative power of the generous gift you can make today.



*"I've seen this institution's impact on our future leaders. Like me, your experiences with the Academy have shown you that West Point is remarkable and worth investing in. I give back to keep West Point on the leading edge of many things, such as technology, research, education, and athletics. Our collective support helps to make the experience both challenging and rewarding for future cadets."*

— COL (R) Shane Kimbrough '89



## HOW THE FUNDS ARE DISTRIBUTED

(Numbers represent a Five-Year Average of the Superintendent's Fund and Endowment)

### *Cadet Activities (43 %) & Commandant's Programs (2 %):*

- Support for more than 130 co-curricular teams and clubs for an average of 600 trips a year
- National Title Competition Travel funding
- Maintenance repair for sports club equipment and team uniforms
- Support for the annual Mission Command Conference, Cadet Leader Development Conference, Professional Military Ethic Education, and the Sexual Harassment and Assault Response and Prevention program

### *Academic Programs (41 %):*

- Cadet tutor program provided by the Center for Enhanced Performance
- Cadet Education and Conference Travel (Microbiology Symposium, Engineers and Scientists for a Sustainable World Conference, Supreme Court, Gettysburg, and Walter Reed Medical Hospital)
- Dean's Teams competitions (Steel Bridge; Concrete Canoe; Design, Build, Fly; Math Modeling & Interdisciplinary)
- Academic Individual Advanced Development programs (domestic internships & cultural immersion opportunities)
- Cadet Capstone Projects & Research such as the Bionic Foot project

### *Athletics (6 %)*

Support for the 30 men's and women's varsity sports. Approximately 25 percent of the Corps of Cadets compete at the intercollegiate NCAA level representing West Point.

### *Admissions (6 %):*

- STEM outreach
- Prior Service Soldier outreach
- Directorate of Public Affairs & Communications (D/PA&C) provides support for publicity opportunities such as travel for the Cadet Color Guard and Cadet Glee Club to national sporting events

### *Garrison (2 %)*

Support the services, programs and infrastructure that sustains the West Point community:

- Directorate of Emergency Services (DES)
- Directorate of Human Resources (DHR)
- Directorate of Public Works (DPW)
- Safety Office
- Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization & Security (DPTMS)
- Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation (DFMWR)



**\*\*Plaque recognition for gifts of \$100,000+ to the Superintendent's Endowment are displayed on Duty Corner\*\***



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# FUNDING & RECOGNITION OPPORTUNITIES

## **Funding Priorities**

Superintendent’s Endowment .....	\$44.8 million
Superintendent’s Annual Fund .....	\$39 million / \$5.5 million annual

## **Recognition Opportunities**

Lusk Bridge Walkway .....	\$25 million
Beat Navy Tunnel .....	\$25 million
Beat Navy Tunnel Stairway .....	\$15 million
South Dock Rappel Center Tower .....	\$15 million
Superintendent’s Boat Dock .....	\$15 million
The Lookout Area .....	\$10 million
Superintendent’s Reviewing Stands .....	\$5 million
South Dock - Boat Launch .....	\$5 million
South Dock - Crew Dock .....	\$5 million
South Dock - Ferry Dock .....	\$5 million
South Dock - Stairway to Caulfield Crew & Sailing Center .....	\$2.5 million
Riverview Courts (4 of 4 available) .....	\$2.5 million/ea.
Mills Road Walkway .....	\$1.5 million
Reviewing Stands (16 of 16 available) .....	\$1 million/ea.
Granite Benches (3 of 3 available) .....	\$1 million/ea.
<b>Distinguished Visitors Quarters (DVQ) Interior Spaces</b>	
Foyer .....	\$5 million
Suite 101 .....	\$3.5 million
Sitting Room .....	\$3 million
Dining Room .....	\$2.5 million
Suite 201 .....	\$2.5 million
Kitchen .....	\$2 million
Gym .....	\$1 million
Additional Rooms (3 bedrooms & 1 meeting room available) .....	\$1 million / ea.

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