



UNIVERSITY OF
**NORTHERN
COLORADO**

Student Affairs Impact Report

2025-2026



Student Affairs Goals and Units

1
Advance and promote
access, wellbeing,
belonging and
student success

2
Prepare students
for life beyond
college

3
Foster engagement,
connection and
civic responsibility
at UNC and in the
community

4
Empower students to
navigate systems,
access resources and
advocate for
themselves

Our Team

- Asian Pacific American Student Services
- Assault Survivors Advocacy Program
- Bear Pantry
- Campus Recreation
- Center for Student Well-Being
- Center for Women's and Gender Equity
- Community Scholars
- Community Standards and Conflict Resolution
- Counseling Center
- Dean of Students
- Dining Services
- Disability Resource Center
- Gender and Sexuality Resource Center
- Housing and Residential Education
- La Casita Cultural Center
- Marcus Garvey Cultural Center
- Military-Connected Student Services
- Native American Student Services
- New Student Orientation and Transition Programs
- Office of Health Promotion
- Student Clubs and Organizations
- Student Engagement
- Student Government Association
- Student Outreach and Case Management
- University Health Clinic
- University Program Council



By the Numbers

250: Students, alumni, faculty, staff and community members attended La Casita Cultural Center's 40th anniversary celebration.

2,642: Individuals reached by more than 70 outreach events through the **UNC Counseling Center**.

2,400: items distributed by the **Office of Health Promotion**, including emergency contraceptives, makeup wipes and dental dams.

1,605%: participation increase seen by the **Student Government Association** in student elections from fall to spring .

\$70,000: grant funding received by Wellness staff to launch a **new telemental health platform**.

21% increase in Emergency Support Fund applications

BEAR PANTRY

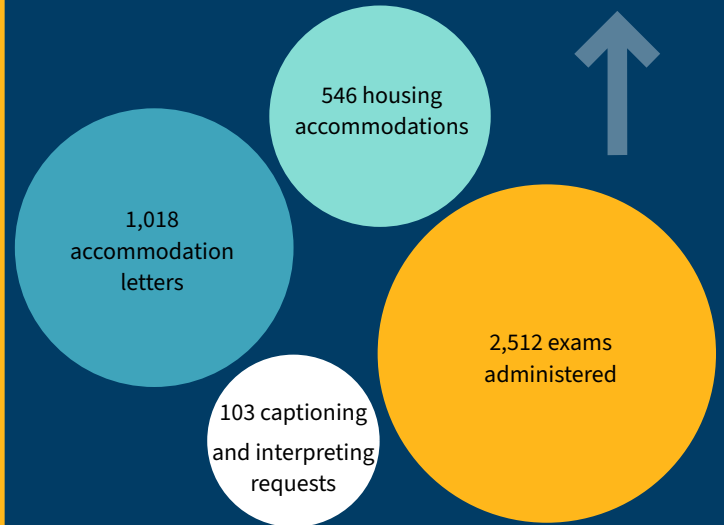
57% increase in students supported

13% of guests report caring for other adults or children

109% increase in grocery items distributed

81% increase in Mobile Food Pantry attendance

4,000+: access supports provided by the **Disability Resource Center**, including:



180: faculty and staff received training on reporting and student support through the **Dean of Students Office**

515: **Military-affiliated** students using VA benefits

726: cases managed by **Student Outreach and Case Management**

234: cases supported and responded to by the **UNC CARE team**

93: individuals supported by the Assault Survivors Advocacy Program after initial contact

\$3,200: grocery gift cards distributed by the **Center for Student Well-Being** during the statewide SNAP freeze

Successes

Mental health awareness

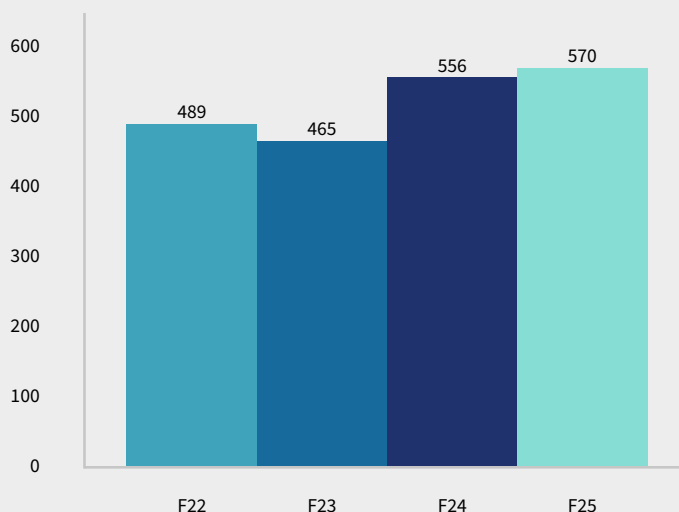
efforts exceeded goals for Year 2 of the GLS suicide prevention grant, reaching **more than 5,000 individuals**. The project referred at-risk students to services, demonstrating **strong coordination between screening and referral processes**.

More students are voluntarily living on campus

The number of second-year students living in campus housing has increased nearly 17% in the past three years. **Beyond sophomore students, 443 continuing students chose to live on campus in 2024-25, and 584 in 2025-26.**



Second-Year Students Living on Campus



The renovation of Holmes Dining Hall

was completed with minimal interruption to the campus community.

More departments are using BearConnect

than ever before, **with 257 organizations hosting 3,210 events** in 2025-26.

99%

of respondents say free menstrual products through Project M.E. via the **Center for Women's and Gender Equity** make them feel like UNC cares about their needs.

New Initiatives and Partnerships

HIV/STI testing in partnership with Weld County

The **Gender and Sexuality Resource Center** the **Marcus Garvey Cultural Center** partnered with the Weld County Health Department to provide free HIV/STI testing monthly throughout the academic year. These opportunities grew with outreach to **Fraternity and Sorority Life** and Athletics.

The UNC CARE Team

engaged in a research project with Dr. Kyle Ward of the Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice to evaluate systems and develop materials on Behavioral Threat Assessment and Management. The work was funded by a Preventing Identity-Based Violence Grant from the Colorado Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Management.



Wellness Vending Machines and Gun Safety Locks

Two Wellness Vending Machines were launched by the **Office of Health Promotion**; OHP also began distribution of gun safety locks to reduce risk of suicide and accidental injury.

The Inaugural Fitness Co-op Program

was implemented through partnership between **Campus Rec** and KiND faculty member Dr. David Hydock. The three-year internship program had five participants, all of whom will continue in AY26-27.

The University Health Clinic

partnered with Colorado School of Public Health students to assess barriers for students in accessing care at the Clinic.

Two new Divine Nine organizations were added to **Fraternity and Sorority Life**.



Student Success Outcomes

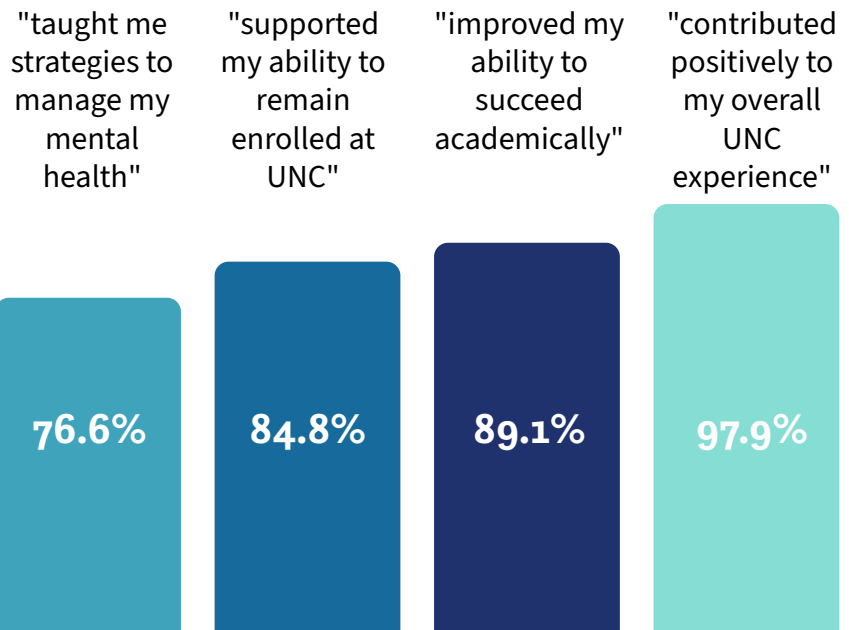
New offerings in the Disability Resource Center

included new consultation resources, faculty guidance, orientation programming and educational materials. Campus partners increasingly engaged the DRC not only when an accommodation question emerged, but when developing policies, programs, communications and student-support practices.

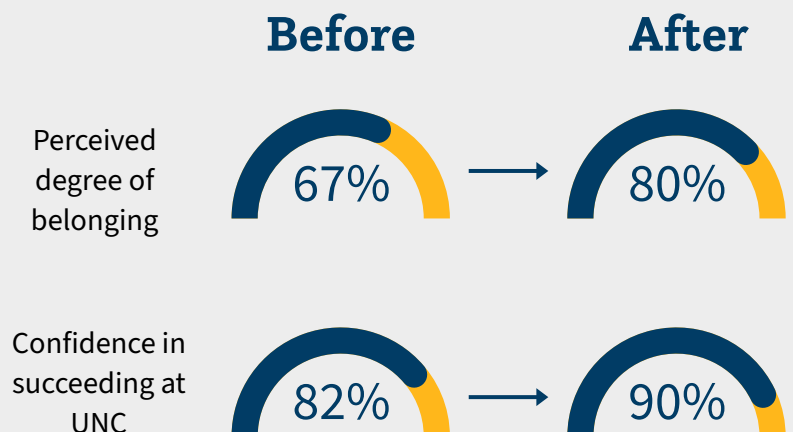
Data collected by the **Counseling Center** showed a positive impact on several student success outcomes: "The Counseling Center..."

UNC was awarded a new \$2.5 million grant

through CDHE's Colorado Opportunity Scholarship Initiative Accelerated Study in Academic Programs (COSI ASAP), which provides students with **comprehensive financial, academic and personal support** to help them graduate on time.



NSOTP collaborated with faculty member and equity advocate Dr. Michael Kimball and more than 30 students to develop an orientation session that aimed to normalize uncertainty around belonging.



Local and National Recognitions



The City of Greeley recognized the **Marcus Garvey Cultural Center** as a **cultural contributor** with Juneteenth and Black Heritage Month proclamations from the City Council.

UNC was voted a 'Best for Vets' College

by Military Times and joined the **SALUTE Veterans National Honor Society**, the only national honor society dedicated to the achievements of student veterans and active military.

UNC was named a 2026 Most Promising Place to Work in Student Affairs

by the ACPA—College Student Educators International.

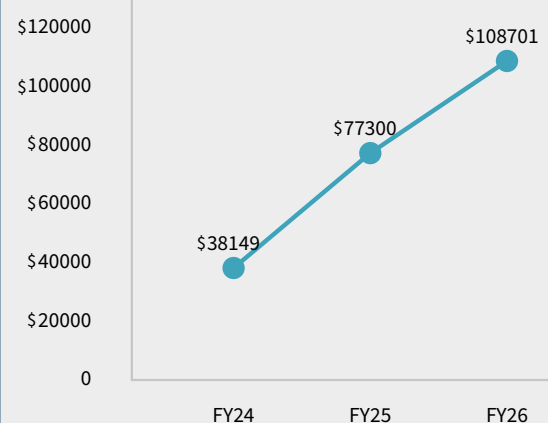
Midterms matter!

The **Bears Vote Coalition** was recognized for having a **Highly Established Action Plan for nonpartisan democratic engagement**. Robust civic engagement work will continue in AY26-27.



CO Dept. of Higher Ed Basic Needs Designation

UNC received the "Comprehensive Tier" basic needs designation in recognition of commitment to ensuring that Colorado students have what they need to persist, thrive and succeed. At the same time, charitable donations to Bear Pantry have nearly tripled in the past three years.



■ Philanthropic Dollars Received by Bear Pantry

Our Mission, Vision and Values

Mission

Student Affairs is dedicated to fostering the **holistic development, belonging and success** of every student. We create and sustain inclusive co-curricular experiences rooted in **self-awareness, equity, well-being and career readiness**.

Through partnership, assessment and advocacy, we **eliminate barriers, honor diverse identities, advance upward mobility and equip students** to thrive personally, professionally and as civic leaders.

Vision

Student Affairs will provide **exemplary programs and services**, ensuring that every student feels a **deep sense of belonging** and has the **opportunities and resources** they need to thrive.

Core Values

- Student-centeredness
- Servingness
- Equity
- Belonging
- Collaboration
- Learning
- Community
- Well-being
- Integrity
- Resilience
- Accountability

