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2013 State-Tribal Relations Report
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It is with great pleasure that I release my administration's first **Tribal Relations Report**. In the past eight years, there has been tremendous progress in the state-tribal relationship. As never before, the state government reached out to Indian Country to ensure that American Indians and tribal governments are included in governing Montana. I am committed to continuing this progress and to ensuring that these efforts result in tangible, positive impacts for Indian people.

As Governor I have listened carefully to the messages coming from Indian Country: unemployment on reservations is too high; graduation rates are too low; and enormous income and health disparities between Indians and non-Indians still persist. I also know that there are many people working hard on these issues, both on and off the reservation, and that there is optimism and hope in the future. The **2013 Tribal Relations Report** outlines some of the many initiatives of the state and tribes to create more jobs, better education, and improve the effectiveness of government to address health and other disparities.

More jobs must be created in Indian Country. The Main Street Montana initiative, Indian Country Economic Development Program, Indian Equity Fund, tax agreements, infrastructure grants, and the many other economic initiatives outlined in this report have one common objective: eliminating barriers to starting and running businesses on reservations. I have fought for these programs and will strongly support these and other initiatives to create jobs and reduce the unacceptably high levels of unemployment in Indian Country.

Better education is fundamental to our quality of life and to creating a stronger economy and business sector on reservations. My administration has made historic investments in education, including Indian Education for All and early childhood learning programs. I am particularly proud of Montana's first state program to preserve and promote American Indian languages, passed with my strong support during the 2013 state legislative session. All school children in Montana must know of the history and culture of American Indians and their contributions to our state and country. And Montana schools, including our post-secondary system, must be providing our students with the skills needed to lead in both the public and private sectors. This report makes clear that the state and tribes, as partners, are on the right path.

Improving the effectiveness of state government is critical to maintaining an effective and productive state-tribal relationship. This begins with ensuring the voice of American Indian people is heard throughout state government. Indian appointments to boards and commissions have increased during my tenure as Governor, and it is my expectation that those appointees speak their minds and positively impact the state's relationship with tribal governments and Indian people. By listening to the Indian voice, we can improve inter-governmental cooperation in all areas.

The flags of Montana's Indian Nations continue to fly in a place of honor in the State Capitol. I look forward to the work that lies ahead.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "JB", is written over a horizontal line.

STEVE BULLOCK
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Governor Steve Bullock's Inauguration
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Executive Summary

The Governor's State-Tribal Relations Report is produced each year in fulfillment of Montana Code Annotated 2-15-143 to highlight the State of Montana's cooperative work with the eight tribal governments of Montana, as well as state services that benefit Indian citizens throughout the state.

This year's Report, entitled "***Partners in Building a Stronger Montana***," is organized into three main narrative sections that reflect the Governor's vision and core focus areas: (I) Better Jobs, (II) Better Education, and (III) Effective Government. In addition, three appendices complete the report, which list Indian appointments, state-tribal agreements, and contacts.

Section I, "Better Jobs," describes how the Bullock Administration has hit the ground running with innovative ideas on how to build and secure jobs in Indian Country. In addition, this section highlights successful state-tribal activities that support economic and infrastructure development in tribal communities. These activities include grants and loans supporting projects and businesses, tourism promotion, business development training, and revenue sharing.

Section II, "Better Education," features State initiatives and collaborative efforts promoting the preservation and respect of Indian culture and history. In addition, this section highlights investments made in schools and colleges on the reservations, and describes governmental programs and resources dedicated to support Montana's youth in reaching their academic goals in K-12 and higher education.

Section III, "Effective Government," highlights the Bullock Administration's commitment to effective state-tribal relationships, and features the Governor's appointment of American Indians on his staff and on State boards. Section III also describe state agencies' cooperative work with tribes in the areas of health, safety, environmental stewardship and justice aiming to keep Montana communities' safe.

Appendix "A" consists of a complete listing of the 117 Governor's appointments and re-appointments of American Indians serving on State boards, councils and commissions over the past eight months.

Appendix "B" showcases a list of over 550 agreements, negotiations and collaborative efforts with the tribal governments that were in effect during the course of State fiscal year 2013.

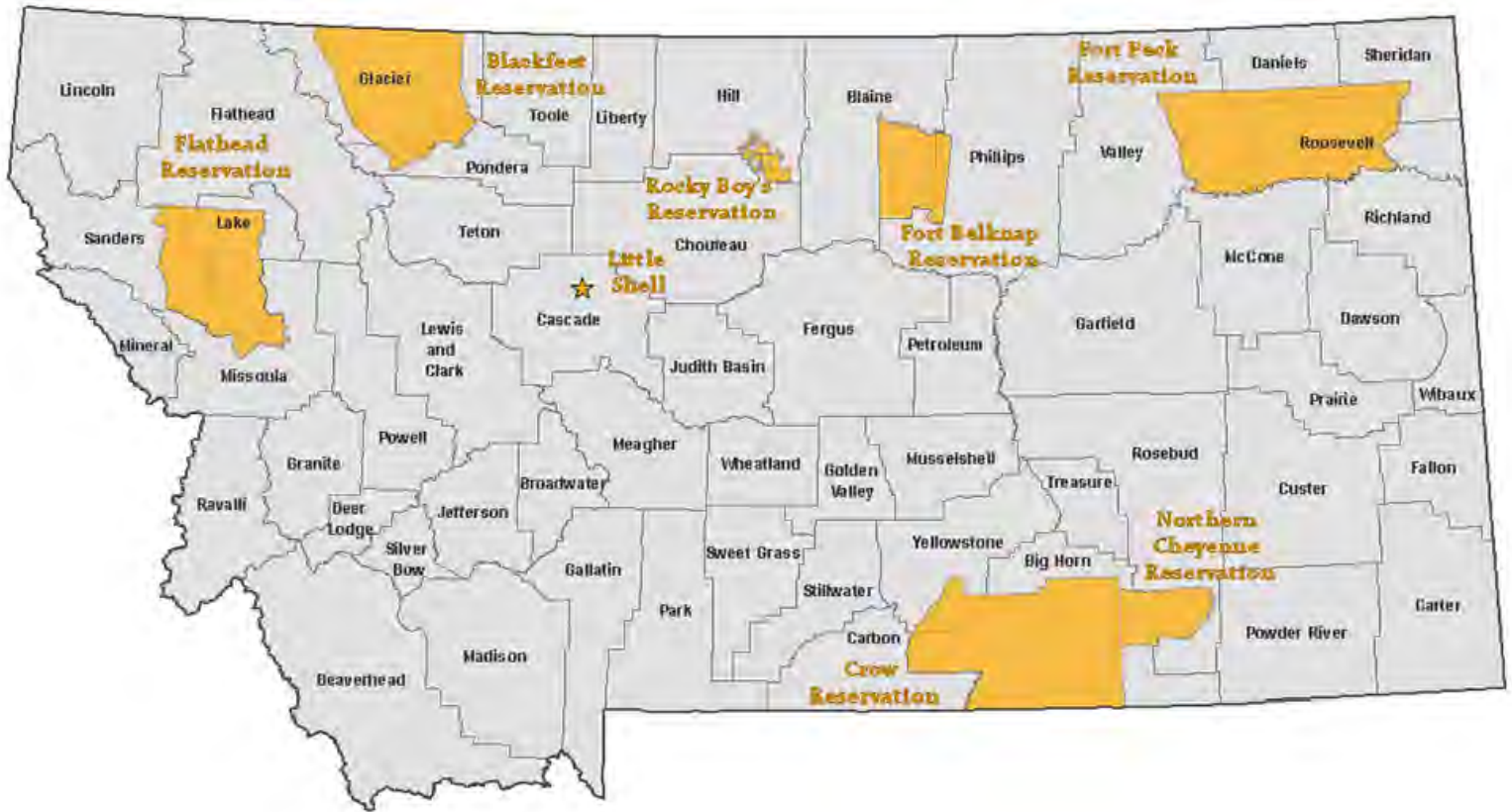
Appendix "C" provides is a list of key Governor's Office staff and Cabinet members.

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Tribal Nations of Montana



Blackfeet Reservation

Home of the Blackfeet Nation
headquartered in Browning, Montana

Flathead Reservation

Home of the Confederated Salish, Pend
d'Oreille & Kootenai Tribes
headquartered in Pablo, Montana

Fort Peck Reservation

Home of the Assiniboiné & Sioux Tribes
headquartered in Poplar, Montana

Northern Cheyenne Reservation

Home of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe
headquartered in Lame Deer, Montana

Crow Reservation

Home of the Crow Nation headquartered
in Crow Agency, Montana

Fort Belknap Reservation

Home of the Gros Ventre & Assiniboiné
Tribes headquartered in Fort Belknap
Agency, Montana

Little Shell Chippewa Tribe

headquartered in Great Falls; recognized
by the State of Montana

Rocky Boy's Reservation

Home of the Chippewa Cree Tribe
headquartered in Rocky Boy Agency,
Montana

BETTER JOBS



"The Four Horsemen"



Governor Steve Bullock's visit to Crow Agency for Crow Native Days. Left to Right: Vice-Secretary Shawn Back Bone, Secretary Alvin Not Afraid Jr., Governor Steve Bullock, Vice-Chairman Dana Wilson, Chairman Darrin Old Coyote. Photo by Cordell Stewart, Crow Tribe.

Montana's economy is diverse, evolves continually, and presents a wide array of business development opportunities. Since day one, Governor Steve Bullock has made it a priority for his administration to work in support of the creation, recruitment, and retention of jobs in Montana. Under his leadership, the State of Montana is committed to continue working with tribal governments and tribal partners to create access to capital, expand workforce development and educational opportunities, and improve the economic infrastructure necessary to provide a strong foundation that supports long-term economic growth.

This first section of the report titled "Better Jobs" highlights state government activities with tribes in the areas of business and economic development, tourism, finance, and infrastructure development. We are pleased to begin with a feature story on the Main Street Montana Project in Indian Country, a unique project aimed at developing a business plan for the State of Montana, which will include Indian Country.

FEATURE STORY - MAIN STREET MONTANA IN INDIAN COUNTRY

"It's no secret: in order to support sustainable economies in Montana, we must invest in our tribal communities. Together we can foster self-sufficiency through the development of tribal community plans, the creation of supportive business environments on reservations and the development of business strategies that utilize federal, state and private resources."

- Governor Steve Bullock at the 2013 Native American Development Corporation Conference.

As part of his vision for strong economic growth, in May 2013 the Governor launched the "Main Street Montana Project". It is tasked with the creation of a bottom-up, self-sustaining business plan for the state. For the first time, a dedicated and coordinated outreach effort is being implemented statewide to identify the specific economic challenges and opportunities in urban, rural and tribal communities.

The project has begun with a series of business roundtables and listening sessions held throughout the state. In addition to involving tribal representatives in each of the urban area listening sessions, the Main Street Montana Project hosted an Indian Country Roundtable on July 25, 2013, on the **Fort Belknap Indian Reservation**. Over forty tribal and community leaders participated in the event held at the Aaniiih Nakota College. On August 7, 2013, the Governor's Office hosted a second Main Street Montana business roundtable at the Native American Development Corporation (NADC) Economic Development and Procurement Conference in Billings, which focused on Native-owned businesses and their priorities



Governor Steve Bullock speaking at the Native American Development Corporation NADC Economic Development and Procurement Conference in Billings. Photo by the Office of Indian Affairs.

MAIN STREET MONTANA PROJECT

for continued success in Montana. By engaging tribal leaders, members of the State Tribal Economic Development Commission, American Indian businesses and organizations' executives, tribal colleges' presidents, American Indian legislators, and community members, these events provided a venue for a dynamic discussion forum addressing the unique economic situation that businesses and workers in Indian Country currently face.



Indian Country Main Street Montana Project Roundtable at Aaniiih Nakoda College in Fort Belknap. Photo by the Office of Indian Affairs.

The participants' input concerning the tribal communities' strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and barriers for economic growth is key to help move all of Montana forward and vital to the success of the project. Recurring themes included the need to increase access to capital, improve state and tribal data systems, support small business entrepreneurship, strengthen tourism strategies, increase workforce training, and expand broadband/internet access on Indian reservations, to name a few.

To complete the data collection process and ensure that diverse perspectives are included, a community survey is being conducted online. As the next step, the comments and ideas submitted will be incorporated in the development of a comprehensive business plan for Montana, which will include strategies to make state government more effective and responsive, and ultimately develop a roadmap to move Montana's economy forward.



Fort Belknap Tribal President Tracy King speaks to the audience at the Main Street Montana Roundtable at Aaniiih Nakoda College in Fort Belknap.

Photo by the Office of Indian Affairs.

This project is co-chaired by Larry Simkins, President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Washington Companies, and Bill Johnstone, President and CEO of D.A. Davidson & Co. These forward thinking business leaders are supported by Montana Chief Business Development Officer John Rogers, Commissioner of Labor Pam Bucy and Director of Commerce Meg O'Leary. For conducting the business roundtables and listening sessions, the Governor has leveraged multiple agencies, including; the Governor's Office of Economic Development, the Governor's Office of Indian Affairs, the Department of Commerce, and the Department of Labor and Industry.

ECONOMIC AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

Tribal Demographic and Economic Information Fliers

Over the last year, the Department of Labor and Industry's Research and Analysis Bureau partnered with the Governor's Office of Indian Affairs and the Department of Commerce to update and redesign the Tribal Demographic and Economic Information fliers. Mainly used as a tool to promote economic development in Indian Country, the fliers include usable demographic and economic data and outline the protocol and contact information for initiating business relations with tribal government. Fliers are available online for the **Blackfeet, Crow, Flathead, Fort Belknap, Fort Peck, Northern Cheyenne, and Rocky Boy's reservations** as well as the **Little Shell Tribe** at:

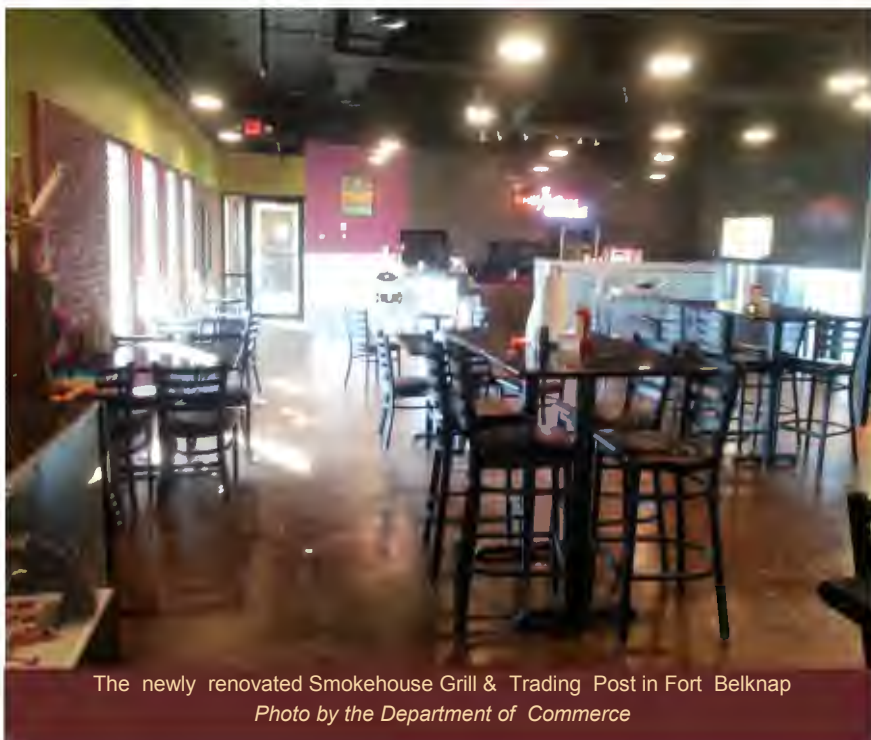
<http://www.ourfactsyourfuture.org/cgi/databrowsing/?PAGEID=4&SUBID=249>.

"Ultimately, the government-to-government relationship must be about improving the lives of Indian people and all Montanans. I promise to consult and work in cooperation with the tribes to implement policies and programs that will have a meaningful and positive impact in Indian Country, as well as for American Indians living throughout Montana." Governor Steve Bullock.

Indian Country Economic Development Program

Established in 2006, the Department of Commerce Indian Country Economic Development (ICED) program promotes economic development activities with the eight tribal governments of our state as well as Native-owned small businesses in Montana. In fiscal year 2013, \$560,000 was distributed to tribal governments for projects on reservations that fund priority economic projects proposed by the tribes designed to strategically invest in tribal communities. With a 2 to 1 tribal investment matching the ICED fund, the program has helped create or retain 13 jobs and has provided support for 25 Native-owned small businesses in tribal communities. An additional \$126,000 has been granted to fund 18 Native-owned small businesses through the Montana Indian Equity Fund Program and \$24,000 has been utilized to provide business development assistance to Native-owned small businesses through the Montana Indian Entrepreneur Program. The Governor's Executive Budget passed by the 2013 legislature for the next biennium includes an allocation of \$1.6 million to continue the ICED program, which will help grow the private sector, create jobs and support a business friendly environment in tribal communities.

ICED Grants to the Tribal Governments



The newly renovated Smokehouse Grill & Trading Post in Fort Belknap
Photo by the Department of Commerce

The success of the "Smokehouse Grill & Trading Post" of the **Fort Belknap Indian Community** demonstrates that long-term support for minority-owned business development programs is a sound investment. Island Mountain Development Group (IMDG), the Fort Belknap Indian Community's economic development corporation, has utilized ICED tribal government grant funds to restart, renovate, and expand a local restaurant into a thriving endeavor supporting eleven jobs. Established in 2010, the Smokehouse Grill & Trading Post has become one of several tribal government projects dedicated to creating self-sustaining economic opportunities for the Assiniboine and Gros Ventre tribal members. In addition to the specialty dishes, expansive menu, catering and delivery options offered at the restaurant, the adjoining retail trading

2013 Indian Country Economic Development Program \$70,000 Grants awarded to each tribal government:

- **Blackfeet Tribe Small Business Development Project** – to provide business start-up or expansion grants to ten tribal member owned businesses in the amount of \$7,000 each.
- **Chippewa Cree Tribe Middle Dry Fork Area Development Feasibility Study** – to retain professional services for the completion of a feasibility study of potential development on the Rocky Boy's Reservation.
- **Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes Indian Business Assistance Project III** – to grant funds for business start-ups or expansions.
- **Crow Apsáalooke Nation Revolving Loan Fund** – to provide loans, technical assistance and entrepreneur training to tribal members.
- **Fort Belknap Smokehouse Grill and Little River Smokehouse** – for the remodeling and revamping of the Smokehouse Grill and to expand the Little River Smokehouse product line.
- **Fort Peck Business Development Specialists** – to create two economic development positions focused on hotel/truck stop, rail spur, and tourism development on the reservation.
- **Little Shell Tribe Hill 57 Tribal Visitor/Cultural Center & Property Investment** – to retain a property investment in Great Falls and renovate the Tribal Visitor/Cultural Center located near Hill 57.
- **Northern Cheyenne Tribe Arts and Crafts Center and Land Use Planning and Zoning** – to support 3.5 positions at the Arts and Crafts Center and to develop land use planning and zoning documents for the tribe.

post features locally produced items from twenty-one American Indian artists and producers. As an anchor business on the reservation, the Smokehouse Grill & Trading Post has helped increase entrepreneurial spirit and sustainability as well as retain local dollars in the community.

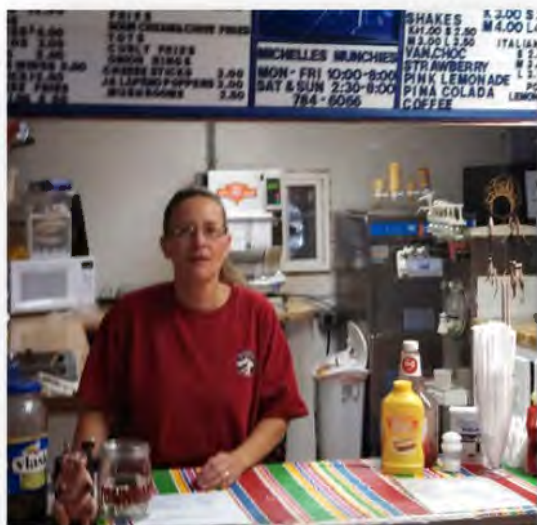
Montana Indian Equity Fund

The Montana Indian Equity Fund (MIEF) provides \$7,000 in grants to each recipient. The funds can be used for a variety of activities such as the purchase of new equipment or the development of a new product line, with a minimum requirement of dollar to dollar match. We are pleased to feature two small Indian-owned businesses that received MIEF grant funding in fiscal year 2013.

After being employed in building construction for fifteen years in Great Falls, including working as a supervisor, **Little Shell** tribal member Steve Parenteau started his own business, American Quality Construction, in October 2012. As a Certified Exterior Insulation and Finish Systems (EIFS) installer, his new business specializes in synthetic stucco in addition to providing services in all facets of construction work. The Montana Indian Equity Fund granted \$7,000 for the purchase of new equipment.



Montana Indian Equity Fund grant recipient Steve Parenteau owner of American Quality Construction. Photo courtesy of Steve Parenteau.



Michelle Dennis, owner of Michelle's Munchies and Montana Indian Equity grant recipient.
Photo courtesy of Michelle Dennis.

Michelle's Munchies, has been in operation in Ashland since 2006. Owned by Michelle Dennis, enrolled member of the **Northern Cheyenne Tribe**, the business serves soft ice cream, slushies, pizzas, hamburgers and deep fried food including chicken, an assortment of fries, hot wings, gizzards, and appetizers. The Montana Indian Equity Funds grant amount of \$7,000 will be used to upgrade the electrical outlet to 220 amp and purchase a fryer, to help increase the business efficiency and expand menu options. Michelle plans to increase her marketing to the St. Labre Indian School located in Ashland, and wants to be prepared for the future impact of the Otter Creek coal development in the area.

"I need to make improvements to my business to support the growth that I am facing now, but also make sure I am prepared for the growth and the competition I could face in the future." – Michelle Dennis, Northern Cheyenne tribal member and Montana Indian Equity Fund grant recipient.

Montana Indian Entrepreneur Program

The goal of the Montana Indian Entrepreneur Development Program is to provide individual technical assistance and business planning to Indian entrepreneurs starting a business or growing and professionalizing their business. In fiscal year 2013, there were 136 participants served through this program in collaboration with the tribal governments, tribal colleges and tribal community-based organizations.

Montana Artrepreneur Program

The Montana Artrepreneur Program, sponsored by the Montana Arts Council, is a workforce development program designed to assist Montana's artists map a sustainable future by helping them prepare and use the tools they need to expand their sales and markets. The program is getting national attention and has become a role-model for business and marketing development for other states. Salish Kootenai artist Buck Morigeau was a participant in this training in fiscal year 2013. Cherokee artist D.G. House of Four Corners, Montana, trained in the last year to become a coach for other artists in this program.

Business Loans

The Montana State Small Business Credit Initiative (MT SSBCI) Loan Participation Program was created using funds received from the U.S. Treasury Department as part of the Small Business Jobs Act of 2010 (Act). The Act looked to strengthen state programs that support lending to small businesses and small manufacturers. The MT SSBCI funds assist new Montana businesses entering the market and those existing businesses that need additional loans to expand or stabilize their business.

The Lane Deer Trading Post, Inc. is owned by two Northern Cheyenne women. In state fiscal year 2012, an application was submitted to the program for funds to finance the expansion and renovation of the store building, to purchase and install machinery and equipment and to refinance a contract for deed to the former owner. The project totaled \$490,000, of which \$250,000 was funded in State Fiscal Year 2013 with a loan from First Interstate Bank, which the MT SSBCI program participated in 50-percent through Southeastern Montana Development Corporation. The balance of the project, \$240,000, was funded with a loan from the Native American Development Corporation. The project allowed for 3,500 square feet to be added to the store, which provided a new meat department, improved docks for truck delivery, dry product storage space and an increased sales floor area. The front of the store is being enlarged to include a handicapped-accessible vestibule and the sidewalk and parking lot are being remodeled. In addition, the store equipment and facility is being upgraded and modernized.

Junior Agricultural Loan Program

For the past eight years, the finance officer for the Department of Agriculture has worked with the Montana State University tribal extension agent for the **Blackfeet Tribe**. This state-tribal collaboration has helped develop strong participation in the Junior Agriculture Loan program on the Blackfeet Reservation. The program fosters the interest of young people in agriculture, provides financial experience and training through personal involvement, builds experience and equity in agriculture to develop a foundation for future vocations, and supports the Montana agriculture education and Extension Service youth programs. Approximately half of the Junior Agriculture Loan Program statewide participants are reservation residents.

Through this program, young people between the ages of 9 to 21 have been able to obtain a junior agricultural loan to start herds of cattle. The state and tribal staff provide joint financial and loan management training for the program participants to learn to use the loan as a tool for investment. Education on beef quality assurance is also provided to participants to help ensure proper cattle management, quality of feed, and the proper handling of shots and body score. After making yearly payments to the state, the youth can keep the proceeds. This program has helped many participants go to college with minimal amount of debt and many have gone on to pursue farming and ranching as a career.



"This program definitely helped me learn and understand the responsibilities that go along with the cattle business. I am a graduate of Montana State University, in Range Management and Ecology. I believe this program helped me set goals and achieve them. Going into college I knew that with my education and my experience with the cattle business I would someday be in a career that I love that will enable me to help other cattle producers become more successful operators."

- Jessie Heptner, Junior Agricultural Loan Program participant; Photo by Montana Department of Agriculture

Tourism

Montana is an attractive destination for visitors from around the world. To support tourism development ventures in Indian Country, the Montana Office of Tourism and its contractor, MercuryCSC, worked in collaboration with the tribes, the Governor's Office of Indian Affairs, and the Department of Commerce's Indian Country Economic Development program to create the video entitled "Introducing the First Nations of Montana to the World." Through this educational video, the Indian communities of our great state have the opportunity to showcase the unique aspects of their beautiful homeland, as well as Native traditions and culture through video interviews and storytelling with tribal members. The Montana Office of Tourism invested \$105,386 over the last biennium to implement this project. The video was featured as the opening presentation for the 2013 American Indian Alaska Native Tourism Association (AIANTA) Conference in Billings. It can be viewed on the State's tourism website at: www.visitmt.com/Places_To_Go/indian_nations. In addition, individual videos are being developed for each Indian Nation for use in their own tourism promotions and posting on their official tribal website, as well as the Montana Office of Tourism's website.



Strategic Planning

The **Fort Peck Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes** were awarded a grant from the Big Sky Economic Development Trust Fund in the amount of \$25,000 toward the completion of a strategic plan to address the regional and economic development potential for the Fort Peck Indian Reservation. The plan will act as the blueprint for implementation of sustainable job creation strategies. Nishinaabe Consulting, LLC, has been chosen to conduct a needs assessment with the Fort Peck tribal leaders for a shared vision of sustainable economic development for the reservation. The planning project total, including the tribal match, is estimated at \$34,224.

Uniform Commercial Code

Secretary of State Linda McCulloch and the State Tribal Economic Development Commission (STEDC) has remained committed to the development and enhancement of business services which are offered to Tribal Nations throughout Montana. The Uniform Commercial Code (UCC) is an important tool for enabling and supporting tribal economic and housing development by improving access to commercial and consumer credit. A comprehensive and culturally appropriate secured transaction code can assist tribes, American Indian-owned businesses, and American Indian consumers that are encountering barriers to affordable credit by allowing for business transactions to be processed at an affordable rate and on competitive terms with parties located outside of the tribal jurisdiction.

Tribal commercial laws and transaction codes help achieve the goal of economic development if they are sufficiently similar, or harmonized, with the laws of the state. When adopted and implemented, they can support and strengthen the effective exercise of tribal sovereignty. The **Crow Tribe**, located on the Crow Reservation in Montana, was the first Tribe in the Nation to enter into a formal UCC filing system agreement in 2007 under a tribal transactions law within its home jurisdiction, and enact the Model Secured Transaction Act, Revised Article 9. The **Chippewa Cree Tribe** of the Rocky Boy's Reservation is the second tribal government to enact the UCC compact in 2012 in Montana. Additional information and forms regarding the tribal UCC compacts are available on the Secretary of State's Office at: <http://sos.mt.gov/Business/UCC Tribal Nations/index.asp>.

FINANCE

State Tribal Revenue Sharing

State-tribal tax agreements promote economic development on reservations by ensuring that certain economic transactions are not double taxed by both the state and the tribal government. Tax agreements directly benefit the taxpayers and businesses on Indian reservations.

In Montana, state-tribal tax sharing agreements are in place with seven tribal governments covering alcohol products, tobacco products, and motor fuel sales.

The Department of Revenue administers taxation on cigarettes, tobacco and tobacco products, beer, wine and alcohol. In fiscal year 2013, tobacco revenue sharing agreements were in place with the **Blackfeet**, **Chippewa Cree**, **Crow**, **Fort Belknap**, **Fort Peck**, and **Northern Cheyenne** tribal governments. Revenue sharing agreements for the distribution of beer, wine and alcohol taxes were in place with the **Blackfeet**, **Fort Belknap** and **Fort Peck** tribal governments.

Oil and gas agreements ensure the same level of tax is imposed on production within and outside of tribal borders. These agreements ensure that there is no tax disadvantage to doing business on Indian Reservations. Currently there is one oil and gas agreement in effect between the **Fort Peck Tribes** and the State.

The collection of motor fuel tax is administered by the Department of Transportation. Revenue sharing agreements for motor fuel tax were in place with the **Blackfeet**, **Chippewa Cree**, **Crow**, **Fort Belknap**, **Fort Peck**, and **Northern Cheyenne** tribal governments in all of state fiscal year 2013. The **Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes** and the Department of Transportation entered into a new revenue sharing agreement for fuel tax on August 30, 2012.

Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance (TERO) offices seek to ensure that American Indians are employed on projects on or near reservations and facilitate business and other economic opportunities. The Department of Transportation maintains TERO agreements with the **Blackfeet, Confederated Salish & Kootenai, Crow, Fort Belknap, Fort Peck**, and **Northern Cheyenne** tribal governments, plus a new TERO agreement implemented with the **Chippewa Cree Tribe** since January 2013.

These agreements require that the department work with TERO offices to set out hiring and other requirements for highway projects within reservation boundaries. They also require the department to pay a fee based on the department's projects on each reservation. These fees fund in part the Tribes' TERO offices. The Federal Highway Administration will participate in contracts where TERO fees are used for the identified increased costs of hiring American Indian workers for federal-aid projects – job referrals, counseling, placement, and training.

The following table shows the amount of revenue that tribes received through tax sharing agreements and TERO fees in fiscal year 2013.

State-Tribe Revenue Sharing Agreements and TERO – State Fiscal Year 2013				
Reservation	Tobacco	Alcohol	Gasoline	TERO
Blackfeet	\$1,232,233	\$164,456	\$1,027,801	\$328,130
Crow	\$1,057,040	N/A	\$882,007	\$249,441
Flathead	*Quota—16-11-155	N/A	\$479,847	\$76,697
Fort Belknap	\$439,852	\$58,525	\$366,280	\$5,713
Fort Peck	\$932,228	\$120,401	\$776,737	\$198,99
Northern Cheyenne	\$647,031	N/A	\$539,111	\$2,229
Rocky Boy's	\$522,577	N/A	\$435,822	**

* Instead of tax revenues, the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes receive tax-free cigarettes pursuant to quotas set by statute, MCA, 16-11-155.

**Although there is an existing TERO MOU with the Chippewa Cree Tribe, there were no road projects implemented on the Rocky Boy Reservation in fiscal year 2013.

Property Tax

In May 2013, Governor Steve Bullock signed into law SB 231, which increases the acreage limit for Indian tribes seeking an exemption from property taxes for designated parkland. The legislation was developed in close collaboration with the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes prior to the legislative session. Indian tribes were previously limited to a parkland exemption of 15 acres. The passage of Senate Bill 231 allows Indian tribes to seek a parkland exemption of up to 640 acres.

Collaborative Tax Preparation Assistance

The Department of Revenue works to expand taxpayer preparation and assistance services by collaborating with the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program and the American Association of Retired People (AARP). This joint effort provides more low-income and elderly Montanans, including tribal members living on and off Indian reservations, with greater assistance in preparing their federal and state individual income tax returns.

Each year the Department's Statewide Facilities Unit and Information Technology Bureau gather, loan, and distribute to the VITA and AARP tax preparation sites computers and printers, while its Income Tax Bureau helps train their volunteers in preparing state returns. This year volunteers provided these services in Ashland, Box Elder, Browning, Crow Agency, Cut Bank, East Glacier, Fort Belknap, Great Falls, Harlem, Havre, Heart Butte, Hot Springs, Lame Deer, Pablo, Polson, Ronan, St. Ignatius, and Starr School which are sites that serve many tribal members.



Blackfeet Housing Groundbreaking Ceremony for 24 new homes. Pictured left to right: Blackfeet Housing Compliance Officer Robert Mad Plume, Montana Board of Housing member Bruce Brensdal, Blackfeet Tribal Business Council member Leonard Guardipee, Blackfeet Housing Board member Robyn England, Blackfeet Housing Board member Crystal Bull Bear, Blackfeet Housing Executive Director Chancy Kittson, Blackfeet Housing Contract Manager Dan Racine, Indian Health Service Engineer Gary Mad Man, Blackfeet Housing Project Manager Gabe Renville, and Blackfeet Elder Clyde Heavy Runner. *Photo Courtesy of James Glaze, Blackfeet Housing*

Housing Tax Credits Program

The Department of Commerce Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (HTC) program provides incentives for investment of equity capital in the development of affordable single family or multifamily rental housing. The credit is a dollar-for-dollar reduction in tax liability to investors in exchange for equity participation in the construction or acquisition and rehabilitation of rental housing units that will remain income and rent restricted for an extended period of time. Investors, often represented by limited partnerships, use the tax credits to reduce their income tax liabilities. In April 2013, the department provided \$5.2 million in tax credit equity to the Fort Peck Sustainable Village project being implemented by Integrated Solutions in partnership with the Fort Peck Tribes. The project consists of 20 single family homes in Poplar, Montana within the boundaries of the Fort Peck Indian Reservation. The units will include 15 three-bedroom units and 5 four-bedroom units. These units will target families with 60 - percent or below Area Median Income (AMI). Two units will serve families at or below 40 - percent AMI and 13 units at 50 - percent or below AMI. The Fort Peck Tribe will be collaborating with the Make It Right Foundation to develop the most energy efficient and affordable housing on the reservation. They have committed to making the project Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Platinum certified and will not only provide philanthropic assistance, but technical assistance to implement the many complex energy saving technologies proposed. The project will also include a recreational area consisting of a ball field and a warming house.

A groundbreaking ceremony was held June 24, 2013, for the Blackfeet Homes #5 Project, a new Low-Income Housing Tax Credit development receiving \$5,049,294 tax credit equity in 2012. This is the fifth Tax Credit project to enter the development stage. Twenty-Four new homes will be built on the reservation to benefit local families.

INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT

Essential to improving the quality of life, the development of basic infrastructure in Indian Country works hand in hand with economic development. The State of Montana is investing resources and cooperating with partners such as the tribal governments, the federal government and the private sector to address basic infrastructure needs, such as airport maintenance and water systems development projects for the benefit of tribal communities.

Airport Infrastructure Collaboration

The **Starr School Browning Airport** is owned and maintained by the State of Montana and designated as a general aviation airport. However, the airport receives a significant portion of its traffic from air services related to medical transportation needs for Browning. Through a collaborative effort between the Montana Department of Transportation and the Blackfeet Tribe, the runway at the Starr Browning Airport will be resurfaced with State funds in association with Duck Lake highway construction mill and overlay project. To cover the anticipated cost of \$240,000, the department has pledged \$120,000 and the Blackfeet Tribal Business Council has passed a resolution pledging an additional \$120,000 which includes monetary contributions from the Tribe, Glacier County, and local hospitals.

Building Renovation

The Northern Cheyenne Tribe completed the renovation of administrative offices for the Northern Cheyenne Utilities Commission in December 2012, using \$267,001 in grant funds from the Montana Department of Commerce Coal Board Program awarded in 2011, with a total project cost of \$328,526.

Water Infrastructure

The Water Pollution Control State Revolving Fund Program of the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) oversees two State and Tribal Assistance Grant (STAG) awards to the Crow Tribe on behalf of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

The first grant of \$864,000 consists of replacement of the existing Crow Agency wastewater lagoon system with a new aerated lagoon system followed by ultraviolet (UV) disinfection, a new discharge line to the Little Bighorn River, and a new interceptor sewer to tie the existing sewer collection system into the new lagoon. The old lagoon system was in poor condition and unable to continually meet National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) effluent limits. The Crow Nation sought and received grant funding from numerous federal and state agencies, including the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development Program and \$750,000 from the Montana Treasure State Endowment Program to finance the \$6.1 million project. Construction began on March 1, 2010 and was recently completed for all components except the UV disinfection system. The new lagoon system has been in use since the spring of 2012. Plans and specifications for the UV system have been reviewed and approved by the DEQ and the project was recently bid.

The second DEQ STAG award of \$291,000 to the Crow Nation is for the construction of approximately 10,500 lineal feet of sewer main and 46 manholes. This project replaces existing sewer mains located throughout Crow Agency, many of which are beyond their design life, undersized, or are at less than the minimum desired pipe slope. The Crow Tribe of Indians sought and received grant funding from numerous federal and state agencies, including the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development Program, the Montana Coal Board in the amount of \$199,500 and the Montana Treasure State Endowment Program in the amount of \$750,000 to finance the project. The construction bid opening for the wastewater collection system improvements was held on June 4, 2013 with an estimated total cost of the of \$3.85 million, and construction is expected to start midsummer.

Dry Prairie Regional Water System

The Assiniboine and Sioux Rural Water Supply System Company of the Fort Peck Tribes partnered with the Dry Prairie Rural Water System to build a regional water system that promises to improve the quality of life for residents of northeast Montana. The water treatment plant near Wolf Point was completed in the summer of 2012 and currently delivers water to 35 - percent of the system. When the entire project is completed, nearly 3,200 miles of pipeline will deliver drinking water to about 20 communities, including the Fort Peck Indian Reservation, and will serve nearly 4,000 farms, ranches and rural homes. The total project cost will be approximately \$324 million dollars, with most of the cost met by the federal government.



Governor meeting at the State Capitol with Fort Peck Tribal Chairman Floyd G. Azure and Department of Natural Resources and Conservation Director John Tubbs.

Photo by Office of Indian Affairs

"Infrastructure is critical to developing native communities. Without adequate infrastructure providing clean water or access to transportation and broadband communication networks, as examples, native businesses are at a disadvantage. Fortunately, great strides are being made to provide world class infrastructure for a new world class economy"

-John Rogers, Chief Business Development Officer, Governor's Office of Economic Development.

Montana has fully invested in this important project, as federal funding for a regional water system is dependent on how well it is supported by the state. During the 2013 legislative session, the Governor signed HB 11, which appropriates \$5 million to build distribution lines. In the past 10 years, the State of Montana has committed a total of \$18 million to this important project.

Reserved Water Rights Compacts

The Montana Legislature appropriated \$14 million through HB 6, sponsored by Representative Rob Cook, to complete the State's total commitment of \$49 million

to fund the **Blackfeet water compact** approved by the Montana Legislature in 2009. The Blackfeet Water Rights Settlement Act of 2013 (S.434) was introduced by Senator Max Baucus and Senator Jon Tester in March 2013 and referred to the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs. A hearing was held on May 8, 2013 with testimony of the State of Montana in favor of the bill. When the Federal legislation is approved by Congress, the Blackfeet Tribe will bring the compact to a vote of its tribal members.

To complete the state's financial commitment to the Fort Belknap compact, the 2013 Legislature through HB 6, appropriated \$3 million to the **Fort Belknap water compact**. The Montana Reserved Water Rights Compact Commission (Commission) staff is working with the Fort Belknap Indian Community, their legal counsel, and the Montana congressional delegation to get a Federal compact ratification bill approved by the U.S. Congress. The Fort Belknap Water Compact was passed by the Montana legislature in 2001. Federal legislation was introduced in May 2012 (S.3209), sponsored by Senator Jon Tester. When the Federal legislation is approved by Congress the compact must then go to a vote of the Assiniboine and Gros Ventre tribal members on the Fort Belknap Reservation.

The **Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes** (CSKT), the State of Montana and the United States negotiated over many years to reach a proposed water rights settlement. The settlement is comprised of a proposed Water Rights Compacts, which includes a series of appendices, and a proposed Unitary Administration and Management Ordinance. The Commission voted 8-1 on February 26, 2013 to recommend taking the proposed settlement to the legislature for approval during the 2013 legislative session. The proposed settlement was introduced through HB 629, sponsored by Representative Kathleen Williams, unfortunately the legislation was tabled in the House Judiciary Committee. Governor Bullock supports the negotiated settlement and has directed the Commission to provide a report addressing the issues and questions raised during the 2013 legislative session regarding the Compact.

The 1999 **Crow Water Compact** between the State and the Tribe was ratified by the US Congress and was signed by the President in December 2010 as part of the Claims Resolution Act of 2010. The Compact was ratified by the Crow Tribe Tribal referendum in March 2011. The water settlement includes \$460 million to rehabilitate the Crow irrigation system, design and construct a municipal, rural and industrial water system on the Reservation, and to fund other improvements on the Reservation. It gave the Tribe the right to develop hydropower at the Yellowtail Afterbay Dam. The Montana Water Court has issued a preliminary decree for the Crow Compact on December 21, 2012.

BETTER EDUCATION



"Shawl Dancer"

Better Education

Governor Bullock is committed to Montana students and their futures. He believes that obtaining a quality education is key to enhancing Montanan's quality of life and creating a stronger economy in the state. Historic investments were made in elementary, middle and high school education during the 2013 legislative session. To support students in advancing their educational goals and reaching their full potential, college and higher education institutions are dedicating efforts to developing career and technical training and enhancing educational opportunities. In addition, continuous resources are being invested in furthering the reach of Indian Education for All to foster cultural inclusion and understanding in K-12 education.

This section begins with a feature story on the Montana Indian Language Preservation Pilot Program, a new initiative created to help preserve and protect the native languages of each Montana tribe. Next, a select number of successful activities are outlined, including K-12, higher education and cultural programs, many of which engage tribal partners on collaborative activities between governmental agencies. By working together, excellent outcomes are taking place to affirm the educational development of both American Indian and non-Indian youth, which benefits all of Montana.

"If tribal languages are lost, American Indian people would lose a lot more than just a way of speaking. It is imperative that our administration support tribal efforts to preserve native languages to ensure this important part of our cultural identity exists for future generations."

-Jason Smith, State Director of Indian Affairs, member of the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes

FEATURE STORY – NATIVE LANGUAGE PRESERVATION PROGRAM

Tribal languages are a fundamental aspect of indigenous culture that is passed from generation to generation. In recent decades, the significant loss of native speakers, writers, and signers has put the preservation of these languages at serious risk. Most notably, on the Rocky Boy's Reservation, home of the Chippewa Cree Tribe, only one Chippewa speaker remains.

As a result of consultation with tribal leaders, Governor Bullock worked with the Montana American Indian Caucus (MAIC) to develop legislation for the creation of a native language preservation pilot program in Montana. Senate Bill 342, sponsored by Senator Jonathon Windy Boy was passed by the legislature and was signed into law by the Governor on May 5, 2013, appropriating \$2 million in general fund to invest during the biennium beginning July 1, 2013.



Legislative roundtable meeting regarding Senate Bill 342 Language Preservation. Photo by Office of Indian Affairs

The creation of the **Montana Indian Language Preservation Pilot Program** demonstrates the State of Montana's commitment to protect American Indian cultural integrity by recognizing that languages-spoken, written, or in sign language form - are vital to the identity of tribal nations. Administered by the State Tribal Economic Development Commission of the Department of Commerce, the program funds will be distributed through a grant application process, with \$250,000 made available to each tribal government and their local advisory boards mandated by the program for the implementation of language preservation activities. The department has held continued consultation sessions via weekly conference calls to develop administrative rules and grant program guidelines with the

participation of tribal councils, tribal colleges, and tribal cultural programs as well as input from the Montana Office of Public Instruction and the Montana Historical Society.

The program application process began July 31, 2013 with the application period running through September 30, 2013. Local program advisory boards for each tribal government will report their language preservation efforts to the State Tribal Relations Committee at every meeting during the interim. The State Tribal Relations Committee will then report on the pilot project to the 64th legislature.

Aimed at preserving and protecting tribal languages for present and future generations, this project will also support curricular goals of Indian Education for All program. Materials produced under the project - such as recordings, dictionaries, curricula and other reference materials in audio, visual, electronic, or written format - will be submitted to the Montana Historical Society for preservation and archival purposes and for the benefit of related language preservation efforts in Montana.

K-12 ACTIVITIES

Improving Indian Student Academic Achievement

In an effort to significantly improve academic achievement and educational outcomes, in 2009 Superintendent Denise Juneau established the Montana Schools of Promise Initiative. Through the School Improvement Grant received from the U.S. Department of Education, the Office of Public Instruction (OPI) has been providing direct services to schools in partnership with local administrations, staff, school boards and communities. For the past three years, five Montana schools serving Indian communities, Frazer High School, Pryor Elementary K-8, Plenty Coups 9 -12 and Lame Deer Middle and High School have participated in this unique, collaborative effort. In an unprecedented effort, the OPI has hired 22 staff members to install five positions in each school, including transformational leaders, instructional leaders, school board coaches, community liaisons and wraparound facilitators. These staff members have been instrumental in ensuring that the grant requirements and implementation goals are met while building local capacity to maintain best practices.

"Every Child in Montana deserves to be in a school that is delivering on the constitutional promise of a quality public education. The strategies necessary to deliver on this promise are not simple. They require systems change, collaboration, partnerships, trust and the engagement of entire communities."

- Office of Public Instruction Superintendent
Denise Juneau

As part of the Schools of Promise initiative, Governor Bullock and Superintendent Juneau were invited by student councils from Frazer, Plenty Coups and Lame Deer High School to attend and speak at a dinner event held April 25, 2013, during a youth-led conference titled "Thriving in Two Worlds." The Governor and Superintendent discussed important topics with the students, including service, leadership and education.



Governor Bullock Speaking at the Office of Public Instruction Academic Achievement Activity in Billings.

Photo by Office of Public Instruction.

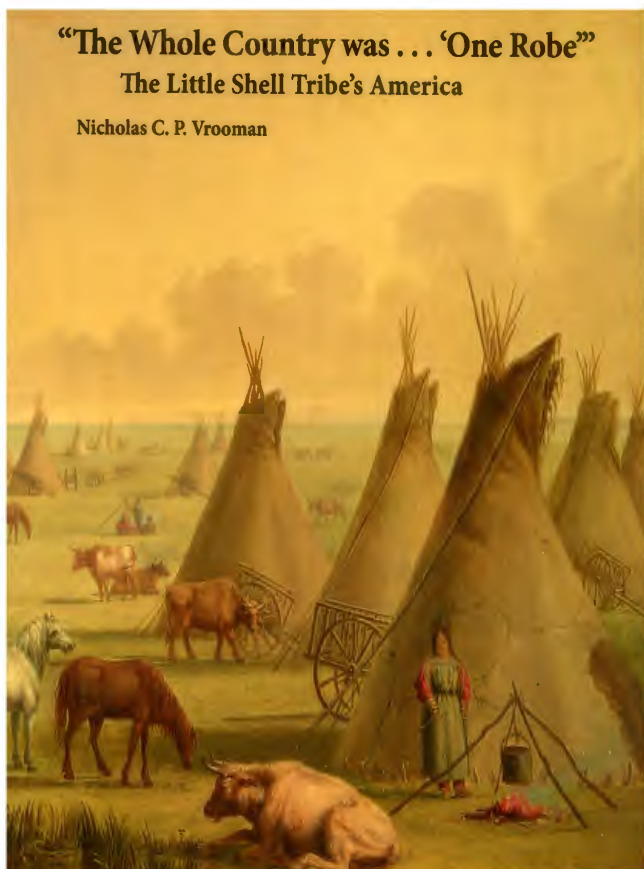


Photo Courtesy of The Montana Historical Society

(Dakota/Lakota); M.L. Smoker (Assiniboine); and James Welch (Blackfeet/GrosVentre). Two thousand copies of this resource have been printed for distribution and all high schools in the State of Montana received a copy in September 2012. A video of the poetry reading from this publication filmed at the February 2013 Indian Education for All annual Best Practices Conference is available online at: http://opi.mt.gov/streamer/IndianEd/Birthright/_deploy/Index.html.

In addition, the OPI Indian Education for All Division and the Montana Historical Society collaborated to develop a complete curriculum unit of ledger art titled, *The Art of Storytelling: Plains Indian Perspectives*. Based on a temporary exhibit of the same name, this curriculum unit provides all the tools necessary to bring ledger drawings and other pictographic art from the permanent collections of the Montana Historical Society into the classroom. The complete curriculum is available online at: <http://mhs.mt.gov/education/IEFA/PictographicArt.asp>.

Museums and Schools as Co-Educators

Over the course of the 2012-2013 school year, OPI's Indian Education for All Division and the Montana Historical Society provided support for collaborative efforts between local museums and school districts to address a two-fold purpose: 1) exploring ways to become co-educators of Montana American Indian culture and history in a museum setting and the public school classroom, and 2) improving the presentation of American Indian history, artifacts and related documents in museum collections. Five projects were supported through grants in the amounts ranging from \$7,000 to \$10,000 to the following communities: Missoula Art Museum and Missoula Public Schools; Stevensville Historical Museum and Stevensville Public Schools; Museum of the Beartooths and Columbus Public Schools; Butte Silver-Bow Archives with the Clark Fork Watershed Educational Program and Butte High School; and the Montana Wildlife Rehabilitation and Education Center of the Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks with the Helena Public Schools. Students have the opportunity to learn through a variety of activities such as field trips, cross cultural activities, research, visits to a reservation, museum tours, engaging with local and state professionals regarding historical and archeological topics, and producing a publication highlighting an aspect of the project.

The last of the tribal history projects was published and disseminated to all school districts in the state in the spring of 2013. Entitled "*The Whole Country was... 'One Robe' The Little Shell Tribe's America*", this publication tells the story of the Little Shell Tribe, an indigenous culture with a specific historical legacy that came about in the meeting of American Indian and EuroAmerican cultures. Since 2008, the materials produced by the tribal history projects of the Montana tribes have been a valuable resource for school teachers in developing their class information, particularly for history classes in high schools.

A new English language arts unit titled ***Birthright – Born to Poetry: A Collection of Montana Indian Poetry*** was compiled by Dorothea Susag and published by the Office of Public Instruction for the high school level. Featuring 32 poems written by 10 Montana poets, the publication offers an unprecedented opportunity for literary study unique to Montana by including tips for understanding; notes from the poets; discussion, research, and writing suggestions; and brief biographies of the poets. The featured poets are Minerva Allen (Assiniboine); Heather Cahoon (Pend d'Oreille); Victor Charlo (Salish); Jennifer Greene (Salish/Chippewa-Cree); Richard Littlebear (Northern Cheyenne); Joseph R. McGeshick (Chippewa/Assiniboine/Sioux); Henry Real Bird (Crow); Lois Red Elk

An example of a new activity involved the Missoula Art Museum and the Missoula Public Schools partnership. Though the museum has been having fifth graders come into the museum for tours and projects for many years, for the first time the activity focused on the museum's American Indian Contemporary Art Collection with fourth grade students and printmaking classes with an American Indian artist of the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes, Corwin "Corky" Clairmont.



A fourth-grade class from Lowell School, peppered Corwin "Corky" Clairmont with questions and observations about "Split War Shield", his mixed media piece at the Missoula Art Museum

Photo by the Office of Public Instruction

Another compelling student research project involving the Museum of the Beartooths (Columbus) and the Columbus High School resulted in the completion of a brochure titled "The Crow Tribe's Influence in Stillwater County: A Driving Tour." The brochure informs visitors about the history of the area and a colorful, informative Crow Reservation map exhibit showing the original size of the Crow reservation land base highlighting the land ceded over time to give the onlooker a sense of the Crow Tribe's history. The map is kept at the museum and has been converted into a poster for use as a teaching tool for the implementation of Indian Education for All. To ensure a culturally responsive approach, the project involved the expertise of Shane Doyle of the Crow Tribe and Tim McCleary of Little Big Horn College to review the work.

The overall success of the Montana Historical Society and the OPI Indian Education for All program collaboration has generated much interest from the Smithsonian National Museum of the American Indian Washington, DC. On March 27, 2013, a meeting was held with the Smithsonian's education product developer regarding the collaboration projects and resulting model materials, exhibitions and interpretive work to assist with their goal of creating a national platform for communities to share resources and ideas based on Montana's model.



Salish Tribal Elder, Tony Incashola provided an oral history for the Butte Silver-Bow Archives and Butte High School collaboration that included cultural stories and place name relevance. He also translated and pronounced many Salish words for use in Butte grade school outreach sessions.

Photo by the Office of Public Instruction

Since 2007, the annual **Medicine Wheel Project** has been a partnership between the Montana Historical Society and Helena School District # 1 Indian Education for All High School coach. Held at the Montana Historical Society and the Montana State Capitol, the 2013 event included presentations to the Senior Government class students at both Helena High School and Capitol High School, on a wide variety of Native America issues, past and contemporary. Native Indian speakers from across the state participated, such as American Indian Legislators, prominent delegates of all tribal councils, and well-known scholars who convey the importance of cultural differences and acceptance.



Director of Indian Affairs Jason Smith speaks to Helena High School students during the Medicine Wheel Project in the State Capitol. Photo by the Office of Indian Affairs.

Preparing for Success

"The continued success of this program is a testament to the hard work and dedication of both the students and the career specialists. It is so rewarding watching students who were in danger of dropping out, not only stay in school and graduate, but also become productive members of their communities."

*-Labor Commissioner
Pam Bucy.*

The Department of Labor and Industry Jobs for Montana's Graduates (JMG) program helps students stay in school, graduate and successfully transition into employment, post-secondary education or the military. The JMG program works with the OPI Indian Education for All program to assist schools located on Indian reservations or that have a high percentage of American Indian students, with an average of 180 participants involved per year. In 2013, seven high schools and three middle schools participated in the program. Students have the opportunity to attend two different conferences per year starting with the Fall Leadership Conference, which addresses issues in the program core areas including career development, civic engagement, leadership and social skills. By focusing on teamwork, leadership and goal setting, this conference provides students with the opportunity to network with other JMG students, and strengthen those components of the program. Through the Career Development Conference, students can participate in group activities, attend workshops, network with fellow JMG students from across the state, as well as compete in events such as public speaking, critical thinking, decision making, and employment preparation.

Montana JMG graduated 17 American Indian students statewide during the 2012-2013 school year. The follow up status of the 2011-2012 participating American Indian students revealed a 100 percent graduation rate, which exceeds the 90 percent standard for the national program. In addition, 63 percent of the American Indian graduates had a job placement and 88 percent had placement in higher education, other training programs, and/or a job. Both rates exceed the national level.

Cadet Sandra Chiefstick, Class 28, Montana Youth Challenge Academy, was selected to participate on the 2013-2014 Student Advisory Board of Graduation Matters. This initiative was launched by Office of Public Instruction Superintendent Denise Juneau with a mission of increasing the number of students graduating from high schools and preparing for college and careers. Each participant must first be nominated by someone in their school or community and then undergo an application and selection process.

The Advisory Board consists of 40 students with diverse backgrounds from 34 Montana schools and has a mission to include a student voice and perspective in developing statewide policies. Cadet Chiefstick graduated from the Montana Youth Challenge Academy in Dillon on June 15, 2013 and received her appointment to the Advisory Board while still enrolled in the Academy. She is an American Indian youth of the Chippewa Cree Tribe from Box Elder, Montana. She will have the opportunity to represent all Montana youth as well as offer a unique perspective on the challenges faced by American Indian youth.

"This is going to be an awesome experience...I hope to represent all students well and my Native American heritage with honor" - Cadet Saundra Chiefstick

The 2013 legislature appropriated \$3,801,000 in general fund for the 2014-2015 biennium to the Montana Digital Academy (MTDA), which is specifically designed to provide online educational opportunities to public high school students in Montana. MTDA programming is intended to supplement programming offered at any Montana public high school and is offered free of charge to any students registered through a public school district in Montana. The courses offered include a broad range of high school-level original credit programming and credit recovery classes along with a middle school world language sampler program. In Original Credit programming, MTDA offers core high school classes as well as elective courses that expose students to subjects that may not be available in their local schools as well as advanced placement classes. Credit recovery programming allows students who fall behind the opportunity to catch up early, potentially preventing many American Indian students from dropping out of high school. MTDA served just under 8,000 enrollments this past school year from around Montana, including many in rural areas and on Indian reservations.



Chippewa Cree Tribal member Cadet Chiefstick, Presidential Physical Fitness Award winner for achieving highest marks in a 5-event measured physical fitness event at Youth Challenge.

Photo by Montana Youth Challenge Academy

HIGHER EDUCATION

Building Relationships

The Montana Tribal College President's Association, a new organization formed in the last year, held its first meeting in Great Falls. As candidate for Governor, Steve Bullock attended the meeting to listen to the concerns of each tribal college President. To fulfill his promise after taking office the Governor invited the **tribal college Presidents** to meet at the State Capitol to revisit education policies and issues impacting tribal colleges. The discussions addressed strategies to expand workforce development, the need for additional funding as well as training and apprenticeship programs. A positive outcome of this consultation is the invitation to tribal colleges Presidents to participate in the Board of Education meeting to begin a dialogue and solicit their input on how the State can best work with them to pursue common goals.



Governor Steve Bullock held a roundtable meeting with the seven tribal college presidents at the State Capitol. Left to right: Chief Dull Knife College President Dr. Richard LittleBear, Little Big Horn College President Dr. David Yarlott, Jr., Fort Peck Community College President Dr. Florence Garcia, Stone Child College President Melody Henry, Governor Steve Bullock, Salish Kootenai College President Elaine Frank, Blackfeet Community College President Dr. Billie Jo Kipp, Aaniiih Nakoda College President Carole Falcon-Chandler, and Lieutenant Governor John Walsh.

Photo by the Office of Indian Affairs

Better Education

On May 30-31, 2013, the University of Montana, Salish Kootenai College and the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education hosted the **Native American Student Advocacy Institute (NASAI)** Conference in Missoula and Pablo. NASAI is a national conference supported annually through the Salish Kootenai College Board to discuss new solutions, share best practices and collaborate with colleagues to make a difference for all American Indian students in education. Over 250 educators from around the country attended the conference held at both campuses. Montana was able to showcase the seven tribal colleges with a wonderful panel presentation by five of the college presidents and also provide information on Indian Education for All for other states wishing to emulate our efforts.

Expanding Opportunity

The passage of HB 286, sponsored by Representative Clarena Brockie during the 2013 legislature, allows the Board of Regents to waive tuition and fees for American Indian students. At the May 2013 meeting, the Board changed Policy number 940.13 to extend the eligibility for tuition waivers to a larger group of American Indian students. In the past a student had to demonstrate one quarter blood quantum, either through tribal enrollment or documented lineage, to be eligible. With the change in policy, students who are enrolled in state or federally recognized tribes that are located in the State of Montana are eligible for the waiver regardless of blood quantum. In addition, students who are able to demonstrate one quarter blood quantum of any tribe, regardless of location in Montana, will remain eligible. Students must be residents of Montana and demonstrate financial need.

In addition, the legislature provided funds through House Bill 2 for the Tribal Colleges Assistance Program, which supports a portion of the costs of educating non-beneficiary students (non-tribal members). The Governor advocated for the maximum amount allowed under statute, which resulted in an increase of \$184,442 per state fiscal year for a total appropriation of \$2,052,784 for the 2014-2015 biennium.

The Bridges to the Baccalaureate program provides a bridge for Indian students from tribal colleges into four-year institutions through a summer research experience at the University of Montana (UM). It includes students from **Blackfeet Community College, Chief Dull Knife College, Red Crow Community College, Salish Community College, and Stone Child College**. Mentored by UM professors, the students learn about research methods and scientific writing as they conduct research in biomedical sciences, psychology, biology, computer science and various other fields.

Improving Outcomes



GEAR UP Director Jan Lonbardi and Chief Dull Knife College President Dr. Richard Littlebear sit together at the 2013 Montana GEAR UP Spring Planning Meeting held in Helena. Photo by Montana GEAR UP

The Montana Gaining Early Awareness & Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (GEAR UP) aims to increase the number of students who are prepared to enter and succeed in postsecondary education, regardless of their economic background. GEAR UP schools serve approximately 3,000 American Indian students, their families, and communities on each of Montana's seven reservations. Funded through a federal grant awarded to the Office of the Commissioner of Higher Education, GEAR UP has successfully increased college and career readiness, academic preparedness, postsecondary planning, and financial aid knowledge for these students. The program has been so successful, in fact, that 64 percent of Montana GEAR UP graduates, compared to 58 percent of graduates statewide, have transitioned directly to college, with more than half of those attending tribal colleges.

This year alone, Montana GEAR UP welcomed numerous opportunities to support, lead and collaborate on many exciting initiatives throughout Indian Country. GEAR UP provided sponsorship for the Montana Post-Secondary Educational Opportunities Council's Tribal College Circuit, the Montana Indian Education Association Conference, and middle school and high school level campus visits to tribal colleges and universities throughout the state. Dr. Richard Littlebear, President of

Chief Dull Knife College, delivered an outstanding keynote address to approximately one hundred GEAR UP personnel from 18 districts at the Montana GEAR UP Spring Planning Meeting in Helena.

During the spring of 2013, Montana GEAR UP collaborated with the Montana Office of Public Instruction to afford all 939 American Indian 11th graders the opportunity to take the ACT Plus Writing test free of charge at their own schools. GEAR UP also provided financial and organizational support for middle and high school GEAR UP students to visit tribal college and university campuses throughout the state. Concurrent and dual-enrollment classes were provided in partnership with **Blackfeet Community College, Chief Dull Knife College, Fort Peck Community College, Little Big Horn College, Salish Kootenai College, and Stone Child College**. Two hundred and six juniors from GEAR UP schools on or near reservations in Montana earned \$304,500 for their college careers, while over \$810,000 was awarded to 36 seniors, in those same schools, who are planning to begin their college careers this coming school year.

The Indian Leadership Education and Development project addresses the educational disparity in American Indian populations by recruiting, educating, certifying, placing and inducting American Indian educators into culturally responsive administrative leadership positions in schools serving tribal communities in Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota and Wyoming. In partnership, the Little Big Horn College and the Montana State University's College of Education, Health and Human Development provide a unique learning experience that blends rigorous coursework in educational leadership theory, research and practice with coursework and seminars in Indigenous Leadership practices and critical pedagogical methods that emphasize heritage and identity. This project actively supports and promotes both goals of Montana's Indian Education for All policy: "Improving academic achievement of Native American students and increasing awareness of tribal identity and heritage". Additionally, it actively promotes the federal policy of self-determination for Tribal Nations. Currently, 42 I LEAD candidates have been selected and are enrolled in graduate courses at the Masters and Doctoral levels.

CULTURAL EDUCATION AND PRESERVATION



Native Pride from the Montana National Guard. (Top Row, left to right): Spc. Benjamin Bighead, Heart Butte; Pfc. Bruce Dogtakinggun, Great Falls; Sgt. Shawn Moore, Roundup; Spc. Germaine Jackson, Poplar; Spc. Gerald Jackson, Poplar. (Bottom Row, left to right): Spc. Zachary Iron, Hardin; Sgt. Myers Brien, Great Falls and Michael Whittle, Great Falls; all with Alpha Company, 1st Combined Arms Battalion, 163rd Infantry Regiment, 224th Sustainment Brigade, 103rd Sustainment Command (Expeditionary). These are just a few of the American Indians serving in various positions at Contingency Operations Base Adder, Iraq.

Photo by U.S. Army 1st Lt. Michael Creden.

In collaboration with the Montana Indian Athletics Hall of Fame Board of Directors, Montana State University-Billings hosted the annual induction ceremonies at the downtown campus on December 14, 2012. This event inducted six American Indians from across Montana into the **Montana Indian Athletics Hall of Fame** including Allen Arthur "Arsh" Stiffarm, John Matte, Walter "Blackie" Wetzel, Jonathan Takes Enemy, Jess "Tootie" Wetzel, Clifford Foote, Leo "Beaver" Bird, and two teams including the 1974 & 1975 Poplar Indians State Championship Team and the 1975 National Indian Activities Association Basketball Champs - the Browning All Stars.

Inspired by the popular Smithsonian traveling exhibit, **Native Words, Native Warriors (NWNW)**, curated by George Horse Capture, the Montana Historical Society's version illustrates Montana's Native American involvement in World Wars, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, and modern conflicts using contemporary and historic photographs and the first-hand accounts of Montana soldiers. Over the last year the exhibit was displayed at the Malmstrom Air Force Base, Montana State University in Billings, Fort Harrison in Helena, and Western Heritage Center in Billings. The final display seeks to honor Montana's Native American veterans by providing access to an online memorial of names and tribal affiliations, maintained by Montana Historical Society Research Center staff.

The NWNW display provides the web address and smart phone QR code for accessing the online memorial located at the Montana History Wiki hosted by the Montana Historical Society Research Center at:

<http://montanahistorywiki.pbworks.com/w/page/21639634/FrontPage>.



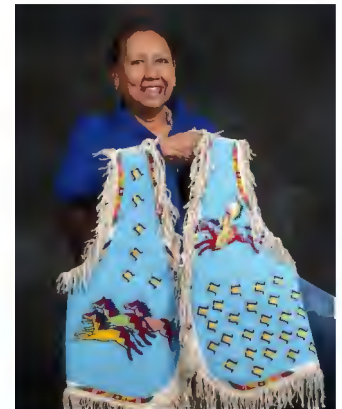
Sweat Lodge built for Wellness Days at the Pine Hills Youth Correctional Facility in Miles City.

Photo by the Department of Corrections

Wellness Days bring Native American culture and traditions to the two state run youth facilities: Pine Hills Youth Correctional Facility for juvenile males in Miles City, and Riverside Youth Correctional Facility for female juveniles in Boulder. For almost 20 years, Charles Little Old Man of the Northern Cheyenne Reservation and his wife Marceline have been bringing culture and traditions to the Pine Hills Youth Correctional Facility, including regular sweat lodge ceremonies, beading and craft sessions, and learning about the tradition of flute making. At the Riverside Youth Correctional Facility,

a new sweat lodge was built under the direction of Peter Bigstone (Assiniboine) and his wife Renita Longknife. In addition, a medicine wheel was constructed on the property in the last year under the direction of Elma Blackbird (Assiniboine). The girls also learned about the significance of sweet grass and how to braid it for smudging and crafting.

The **Montana's Circle of American Masters in the Folk and Traditional Arts** program recognizes Montana folk artists for artistic excellence in their work, along with their help in preserving the state's cultural heritage. In fiscal year 2013, two Montana Indian artists completed their participation in the program. **Birdie Real Bird**, a member of the Crow tribe from Garryowen, is known throughout Montana for her exquisite dolls and beading in traditional Crow designs and colors. She learned to bead watching her grandmother and other elders work on projects. A retired middle school teacher, Real Bird now devotes most of her time to beading and teaching traditional Crow culture, speaking at reservation schools and working with the Montana Historical Museum, Office of Public Instruction and the Montana Arts Council.



Crow Master artist Birdie Real Bird and one of her magnificent men's beaded vests. *Photo by the Montana Arts Council*

Jay Old Mouse is considered by the Northern Cheyenne people to be the designated keeper and maker of the Cheyenne courting flute. The flute, was handed down to him through the lineage of known keepers to his



Handmade traditional Northern Cheyenne flute by master artist Jay Old Mouse. *Photo by the Montana Arts Council*

grandfather Black Bear and now to Old Mouse. The honor and the flute-making skills were bestowed on him when he was a carpenter in his early twenties. To this day, he uses the historical methods and protocols in making and playing the flute. A Northern Cheyenne tribal member, Old Mouse follows his grandfather's teachings and plays when asked at funerals, graduations, in schools, in church, and at weddings. He also teaches both natives and non-natives about the significance of the Cheyenne courting flute.

EFFECTIVE GOVERNMENT



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Effective Government



Governor Steve Bullock meeting with tribal leaders and community members at the State Capitol. Photo by the Office of Indian Affairs

The Bullock Administration is strongly committed to promoting and building an effective day-to-day working relationship with tribal governments. Section III highlights the inclusion of the American Indian perspective in the state's decision making processes and noteworthy cooperative programs and strategies to develop strong and safe tribal communities.

The 550 state-tribal agreements in effect over the course of state fiscal year 2013 demonstrate the commitment of the state to effective governance through state-tribal cooperation. The complete list of these agreements is outlined in Appendix B of this report.

"As your Governor, I pledge to continue to build upon the work and the accomplishments of the past eight years...I will do this first by honoring the government-to-government relationship. As the first and most important principle of sovereign cooperation, I will expect and direct, that the executive branch and my cabinet maintain an open, responsive and effective government-to-government relationship with the tribal governments of Montana. The Governor's Office will always be open to Indian people, and the flags of the tribal nations will continue to be posted in a place of honor alongside the American and Montana flags in the State Capitol."
— Governor Steve Bullock

FEATURE STORY – AMERICAN INDIANS IN STATE GOVERNMENT

In this section, we are pleased to honor four American Indians appointed by Governor Bullock, three of them serving on his staff and one who is representing Montana: Jason Smith, State Director of Indian Affairs; Andy Huff, Governor's Office Chief Legal Counsel; Stacey Otterstrom, Boards and Appointments Advisor; and Pat Smith, Northwest Power and Conservation Council Member.

Director of Indian Affairs – Jason Smith (Kootenai, Assiniboine & Sioux)

Jason Smith was appointed by Governor Steve Bullock in January to serve in his cabinet as State Director of Indian Affairs. In this capacity, Jason acts as a state advisor and liaison with regard to the multi-faceted issues faced by the tribal governments and Indian citizens in Montana communities.

Jason brings years of experience working with Montana tribes, state legislators, and state agencies. Prior to his appointment, Jason worked at the Montana Department of Commerce as the State Tribal Economic Development (STED) Program Manager where he oversaw the Tribal Infrastructure and Energy Efficiency Reinvestment Program. With the support of the STED Commission, Jason assisted tribes who are adopting the Model Secured Transaction Act for business development. During the 2009 Montana State Legislature, he served as the Chief of Staff to the Montana American Indian Caucus, tracking legislation and appropriations, as well as handling communications between the Tribal Nations and the American Indian legislators.

Jason is enrolled as a member of the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes and grew up on the Flathead Reservation where he developed an interest in tribal affairs at a young age. He worked for many years as the Executive Assistant to the Chairman of the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes and was responsible for informing the Chairman of tribal member issues, tribal policies, and assisting in the development of federal, state, and tribal relations. While attending the Salish and Kootenai College, Jason served as a member of Compact Service Corps and worked on tribal and community projects. In 2007, he graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Business and Entrepreneurship.



Jason Smith State Director of Indian Affairs. Photo by the Office of Indian Affairs

"My goal as Director of Indian Affairs is to continue strengthening the government to government relationship between the State of Montana and the Montana Tribal Nations. I am committed to working in collaboration with tribal and community leaders, state agencies, legislators, and Montanans. We will move forward together to address all challenges facing Indian Country. It is an honor to have the opportunity to serve in this office and to work with the American Indian people of Big Sky Country." -Jason Smith

Governor's Office Chief Legal Counsel – Andy Huff (Chippewa Cree)



Andy Huff, Chief Legal Counsel Governor's Office
Photo by the Office of Indian Affairs

As Chief Legal Counsel in the Governor's Office since January 2013, Andy Huff is the first American Indian to serve in this capacity in Montana. Andy graduated from Hellgate High School in Missoula, in 1987 and received his Bachelor of Arts from Harvard University in 1991. He served in Cameroon, West Africa, as a Peace Corps Volunteer for two years from 1993 to 1995. He received his Juris Doctor from the University of Colorado, in 1999, emphasizing federal Indian law. While in law school, Andy worked with Professor Charles Wilkinson as a research assistant and served as the editor for a journal on international law. After graduating, he returned to Montana to work as a staff attorney for the Indian Law Resource Center for five years, where he advocated on behalf of indigenous people. He later ran his own law office, doing primarily trial and appellate work in federal district court and at the Ninth Circuit. From 2006 to 2010, he worked as an attorney in the Governor's Office, advising on Indian law and policy issues. Prior to his current appointment with the Bullock Administration, he served as assistant attorney general for the

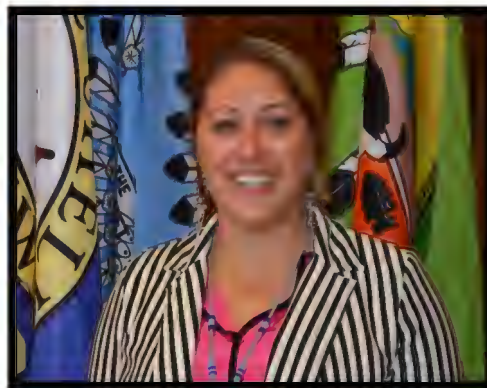
Montana Department of Justice, working in the areas of Indian, water, and election law. He is an enrolled member of the Chippewa Cree Tribe and resides in Helena with his wife Margaret and their children Zander and Hannah.

"American Indians are a fundamental part of Montana. I believe that this state cannot be effectively governed or even meaningfully understood without understanding the experience of Indian people. Governor Bullock knows this, and as Chief Legal Counsel I am committed to his vision of a state-tribal relationship that is founded upon an understanding and respect for the history, culture and enduring presence of Indian people and Tribes."

Boards and Appointments Advisor - Stacey Otterstrom (Little Shell Chippewa)

"It is an honor to be able to serve the Governor and the state of Montana, as the Boards and Appointments Advisor. Governor Bullock has been a steadfast advocate for Montana, and he understands that with over 200 boards, councils and commissions doing important work every day, they must reflect the great diversity of our state. We are dedicated to appoint American Indians, and this is being done for the first time on many boards. While we are fortunate to have inherited a great number of Indian appointees already serving, we know our work is not yet done. I look forward to helping Governor Bullock continue to grow the numbers of American Indians appointments and to identify more capable, willing and extraordinarily experienced Montanans ready to serve our state."

-Stacey Otterstrom



Stacey Otterstrom, Governor's Board and Appointments Advisor Photo by the Office of Indian Affairs

Stacey Otterstrom has served as the Governor's Boards and Appointments Advisor since January 2013. She assists Governor Bullock with the selection and appointment of applicants interested in serving on the hundreds of state boards, councils and commissions.

Stacey was born and raised in Havre, Montana, and grew up immersed in the stories of the Little Shell Chippewa Tribe. Stacey left Havre to pursue a Political Science degree at Montana State University Bozeman, and while in college, served as an intern for then State Senator Jon Tester during the 2003 and 2005 Montana legislative sessions. After graduation, Stacey worked for the Democratic National Committee in Eastern Montana, before serving as Deputy Political Director and Indian Country Outreach Coordinator for U.S. Senate Candidate Jon Tester. She later worked for U.S. Senator Jon Tester in his Helena office first as an assistant to the State Director and later as special Projects Manager. Stacey received her Masters' Degree in Public Administration from the University of Montana in 2011. More recently she worked for the Montana Democratic Party as the Political Director and Director of the Native Vote Outreach Program, and afterwards joined the Governor-elect transition team in November 2012.

Northwest Power and Conservation Council Member – Pat Smith (Assiniboine)

Pat Smith was appointed by Governor Bullock to the Northwest Power and Conservation Council since January 2013, and is the only American Indian presently serving on the Council. He brings to the position 31 years of experience in Indian law, representing tribal governments and tribally-owned businesses. The eight-person Council representing the four Northwest states works to restore fisheries impacted by the region's hydroelectric dams and develop a regional energy plan that prioritizes energy conservation and renewable energy. He was also appointed by Governor Bullock to be Montana's representative on the regional Sovereign Review Team, an entity comprised of states, tribal, and federal Agencies, seeking to develop a regional recommendation regarding the future of the 1964 Columbia River Treaty, which coordinates water management and dam operations within the Columbia River Basin between Canada and the United States.



Pat Smith, Northwest Power and Conservation Council member
Photo Courtesy of Pat Smith

"Montana and the Pacific Northwest is a spectacular landscape and has been home to the region's tribes since time immemorial. These tribes, in their treaties, reserved on-reservation and off-reservation rights that require the full respect of the law. When the dams were built, these treaty rights were ignored. The region has an opportunity to create a new future, one that includes respect for treaty rights, restored fish and wildlife, and a clean energy path for future generations. I am honored to have an opportunity to help in that effort." - Pat Smith

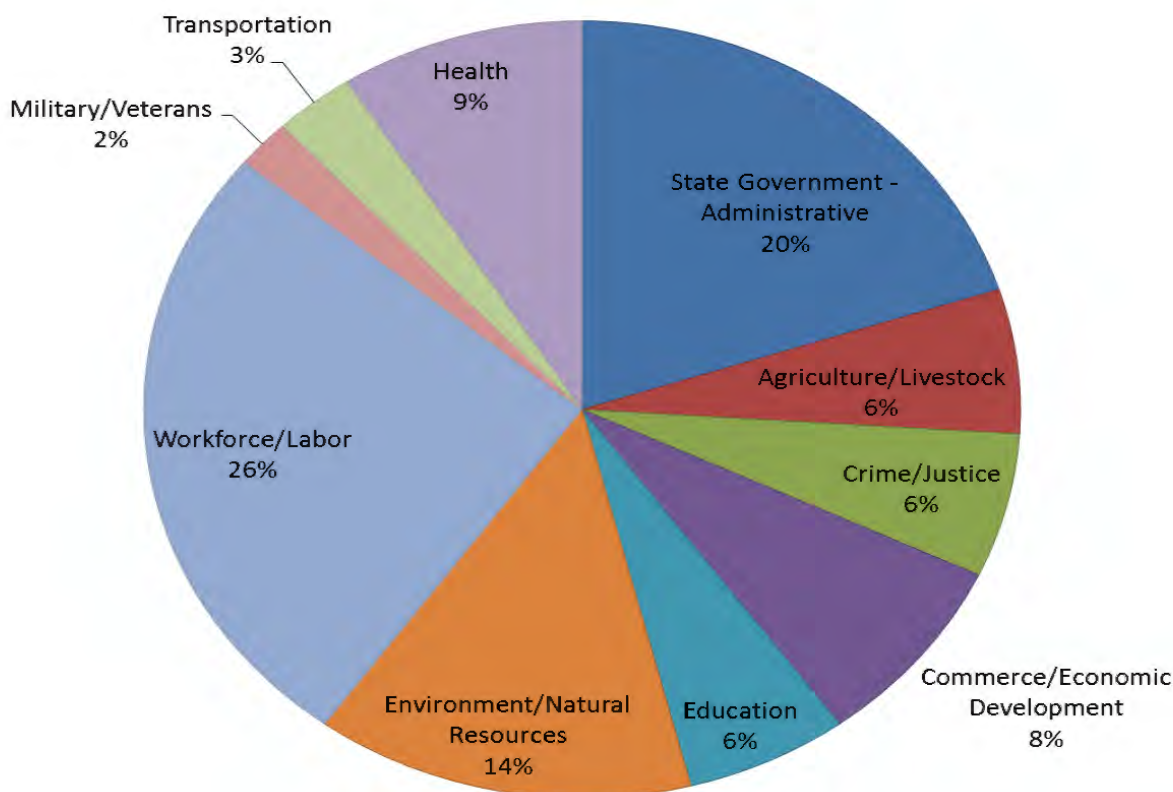
Pat grew up in Billings and on the Fort Peck Reservation where his family farmed. He received both his undergraduate degree (history and political science) and law degree from the University of Montana. Since the 1980's, he has been actively involved in Federal Voting Rights Act litigation, and other efforts, to ensure American Indian communities are fairly represented and have a voice in policies that impact their communities. Smith served as a tribal attorney for the Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes (CSKT) for ten years where he was directly involved in water, fishery and wildlife issues on behalf of the tribal government, and served three years as the managing attorney for their legal department. While at CSKT, he provided legal assistance for the creation of Mission Valley Power, one of the largest tribally-operated electric utilities in the nation. His experience also includes a tenure as the Chief Judge of the CSKT Appellate Court, and serving on the Board of Visitors of the University of Montana Law School and the Montana Redistricting Commission. Since 1984, he and his wife have resided in Arlee on the Flathead Reservation. He is an enrolled member of the Assiniboine Tribe.

American Indian Appointments to Montana's Boards, Councils and Commissions

"I recognize that the priorities and agenda in Indian Country must be shaped by Indian people. With that in mind, I promise to continue and expand Governor Schweitzer's important accomplishments in including American Indians throughout state government. I will appoint tribal members to key positions in my administration. I will ensure that Indians sit on the boards and commissions where decisions are made that impact Indian people. And I will work hard to ensure that American Indians are represented throughout state government." – Governor Steve Bullock.

Montana has hundreds of citizen-led boards, councils, and commissions that help govern and advise the state of Montana. These groups are varied and represent the wide array of professional licensing boards as well as advisory councils to state agencies, such as the State Parks and Recreation Board, the Traumatic Brain Injury Council, the Board of Veterans' Affairs, Library Commission, Suicide Review Task Force, and so many others. Each board has a unique job to do, but they all share the same priority: **Montanans First**.

Montana Board Types

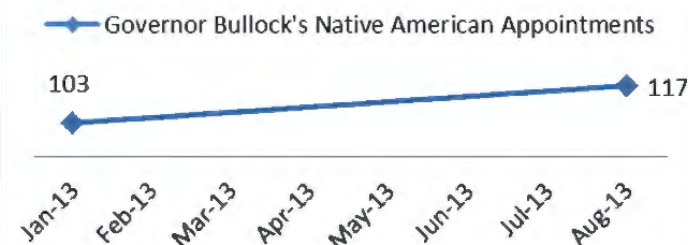


Source: Governor's Office Database, August 2013

Governor Bullock knows that in order to put Montanans first, these citizen-led boards, councils and commissions must reflect the diversity of our state, and that includes representing Montana's first inhabitants. The importance of having American Indians serve on boards cannot be understated as they bring a unique perspective and expertise to governing and they are an important part of our state's culture and history.

Appointments are made by selecting the most competent, qualified and talented Montanans to do the job. In his first eight months in office, Governor Bullock has increased the numbers of American Indians serving the state and he is committed to continue doing so. There are currently 117 American Indians serving on state board, councils, and commissions. A complete list is provided in Appendix A of this report.

Governor Bullock increases American Indians Serving Montana



Source: Governor's Office Database, August 2013

Governor Bullock's Appointments

26 American Indian appointments made in his first 8 months.

- 8** were current serving members who were reappointed.
- 18** were new to their appointed board, such as the Coal Impact Board, the Hard-Rock Mining Impact Board, and the Fish and Wildlife Commission.

Appointees are not required to be experts on every issue or be able to speak for all native people. All that is needed is the willingness to serve and bring a voice to the table to address the many issues impacting our state and the citizens of Montana. American Indian appointees have helped move Montana into a bright future and with Governor Bullock's Administration they will continue to do so in more ways than ever before.

There are constantly new openings on the over 200 citizen-led boards, councils and commissions around the state. We need qualified Montanans to serve. Interested persons can help us by volunteering to serve as well as submitting the names and backgrounds of friends, family, and neighbors available to make a huge difference in the state we call home. The Bullock Administration is committed to increasing the numbers of American Indians serving the state of Montana and working with Montana tribes to continue this trend.

Apply to Serve

The Governor's Office is ready to talk with you at any time about serving. All is needed is your willingness to serve, and some background information on areas of interest or experience. Montanans interested in serving on Boards, Councils, and Commissions can apply online at www.governor.mt.gov. For more information, contact the Governor's Office Boards and Appointments Advisor at 406-444-4405.



Governor Bullock and CJ Stewart, Crow Tribal member and newly appointed Coal Board member. Photo by Cordell Stewart, Crow Tribe

GOVERNOR'S TRIBAL RELATIONS TRAINING

One of the ways to foster positive state-tribal relationships is for people to experience and learn about Indian culture and develop an understanding of different perspectives. To support state employees in developing meaningful and productive interactions with tribes, the Governor's Office of Indian Affairs facilitates an annual Tribal Relations Training. The training teaches by example through the storytelling of successful state-tribal collaborations, the inclusion of Indian speakers, and the incorporation of American Indian traditional practices throughout the day. By providing positive role-models and effective tools for working with tribes, the annual training has become an important component of professional development for state government employees.

Over 200 state government employees participated in the Governor's Tribal Relations Training held in Helena on December 13, 2012. Solemn opening ceremonies began the day with the posting of the colors by the Mission Valley Honor Guard, the pledge of allegiance by Fort Belknap President Tracy King, a prayer by Director of the Northern Cheyenne Boys and Girls Club Geri Small, and a flag song by Jay Dusty Bull of the Blackfeet Tribe.

Focused on a message of inclusion, the training featured keynote speaker Darrell Kipp, co-founder and director of the Piegan Institute on the Blackfeet Reservation, followed by presentations on state-tribal cooperative work, and panel discussions with tribal leaders and a variety of Indian and state experts. Participants enjoyed an original musical performance and lecture by Montana's troubadour, Jack Gladstone, exploring the role athletics played in reforming Native American identity at the dawn of the 20th century.

An elite panel of state leaders including then Governor Brian Schweitzer, then Lieutenant Governor John Bohlinger, along with then Attorney General/Governor-elect Steve Bullock and then Lieutenant Governor-elect John Walsh, stressed the importance of continuing the strong foundation built in recent years with Indian Country. So much has been accomplished, and so much more remains to be done.

2013 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

For the first four months of the Bullock Administration, the Governor's Office worked together with tribal leaders and American Indian legislators during the 2013 state legislative session for the benefits of tribes and Indian people. Many issues and policies impacting Indian Country were addressed during regular meetings with the Montana American Indian Caucus in the areas of economic development, education, health care, and environmental stewardship. Governor Steve Bullock and his staff tirelessly advocated for tribal programs, including the Indian Country Economic Development Program, funding for tribal colleges, language preservation and the Title IV-E Foster Care program, tax exemptions for tribal property, and funding for water compacts.



Photo of then Attorney General/Governor-elect Steve Bullock speaking at the 2012 Tribal Relations Training with Governor Brian Schweitzer. Photo by Jon Ebel

"I will work with all of you, the state employees of Montana, and with the Tribes of Montana, to ensure that state government is never an obstacle to the right of Indian people to thrive as both citizens of the State of Montana, and as citizens of Indian Nations."

– Governor-elect Steve Bullock

"Ultimately, the government-to-government relationship must be about improving the lives of Indian people and all Montanans. I promise to consult and work in cooperation with the tribes to implement policies and programs that will have a meaningful and positive impact in Indian Country, as well as for American Indians living throughout Montana." – Governor Steve Bullock

A wide array of activities within state government is being implemented in collaboration with the tribes year round. To ensure the State of Montana continues to build state-tribal partnerships, Governor Steve Bullock has directed his cabinet to maintain an open, responsive and effective government-to-government relationship with the tribal governments of Montana. This relationship is guided by principles reflected in State law, §2-15-142, MCA, emphasizing consultation and effective communication, mutual respect and cooperation, accountability in addressing issues of mutual concern, and the preservation of the state-tribal relationship. This law was strengthened when Governor Bullock signed into law **HB 110**, sponsored by Representative Carolyn Pease-Lopez. HB 110 requires state agencies to document that they have considered these statutory guiding principles when formulating or implementing policies or administrative rules that have direct tribal implications. The law emphasizes accountability and ensures that state agencies take seriously the state of Montana's commitment to consultation and cooperation.



Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribal Chairman Joe Durglo presents the State of Tribal Nation Address March 8, 2013. Photo by the Office of Indian Affairs

"All eight nations are experiencing successes our ancestors would hardly believe. Yet there is much work remaining. We must focus on economic development, job creation, education, and health care. Continued cooperative agreements between the tribes and state will help improve the economic conditions of the reservations, which will in turn benefit Montana's economy and communities. We will continue to be viable partners with Montana, for the good of all of our communities." Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribal Chairman Joe Durglo

CONSULTATION AND COOPERATION

Throughout the year, the Governor meets regularly with his cabinet to listen and learn of the issues facing the State of Montana. Many issues impacting Indian Country are being addressed through the State Director of Indian Affairs' reports and recommendations at cabinet meetings and ensuing forum discussions. To maintain communication and coordination regarding policy matters involving tribes, the Governor's Office of Indian Affairs holds Indian policy meetings on an ongoing basis with key policy advisors and agency directors, travels to Indian reservations with the Governor to meet with tribal leaders and attend local events, and coordinates meetings with state and tribal stakeholders regarding current activities, existing agreements as well as negotiations.

"Providing the citizens of our tribal nations with a more efficient and effective government is a top priority of the Bullock Administration. For too long, state government has not operated in a way that allows the tribes to access services. I have been working tirelessly with state agencies to develop a working relationship and increase communication. By improving coordination and bringing down barriers, this initiative will help provide Indian Country with essential resources."
- Lieutenant Governor John Walsh



Lieutenant Governor John Walsh and his wife Janet greeting Crow Tribal Vice-Secretary Shawn Back Bone.

Photo by the Governor's Office

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Below are examples of state agencies' cooperative work with tribes in the areas of health, safety, environmental stewardship and justice. We are pleased to highlight ongoing collaboration and long-term efforts showing that by working cooperatively, we can thrive to keep our community safe and make a difference in tribal communities.

Government-to-Government Negotiations and Master Contracts

The Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS) implemented Government to Government Negotiations with Tribal Governments (Policy No. 1.1.111) on December 11, 2012. This policy demonstrates a commitment by the department to recognize the unique government to government relationships that exist between the State and Indian tribes. This policy guides the department's work in negotiating new agreements and in the ongoing management of existing contracts, agreements and task orders.

Over 2500 DPHHS contractual agreements are in place with partners throughout Montana, including many agreements with the **eight tribal governments**. These agreements guide the relationship between the department and the tribal governments to ensure the delivery of services like Medicaid, Healthy Montana Kids, tobacco use prevention, and foster care in reservation communities. To simplify the contracting process with tribes and to ensure services are delivered consistently throughout Indian Country, the department began implementing tribal master agreements in 2011, with the last of the eight master agreements signed in December 2012. These historic 10-year agreements were negotiated on a government-to-government basis and cover the overarching contractual requirements. The specific scope of services related to each program are agreed upon annually and attached to the master contract as task orders.

On March 27, 2013, the **Montana Native Women's Tribal Coalition Listening Session** held in Helena, Montana, brought together participants from all over the state to discuss the issue of domestic violence in Montana's tribal communities. Governor Steve Bullock delivered opening remarks, which were followed by a state panel discussion stressing the importance of decreasing domestic violence on Montana's Indian reservations. Additional presentations and panels addressed domestic violence from the perspective of survivors, effective initiatives that are already making a difference in various tribal communities, and future collaborative efforts.



Governor Steve Bullock was honored with the gift of a blanket at the March 2013 Montana Native Women's Coalition (MNWC) tribal listening session held in Helena Montana. Left to right: Coleen Clark MNWC Member, Patty McGeshick MNWC Chairwoman, Governor Steve Bullock and Toni Plummer-Alvernaz MNWC Executive Director.

Photo by the Office of Indian Affairs

Foster Care in Indian Country

The 2013 Montana State Legislature allocated \$200,000 in state funding for each year of the biennium to be distributed to tribes for foster care services for tribal children residing on Indian Reservations in Montana that are not covered by federal Title IV-E Foster Care funding. The funding will be allocated proportionately to tribes based on the number of children in foster care. The Child and Family Services Division (CFSD) will enter into agreements with tribal governments in order to distribute the funding. Data will be collected during the 2014-2015 biennium on the services provided, costs, and unduplicated numbers of children being served. Several consultation meetings involving stakeholders and tribal representatives were held in May and June 2013 in Great Falls, Pablo, Crow Agency, Lame Deer, and at Fort Belknap to inform tribal representatives of the new funding opportunity.

Nutrition in Indian Country

Through the Office of Public Instruction Summer Meal Program funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), free meals are offered to all kids ages 18 and younger who come to registered summer meal sites such as schools, churches, and community centers. Through a public-private joint partnership between the DPHHS Child and Adult Food Care Program and the Montana No Kid Hungry Campaign, mini-grants were provided to support local efforts to expand participation and develop plans to address needs and barriers to participation in the summer meal programs. A total of \$23,889 in mini-grant funds was allocated to seven Summer Meal Program sponsors serving the **Blackfeet, Confederated Salish & Kootenai, Little Shell, Fort Peck, and Northern Cheyenne Tribes** for this purpose. For example, the summer meal program on the Blackfeet Reservation used a food truck to decrease barriers to participation in the program by offering meals in at least three separate locations in Browning.

Through the same partnership, the **Boys & Girls Club of the Northern Cheyenne Nation (BGCNCN)** was awarded in December 2012 a \$5,000 mini-grant, funded by Share our Strength/No Kid Hungry, to increase participation within their meal programs. The grant will allow the Boys & Girls Club to purchase a hot water heater and milk cooler, which will help the program reduce reliance on wasteful paper products and free up resources for delivering nutritious meals to children. In addition, the Club plans to begin offering a late snack to their teen population and will strategize on how to provide engaging and fun activities such as cultural classes, movie nights and other activities to retain and recruit members of the teen population. The Boys & Girls Club estimates that an average of 50 teens will start taking part in their late snack program.

In addition, the DPHHS Child and Adult Food Care Program staff and contractors facilitated the Cook's Trainings program, funded by the USDA Food and Nutrition Service. The trainings were available to food service employees in early childhood businesses and offered information on low cost, nutritious foods appropriate for young children with recipes that meet U.S. dietary guidelines. The trainings were held in 18 cities, including **all seven Indian Reservations**.



Wanda Sure Chief, Dale Marceau and David Marceau of Browning attend the Child and Adult Care Food Program Cook's Training held at the Blackfeet Early Childhood Center in Browning. Photo by the Department of Health and Human Services

SAFETY

Highway Safety

Tribal participation continues with implementing Montana's Comprehensive Highway Safety Plan (CHSP). Since 2011, an annual Tribal Safety Summit has been held with participation by all tribes. The Native American Crash Emphasis Area team of the CHSP meets monthly and is working to implement strategies of the safety plan. Progress is being made to improve safety, including coordination of tribal road safety audits with tribal transportation planners, the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) transportation engineers, and the Federal Highway Administration. Currently, various safety measures exist on each Indian reservation. For example, primary seat belt laws are in place on the Blackfeet, Fort Belknap, Fort Peck, and Rocky Boy's reservations, while the Crow Reservation and Flathead reservations have secondary seat belt laws that are similar to Montana state law. The Northern Cheyenne Tribe has a criminal code and a \$25 fine for seat belt violations and the Blackfeet Nation has developed an all-terrain vehicle (ATV) ordinance. To help reduce the incidence of people driving under the influence (DUI), the Crow Nation and Fort Peck Tribes have DUI Task Forces, and both the Blackfeet and Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes are working to develop task forces. In addition, the Fort Peck Tribes have established a DUI Court and Social Host ordinances. The Blackfeet Nation also has Social Host ordinances and a safety group that has worked to reduce youth binge drinking and DUIs on the Blackfeet reservation.

Disaster and Emergency Preparedness

The Department of Military Affairs Disaster and Emergency Services (DES) has built a strong partnership involving the **Fort Peck Tribes** and the federal government to ensure that a Comprehensive Emergency Management program exists on the Fort Peck Reservation. The DES has worked collaboratively with the tribal government to enhance, support and provide quality service in all phases of emergency management including preparedness, prevention, response, recovery and mitigation. The DES also assists tribal authorities with grant administration. An area of special interest centered on special needs populations and meeting the needs of tribal elders during emergencies and disasters. In fiscal year 2013, emergency response services were provided during several incidents that occurred on the reservation, such as the wildfire incidents, train derailment, and the prolonged water outage in the City of Poplar as a result of flood waters that compromised the water system.



Tom Escarcega, project manager for the Assiniboine and Sioux Rural Water Supply System, and Disaster and Emergency Services (DES) District VI Representative Mark Gruener help Fort Peck Tribes DES Coordinator Chris Headdress distribute drinking water during prolonged water outage on Fort Peck Reservation caused by flood waters in June 2013. *Photo by Lana Mikkelsen.*

Training

In the last state fiscal year, the Safety and Health Bureau of the Department of Labor and Industry provided certified Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) 10-hour training for the **Blackfeet, Chippewa Cree, Confederated Salish & Kootenai and Fort Peck** tribal members that requested the training. The certified training provides an entry level worker's general awareness on recognizing and preventing hazards on a construction site. This certification provides an incentive to employers to hire these individuals.

ENVIRONMENTAL

Fish, Wildlife and Parks

The Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks Region I Enforcement Office works directly with the **Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes** with respect to the joint fish and wildlife agreement. A strong partnership has developed over the years through consultation meetings with tribal leadership and tribal law enforcement staff, joint enforcement patrols, joint Flathead Reservation Fish and Wildlife Board meetings, and the participation of tribal law enforcement staff on the hiring committee for the Polson District warden position.



Wild Horse Island State Park on the Flathead Reservation.

Photo Courtesy of Heather Fraley

In an effort to build partnerships to help address future resource management at the Wild Horse Island State Park, the largest island in Flathead Lake, a field trip and cooperative workshop were hosted onsite by Montana State Parks in June 2013. Approximately 15 participants representing the **Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes**, the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation,

the Department of Fish Wildlife and Parks Fisheries, and other partners were transported by boat to the site where the park manager discussed resource management issues involving timber, grassland and wildlife, as well as other challenges the park faces. Wild Horse Island has been a landmark since the Salish-Kootenai Indians were reported to have used it to pasture horses. Nowadays the island is known for its diverse wildlife, which includes wild horses, as well as rare and endangered plant species found on its Palouse Prairie grasslands.

Natural Resources

In January 2013, work was initiated on the ExxonMobil Pipeline Company Supplemental Environmental Project tasked with providing contingency planning, equipment, and training for petroleum release response in the Yellowstone River watershed, which includes tribal lands of the **Crow and Northern Cheyenne Tribes**. The process integrates federal, state, tribal, county and local agencies for the assessment, plan preparations and implementation of the plan. Cost for assessment, planning, equipment and training is borne by ExxonMobil Pipeline Company in compliance with an Administrative Order (AOC, Docket No. WQA-12-08), which resulted from the Silvertip Pipeline incident that occurred on the Yellowstone River near Billings in July 2011. The project will improve the ability to safely and effectively respond to future petroleum-related releases within the region.

The Coal and Uranium Program of the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) issues permit and permit modification decisions for mining and reclamation of coal and uranium minerals to ensure that mineral development is done with adequate protection of environmental resources. The program conducts monthly inspections at the Absaloka Mine located near the Crow Indian Reservation. A regular coordination meeting is held with representatives of the Crow Tribe, the U.S. Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM), the federal Bureau of Land Management, Westmoreland Resources, and DEQ. As the coal reserves are leased from the **Crow Nation**, the Tribe is invited to meetings that address rule and statute changes and is notified when permit applications are received where the proposed action could impact them. The mine is divided into on-reservation and off-reservation permits; however, inspectors from the Crow Coal Regulatory Office (CCRO), OSM, and DEQ conduct joint inspections across the entire mine. Additionally, Crow inspectors have participated in mine inspections conducted by DEQ at other Montana coal mines, which served as training as well as team building experience.

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) conducted three scoping meetings to initiate the process for the Otter Creek Coal Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). One of these public meetings was held January 17, 2013, in Lame Deer, on the **Northern Cheyenne Reservation** to provide the opportunity for tribal and community members to voice their opinion regarding the proposed Otter Creek Coal mine. The Northern Cheyenne Tribe and tribal members submitted substantial written comments to the department regarding the scope of the Environmental Impact Statement. In addition, tribal members presented comments at an informal conference held in Ashland on March 21, 2013. The department is reviewing the comments submitted and is committed to continue the consultation process.

In October 2012, the Surface Transportation Board (STB) of the U.S. Department of Transportation received an application for construction of a railroad in the Tongue River Valley. Under the direction of the STB and their independent third contractor, the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation is engaged in monthly conference calls with consulting parties in regards to the Federal Section 106 Act, specific to historic cultural properties. The consultation process – involving participation by the **Crow, Fort Peck and Northern Cheyenne Tribes** as well as other tribal affiliations in South Dakota, North Dakota, Wyoming, Nebraska and Oklahoma – is anticipated to continue for the next 2-3 years until a final Environmental Impact Statement is completed by the federal government.

Montana Board of Land Commissioners

The Montana Board of Land Commissioners (Board), consisting of Governor Steve Bullock, Superintendent of Public Instruction Denise Juneau, Attorney General Tim Fox, Secretary of State Linda McCulloch, and Commissioner of Securities and Insurance Monica Lindeen, is responsible for overseeing the management of 5.2 million acres of state school trust lands across the State. In the fall of 2012, the **Northern Cheyenne**

Tribe and the Ark Land Company developed and submitted to the Board five tribal-specific operating program plans regarding the Otter Creek Area Coal Tracts that address employment, contracting, on-reservation conduct, environmental monitoring, and cultural resources. On November 19, 2012, the Land Board unanimously accepted the operating program plans for inclusion in the Otter Creek Mine Operating and Reclamation Plans as a special condition. The completion and acceptance of these plans mark the successful accomplishment of a key element of the 2002 Settlement Agreement between the Land Board and the Northern Cheyenne Tribe which requires the submission of the five operating program plans prior to conducting any mining, construction or other operations on any portion of the Otter Creek Area Coal Tracts.

JUSTICE

Juvenile Justice

The Youth Justice Council, appointed by the Governor and staffed by the Montana Board of Crime Control (MBCC), has been monitoring disproportionate minority contact within the juvenile justice system since 2005. A grant through the MBCC State's Statistical Analysis Center provided funding to contract with the School of Sociology's Research Laboratory of the University of Montana to formally research the reasons for disproportionate minority contact with the juvenile justice system in Montana, especially for American Indian and Alaska native youth. The research findings, published in December 2012, provide a gauge by which any changes, modifications, and interventions that are made to the process used to target disproportionate minority contact can be evaluated. The report is available online at: <http://www.mbcc.mt.gov/Data/SAC/RAI/DMCAssessRep.pdf>



A grant from MBCC in the amount of \$15,720 was awarded to the **Crow Tribe** to help expand its Youth Empowerment Coalition program initially established at the Lodge Grass Middle Schools and High School, and the Plenty Coups High School. Tailored to the American Indian Life Skills curriculum, this program aims to increase the number of youth participating in and completing the delinquency prevention program; reduce the number of those who offend or reoffend; and improve social behaviors through the integration of self-awareness and behavioral skills. Since the beginning of the 2012-2013 school year, the grant added three more participating schools, including **St. Labre Academy, Wyola Elementary School and Hardin High School**. Additionally, this program developed a crisis response protocol to address the issue of suicide prevention among the student population, assisted by the Tribal Suicide Prevention Program, the Montana-Wyoming Tribal Leaders Council Suicide Prevention Program, the Department of Public Health and Human Services Suicide Prevention Office, and the University of Montana Crisis Response Team. As of April 1, 2013, the program served 85 youth, with half showing an improvement of their pro-social behavior regarding substance abuse, family relationships and antisocial behaviors, resulting in a total drop of recidivism from 100 percent to 12 percent.

Drug Task Forces

The Montana Board of Crime Control supports the operations of two multi-jurisdictional task forces involving tribal participation that are dedicated to addressing drug-related crime in Montana through the use of federal Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) funds. The Tri-Agency Task Force covering the north central region of the state involves the **Chippewa Cree Tribe**, the **Fort Belknap Tribes**; Hill, Blaine, Liberty, Choteau, and Judith Basin counties; and the cities of Havre. The West Central Montana Drug Task Force covering west central Montana involves the **Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes** Tribal Police, Missoula County Sheriff's Office and Attorney's Office, Missoula Police Department, and the Ravalli County, Mineral County, and Lake County Sheriff's Offices. These task forces have played a major role in the reduction of illegal drugs supply and distribution by identifying and dismantling clandestine methamphetamine labs, illegal prescription drug enforcement, and other illegal drug arrests and drug removal. Task Force agents routinely collaborate and combine efforts with local, tribal, state and federal agencies while performing their normal investigations and duties. The grant requires the diversification of task force duties, specifically to include the implementation, tracking, record-keeping and data-reporting of drug endangered children and gang-related laws and activities.

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Sociology's Research Laboratory Report

Treatment

In the last fiscal year, the **Chippewa Cree White Sky Hope Center** was provided a \$46,990 grant from MBCC to implement a Residential Substance Abuse Treatment (RSAT) Program addressing the high number of Americans Indians in jail for alcohol or other drug related crimes. A licensed addiction counselor will develop and implement jail based substance abuse treatment as well as develop and maintain community-based aftercare services, with the goal of generating positive long-term health and public safety impacts for tribal members that struggle with substance abuse. Currently in the implementation phase, this program requires close collaboration between the courts, law enforcement, attorneys, probation officers, jail, community-based treatment programs and the community as a whole. One major accomplishment was the training conducted in June 2013 at Rocky Mountain College regarding the Correctional Assessment Implementation System, designed to assist those engaged in the criminal justice system in effectively and efficiently supervising adult offenders.

Prevention Efforts

Prescription drug abuse is a problem throughout Montana and tribal communities are no exception. Attorney General Fox is committed to working with tribal partners, including the tribal members serving on the Prescription Drug Advisory Council, to address these challenges. *“The Great Montana Roundup: Pitch Your Paper and Pills”* is a combined effort between the Office of Consumer Protection, the Division of Criminal Investigation, the Highway Patrol, and all divisions of the Montana Department of Justice. The events are designed to educate Montanans about protecting their personal and financial information, and preventing the misuse and abuse of prescription drugs. Department of Justice staff members visit communities across the state to give presentations to students and community groups on consumer issues and prescription drug abuse. Along the way, shred-a-thons and prescription drug take-backs events are held to bring further awareness to these important issues.

The Montana Child Sexual Abuse Response Team (MCSART), a Department of Justice program, provides resources for communities across the state to increase collaboration and teamwork when dealing with child victims of abuse. The program has trained tribal members from **Blackfeet, Chippewa Cree, Crow, Fort Belknap, Fort Peck Tribes, and Northern Cheyenne Tribes**. Program funds have assisted tribal team members to attend trainings both in state and out of state for medical professionals, prosecutors, therapists, social workers, and others. The tribal teams include Federal Bureau of Investigation membership as well as tribal investigators, tribal social services, assistant U.S. attorneys, and Bureau of Indian Affairs representatives. MCSART regularly provides technical support, training and equipment to tribal teams and children’s advocacy centers. These centers are locations where child victims of crime and abuse and their protective caregivers can seek referrals for services and receive forensic interviews and medical examinations. Advocacy programs are providing services on the **Blackfeet, Crow, Fort Belknap, Fort Peck, and Northern Cheyenne Indian reservations**.

Partnering with the U.S. Attorney’s office, the Montana Legal Services Association and the Montana Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence, the Montana Attorney General’s Office and Montana Law Enforcement Academy provided a series of trainings to the tribes on issues related to domestic violence. The Attorney General’s Office also continues to provide education and training opportunities to law enforcement partners in Indian Country. Since January 2012, 25 police officers from the tribal law enforcement agencies in Montana have attended and successfully completed the Law Enforcement Officer Basic Course at the Montana Law Enforcement Academy (MLEA). Partnering with the U.S. Attorney’s Office, over 70 people representing law enforcement, social services, and the criminal justice profession attended one of the two training sessions on Domestic Violence conducted for the **Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes and the Chippewa Cree Tribe**.

Cooperative Agreements

The State-Tribal Cooperative Agreements Act, §§18-11-101, et seq., MCA, enables the state and tribal governments to enter into agreements with regard to mutually beneficial activities and services and the administration of state and tribal taxes. Pursuant to the Act, state agencies and political subdivisions have

entered into hundreds of agreements with tribal governments, spanning the spectrum from foster care to forestry. The Attorney General's Office therefore works year-around with state agencies to ensure their state-tribal contracts meet the requirements of the Cooperative Agreements Act and are conformed to other legal requirements.

Law enforcement on reservations involves multiple jurisdictions and enforcement agencies. The Department of Justice negotiates and executes law enforcement cooperative agreements under the State-Tribal Cooperative Agreements Act, §§ 18-11-101, et seq., MCA, and the Federal Indian Law Enforcement Reform Act, 25 U.S.C. §§ 2801, et seq. In his capacity as chief law enforcement officer for the State, the Attorney General executes these agreements on behalf of the Montana Highway Patrol and must also approve of such agreements before they can go into effect. There are three cooperative law enforcement agreements currently in effect to which the State, through the Highway Patrol, is a party. These agreements are in place with the **Blackfeet, Confederated Salish & Kootenai, and Fort Peck tribal governments**. Additionally, the Attorney General's Office has approved a local impact mitigation agreement, to which the Highway Patrol is not a party, between the Northern Cheyenne Tribe and Big Horn County.

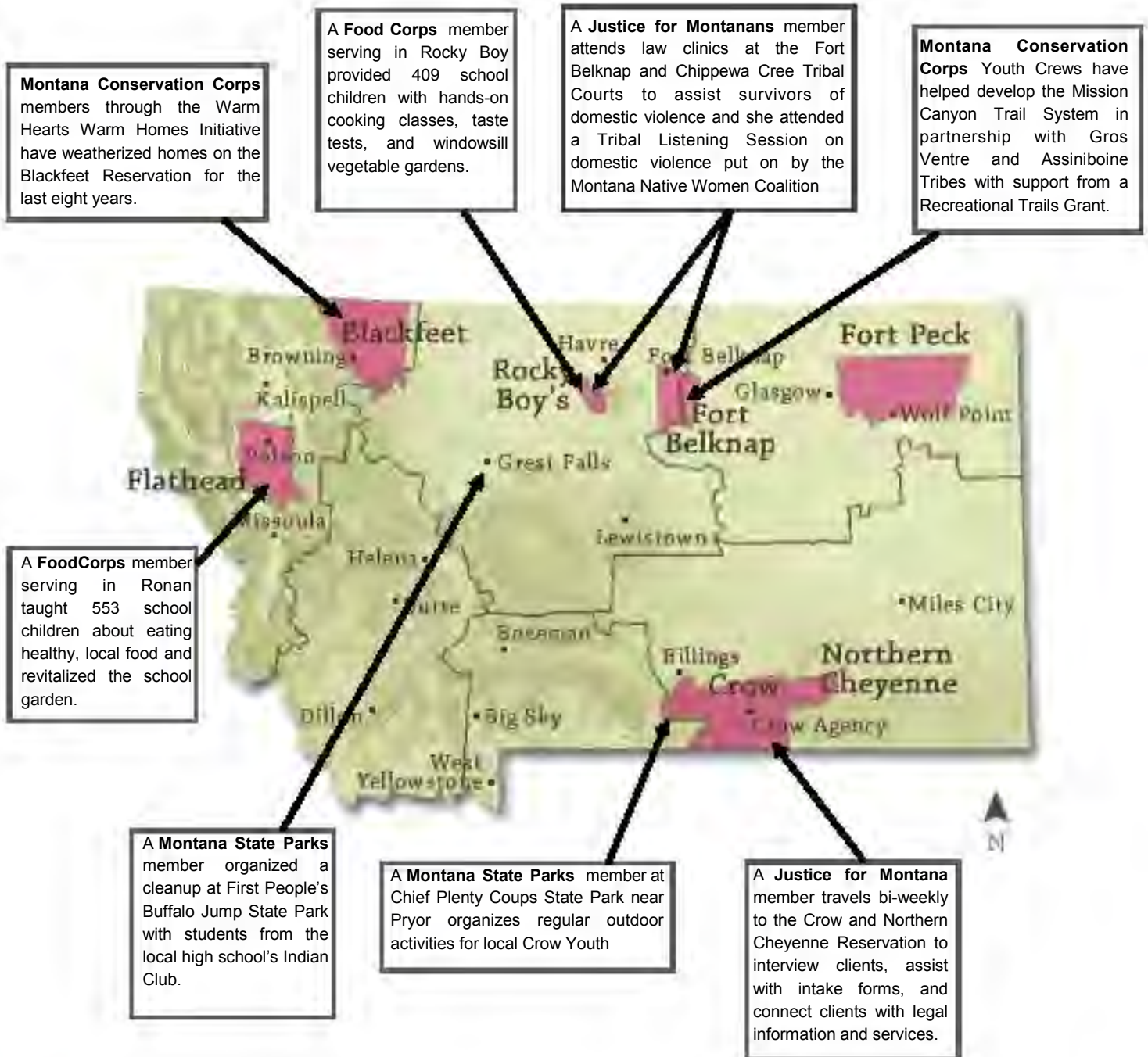


Montana State Capitol

COMMUNITY SERVICE

AmeriCorps in Indian Country

The Governor's Office of Community Service (OCS) provides a comprehensive array of technical assistance and support services to community service organizations and national services programs in Montana. The Office works to instill an ethic of community service in young Montanans and is dedicated to promoting and expanding volunteer opportunities throughout the state. Federal funding from the Corporation for National and Community Service administered by the OCS is invested in projects involving the Montana Conservation Corps, Montana State Parks, FoodCorps, and Justice for Montanans, which include efforts in Indian Country. Below are highlights of their activities and accomplishments.



APPENDIX A

BOARDS & APPOINTMENTS



Moon Over the Lodge

American Indians Serving Montana

Board	First	Tribal Affiliation	City
Aeronautics Board	Robert Buckles	Assiniboine	Bozeman
Aging Advisory Council	*Connie Bremner	Blackfeet	Browning
	Jessie James-Hawley	Assiniboine Gros Ventre	Harlem
Agriculture Development Council	Patricia Quisno	Gros Ventre (White Clay)	Harlem
Board of Public Assistance	*Laura John	Seneca, Blackfeet	Missoula
Board of Research and Commercialization Technology	*Leonard Smith	Assiniboine Sioux	Billings
	Tom Tanner	Salish Kootenai	Arlee
Burial Preservation Board	Henry Anderson	Little Shell	Helena
	Morris Belgard	Gros Ventre	Hays
	Conrad Fisher	Northern Cheyenne	Busby
	Robert Four Star	Assiniboine	Wolf Point
	Skye Gilham	Blackfeet	Browning
	Reuben Mathais	Salish Kootenai	Pablo
	John Murray	Blackfeet	Browning
	Marilyn Silva	Chippewa Cree	Wolf Point
	Videl Stumo, Sr.	Chippewa Cree	Box Elder
	Richard White Clay, Sr.	Crow	Crow Agency
Childrens Trust Fund	Roberta Kipp	Cherokee	Browning
Chiropractors Board	Alice Whiteman	Northern Cheyenne	Missoula
Coal Board	*CJ Stewart	Crow	Crow Agency
Concealed Weapon Advisory Council	Thomas Kuka	Blackfeet	Valier
Crime Control Board	Richard Kirn	Assiniboine Sioux	Poplar
	Angela Russell	Crow	Lodge Grass
Dentistry Board	*Aimee Ameline	Little Shell	Great Falls
	Lorraine Merrick	Metis	Helena
Economic Development Advisory Council	Richard Sangrey	Chippewa Cree	Box Elder
	Walter White Tail Feather	Assiniboine Sioux	Poplar
Education Commission of the States	Denise Juneau	Mandan Hidatsa Blackfeet	Helena
	Carmen Taylor	Salish	Polson
Equal Pay for Equal Work Task Force	*Amy Stiffarm	Gros Ventre, Chippewa Cree	Polson

* Governor Bullock's Appointments and Reappointments

Board	First	Tribal Affiliation	City
Family Education Savings Oversight Committee	Laura McGee	Blackfeet	Billings
Fish and Wildlife Commission	*Larry Wetsit	Assiniboine Sioux	Wolf Point
Flathead Basin Commission	Jasmine Courville-Brown	Salish Kootenai	Ronan
Funeral Services Board	Thomas Meeks	Blackfeet	Great Falls
Grass Conservation Commission	Alvin Windy Boy	Chippewa Cree	Box Elder
Greater Sage Grouse Habitat Conservation Advisory Board	*Curtis Monteau, Jr.	Chippewa Cree	Box Elder
Hard Rock Mining Board	*Andrew Werk Jr.	Assiniboine Sioux	Harlem
Hearing Aid Dispensers Board	Wyman McDonald	Salish Kootenai	Ronan
Historical Preservation Review Board	Rosalyn LaPier	Blackfeet	Missoula
Historical Records Advisory Council	Jon Ille	Crow	Hardin
Historical Society Board of Trustees	Steve Lozar	Salish Kootenai	Polson
Horseracing Board	Allen Fisher	Northern Cheyenne	Ashland
	*Shawn Real Bird	Crow	Hardin
Housing Board	*Ingrid Firemoon	Assiniboine Sioux	Wolf Point
	Bob Gauthier	Salish Kootenai	Ronan
Human Rights Commission	*Ronda Howlett	Salish Kootenai	Arlee
	Lucy Simpson	Navajo	Lame Deer
Humanities Montana	*Mandy Smoker Broaddus	Assiniboine Sioux	Helena
	James Shanley	Assiniboine	Poplar
Information Technology Board	Anna Whiting-Sorrell	Salish	Evandro
Interagency Coordinating Council for State Prevention Programs	Jason Smith	Salish Kootenai Assiniboine Sioux	Helena
	Patty Stevens	Salish Kootenai	St. Ignatius
Interagency Revenue Sharing Negotiation Task Force	Anna Whiting-Sorrell	Salish	Evandro
Land Information Advisory Council	Johnny Doney	Assiniboine Sioux	Poplar

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Board	First	Tribal Affiliation	City
Livestock Board	Linda Nielsen	Assiniboine	Nashua
Medical Examiners Board	Charles Farmer	Blackfeet	Cut Bank
Mental Disabilities Board of Visitors	*Tracy Perez	Salish	Ronan
Montana Arts Council	*Corwin "Corky" Clairmont	Salish Kootenai	Ronan
Montana Council on Developmental Disabilities	Isaiah Devereaux	Sioux	Glasgow
	Shawn Parker	Chippewa Cree	Box Elder
	Anna Whiting-Sorrell	Salish	Helena
Noxious Weed Summit Advisory Council	Doug Dupuis	Salish Kootenai	Pablo
Nursing Board	Lanette Perkins	Crow	Missoula
Occupational Therapy Practice	*Caryn Kallay	Kootenai	Ronan
Oil and Gas Conservation Board	*Wayne Smith	Blackfeet	Valier
Pardons and Parole Board	Darryl Dupuis	Salish Kootenai	Polson
	Margaret Hall-Bowman	Salish Kootenai	Pablo
Postsecondary Scholarship Advisory Council	Margaret Bird	Blackfeet	Browning
Public Defender Commission	Majel Russell	Crow	Billings
	William Snell	Crow Assiniboine	Billings
Public Safety Officer Standards and Training Council	Georgette Hogan Boggio	Crow	Hardin
	Lewis Matthews	Assiniboine	Wolf Point
Rangel and Resources Committee	Tracy Hentges	Assiniboine Sioux	Wolf Point
Regents of Higher Education Board	*Major Robinson	Northern Cheyenne	Billings
Reserved Water Rights Compact Commission	Richard Kirn	Assiniboine Sioux	Poplar
Social Work Examiners and Professional Counselors	*Henry Pretty On Top	Crow	Lodge Grass
Speech-Language Pathologists and Audiologists Board	Beverly Stiller	Northern Cheyenne	Lame Deer
State Emergency Response Commission	Dale Nelson	Salish Kootenai	Ronan

* Governor Bullock's Appointments and Reappointments

Board	First	Tribal Affiliation	City
State Library Commission	*Fredericka Hunter	Blackfeet	Missoula
State Tax Appeal Board	Karen Powell	Blackfeet	Helena
State Tribal Economic Development Commission	Delina Cuts The Rope	Assiniboine Gros Ventre	Harlem
	Michael Fox, Jr.	Assiniboine Gros Ventre	Harlem
	Gerald Gray	Little Shell	Billings
	Leonard Gray	Salish Kootenai	Pablo
	Rodney Miller	Salish Kootenai	Wolf Point
	Yolanda Old Dwarf Good Voice	Crow	Crow Agency
	Terry Pitts	Salish Kootenai	Pablo
	*Shawn Real Bird	Crow	Crow Agency
	*Cheryl Reeves	Blackfeet	Browning
	Tracy Robinson	Northern Cheyenne	Lame Deer
	*Roger "Sassy" Running Crane	Blackfeet	Browning
	Richard Sangrey	Chippewa Cree	Box Elder
	Clarence "Clancey" Sivertsen	Little Shell	Black Eagle
	Jennie Small LaFranier	Northern Cheyenne	Lame Deer
	Forrest Smith	Assiniboine Sioux	Polplar
	Jason Smith	Salish Kootenai Assiniboine Sioux	Helena
	*Channis Whiteman	Crow	Crow Agency
State Workforce Investment Board	Michael DesRosier	Blackfeet	Browning
	Denise Juneau	Mandan Hidatsa Blackfeet	Helena
	George Kipp	Blackfeet	Browning
	Rodney Miller	Salish Kootenai	Wolf Point
Statewide Independent Living Council	Troy Spang	Northern Cheyenne	Ashland
	Michelle Williamson	Hawaiian	Polson
Telecommunications Access Services for Disabled	Charles Charette	Crow	Lame Deer
Tourism Advisory Council	*Stacey Kiehn	Salish	Charlo
	*Lark Paz	Crow	Crow Agency
Transportation Commission	S. Kevin Howlett	Salish Kootenai	Arlee
Traumatic Brain Injury Advisory Council	Melveena Malatare	Blackfeet	Browning

* Governor Bullock's Appointments and Reappointments

Board	First	Tribal Affiliation	City
Veterans Affairs Board	*Shawn Backbone	Crow	Crow Agency
	Keith Heavyrunner	Blackfeet	Browning
	*Clarence "Clancey" Sivertsen	Little Shell	Black Eagle
	Jason Smith	Salish Kootenai Assiniboine Sioux	Helena
Vocational Rehabilitation Council	Shaunda Albert	Salish	Pablo
	Mona Amundson	Turtle Mountain	Glasgow
	Prairie Bighorn	Northern Cheyenne	Billings
	Michael DesRosier	Blackfeet	Browning
Youth Justice Council	Elinor Nault	Chippewa Cree	Box Elder

* Governor Bullock's Appointments and Reappointments



Ronda Howlett, Confederated Salish Kootenai Tribal member serving on the Human Rights Commission May, 2013. Photo courtesy of Ronda Howlett

"I am very proud of Governor Bullock! The passion and integrity imbedded in his work is infectious. He is a great leader for our state. I applaud his commitment to the indigenous communities in Montana. We all benefit from the inclusion of tribal people as they serve on our diverse state boards, positions, and commissions. My vision while serving on the Montana Human Rights Commission is to continue to build relationships that promote healthy and safe communities with high standards. This begins in our individual homes and filters out into all aspects of our lives. Considerate and open communication helps those interactions develop into networks that understand and support local and state-wide goals."



Lawrence "Larry" Wetsit, Fort Peck Tribal member and Fish, Wildlife and Parks Commissioner appointed by Governor Bullock in March, 2013. Photo courtesy of Lawrence Wetsit

"I am inspired by the vision of Governor Bullock's Administration as outlined in the State of the State Address. I am thankful for the opportunity to serve on the Fish, Wildlife and Parks Commission to help address areas of concern that Montana is facing in the management of fish and wildlife. As a hunter, outdoorsman, tribal member of the Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes, and lifelong resident of this great State, I enjoy the opportunities that Montana has to offer and understand its importance for the public."

APPENDIX B

STATE-TRIBAL AGREEMENTS



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State - Tribal Agreements

Established in 1981, the State Tribal Cooperative Agreements Act, §§ 18-11-101, et seq., MCA enables and promotes cooperation between the state and sovereign tribal governments in mutually beneficial activities and services. Under this Act, state agencies may enter into agreements with tribal governments to perform any services, activity, or undertaking of mutual interest and benefit. This Act also provides the statutory foundation for tax revenue sharing to prevent the possibility of dual taxation by governments while promoting local, state and tribal economic development.

The Governor's Office oversees the State Tribal Activities Database (STAD), a data management system used to record state-tribal activities managed in collaboration with state agencies responsible for inputting data. Database reports are extracted on a regular basis for review and use by the Governor's Office in support of ongoing work concerning tribal issues.

Generated from the database, the following "Appendix B" displays a comprehensive list of agreements and negotiations in place between the State of Montana and the tribal governments, as well as collaborative efforts that occurred during fiscal 2013. These state-tribal activities involve 20 state government agencies actively implementing efforts in the areas of economic development, health and human services, environmental stewardship, education and justice.

We are proud to feature this wide-ranging inventory outlining over 550 activities which demonstrates the State of Montana's dedication to preserve and maintain the government-to-government relationship with the tribal governments.



Sunrise

<u>Tribe</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Broad Activity</u>	<u>Agreement Name</u>	<u>Current Status</u>	<u>Contact(s)</u>	<u>Phone #</u>
Blackfeet	Department of Administration	Homeland Security / DES	Interoperability Montana Project (Public Safety Radio)	In Effect	Bradford, Scott	444-2782
		Infrastructure Development	Cooperative Purchasing	In Effect	Eicholtz, Marvin	444-3119
	Department of Commerce	Business Development	Blackfeet Small Business Development Funds ICED-12-002	Expired	Sobrepena-George, Heather	841-2775
			Blackfeet Small Business Development III MT-ICED-13-002	In Effect	Sobrepena-George, Heather	841-2775
			MTRA11 Blackfeet Small Business Development Fund	Expired	Sobrepena-George, Heather	841-2775
		Housing & Community Development	Tax Credits Blackfeet Homes V - HD	In Effect	Brensdal, Bruce	841-2844
			The Montana House - HD	In Effect	Brensdal, Bruce	841-2844
		Public Facility Infrastructure Construction	Blackfeet Emergency Watermain Improvements MT-TSEP-EG-13-704	In Effect	Knatterud, Richard	841-2784
			Browning-East Glacier Water System CDD - TSEP CG-01-130	Expired	Knatterud, Richard	841-2784
	Department of Justice	Law Enforcement - Cooperation	Criminal Justice Information Network Agreement	In Effect	Viets, Jennifer	444-2483
			Highway Patrol Law Enforcement Cooperative Agreement	In Effect	Mattioli, Mark	444-2026
	Department of Livestock	Wildlife & Livestock Management	Livestock Loss Reduction & Mitigation Program	In Effect	Edwards, George	444-5609
	Department of Revenue	Revenue Sharing	Montana Alcoholic Beverages Tax Agreement	In Effect	Austin, Steve	444-1479
			Montana Tobacco Tax Agreement	In Effect	Austin, Steve	444-1479
	Department of Transportation	Highway & Facility Construction / Maintenance	19 KM NW Glacier Co Line-Erosion STPP 3-4(33)102	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			19 KM NW Glacier Co Ln-Snow Fence STPP 3-4(29)103	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			19 KM NW of Glacier Co Line - NW ARRA 3-4(13)101	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			19KM NW of Glacr Co Ln-NW-Clisout STPP 3-4(31)101	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Browning Signals NH 1-3(75)222	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Browning-West CBI 58-1(41)0	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Browning-West STTP 58-1(27)0	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Cut Bank S Slide S-358 STPS 358-2(2)24	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Duck Lake Road STPS 464-1(12)24	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			East Glacier-Browning NH 1-3(64)209	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			East of Kiowa-East STPP 58-1(31)6	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			High School Path-Browning STPE 18(48)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			High School Path-Browning STPE	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058

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Blackfeet	Department of Transportation	Highway & Facility Construction / Maintenance	RR Xing - Pardue Rd RRP-RRS 18(43)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			RR Xing-Hall Rd - W of Cut Bank	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Rocky Coulee-NW of Santa Rita BR 213-1(16)10	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Rocky Coulee-NW of Santa Rita BR 213-1(17)10	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			SF 099 S of St Mary - HSIP 58-10(42)25	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			SF 119 - GR S of Browning HSIP 1-3(73)222	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			SF079 Cattle Guards & Fence - E Glacier HSIP 1-3(55)209	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			SF109-G Rail-Heart Butte Rd HSIP 18(51)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			SR 099 N of Valier HSIP 358-1(16)7	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Sidewalks - SE Browning	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			St Mary's Rd-Spider Lake Rd MT 18(41)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance MOU	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Two Medicine River Bridge MT-BR 1-3(45)210	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Two Medicine River Bridge BR 1-3(60)210	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Two Medicine River Bridge BR 1-3(63)210	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Two Medicine River Bridge BR-MT 1-3(42)210	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Valier N Slide S-358 STPS 358-1(13)16	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Welcome Monuments-Glacier Co STPE 18(45)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
	Dept Nat Resource/Conservation	Revenue Sharing	Gasoline Revenue Sharing Agreement	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
		Forestry	Fire Assistance - Blackfeet/Heart Butte Volunteer Fire Dept.	Expired	Short, Paula	542-4235
			Scoping Notice of Timber Sales	In Effect	Germann, Sonya	542-4331
		Water	Birch Creek Water Use Deferral Agreement	In Effect	Schultz, Bill	542-5880
			St. Mary's Working Group	In Effect	Azevedo, Paul	444-6635
			Water Rights Settlement Act	In Effect	Wick, Arne	444-5700
	Dept of Military Affairs	Homeland Security / DES	Emergency Management Performance Grant	In Effect	Knecht, Steve	324-4777
			Homeland and Security Grant	In Effect	Grimstad, Paul	324-4777
	Historical Society	Historic Preservation	Tribal Historic Preservation Consultation	In Effect	Wilmoth, Stan	444-7719

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Blackfeet	PHHS Public Health & Human Services	Public Health & Health Services	Medicaid Task Order	In Effect	Dalton, Mary	444-4084
			Passport Provider Contract	In Effect	Hoffland, John	444-0991
			Personal Assistance Program - 6901-22-0002-01	In Effect	Holm, Abigail	444-4564
			Tobacco Use Prevention Grant 13-07-3-31-001-0	Expired	Sucha, Janet	644-2448
			Vocational Rehabilitation Cooperative Agreement	In Effect	Hermanson, Michael	444-3833
			Women, Infants and Children Program 12-07-5-21-025-0	Expired	Bowsher, Joan	444-4747
			Women, Infants and Children Program 13-07-5-21-025-0	In Effect	Bowsher, Joan	444-4747
Confederated Salish and Kootenai	Department of Administration	Banking	Eagle Bank	In Effect	Hall, Melanie	841-2927
		Homeland Security / DES	Interoperability Montana Project (Public Safety Radio)	In Effect	Bradford, Scott	444-2782
		Job & Worker Training	Job Vacancy Announcements Collaboration	In Effect	Bacon, Chris	444-4605
	Department of Commerce	Business Development	CSKT Indian Business Assistance Project III & 2017 STEDC Indian Equity Fund MT-ICED-13-004	In Effect	Sobrepena-George, Heather	841-2775
			Indian Business Assistance Project II ICED-12-004	Expired	Sobrepena-George, Heather	841-2775
			MTRA 11 Indian Business Assistance & Business Site Development Feasibility Analysis	Expired	Sobrepena-George, Heather	841-2775
			MTRA Indian Entrepreneurship Program	Expired	Belangie, Philip	721-3663
	Department of Justice	Crime Control	STOP Violence Against Women 11-W03-90923	Expired	Chamberlain, Tina	444-4763
			STOP Violence Against Women 12-W03-91146	Expired	Chamberlain, Tina	444-4763
		Law Enforcement - Cooperation	Criminal Justice Information Network Agreement with Flathead Tribal Police	In Effect	Viets, Jennifer	444-2483
			Cross Deputization Law Enforcement MOA for Traffic Offenses	In Effect	Mattioli, Mark	444-2026
			Hope Card Collaboration MOU	In Effect	Eliel, Joan	444-5803
	Department of Livestock	Wildlife & Livestock Management	Livestock Loss Reduction & Mitigation Program	In Effect	Edwards, George	444-5609
	Department of Transportation	Highway & Facility Construction / Maintenance	8 KM S of Polson - S STPS 354-1(11)5	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Ashley Court Sidewalks - Pablo STPE 24(27)	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Bike/Ped Path-Arlee SRTS 24(39)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Blue Bay - N & S STPP 52-1(36)4	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Buchanan Street Path-Ronan STPE 24(35)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Evano-McClure Rd NH 5-1(53)6	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Evano-McClure Road NH 5-1(27)6	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058

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Confederated Salish and Kootenai	Department of Transportation	Highway & Facility Construction / Maintenance	Evano-McClure Road NH 5-1(36)6	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Evano-Polson (EIS) NH-F 5-1(9)6 F	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Evano-Polson Design Management NH 5-1(26)6	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Foots Pit Screening	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Lonepine-N & E MT 36-1(23)26	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			MTRA Lonepine-N & E ARRA-MT 36-1(11)26	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Martin Charlo Sidewalk - Arlee STPE 24(34)	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			McClure Rd-N of Arlee Couplet NH 5-1(54)13	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			McClure Rd-N of Arlee Couplet NH 5-1(37)13	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Pablo Bike/Ped Ovrccross Clsout NH 5-2(156)52	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Pedestrian Crossings - Ronan SRTS 211-1(6)0	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Polson Urban STPS 354-1(21)0	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			RR Xing-East of Dixon RRP 212-1(9)0	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			RR Xing-N Valley Creek Rd RRP-RRS 24(37)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Ronan - Urban MT5-2(153)45	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			SF 099 E of Plains HSIP 36-1(24)3	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			SF 099 E of Polson HSIP 52-1(34)3	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			SF 099 E of Polson HSIP 52-1(35)3	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			SF 099 N of Polson HSIP 5-2(154)66	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			SF 099 N of Polson HSIP 5-2(155)66	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			SF 129 - S354/S211 Safety Improvements	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			SF109 - Crv Safety Improvements - Charlo HSIP 212-2(16)11	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			SF109-Grail- S of Hot Springs	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			School Sidewalks - Ronan SRTS 24(33)	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Street Sidwalks-Pablo STPE 24(40)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Streetscape - Polson STPE 24(32)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance MOU	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			US 93 Corridor Preservation NH 0002(418)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			US 93 Path - Arlee STPE 24(41)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058

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Confederated Salish and Kootenai	Department of Transportation	Highway & Facility Construction / Maintenance	US 93 Path - Arlee STPE 24(42)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			US 93-Streamlining/Mitigation HEPE	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Watershed 3 - Hunts Timbers AQ MIT STPX 24(43)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
		Job & Worker Training	2011-Salish Kootenai College OJT-SS STWD(066)	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			2012-Salish Kootenai College OJT-SS STWD(119)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			2013-Salish Kootenai College OJT-SS STWD(170)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			MTRA 2009-Salish-Kootenai College	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
		Revenue Sharing	Gasoline Revenue Sharing Agreement	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
	Dept Nat Resource/Conservation	Environmental Health	Elmo Cash Store and Joseph Allotment Cleanup Planning and Implementation	In Effect	Stickney, Alicia	444-0547
		Forestry	Scoping Notice of Timber Sales	In Effect	Germann, Sonya	542-4331
			Wildland Fire Protection Service Agreement	In Effect	Monzie, John	542-4220
		Water	Contracted Water From Hungry Horse Reservoir	In Effect	Schultz, Bill	542-5880
			Jocko Upper S Canal improvements	In Effect	Owen, Zach	444-0552
			Reserved Water Rights Negotiations	Pending	Wick, Arne	444-5700
	Dept of Environmental Quality	Environmental Health	Consultation on HydroPower for Community Development	In Effect	Bostrom, Mark	444-2680
			Lake County Transfer Station License	In Effect	Thompson, Rick	444-5345
	Dept of Military Affairs	Homeland Security / DES	Emergency Management Performance Grant	In Effect	Knecht, Steve	324-4777
	Dept. of Fish, Wildlife & Parks	Law Enforcement - Cooperation	Buffalo Treaty Hunting Rights Negotiations	Proposed	Dockter, Rebecca	444-4045
			Joint Tribal Licenses Agreement	In Effect	Satterfield, Jim	751-4566
		Wildlife & Livestock Management	Wildlife Survey & Inventory Program	In Effect	Brooks, Adam	444-3032
	Historical Society	Historic Preservation	Data Sharing MOU - State Historic Preservation Office	In Effect	Baumler, Mark	444-7717
			Tribal Historic Preservation Consultation	In Effect	Wilmoth, Stan	444-7719
	Labor & Industry	Housing & Community Development	Boiler Safety Inspections	In Effect	Buettner, Donald	202-3494
			Electrical Permitting and Inspections	In Effect	Bovington, Judy	444-3255
		Job & Worker Training	Mission Valley One-Stop Consortium Agreement	In Effect	Krantz, Debra	883-7894
			SWIB Statewide MOU (All Tribes)	In Effect	Smith, Leisa	444-1609
			Salish Kootenai College Montana Career Resource Network (MCIS)	In Effect	Miller, Annette	444-2741
	MT Dept of Agriculture	Environmental Health	State, CSKT, and Lake County MOU for Pesticides Containers Recycling	In Effect	Clairmont, Joel A.	444-5406

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Confederated Salish and Kootenai	PHHS Public Health & Human Services	Family Services	Child and Family Services Trainings Provided to Tribes	In Effect	Leary, Mick	841-2483
			Foster Care Services 6901-03-20133YGHS0005	In Effect	Leary, Mick	841-2483
			Memorandum of Understanding	In Effect	Pfeifer, K. Amy	444-3893
			Title IV-E Child Welfare Services and Related Indian Child Welfare (ICWA) Services 6901-03-2011IV-E0004	In Effect	Leary, Mick	841-2483
			Tribal IV-D Tribal Child Support Training and Technical Assistance	In Effect	Pfeifer, K. Amy	444-3893
	PHHS Public Health & Health Services	Public Health & Health Services	Breast & Cervical Health MOU	In Effect	Wamsley, Mark	444-0063
			Cardiovascular Health Program Blood Pressure Project w/Community Health Representatives APO 13604875	Expired	Fogle, Crystelle	947-2344
			DPHHS Master Agreement	In Effect	Evers, Lesa	444-1813
			Emergency Preparedness 12-07-6-11-012-0	Expired	Murphy, Jim	444-4016
			Emergency Preparedness 13-07-6-11-012-0	Expired	Murphy, Jim	444-4016
			Home Visiting Infrastructure Development (MIECHV ID) Project 13-7-5-31-042-0	In Effect	Frick, Dianna	444-6940
			Medicaid Administrative Match Agreement (Extended)	In Effect	Thompson, Jo	444-2584
			Medicaid Program Training	In Effect	Hoffland, John	444-0991
			Medicaid Task Order	In Effect	Dalton, Mary	444-4084
			PHSD Master Tribal Agreement	In Effect	Smilie, Jane	444-4141
			Passport Provider Contract	In Effect	Hoffland, John	444-0991
			Tobacco Use Prevention Grant 13-07-3-31-021-0 Task Order	Expired	Sucha, Janet	644-2448
			Women, Infants and Children Program 12-07-5-21-027-0	Expired	Bowsher, Joan	444-4747
			Women, Infants and Children Program 13-07-5-21-027-0	In Effect	Bowsher, Joan	444-4747
Crow	Department of Administration	Homeland Security / DES	Interoperability Montana Project (Public Safety Radio)	In Effect	Bradford, Scott	444-2782
	Department of Commerce	Business Development	ANRLF Technical Assistance and Business Loan Project ICED-12-005	Expired	Sobrepena-George, Heather	841-2775
			ANRLF Technical Assistance, Entrepreneur Training 2017 STEDC IEF MT-ICED-13-005	In Effect	Sobrepena-George, Heather	841-2775
			MTRA 11 Apsaalooke Nation RLF Technical Assistance	Expired	Sobrepena-George, Heather	841-2775
		Environmental Health	Crow Tribe Chlorine Room Renovation Project - CDD MT-CB-12-0717	In Effect	Huff, Lisa	841-2794
		Housing & Community	Crow Tribe - Pryor Senior Citizen Center - CDD Coal Board	Expired	Huff, Lisa	841-2794

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Crow	Department of Commerce	Housing & Community Development	Wastewater System Improvements CDD TSEP CG-08-373	Expired	Knatterud, Richard	841-2784
			Wastewater System Improvements Crow Agency CDD TSEP CG-10-480	In Effect	Knatterud, Richard	841-2784
		Job & Worker Training	MTRA Indian Entrepreneurship Business Development	Expired	Belangie, Philip	721-3663
		Public Facility Infrastructure Construction	Crow Tribe -Wastewater Phase III - CDD Coal Board 10-0612	In Effect	Huff, Lisa	841-2794
			Crow Tribe CDD TSEP CG-12-607	In Effect	Olson, Jennifer	841-2773
			Crow Tribe Wastewater UV Disinfection System - CDD Coal Board 12-0672	In Effect	Huff, Lisa	841-2794
			Wastewater System Improvements Crow Agency PER CDD - TSEP PG-10-544	In Effect	Knatterud, Richard	841-2784
	Department of Justice	Crime Control	Juvenile Probation Office for the Crow Tribe 11-A15-91366	Expired	Fischer, Julie	444-2056
			Youth Empowerment Coalition 11-J22-91242	Expired	Fischer, Julie	444-2056
		Law Enforcement - Cooperation	Criminal Justice Information Network Agreement with Tribal Fish & Game Office	In Effect	Viets, Jennifer	444-2483
			Hope Card Collaboration MOU	In Effect	Eliel, Joan	444-5803
	Department of Revenue	Revenue Sharing	Montana Tobacco Tax Agreement	In Effect	Austin, Steve	444-1479
	Department of Transportation	Highway & Facility Construction / Maintenance	2012 Scour Mitigation BH STWD(168)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Battlefield Int Fld Repr/MT11-1 IM 90-9(120)510	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Battlefield Int Fld Repr/MT11-1 IM-SFCI 90-9(116)510	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Battlefield Rest Area IM 90-9(97)511	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			County Rd 02200-W Crow Agency SFCX 02200(15)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			County Rd 02200-W Crow Agency STPX 02200(17)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Crow Reservation Wetland STPX 0002(771)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Dunmore - East IM 90-9(114)503	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Dunmore - East IM90-9(113)503	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Hardin to JCT S-384 STPP 48-1(29)0	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Hardin-South STPS 313-1(16)1	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			JCT 457-South STPS 451-1(4)26	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Landscape Courtyard - Hardin STPE 2(969)	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Landscape Depot - Hardin STPE 2(968)	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Lodge Grass - North IM 90-9(102)510	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058

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Crow	Department of Transportation	Highway & Facility Construction / Maintenance	Lodge Grass Cr-S Lodge Grass BR 9002(963)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Lodge Grass-South IM 90-9(109)532	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Lodge Grass-South IM 90-9(110)532	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Museum Landscape - Hardin STPE 2(967)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			RR Xing - South of Hardin STPRP-RRP 313-1(20)2	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			RR Xing-Shoulder Creek RRP 2(962)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			SF 129 - Billings Wrng WY - Ph 1 HSIP STWD(197)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			SW of Saint Xavier-SW STPS 313-1(22)34	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Sidewalks-Crow Agency STPE 2(965)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Steel Bridge Rehab-Fatigue Det 1 BH 0002(901)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance MOU	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			West of Lodge Grass - SW SFCS 463-1(5)6	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			White Arm Park - Lodge Grass STPE 2(966)	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Wyoming Line - North IM 90-9(112)543	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Wyoming Line-North IM 90-9(111)544	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
	Dept Nat Resource/Conservation	Revenue Sharing	Gasoline Revenue Sharing Agreement (Extended)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
		Environmental Health	Crow Agency Water System Improvements 4A	In Effect	Fischer, Bob	444-6688
			Wastewater Collection System Improvement Project Phase 3a	In Effect	Beck, Ray	444-6671
	Dept of Environmental Quality	Water	Reserved Water Rights Compact	In Effect	Schultz, Bill	542-5880
		Environmental Health	Apsaalooke Watershed Education Outreach Program	Expired	Andersen, Laura	444-0549
			Crow Agency Phase 2 Wastewater System Improvement	In Effect	Marsh, Michelle	444-5322
			Crow Agency Phase 3 Wastewater System Improvements	In Effect	Marsh, Michelle	444-5322
			Hardin Landfill Expansion License	In Effect	Thompson, Rick	444-5345
	Dept of Military Affairs	Homeland Security / DES	Emergency Management Performance Grant	In Effect	Knecht, Steve	324-4777
	Dept. of Fish, Wildlife & Parks	Fish & Wildlife Management	FWP, Crow Tribe, BLM, and USFWS Yellowstone Cuthroat Trout Reintroduction in Sage Creek Agreement	In Effect	Frazer, Ken	247-2961
	Governor's Office	Gaming	Class III Gaming Compact	In Effect	Huff, Andy	444-3111
	Historical Society	Historic Preservation	Tribal Historic Preservation Consultation	In Effect	Wilmoth, Stan	444-7719

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Crow	Labor & Industry	Housing & Community Development	Boiler Safety Inspections	In Effect	Buettner, Donald	202-3494
		Job & Worker Training	Bridging Cultural Differences	In Effect	Rife, John	655-6075
			Little Big Horn College Montana Career Resource Network (MCIS)	In Effect	Miller, Annette	444-2741
	MT Dept of Agriculture	Environmental Health	SWIB Statewide MOU (All Tribes)	In Effect	Smith, Leisa	444-1609
			State, Crow Tribal Environmental Program and Big Horn County MOU for Pesticide Container Recycling	In Effect	Clairmont, Joel A.	444-5406
		Weeds	NWTF FY13-558 Special Reservation Grant	In Effect	Clairmont, Joel A.	444-5406
	Office of Public Instruction	Education	Class 7 Educator License Process	In Effect	Keller, Elizabeth	444-2580
			Montana Advisory Council on Indian Education (MACIE)	In Effect	Hinch, Lynn	444-3482
	PHHS Public Health & Human Services	Education	Crow Head Start Child & Adult Care Food Program 6901-02-3001-01	In Effect	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
		Family Economic Self-Sufficiency	Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations F12 12-027-250070	Expired	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
			Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations F13 13-027-250070	In Effect	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
		Family Services	Child Protection Team Collaboration	In Effect	Leary, Mick	841-2483
			Child and Family Services Trainings Provided to Tribes	In Effect	Leary, Mick	841-2483
			Title IV-E Child Welfare Services and Related Indian Child Welfare (ICWA) Services 6901-03-2011IV-E0001	In Effect	Leary, Mick	841-2483
		Public Health & Health Services	DPHHS Master Agreement	In Effect	Evers, Lesa	444-1813
			Emergency Preparedness 12-07-6-11-011-0	Expired	Murphy, Jim	444-4016
			Emergency Preparedness 13-07-6-11-011-0	Expired	Murphy, Jim	444-4016
			Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV ID) 13-07-5-31-043-0	Expired	Frick, Dianna	444-6940
			Medicaid Administrative Match Agreement	Tabled	Thompson, Jo	444-2584
			Medicaid Program Training	In Effect	Hoffland, John	444-0991
			Medicaid Task Order	In Effect	Dalton, Mary	444-4084
			Passport Provider Contract	In Effect	Hoffland, John	444-0991
	Secretary of State's Office	Business Services	Tobacco Use Prevention Grant 13-07-3-31-015-0	Expired	Sucha, Janet	644-2448
			Women, Infants and Children Program 12-07-5-21-026-0	Expired	Bowsher, Joan	444-4747
			Women, Infants and Children Program 13-07-5-21-026-0	In Effect	Bowsher, Joan	444-4747
			Uniform Commercial Code Compact	In Effect	Gormely, Tana	444-2896

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DPHHS_ALL	PHHS Public Health & Human Services	Education	MT Head Start State Collaboration 6901-02-2007-1	In Effect	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
		Public Health & Health Services	Breast & Cervical Health MOU - Billings Area IHS	In Effect	Wamsley, Mark	444-0063
			CVH/Diabetes MOU with Billings Area IHS 2011	In Effect	Brokaw, Sarah	444-9154
			Emergency Preparedness Collaboration Billings Area IHS 6901-07-0008-01	In Effect	Murphy, Jim	444-4016
			Healthy Montana Kids Program Training	In Effect	Buckley-Patton, Katherine	444-5288
			Indian Health Service Commitment to MHS Payments	In Effect	Kohman, Paulette	444-1258
			Laboratory Discounted Rates for Tribal Health Screening of STDs 6901-07-0010-00	In Effect	Kops, Laurie	444-2457
			Tobacco Use Prevention Grant 13-07-3-31-005-0 Missoula Indian Center	Expired	Sucha, Janet	644-2448
			Tobacco Use Prevention Grant 13-07-3-31-032-0 Helena Indian Alliance	Expired	Sucha, Janet	644-2448
Fort Belknap	Department of Administration	Homeland Security / DES	Interoperability Montana Project (Public Safety Radio)	In Effect	Bradford, Scott	444-2782
		Job & Worker Training	Job Vacancy Announcements - Collaboration	In Effect	Bacon, Chris	444-4605
	Department of Commerce	Business Development	BRD Lodgepole Store Feasibility Study MT-BSTF-2-10-12	Expired	Faroni, Nancy	841-2744
			Smokehouse Grill & LRS Renovation/Product Expansion I ICED-12-006A	Expired	Sobrepena-George, Heather	841-2775
			Smokehouse Grill & Little River Smokehouse Renovation & Product Expansion (MT-ICED-13-006)	In Effect	Sobrepena-George, Heather	841-2775
		Housing & Community Development	The Montana House - HD	In Effect	Brensdal, Bruce	841-2844
	Department of Livestock	Law Enforcement - Cooperation	Livestock Criminal Investigation Collaboration	In Effect	Mackay, Christian	444-0528
	Department of Revenue	Revenue Sharing	Montana Alcoholic Beverages Tax Agreement	In Effect	Austin, Steve	444-1479
			Montana Tobacco Tax Agreement	In Effect	Austin, Steve	444-1479
	Department of Transportation	Highway & Facility Construction / Maintenance	CTEP Community Hall - Lodgepole STPE 3(35)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Little Peoples Crk/MT 11-1 BH 66-2(8)17	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Little Peoples Crk/MT11-1 BH 66-2(9)17	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			MTRA Milk River - 7 KM W Harlem ARRA 9003(39)	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Milk River - 7 KM W Harlem BR 9003(41)	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Milk River-7KM W Harlem-Closeout BR 9003(56)	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058

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Fort Belknap	Department of Transportation	Revenue Sharing	Gasoline Revenue Sharing Agreement	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
	Dept Nat Resource/Conservation	Water	PER for D-1 Main Canal Underdrain Replacement	Expired	Beck, Ray	444-6671
			Reserved Water Rights Compact	Pending	Wick, Arne	444-5700
			St. Mary's Working Group	In Effect	Azevedo, Paul	444-6635
	Dept of Environmental Quality	Environmental Health	Zortman-Landusky Mine and Swift Gulch Drainage - Technical Working Group MOU	In Effect	McCullough, Warren	444-6791
	Dept of Military Affairs	Homeland Security / DES	Emergency Management Performance Grant	In Effect	Knecht, Steve	324-4777
	Governor's Office	Gaming	Class III Gaming Compact	In Effect	Huff, Andy	444-3111
	Historical Society	Historic Preservation	Tribal Historic Preservation Consultation	In Effect	Wilmoth, Stan	444-7719
	Labor & Industry	Housing & Community Development	Boiler Safety Inspections	In Effect	Buettner, Donald	202-3494
			Fort Belknap College Montana Career Resource Network (MCIS)	In Effect	Miller, Annette	444-2741
		Job & Worker Training	SWIB Statewide MOU (All Tribes)	In Effect	Smith, Leisa	444-1609
	MT Dept of Agriculture	Weeds	FY13-053 Fort Belknap Noxious Weed Education Program	In Effect	Clairmont, Joel A.	444-5406
			NWTF FY13-559 Special Reservation Grant	In Effect	Clairmont, Joel A.	444-5406
	Office of Public Instruction	Education	Class 7 Educator License Process	In Effect	Keller, Elizabeth	444-2580
			Montana Advisory Council on Indian Education (MACIE)	In Effect	Hinch, Lynn	444-3482
	PHHS Public Health & Human Services	Education	Fort Belknap Head Start Child & Adult Care Food Program	In Effect	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
			Fort Belknap Healthy Montana Teens 1202PROS0195	In Effect	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
		Family Economic Self-Sufficiency	Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations F12 12-027-250040	Expired	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
			Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations F13 13-027-250040	In Effect	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
			Supplemental Federal F11 LIEAP	Expired	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
		Family Services	Vocational Rehabilitation Cooperative Agreement	In Effect	Hermanson, Michael	444-3833
			Child and Family Services Trainings Provided to Tribes	In Effect	Leary, Mick	841-2483
			Fort Belknap Tribal Assistance Program Maintenance of Effort 13022280250	Expired	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
			Memorandum of Agreement	In Effect	Pfeifer, K. Amy	444-3893
			Title IV-E Child Welfare Services and Related Indian Child Welfare (ICWA) Services 6901-03-2011IV-E0007	In Effect	Leary, Mick	841-2483
			Tribal IV-D Tribal Child Support Training and Technical Assistance	In Effect	Pfeifer, K. Amy	444-3893

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Fort Belknap	PHHS Public Health & Human Services	Public Health & Health Services	DPHHS Master Agreement	In Effect	Evers, Lesa	444-1813
			Emergency Preparedness 12-07-6-11-019-0	Expired	Murphy, Jim	444-4016
			Emergency Preparedness 13-07-6-11-019-0	Expired	Murphy, Jim	444-4016
			Fort Belknap Health Center Home and Community Based Services Program - 6901-22-0005-01	In Effect	Homan, Robin	444-4131
			Medicaid Administrative Match Agreement	Tabled	Thompson, Jo	444-2584
			Medicaid Program Training	In Effect	Hoffland, John	444-0991
			Medicaid Task Order	In Effect	Dalton, Mary	444-4084
			PHSD Master Tribal Agreement	In Effect	Smilie, Jane	444-4141
			Passport Provider Contract	In Effect	Hoffland, John	444-0991
			Personal Care Assistance Program 6901-22-0004-01	In Effect	Holm, Abigail	444-4564
			Tobacco Use Prevention Grant 13-07-3-31-016-0 Task Order	Expired	Sucha, Janet	644-2448
			Women, Infants and Children Program 12-07-5-21-028-0	Expired	Bowsher, Joan	444-4747
			Women, Infants and Children Program 13-07-5-21-028-0	In Effect	Bowsher, Joan	444-4747
Fort Peck	Department of Administration	Homeland Security / DES	Interoperability Montana Project (Public Safety Radio)	In Effect	Bradford, Scott	444-2782
			BRD Industrial Park Expansion Project MT-BSTF-2-10-21	Expired	Faroni, Nancy	841-2744
	Department of Commerce	Business Development	BRD Old Poplar Airport Preliminary Engineering Report #MT-BSTF-2-13-19	In Effect	Faroni, Nancy	841-2744
			BRD Strategic and Implementation Plan MT-BSTF-2-12-19	In Effect	Faroni, Nancy	841-2744
			Business Development Specialists ICED-12-007	Expired	Sobrepena-George,	841-2775
			Business Development Specialists II MT-ICED-13-007	In Effect	Sobrepena-George, Heather	841-2775
			MTRA 11 Feasibility Study for Oil Field Services and Small Business Owner Grants	Expired	Sobrepena-George, Heather	841-2775
		Housing & Community Development	Fort Peck Homes II - HD	In Effect	Brensdal, Bruce	841-2844
			Fort Peck Sustainable Village - HD	In Effect	Brensdal, Bruce	841-2844
	Department of Justice	Law Enforcement - Cooperation	Hope Card Collaboration MOU	In Effect	Eliel, Joan	444-5803
			Law Enforcement Cooperative Agreement	In Effect	Mattioli, Mark	444-2026
	Department of Revenue	Revenue Sharing	Montana Alcoholic Beverages Tax Agreement	In Effect	Austin, Steve	444-1479
			Montana Tobacco Tax Agreement	In Effect	Austin, Steve	444-1479

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Fort Peck	Department of Revenue	Revenue Sharing	Oil and Natural Gas Production Tax Agreement	In Effect	Austin, Steve	444-1479
	Department of Transportation	Highway & Facility Construction / Maintenance	Big Muddy Creek - West	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Big Muddy Creek-West NH 1-10(65)633	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Brockton-East NH 1-10(48)626	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Brockton-East NH 1-10(64)626	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Brockton-East NH 1-10(46)626	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			D4 - Culverts - Phase II STPS-NH-STPP 0002(873)	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			East of Nashua - East NH 1-9(48)565	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			JCT Sec 250 - North STPP 32-1(18)17	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Nelson Creek - 13M S Scobey BR 32-1(16)38	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Poplar - West CBI 1-10(76)603	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Poplar - West NH 1-10(72)603	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Sld Rpr-3M NE of Nashua/MT11-1 STPS 438-1(18)1	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance MOU	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
		Job & Worker Training	2011-Fort Peck College OJT-SS STWD(067)	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			2013-Fort Peck College	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
		Revenue Sharing	Gasoline Revenue Sharing Agreement	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
	Dept Nat Resource/Conservation	Environmental Health	Reclamation of Philip Red Eagle 2-25 Salt Water Disposal Well	In Effect	Stickney, Alicia	444-0547
		Water	Fort Peck Dry Prairie Regional Water System Collaboration	In Effect	Beck, Ray	444-6671
			Fort Peck-Montana Water Compact	In Effect	Schultz, Bill	542-5880
			Lateral L 2M Rehabilitation	In Effect	Beck, Ray	444-6671
			North Spole Project	Expired	Beck, Ray	444-6671
			Preliminary Engineering Report for Irrigation System Improvements	Expired	Beck, Ray	444-6671
	Dept of Environmental Quality	Environmental Health	Wolf Point Landfill Siting License	In Effect	Thompson, Rick	444-5345
	Dept of Military Affairs	Homeland Security / DES	Emergency Management Performance Grant	In Effect	Knecht, Steve	324-4777
			Pre-Disaster Mitigation	Expired	Knecht, Steve	324-4777
	Dept. of Fish, Wildlife & Parks	Fish & Wildlife Management	Fish, Wildlife, and Parks Cooperative Agreement	In Effect	Dalbey, Steve	228-3706
			Fishing Regulations Agreement	In Effect	Dalbey, Steve	228-3706
			Quarantine Bison Feasibility Study MOU	In Effect	Dockter, Rebecca	444-4045

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Fort Peck	Dept. of Fish, Wildlife & Parks	Fish & Wildlife Management	Swift Fox Translocation Project	In Effect	Rauscher, Ryan	271-7033
	Governor's Office	Gaming	Class III Gaming Compact	In Effect	Huff, Andy	444-3111
	Historical Society	Historic Preservation	Tribal Historic Preservation Consultation	In Effect	Wilmoth, Stan	444-7719
	Labor & Industry	Housing & Community Development	Boiler Safety Inspections	In Effect	Buettner, Donald	202-3494
			Fort Peck Community College Montana Career Resource Network (MCIS)	In Effect	Miller, Annette	444-2741
		Job & Worker Training	Job Service Office Wolf Point/Glasgow	In Effect	Andersyn, Shawn	228-3928
			SWIB Statewide MOU (All Tribes)	In Effect	Smith, Leisa	444-1609
	MT Dept of Agriculture	Environmental Health	State-Tribal Pesticide Regulation Negotiations	Proposed	Clairmont, Joel A.	444-5406
		Weeds	NWTF FY13-560 Special Reservation Grant	In Effect	Clairmont, Joel A.	444-5406
	Montana State Library	Business Development	Montana Address Data Improvement	In Effect	Kirkpatrick, Stewart	444-9013
	Office of Public Instruction	Education	Class 7 Educator License Process	In Effect	Keller, Elizabeth	444-2580
			Montana Advisory Council on Indian Education (MACIE)	In Effect	Hinch, Lynn	444-3482
	PHHS Public Health & Human Services	Education	Head Start Child and Adult Care Food Program 6901-02-3004-01	In Effect	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
			Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations F12 12-027-250050	Expired	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
		Family Economic Self-Sufficiency	Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations F13 13-027-250050	In Effect	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
			Supplemental Federal F11 LIEAP 11-028-160180	Expired	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
			Vocational Rehabilitation Cooperative Agreement	In Effect	Hermanson, Michael	444-3833
			Child and Family Services Trainings Provided to Tribes	In Effect	Leary, Mick	841-2483
		Public Health & Health Services	MOA between DPHHS, CFSD, BIA and Fort Peck Tribes 6901-03	In Effect	Barnosky, Eric	234-1385
			Cardiovascular Health Program American Indian Media Campaign SFY 2013	Expired	Fogle, Crystelle	947-2344
			Cardiovascular Health Program Blood Pressure Project w/Community Health Representatives APO 13604873	Expired	Fogle, Crystelle	947-2344
			DPHHS Master Agreement	In Effect	Evers, Lesa	444-1813
			Emergency Preparedness 12-07-6-11-020-0	Expired	Murphy, Jim	444-4016
			Emergency Preparedness 13-07-6-11-020-0	Expired	Murphy, Jim	444-4016
			Health Improvement Program	In Effect	Hoffland, John	444-0991
			Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood	In Effect	Frick, Dianna	444-6940

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Fort Peck	PHHS Public Health & Human Services	Public Health & Health Services	Medicaid Program Training	In Effect	Hoffland, John	444-0991
			Medicaid Task Order	In Effect	Dalton, Mary	444-4084
			PHSD Master Tribal Agreement	In Effect	Smilie, Jane	444-4141
			Passport to Health Provider Contract	In Effect	Hoffland, John	444-0991
			Tobacco Use Prevention Grant 13-07-3-31-017-0 Task Order	Expired	Sucha, Janet	644-2448
			Women, Infants and Children Program 12-07-5-21-023-0	Expired	Bowsher, Joan	444-4747
			Women, Infants and Children Program 13-07-5-21-023-0	In Effect	Bowsher, Joan	444-4747
Little Shell	Department of Commerce	Business Development	Hill 57 Tribal Visitor/Cultural Center & Property Retention ICED-12-001B	Expired	Sobrepena-George, Heather	841-2775
			Multipurpose Facility Addition & 2017 STEDC IEF	In Effect	Sobrepena-George, Heather	841-2775
	Dept. of Fish, Wildlife & Parks	Land Management	Morony Park Negotiations	Proposed	Hagener, Jeff	444-3186
	Office of Public Instruction	Education	Montana Advisory Council on Indian Education (MACIE)	In Effect	Hinch, Lynn	444-3482
	PHHS Public Health & Human Services	Public Health & Health Services	DPHHS Master Agreement	In Effect	Evers, Lesa	444-1813
			Tobacco Use Prevention Grant 12-07-3-31-018-0	Expired	Sucha, Janet	644-2448
			Tobacco Use Prevention Grant 13-07-3-31-018-0	Expired	Sucha, Janet	644-2448
Northern Cheyenne	Department of Administration	Homeland Security / DES	Interoperability Montana Project (Public Safety Radio)	In Effect	Bradford, Scott	444-2782
	Department of Commerce	Business Development	Arts & Crafts Center and Land Use Planning and Zoning ICED12-008	In Effect	Sobrepena-George, Heather	841-2775
			BRD NCUC Building Renovation Preliminary Architectural Report MT-BSTF-2-10-11	Expired	Faroni, Nancy	841-2744
			Northern Cheyenne Development Corporation Cheyenne Depot I & II	In Effect	Sobrepena-George, Heather	841-2775
		Housing & Community Development	Tribal Utilities Commission Administrative Offices Renovation CDD Coal Board 12-0678	Expired	Huff, Lisa	841-2794
	Department of Justice	Law Enforcement - Cooperation	Hope Card Collaboration MOU	In Effect	Eliel, Joan	444-5803
			Law Enforcement Cooperative Agreement	In Effect	Mattioli, Mark	444-2026
	Department of Revenue	Revenue Sharing	Montana Tobacco Tax Agreement	In Effect	Austin, Steve	444-1479
	Department of Transportation	Highway & Facility Construction / Maintenance	Big Horn County Line-SW NH 37-1(31)33	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Muddy Cr Rd Turn Lanes NH 37-1(39)37	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Period Lighting-Lame Deer STPE 44(26)	Expired	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058

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Northern Cheyenne	Department of Transportation	Highway & Facility Construction / Maintenance	SF 129-Roundabout Lame Deer HSIP 37-2(35)42	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Sld Rpr-E of Lame Deer/MT11-1 NH 37-2(31)52	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
			Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance MOU (Extended)	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
		Revenue Sharing	Gasoline Revenue Sharing Agreement	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
	Dept Nat Resource/Conse rvation	Water	Northern Cheyenne-Montana Water Compact	In Effect	Schultz, Bill	542-5880
	Dept of Environmental Quality	Environmental Health	Coal Bed Methane - Water Quality Standards	In Effect	Bostrom, Mark	444-2680
			Tongue River Lumber Waste Disposal	In Effect	Thompson, Rick	444-5345
	Dept of Military Affairs	Homeland Security / DES	Emergency Management Performance Grant	In Effect	Knecht, Steve	324-4777
	Governor's Office	Gaming	Class III Gaming Compact	In Effect	Huff, Andy	444-3111
	Historical Society	Historic Preservation	Tribal Historic Preservation Consultation	In Effect	Wilmoth, Stan	444-7719
	Labor & Industry	Housing & Community Development	Boiler Safety Inspections	In Effect	Buettner, Donald	202-3494
			Chief Dull Knife Montana Career Resource Network (MCIS)	In Effect	Miller, Annette	444-2741
		Job & Worker Training	SWIB Statewide MOU (All Tribes)	In Effect	Smith, Leisa	444-1609
	MT Dept of Agriculture	Weeds	NWTF FY13-561 Special Reservation Grant	In Effect	Clairmont, Joel A.	444-5406
	Montana State Library	Business Development	Montana Address Data Improvement	In Effect	Kirkpatrick, Stewart	444-9013
	Office of Public Instruction	Education	Class 7 Educator License Process	In Effect	Keller, Elizabeth	444-2580
			Montana Advisory Council on Indian Education (MACIE)	In Effect	Hinch, Lynn	444-3482
	PHHS Public Health & Human Services	Education	Chief Dull Knife College CACFP 6901- 01-3035-01	In Effect	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
			Northern Cheyenne Healthy Montana Teens 1202PROS0197	In Effect	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
			Northern Cheyenne Tribe Head Start Child and Adult Care Food Program 6901-02-3005-01	In Effect	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
		Family Economic Self-Sufficiency	Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations F12 12-027-250060	Expired	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
			Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations F13 13-027-250060	In Effect	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
			Supplemental Federal F11 LIEAP 11- 028-160190	Expired	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
			Vocational Rehabilitation Cooperative Agreement	In Effect	Hermanson, Michael	444-3833
		Family Services	Child and Family Services Trainings Provided to Tribes	In Effect	Leary, Mick	841-2483
			Title IV-E Child Welfare Services and Related Indian Child Welfare (ICWA)	In Effect	Leary, Mick	841-2483

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Northern Cheyenne	PHHS Public Health & Human Services	Public Health & Health Services	Cardiovascular Health Program Blood Pressure Project w/Community Health Representatives APO 13604874	Expired	Fogle, Crystelle	947-2344
			DPHHS Master Agreement	In Effect	Evers, Lesa	444-1813
			Emergency Preparedness 12-07-6- 11-036-0	Expired	Murphy, Jim	444-4016
			Emergency Preparedness 13-07-6- 11-036-0	Expired	Murphy, Jim	444-4016
			Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV ID) 13-07-5- 31-046-0	In Effect	Frick, Dianna	444-6940
			Medicaid Administrative Match Agreement	In Effect	Thompson, Jo	444-2584
			Medicaid Task Order	In Effect	Dalton, Mary	444-4084
			Medicaid Training Program	In Effect	Hoffland, John	444-0991
			Northern Cheyenne Tribe-Tribal School	Expired	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
			Passport Provider Contract	In Effect	Hoffland, John	444-0991
			Teen Pregnancy and STD Prevention 13-07-5-11-014-0	Expired	Koch, Kimberly	444-4348
			Tobacco Use Prevention Grant 13-07- 3-31-019-0 Task Order	Expired	Sucha, Janet	644-2448
			Women, Infants and Children Program 12-07-5-21-024-0	Expired	Bowsher, Joan	444-4747
			Women, Infants and Children Program 13-07-5-21-024-0	In Effect	Bowsher, Joan	444-4747
Rocky Boy's	Department of Administration	Homeland Security / DES	Interoperability Montana Project (Public Safety Radio)	In Effect	Bradford, Scott	444-2782
	Department of Commerce	Business Development	BRD Dry Forks Farm Management Plan MT-BSTF-2-10-14	Expired	Faroni, Nancy	841-2744
			BRD Middle Dry Fork Preliminary Engineering Report #MT-BSTF-2-13- 11	In Effect	Faroni, Nancy	841-2744
			MTRA 11 Chippewa Cree Tribe Rocky Boy's Veterans Work Project 2011	Expired	Sobrepena- George, Heather	841-2775
			Middle Dry Fork Area Development Feasibility Study MT-ICED-13-003	In Effect	Sobrepena- George, Heather	841-2775
			Small Business Facility Renovation ICED-12-003	Expired	Sobrepena- George, Heather	841-2775
	Department of Justice	Crime Control	Juvenile Detention Alternative Initiative 12-J22-91214	Expired	Fischer, Julie	444-2056
			Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Program 12-R01-91292	In Effect	Dusko, Kevin	444-2947
	Department of Revenue	Revenue Sharing	Montana Tobacco Tax Agreement	In Effect	Austin, Steve	444-1479
	Department of Transportation	Highway & Facility Construction / Maintenance	Tribal Employment Rights Ordinance MOU	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058

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Rocky Boy's	Department of Transportation	Revenue Sharing	Gasoline Revenue Sharing Agreement	In Effect	Clarkson, Eli	444-9058
	Dept Nat Resource/Conservation	Forestry	Fire Assistance - Rocky Boy Volunteer Fire Department	In Effect	Short, Paula	542-4235
		Water	Chippewa Cree Tribe-Montana Water Compact	In Effect	Schultz, Bill	542-5880
			Dry Fork Farm Irrigation Enhancement Project	Expired	Kulczyk, Ann	228-4129
	Dept of Military Affairs	Homeland Security / DES	Emergency Management Performance Grant	In Effect	Grimstad, Paul	324-4777
	Dept. of Fish, Wildlife & Parks	Wildlife & Livestock Management	Mountain Lion Research Study	In Effect	Dalbey, Steve	228-3706
	Governor's Office	Gaming	Class III Gaming Compact	In Effect	Huff, Andy	444-3111
	Historical Society	Historic Preservation	Data Sharing MOU-State Historic Preservation Office	In Effect	Baumler, Mark	444-7717
			Tribal Historic Preservation Consultation	In Effect	Wilmoth, Stan	444-7719
	Labor & Industry	Housing & Community Development	Boiler Safety Inspections	In Effect	Buettner, Donald	202-3494
		Job & Worker Training	Montana Career Resource Network (MCIS)	In Effect	Miller, Annette	444-2741
			SWIB Statewide MOU (All Tribes)	In Effect	Smith, Leisa	444-1609
	MT Dept of Agriculture	Weeds	NWTF FY13-562 Special Reservation Grant	In Effect	Clairmont, Joel A.	444-5406
			NWTF Grant 11-055 Haystack Mtn Loop NW, Square Butte, NW Box Elder	Expired	Clairmont, Joel A.	444-5406
			NWTF Grant 12-717 Haystack Mountain Loop NW and SE	In Effect	Clairmont, Joel A.	444-5406
			NWTF Grant 13-039 Beaver Creek/Eagle Creek Project, Haystack Follow up	In Effect	Clairmont, Joel A.	444-5406
	Montana State Library	Business Development	Montana Address Data Improvement	In Effect	Kirkpatrick, Stewart	444-9013
	Office of Public Instruction	Education	Class 7 Educator License Process	In Effect	Keller, Elizabeth	444-2580
			Montana Advisory Council on Indian Education (MACIE)	In Effect	Hinch, Lynn	444-3482
	PHHS Public Health & Human Services	Education	Rocky Boy Healthy Montana Teens 1202PROS0192	In Effect	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
			Rocky Boy's Head Start Child & Adult Care Food Program 6901-02-3007-01	In Effect	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
		Family Economic Self-Sufficiency	Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations F12 12-027-250020	Expired	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
			Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations F13 13-027-250020	In Effect	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
			Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations FDPNE 13-027-250080	In Effect	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
			Social Security Work Incentives and Youth Transition Agreement	Expired	Marks, Jim	444-2591

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Rocky Boy's	PHHS Public Health & Human Services	Family Economic Self-Sufficiency	Supplemental Federal F11 LIEAP 11-028-160160	Expired	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
			Child and Family Services Trainings Provided to Tribes	In Effect	Leary, Mick	841-2483
			Chippewa Cree Medicaid Eligibility Determination	In Effect	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
			Rocky Boy's Tribal Family Assistance Program Maintenance of Effort	Expired	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
			Rocky Boy's Tribal Family Assistance Program Maintenance of Effort	In Effect	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
		Public Health & Health Services	Title IV-E Child Welfare Services and Related Indian Child Welfare (ICWA) Services 6901-03-2011IV-E0005	In Effect	Leary, Mick	841-2483
			Tribal IV-D Tribal Child Support Training and Technical Assistance	In Effect	Pfeifer, K. Amy	444-3893
			Breast & Cervical Health MOU	In Effect	Wamsley, Mark	444-0063
			Cardiovascular Health Program Blood Pressure Project w/Community Health Representatives APO 13607368	Expired	Fogle, Crystelle	947-2344
			Chippewa Cree Family Forum	Expired	Palagi, Jamie	444-6676
			DPHHS Master Agreement	In Effect	Evers, Lesa	444-1813
			Emergency Preparedness 12-07-6-11-044-0	Expired	Murphy, Jim	444-4016
			Emergency Preparedness 13-07-6-11-044-0	Expired	Murphy, Jim	444-4016
			Empowerment Conference Contract	Expired	Marks, Jim	444-2591
			HIV Prevention Rocky Boy's 12074510130	Expired	Kops, Laurie	444-2457
			HIV Prevention Rocky Boy's 13074510130	In Effect	Kops, Laurie	444-2457
			Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV ID) 13-07-5-31-047-0	In Effect	Frick, Dianna	444-6940
			Medicaid Administrative Match Agreement (Extended)	In Effect	Thompson, Jo	444-2584
			Medicaid Program Training	In Effect	Hoffland, John	444-0991
			Medicaid Task Order	In Effect	Dalton, Mary	444-4084
			PHSD Master Tribal Agreement	In Effect	Smilie, Jane	444-4141
			Passport Provider Contract	In Effect	Hoffland, John	444-0991
			Public Health Home Visiting Program 13-07-5-31-004-0	In Effect	Buss, Ann Marie	444-4119
			Rocky Boy Health Center Home and Community Based Services Program	In Effect	Homan, Robin	444-4131
			Rocky Boy Health Center Personal Care Assistance Program	In Effect	Holm, Abigail	444-4564
			Tobacco Use Prevention Grant 13-07-3-31-021-0 Task Order	Expired	Sucha, Janet	644-2448

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Rocky Boy's	PHHS Public Health & Human Services	Public Health & Health Services	Vocational Rehabilitation Cooperative Agreement	In Effect	Hermanson, Michael	444-3833
			Women, Infants and Children Program 12-07-5-21-029-0	Expired	Bowsher, Joan	444-4747
			Women, Infants and Children Program 13-07-5-21-029-0	In Effect	Bowsher, Joan	444-4747
	Secretary of State's Office	Business Services	Uniform Commercial Code Compact	In Effect	Gormely, Tana	444-2896

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MEET THE FEATURED ARTIST

JONATHAN CADOTTE, BLACKFEET ARTIST



"I could have written down the stories from my elders, but I chose to paint them instead."

Jonathan "Frog" Cadotte (Jon), Blackfeet Indian artist, has developed an interest in painting since the age of five years old when he started sketching. Using paint to tell stories on canvas, he has a unique way of using bold colors that stimulate the senses and pulsating flowing lines that help the viewer feel the emotion and dreamlike splendor of his paintings. Well-known for his traditional themes of Native spirits and ghost riders, Jon wants his paintings to be an inspiration to the youth of the Indian Nations.

An enrolled member of the Blackfeet Tribe, Jon was born and raised on the Blackfeet Reservation in Browning, Montana, where he and his family still reside today. His love of art goes back to his upbringing and his grandparents, Katie Home Gun and Joe Cadotte, telling stories of teepee's and sunrises. In the mornings his grandfather would play the drum until the sun came up while the ladies cooked breakfast. Jon's tribal culture and connection with the traditions, ceremonies and religion along with stories from his elders are his main sources of inspiration.

While attending public schools, art teachers have influenced his artistic process and evolution, including King Kuka at the Browning Middle School, as well as Bill Hannah at the Browning High School. Jon later briefly lived in Salem, Oregon, where he graduated from the Chemawa Indian High School in 1982.

Over the course of his lifelong career, his artwork has been exhibited at numerous museums, galleries, and American Indian art shows such as the Museum of the Plains Indians in Browning, Gertrude's Art Gallery in Albuquerque as well as an exhibit in France. A brief interview with Jon is featured in the first episode of *The Montana Heritage Tour*, which has been telecast on the TVMT statewide public affairs network.

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