

**Montana Mental Health Settlement Trust**

# **Grant Summary**

**2010-2012**

**Hon. John Warner, Trustee**

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### **Summary of Grants and Activity:**

The Montana Mental Health Settlement Trust (MMHST), during 2010, 2011 and 2012, solicited and received grant applications from 242 public and private entities seeking funding to assist mentally ill Montanans and their families. Each application was carefully considered by the Trust Committee and the Trustee.

MMHST awarded a total of 72 grants in varying amounts. MMHST entered into a written Grant Agreement with each successful applicant. The Agreements called for performance of specifically described activities in consideration for funds advanced by the Trust. Most of the awarded grants were paid in installments contingent upon receipt by the Trustee of interim narrative and financial reports describing the progress made toward completion of the funded project. Exceptions were made for some short-term projects funded by relatively small grants and for a few grants paid in a single disbursement.

Two Grantees were unable to begin the funded projects and refunded all trust funds advanced. For various reasons several Grantees refunded to the Trust part of the Trust funds distributed to them.

Some Grantees were unable to timely complete grant-funded projects and an Amended Grant Agreement was negotiated extending the grant period. In these cases MMHST's successor Trust, Montana Mental Health Trust, MMHT, accepted an assignment of the Grantee's Agreement in order to allow time and opportunity for grant projects to be completed. Of the trust funds distributed to MMHT, \$2,338,520.00 is committed to Grant Agreements previously entered into by the now terminated MMHST.

The Trust committed a total amount of \$8,078,604.00 to grants. Of this amount, \$5,419,074.00 was distributed to Grantees. \$33,472.79 has been refunded back to the Trust.

After payment of the Trust's costs and expenses, all of the remainder of the Trust Estate has been distributed to the Montana Mental Health Trust (MMHT) to carry on the work of the Trust.

### **Grantees & Projects Funded:**

#### **Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services. #6**

Addictive and Mental Disorders Division  
555 Fuller Ave, P.O. Box 202905, Helena, MT 59620-2905  
Contact: Jane Wilson, 406-454-6078

Grant award: \$19,999.00; \$12,783.22 disbursed.

Purposes: Grantee contracted to improve the transition process from children's services to the adult mental health system for youth diagnosed with serious emotional disturbances. Grantee partnered with schools to conduct transition meetings, which are ongoing, and partnerships continue to grow. Grantee partnered with high-schools in Hill, Teton, Glacier and Cascade Counties to produce a packet

containing transition resources. DVD's will continue to be produced on an as needed basis. The transition packet will be published on a MY Transitions website. Grantee gave a presentation on transition at the My Life Youth Transition conference in November 2012. Grantee meets with the Helena transition group which has developed a Case Presentation Form used for review of specific cases.

Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services. #7

Addictive and Mental Disorders Division  
555 Fuller Ave., P.O. Box 202905, Helena, MT 59620-2905  
Contact: Marcia Armstrong, 406-498-7358

Grant award: \$19,615.00

Purposes: Grantee developed an 8 hour, comprehensive recovery-based curriculum focused on increasing the knowledge and skills of personal care attendants working with mentally ill individuals. Grantee utilized a team comprised of Community Program Officers, Regional Program Officers, Personal Care Attendant trainers and case managers to construct the curriculum. Grantee conducted a 3 day training to deliver the curriculum to consumers and providers. Provider attendees then trained the staff within their respective agencies. The training modules were professionally videotaped and made available via manual, internet, or DVD to consumers and provider agencies throughout Montana. Due to cost savings in initial implementation, this grant was amended to allow: (a) purchase of scholarships for students at University of Montana – Helena's Continuing Education program towards Mental Health Direct Care Certificates; and (b) purchase of multi-media, recovery based materials housed by the Community Program Officer in each of Grantee's regions for use by local providers.

Montana Chapter of the American Foundation of Suicide Prevention. #11

10 Maki Hill Road, Columbus, MT 59019  
Contact: Joan Meyer Nye, 406-322-8587

Grant award: \$14,500.00; \$5,500.00 disbursed.

Purposes: Grantee organized and presented 7 workshops in Montana concerning the prevention of suicide which included:

- (a) Overview of suicide and loss suffered by survivors of suicide;
- (b) Overview of suicide survivor support group models (open or closed, how to organize, publicize, and network with survivors and other facilitators);
- (c) Training for potential facilitators of suicide loss support groups;
- (d) Learning to recognize and deal with "problem" survivors;
- (e) Support group circle and role-playing; and
- (f) Suggestions for recognizing and handling the elements of complicated grief.

Grantee also taught suicide prevention gatekeeper classes and Question-

Persuade-Refer techniques, and distributed suicide survivor packets. Grantee collaborated with suicide prevention and survivor advocates to organize, publicize and setup workshops. Delays occurred in completing the project. An Amended Grant Agreement was negotiated and assigned to MMHT.

Big Horn Hospital Association. #14

17 North Miles Avenue, Hardin, Montana 59034  
406-655-2310

Grant award: \$19,675.00; \$17,040.99 disbursed.

Purposes: Grant funds provided hospital physicians, and mid-level and direct care registered nursing staff, opportunities to attend educational presentations and seminars on psychoactive and psychotropic medication. Hospital staff members who attended educational presentations utilizing grant funds made presentations to non-attending staff for the purpose of sharing information gained.

Billings Clinic Foundation. #17

P. O. Box 31031, Billings, MT 59107-1031  
Contact: Beth Bales, 406-657-4621

Grant award: \$19,000.00.

Purposes: Bridge Clinic at Billings used grant funds to provide temporary outpatient psychiatric medication follow-up for patients discharging from the Adult Inpatient Unit of the Psychiatric Center who were not yet established patients of a local mental health care provider. Psychiatric follow-up was made available to discharged patients for a total of four to six visits, as authorized by the Psychiatric Center Bridge Clinic treatment providers. During appointments patients were provided psychiatric consultation, treatment recommendations and medication monitoring. During their first visits, patients signed a Conditions of Treatment agreeing to seek and attempt to establish ongoing care with another provider during the time they were followed at the Bridge Clinic. If recommended by the inpatient provider, patients followed up at the Community Crisis Center to review their personal resource needs and obtained referrals for services. Case Managers made initial contact with the Community Crisis Center prior to discharge from the inpatient unit. The Clinic collaborated with the Community Crisis Center to carry out required activities. The program was successful and the Grantee has continued the program at its own expense.

Bitterroot Integrative and Safe Opportunity Nexus, Inc. #19

Bison Cafe  
286 Moose Hollow Rd., Victor, MT 59875  
Contact: Darlene Golas, LCSW, 406-363-5488

Grant award: \$11,508.00; \$8,008.00 disbursed.

Purposes: Grantee established the BISON Internet Café in Hamilton, Montana which provided a safe, comfortable environment for social interaction with the general population by people recovering from mental illness. Grantee provided peer-led support groups and life-skills classes for adults with mental illness. The programs and protocols were developed at Bitterroot Integrative & Safe Opportunity Nexus (BISON, Inc.), by qualified mental health professionals. Bison Café was successful, however Grantee lost its lease on the premises and was unable to continue.

Blackfeet Nation, Po'Ka Systems of Care. #22

P.O. Box 870, Browning, MT 59417  
Contact: Francis K. Onstad, 406-338-5180

Grant award: \$20,000.00

Purposes: Grantee retained a Psychologist at the Children's Clinical Mental Health Center in Browning to assist with billing procedures and supervise clinical staff as needed until professional staff was licensed. Grantee collaborated with the Po'Ka System of Care to carry out activities at the Mental Health Center. Psychological consultations were successfully provided to members of the Blackfeet Nation and are continuing.

Hallie Bornstein Banziger, PhD, LLC. #24

513 Cambridge Drive, Bozeman, MT 59715  
Contact: Hallie Banziger, PhD, 406-219-3311

Grant award: \$17,500.00

Purposes: Grantee presented a series of lectures and discussions designed for 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students and their parents. The purposes of the project were preventative and to promote peer-to-peer counseling. Multiple topics were discussed in both interactive lecture settings and in small groups to examine, in further detail, each lecture topic, with children in one group and parents in another group. One topic was discussed per meeting; groups met 6 times. The topics discussed were initially addressed by a regional or national expert and then the small groups were lead by a Ph.D clinical psychologist. Topics discussed included: (a) childhood depression and anxiety, (b) drug use, (c) childhood obesity, (d) school bullying, (e) family communication, and (f) eating disorders in children and adolescents.

Participants learned about the issues discussed and were advised of local therapeutic resources available to deal with these issues. Pre and post assessment of participants' needs and knowledge were conducted and reported to the Trust. Grantee collaborated with Medical Associates, Bozeman Deaconess Hospital, which provided in-kind services to carry out Grantees' activities. Presenters will continue to provide future presentations upon request.

Butte Silver Bow Primary Health Care Clinic, Inc. #25

445 Centennial Ave., Butte, MT 59701  
Contact: Cindy Stergar, CEO, 406-723-4075

Grant award: \$20,000.00; \$13,500.00 disbursed.

Purposes: Grantee provided medications and short-term safe housing for patients at its community health center in Butte. Grantee's care managers assessed patient's ability to pay for medications and physical and mental health diagnosis, and approved purchase of medications for eligible patients including homeless individuals. Grantee's care managers assessed needs, arranged and paid for short-term safe housing for patients who had been released from an inpatient facility. Grantee collaborated with physicians, care manager teams and pharmacies to carry out its grant funded activities.

Center for Mental Health, Havre. #27

312 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Havre, MT 59501  
Contact: Pam Veis, 406-265-9639

Grant award: \$20,000.00

Purposes: Grantee established a lawn care business that employs seriously disabled mentally ill clients of the Center for Mental Health. Clients work in both labor and office management positions intended to help them take "ownership" of the business and learn a range of skills necessary for managing a business. The Center partnered with Vocational Rehabilitation to serve as a training site for their clients. The project has been successful.

Daniels County Local Area Council. #35

P.O. Box 746, Scoby, MT 59263  
Contact: Esther Kramer, 406-487-2881

Grant award: \$20,000.00

Purposes: Grant funds were used for local service and outreach to support the emergency needs of low income Eastern Community Mental Health Center clients suffering from mental illness, and for community mental health outreach and education emphasizing peer to peer services. The project has been successful.

Developmental Educational Assistance Program. #37

2200 Box Elder, Miles City, MT 59301, 406-234-6034

Grant award: \$18,177.00

Purposes: Dr. Ann Garfinkle, a Montana authority on autism and ABA therapy, provided three on-site training modules in Miles City for Region I staff. The modules presented were: (1) Introduction to Autism and Autism Strategies; (2) Positive Behavioral Supports; and (3) Data Collection. The three sessions were presented over the course of nine months starting in the Spring of 2011. Each session was recorded to DVD, duplicated, and given to each provider for future training use with staff. A self-study guide with pre-and post-assessments was developed for each module and accompanied the DVDs. The training was formulated to meet the needs of individual staff.

Dr. Garfinkle also provided consultation services. On-site consultation was available during each training session. Additional consultation occurred through conference calls, webcam conference, case studies and video reviews. Summaries of the consultations were compiled into a resource book for each agency.

Grantee collaborated with the other Region I child and adult disability service providers to carry out grant funded activities.

Elk River Cultural Connections. #37

P.O. Box 265, Billings, MT 59103

Contact: Nell Eby, 406-671-6054

Grant award: \$37,890.00

Purposes: Grantee developed, organized, hosted and replicated a Montana state-wide Mental-Health focused conference, entitled "Culture-Based Mental Health Perceptions of Native Americans within the Montana Correctional System." The first conference took place in Billings in September 2011; the second conference was held in Missoula in May 2012. The focus of the conferences was on mental health services provided to Native American people as they reintegrate from correctional facilities to supervised probation and/or parole and transition into the community. The target attendees for this conference were professional mental health providers, local and state law enforcement officers, cultural mentors, and representatives from Montana Indian reservations.

The planning, implementation and success of these conferences required Grantee to collaborate with presenters qualified to speak comprehensively

about Montana's mental health system and also about mental health care for Native American people. Grantee's conferences were well attended and well received.

Flathead Community Health Center. #43

1035 1<sup>st</sup> Ave. West, Kalispell, MT 59901  
Contact: Wendy Doely, 406-751-8155

Grant award: \$5,000.00; \$1,230.00 disbursed.

Purposes: Grantee sponsored an on-site training for local psychiatrists who provide primary mental health care, sent Grantee's Medical Director to off-site training in Billings to obtain six Continuing Medical Education credits for mental health training, and visited to observe a Montana-based Health Center with a successful mental health integration model in operation. Grantee reimbursed unexpended grant funds to the Trust.

Florence Crittenton Home & Services. #44

901 N. Harris St., Helena, MT 59601  
Contact: Carrie Krepps, 406-442-6950

Grant award: \$20,000.00

Purposes: Grantee provided peer-to-peer mentoring, identification, coordination, and facilitation for teen mothers re-entering their home communities, and to teen mothers who did not qualify for Grantee's residential program, but needed mental health support. Grantee developed peer mentoring training materials and incentives, identified and trained peer mentors, matched mentors with mentees, coordinated support for mentor/mentee matches, conducted site visits to all communities identified for mentor programs, and held a mentor/mentee retreat at the end of one year. The program has been successful.

Gallatin County Sheriff's Office. #47

615 S. 16<sup>th</sup> Ave., Bozeman, MT 59715  
Contact: Lieutenant Jeff Wade, CIT Director, 406-582-2121

Grant award: \$20,000.00

Purposes: Grantee provided Crisis Intervention Training (CIT) to law enforcement officers, mental health providers and other stakeholders. Grantee sent detention center staff and 911 communications staff to be trained as trainers to teach CIT courses to colleagues working within these specialized branches of public safety. The Trust and Grantee entered into an Amended Grant Agreement and later a Second Amended Grant Agreement wherein Gallatin County agreed to remodel a room in the new

Gallatin Detention Center to provide CIT on a state-wide basis. This grant, in cooperation with the Gallatin County Sheriff's office has greatly increased Montana's capacity to provide CIT.

Gallatin Psychotherapy, Inc. #48

1902 W. Dickerson St. Suite 208, Bozeman, MT 59718

Contact: Lori Marchak, President, 406-570-5510

Grant award: \$16,950.00; \$15,250.00 disbursed.

Purposes: Grantee developed a workshop for physicians. Grantee wrote curriculum content in collaboration with local physician and health administration leaders, and organized workshop presentations. Grantee circulated, for review by local collaborators, information about the workshop and its goals, objectives, and expected benefits for physician attendees for the purpose of improving workshop content and presentation. Grantee secured a workshop venue, rented equipment, purchased food, beverages, workshop materials, and paid instructor fees. Grantee presented the workshop to physician attendees, conducted post-workshop evaluations, and published an evaluation report. The workshop was well received. However physician attendance was less than desired. Workshop materials developed and published with Trust money will continue to be used in subsequent presentations.

Hill County Local Advisory Committee. #53

2229 5<sup>th</sup> Ave, Havre MT 59501

Contact: Michele Holden, 406-265-6743 ext. 1137

Grant award: \$20,000.00.

Purposes: The Hill County Local Advisory Council (LAC) trained volunteers and developed a peer support network to offer optional and supplemental service to adults during mental health crises. Northern Montana Hospital, the Hill County Sheriff's Office, and the Havre Police Department utilized these services. Peer volunteers were trained in Wellness Recovery Action Plan (WRAP), Mental Health First Aid, and Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST), and received training from the Great Falls Center for Mental Health concerning chronic mental health diseases and medications. These trainings provided peer volunteers with the knowledge needed to affectively assist clients in crisis. WRAP training provided peers with tools and knowledge to identify methods for relieving difficult feelings and maintain wellness. The goal is recovery and long-term stability.

ASIST trained peer volunteers to feel more comfortable, confident and competent in helping to prevent the immediate risk of suicide. Volunteer

trainees learned to recognize invitations for help, reach out and offer support, review the risk of suicide, apply a suicide intervention model, and link people with community resources. The ASIST trainer came from the Voices of Hope in Great Falls. Training occurred over two days.

Two members from the Hill County LAC attended Mental Health First Aid training, an interactive session conducted over 12 hours. Mental Health First Aid certification must be renewed every three years. The training introduces participants to risk factors and warning signs of mental health problems, builds understanding of their impacts and surveys common treatments.

Peers worked with other mental health agencies to ensure clients in crisis received treatment and follow-up. Peers supervised and reported all contact with clients to the supervisor, Suzanne Lockwood, a licensed psychiatric nurse.

After launching its peer support network, Grantee continues to recruit volunteers. These volunteers were trained by facilitators to train future peers. WRAP facilitator training was held in the summer of 2012 in Helena. ASIST was held in 2012.

The LAC also purchased a computer, software (i.e. Windows Office), and back up storage. A portion of grant funds were used for promotional supplies, paper copies, and basic office supplies (i.e. pens, pencils, notepads, etc.). The project is ongoing, and the Grant Agreement has been assigned to MMHT.

Helena Indian Alliance. #55

435 North Last Chance Gulch, Helena, MT 59624  
Contacts: Keith Bailey & Bonnie Stevens 406-442-9244

Grant award: \$19,750.00

Purposes: Grantee established a collaborative care program with a primary provider, mental health staff and a psychiatrist to assist with the diagnosis, medication management, case management, treatment and follow up of mentally ill clients. Grantee retained the services of a psychiatrist for diagnosis, medication management and follow-up treatment for 50-80 of Grantee's mentally ill clients. The retained psychiatrist provided education, guidance and information to Grantee's professional staff to assist in the care of clients with serious mental illness. Grantee worked toward securing sufficient 3<sup>rd</sup> party funding to retain the psychiatrist's services after the grant period, but has not reported whether the program continues.

Hill County Sheriff's Office. #56

1452 2<sup>nd</sup> Street West, Havre, MT 59501

Contact: James Dahl, Detention Administrator, 406-265-2512 ext. 105

Grant award: \$19,000.00; \$4,584.12 disbursed.

Purposes: Grantee undertook an education program for staff of the Hill County Detention Center and Sheriff's Office to increase awareness and understanding of mental illness and better serve those who suffer from mental illness. Grantee developed and maintains a partnership with the mental health professionals within the Havre community to better provide services to incarcerated persons in need of mental health services who are without financial means to obtain them.

Lake County Montana, c/o Lake County Commissioners. #59

Lake County Courthouse

106 4<sup>th</sup> Ave., Polson, MT 59860

Contact: Commissioner Paddy Trusler, 406-883-7204

Grant award: \$2,100.00

Purposes: Lake County Local Advisory Council organized and conducted a two day Mental Health Recovery International workshop in Lake County. Workshop attendees were instructed on the Self-Help system for practice in their daily lives and in ways to fully participate in Recovery International meetings. The workshop was designed for consumers, potential Recovery International leaders, and mental health professionals.

Shift Empowerment Programs (formerly Manaia Youth Programs). #66

PO Box 193, Livingston, MT 59047

Contact: Laurie Bishop, Executive Director, 406-222-7879

Grant award: \$20,000.00; \$15,000.00 disbursed.

Purposes: Grantee agreed to conduct as many as twelve Family Connected programs, to assist with mental health issues and youth suicide prevention programs in Grantees service area between September, 2011, and December June 30, 2013. Delays occurred. Grantee revised the programs to account for lower than anticipated participation. Additional programs are planned. Of the funds disbursed, \$5,256.00 remains in Grantee's account for grant funded purposes. The Grant Agreement has been assigned to MMHT.

Fourth Judicial District, Dept. 3. #69

Missoula County Courthouse

200 W. Broadway, Missoula, MT 59802

Contact: Hon. John W. Larson, District Judge, 406-258-4773

Grant award: \$17,700.00; \$2,557.58 disbursed.

Purposes: The grant funded evaluation, medication and counseling for seriously emotionally disturbed (SED) youth and their families in the juvenile justice system who lack insurance coverage and do not qualify for Medicaid or CHIPS. The program was designed to utilize a team consisting of the judge, prosecutor, public defender, school counselor, chemical dependency counselor, youth court probation officer and youth detention officer involved in each child's case. Case management was provided through an existing contract with Western Montana Addiction Services Turning Point. A primary SED diagnosis was a pre-requisite for receipt of services. Participating youth and their families received mental health services including screening, evaluation, prescribing and monitoring medication, and follow-up counseling. The program ended with termination of the Trust.

Missoula Co-Occurring Treatment Court. #70

Fourth Judicial District

Missoula County Courthouse, Missoula, MT 59802

Contact: Brenda Desmond, (406) 258-4641, (406) 258-4728

Grant award: \$19,968.00

Purposes: Grantee contracted with Three Rivers Mental Health Solutions to employ and supervise a half-time case manager to work exclusively with participants in the Missoula Co-Occurring Treatment Court who exhibited mental health problems. The mental health therapist helped mentally ill defendants in the treatment court. The program was successful.

Missoula Housing Authority. #71

1235 34<sup>th</sup> Street

Missoula, MT 59801

Contact: Jim McGrath, [jmcgrath@missoulahousing.org](mailto:jmcgrath@missoulahousing.org)

Grant award: \$10,000.00

Purposes: Grantee established a revolving loan program to serve local mentally ill persons and families by loaning them up to one-half of the necessary funds to make a housing security deposit, to pay a utility deposit and to reimburse one-time rental application fees. As loans are re-paid to the program funds are again loaned to other clients for the same purposes. The program is successful and continues to make loans.

Montana Independent Living Project. #73

Primary Contact Person: Tami Hoar, Program Director, 406-782-4834  
3475 Monroe, Suite 100, Butte, MT 59701

Alternate Contact: Bob Maffit, Executive Director, 406-442-5755  
34 N. Last Chance Gulch, Suite 500, Helena, MT 59601

Grant award: \$17,491.76

Purposes: Grantee presented educational seminars in Montana. Grantee created seminar materials, scheduled presentations, documented and followed up with attending providers, and provided outreach to disability organizations and students with mental illness. Grantee promoted peer to peer services to persons suffering with mental illness by administering six Living Well classes, trained individuals to be Living Well facilitator peers, and developed and implemented weekly support group meetings.

Montana Legal Services Association. #75

616 Helena Avenue, Suite 100, Helena, MT 59601

Contact: Elaine Dahl. 406-442-9830

Grant award: \$5,000.00

Purposes: MLSA educated mental health service providers in Montana about potential housing law issues pertinent to the providers' clients in order to enable these providers to identify possible housing law issues, distribute educational and informational resources and make appropriate referrals. MLSA Housing Unit attorneys made live and webinar presentations, and developed and distributed 300 pieces educational and informational materials about housing law to mental health service providers which in turn were given to the providers' clients. MLSA videotaped one live presentation and has made it available electronically and by DVD to providers who were unable to attend live or webinar presentations during the grant term.

Rocky Mountain Development Council, Inc. #75a

Montana Youth Homes, Margaret Stewart Facility

200 South Cruse Ave., P.O. Box 1717, Helena, MT 59624-1717

Contact: Emily McVey, Program Manager, 406-447-1680

Grant award: \$19,967.00

Purposes: Grantee retained a mental health therapist to provide consistent therapy for clients of the youth home and to assist its staff in providing mental health services.

Montana State Hospital. #78

P.O. Box 300, Warm Springs, MT 59756

Contact: Tracy Thun, Chief Fiscal Officer, 406-693-7000

Grant award: \$20,000.00

Purposes: Grantee provided furnishings for a new chapel constructed with private funds on the campus of Montana State Hospital at Warm Springs. The chapel is periodically used for therapy sessions and other patient meetings.

The Montana Neuroscience Institute Foundation. #82

500 W. Broadway, Missoula, MT 59802

Contact: Cindi Laukes, MA, 406-329-5663

Grant award: \$20,000.00

Purposes: Grantee established a community mental health advisory council to help develop, refine, and evaluate a model for mental health screening in reservation communities. The council is composed of tribal community members. Council members reviewed and commented on selected screening measures and assisted in refining the implementation model of this pilot project.

Grantee implemented screening, referral, and psycho-education activities within the context of existing tribal health fairs, powwows, and other annual community events held on the Flathead Reservation to reduce barriers to accessing mental health care. Grantee implemented the pilot model developed by the counsel at 4 events within the 20 month project term. Grantee reviewed the pilot project model at advisory council meetings with the project team to evaluate the model protocol and identify specific challenges and recommendations for ongoing improvements in the model. Grantee collaboratively developed a summary report of recommendations for implementation of the model within other tribal communities in Montana. The project team reviewed the summary recommendations and created and distributed a written report identifying best practices for screening, referral, and psycho-education for possible implementation in other tribal communities.

Parmly Billings Library. #89

510 North Broadway, Billings, MT 59101

Contact: Mary Murphrey, Administrative Coordinator, 406-657-8391

Grant award: \$5,000.00

Purposes: Grantee provided library staff with training on how to effectively and safely deal with patrons suffering from serious mental illness and children

with serious emotional disturbances. The project included on-site training for staff, and purchase of training aids in DVD and written formats. The training aids will be used as part of an orientation for future employees and for ongoing training for current staff members. The training and educational materials are available to other City staff who also work with mentally ill individuals.

Poverello Center, Inc. #93

PO Box 7466, Missoula, MT 59801

Contact: Eran Fowler Pehan, 406-728-1809 ext. 11

Grant award: \$20,000.00

Purposes: Grantee established a street outreach team which worked with community partners to connect homeless individuals with severe and persistent mental illness with shelter, housing, employment, benefit assistance, behavioral health, transportation, and other services. Grant funds equipped the outreach team with basic medical supplies, food and transportation vouchers, and clean clothing. The outreach team also provided payment assistance to homeless individuals to obtain identification and birth certifications necessary for accessing health care, housing, employment and benefit assistance programs. The outreach team served individuals with co-occurring disorders, but primarily focused on assisting homeless individuals with severe and persistent mental illness.

Western Montana Mental Health Center-Butte Division. #98

81 West Park Street, Butte, MT 59701

Contact: Jodi Daly, Southwest Deputy Director, 406-491-1211

Grant award: \$20,000.00

Purposes: Grantee collaborated with the Butte-Silver Bow Detention Center to create a county jail diversion program for mentally ill persons entering incarceration. The program streamlined the process of jail diversion by allowing accelerated access to a mental health professional located at the detention center for assessment and referral to mental health support services. On-site assessments reduced the number of people who were jailed as a result of behavioral problems caused by mental illness or co-occurring disorders.

The program had two intervention points. The first intervention point identified individuals with mental illness and co-occurring disorders and recommended alternative dispositions such as a release to a mental health treatment center. The second intervention point provided mental health and co-occurring services upon release from jail in order to help prevent detainees from returning to jail by directing them to appropriate support

services. The program was successful. Grantee has not reported whether the program continues.

Suicide Prevention Coalition of Yellowstone Valley. #108

Riverstone Health  
123 S 27th St., Billings, MT 59101  
Contact: Mike Yakawich, Chair SPC-YV, 406-254-2445

Grant award: \$9,400.00; \$7,779.71 disbursed.

Purposes: Grantee presented day-long seminars in July 2011, and October 2012, entitled *Education and Training for Family, Caregivers and Educators in Suicide Prevention*. These events were designed to increase awareness and teach interventions to those directly involved with high-risk populations. The programs were well attended and well received.

University of Montana. #110

Department of Psychology  
1444 Mansfield Avenue, Missoula, MT 59812  
Principal Investigator: Dr. Jennifer Robohm, 406-243-6890

Grant award: \$19,950.00

Purposes: Dr. Robohm conducted a project entitled “Low-Fee Psychological Evaluation and Assessment Services to Assist in the Treatment and Management of Mental Illness in Adults and Children in Western Montana.” The program allowed University students, under supervision of staff, to provide mental health assessments at low cost to persons who could not otherwise pay. The program allowed student interns to obtain required assessment hours. Significant numbers of assessments were completed to the benefit of students and mentally ill program participants.

The program is ongoing and has been assigned to MMHT.

University of Montana—Helena. #111

1115 North Roberts, Helena, MT 59601  
Contact: Nathan A. Munn, M.D., 406-444-6783

Grant award: \$20,000.00; \$4,350.00 disbursed.

Purposes: Grantee taught classes at University of Montana – Helena on mental health diagnosis and treatments to consumers for peer-to-peer services thereby improving the quality and effectiveness of these services. Twenty-five students took the course and qualified for certification.

University of Montana. #112

Department of Pharmacy  
Skaggs Building, Room 306  
32 Campus Drive, Missoula, MT 59812  
Principal Investigator: Annie Belcourt, 406-243-5454

Grant award: \$19,962.00

Purposes: Dr. Belcourt and staff coordinated with Planting Seeds of Hope to develop and provide training in digital storytelling to persons at several Indian reservations in Montana and Wyoming. The curriculum included participants preparing personal digital stories which were subsequently distributed and are now available on reservations to enable trainers to produce digital stories of native youth to assist in suicide prevention.

University of Montana . #113

Department of Social Work  
32 Campus Drive, Missoula, MT 59812  
Principal Investigator: Dr. Catherine O'Day, 406-243-5755

Grant award: \$19,998.00

Purposes: Dr. O'Day supervised students who conducted crisis intervention, and assessments, and made referrals for resources and education to Missoula County Detention Center detainees with mental health concerns. Students regularly consulted with detention officers regarding difficult behaviors and identifying methods to deescalate difficult or dangerous situations. In addition, students provided crisis intervention, developed follow-up plans and compiled statistics on mental illness of detainees.

Western Montana Mental Health Center, Superior Office. #126

405 Brooklyn Ave., P.O. Box 745, Superior, MT 59872  
Contact: Thomas Hodgetts 406-532-9150

Grant award: \$20,000.00; \$19,602.38 disbursed.

Purposes: Grantee planned and developed a Recovery Garden in Superior. The purpose of the garden is to help mentally ill community members to stabilize and recover. Grantee purchased a yard tractor, storage facilities, and a greenhouse, and collaborated with the Mineral County DUI Treatment Court, and Mineral County Local Advisory Council to carry out activities required to make the garden a success. The project continues.

Western Montana Mental Health Center—Anaconda Branch. #128

307 E. Park #211, Anaconda, MT 59711  
Contact: Janine Stewart, Program Manager, 406-563-3413

Grant award: \$17,500.00

Purposes: Grantee provided financial assistance through loan agreements with mentally ill individuals and their families for unfunded or underfunded needs and activities. The project provides loan programs in Deer Lodge, Powell and Granite Counties to individuals receiving Grantee's mental health care services. Loan recipients are required to sign re-payment agreements. Loan amounts are determined based on available funds and the loan recipient's expected ability to repay the loan. Grantee decides the amount of each loan. Loan recipients pay an administration fee equal to 5% of the loan but do not pay interest.

Loans are made to address various client needs, including: vocational needs; transportation; family stability including mental health treatment through WMMHC in-house services on a sliding fee scale; community social participation; health care including dental, visual, prescription medication, medical equipment, non Rx medications, doctor visits; and other needs related to mental health issues of Grantee's clients.

Loans are being repaid and the program is continuing.

Western Montana Mental Health Center - Butte Branch. #129

106 West Broadway, Butte, MT 59701

Contact: Kathy Dunks, Director of Operations, 406-782-4395

Grant award: \$19,968.00

Purposes: Trust funds provided wages for participants in the Workers Now program at Silver House Thrift Store in Butte for working at the store. This enabled mentally ill persons to be paid and receive employment training in retail sales. Grant funds provided 2,496 hours of paid training at \$8.00 per hour to mental health service consumers in an integrated employment setting. Consumers received training with the goal of community job placement. Rotation of consumers through the training site insured maximum consumer training and employment opportunities.

Youth Enhancement Services, Inc. #132

885 Bertland Loop, Conrad, MT 59425

Contact: Nancy Bruner, 406-627-2478

Grant award: \$20,000.00

Purposes: The Grantee collaborated with the 9<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court to provide crisis intervention services, and wrap-around mental health services to youth and their families in Teton, Pondera and Glacier Counties. The project was successful.

Merit Medication Consultants (formerly AssessRx). #138  
3936 Avenue B, Suite D, Billings, MT 59102  
Contact: Carla Cobb, Pharm.D., 406-281-8252

Grant award: \$233,000.00

Purposes: Grantee provided the following services:

- a. Obtained input from stakeholders and developed key educational messages for primary care providers (PCPs);
- b. Developed a strategic communication plan to inform patients and providers about the role of pharmacists in providing comprehensive medication management in the collaborative care of patients with mental illnesses;
- c. Educated PCPs about the appropriate use of psychiatric medications based on key educational messages and the value of comprehensive medication management;
- d. Distributed educational materials and tools to PCPs to help them recognize and manage mental illnesses;
- e. Provided comprehensive medication management to patients with mental illnesses, with feedback to PCPs;
- f. Encouraged insurance companies, employers, and legislators to fund comprehensive medication management.

As of November 2012 Grantee completed medication reviews for 107 patients involving 256 providers with a cost savings in this part of the program of over \$73,000.00. Patients and providers report that this service has been helpful. Additionally, more than 665 healthcare professionals, pharmacists and other mental health stakeholders received education on psychotropic medication. Information concerning the program has been circulated through the use of brochures and attendance at health fairs.

The program is continuing. Grantee has advised that just under \$40,000.00 of trust funds remain to continue funding the program. An Amended Grant Agreement has been negotiated with Grantee whereby the program may continue into 2013. The Grant Agreements have been assigned to MMHT and Grantee shall report to that Trust.

Community Crisis Center. #148  
704 N. 30<sup>th</sup> Street, Billings, MT 59101  
Contact: MarCee Neary, Director, 406-259-8800

Grant award: \$166,784.00

Purposes: Grantee hired an additional fulltime licensed mental health counselor to provide counseling support, reduce client waiting times, and serve more clients during hours of high client volume. The new-hire counselor was dually trained as a case manager and has increased Grantees case

management contacts, assisted with the Access to Recovery program for Native American clients in recovery, helped manage 72 hour presumptive eligibility paperwork, reduced the number of clients that leave the facility without receiving counseling services, expanded the IMR program, and worked on partnerships with other organizations including Billings Clinic's Bridge Clinic. Trust funds also provided Crisis Intervention Training for first responders and covered stipends for first responders from outside the Billings area. Grantee purchased a computer, printer, and general office supplies for the new-hire counselor. The program continues and the Grantee will report hereon to MMHT.

Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services. #151

Office of the Suicide Prevention Coordinator  
555 Fuller Ave, P.O. Box 202905, Helena, MT 59620-2905  
Contact: Karl Rosston , 406-444-3349

Grant award: \$186,436.00; \$174,000.00 disbursed.

Purposes: Grant funds were used to raise awareness about Montana populations that are at the highest risk of suicide and provide community trainings around the State. Grantee sent a suicide prevention mailing to every Montana veteran, and provided suicide prevention blankets to all 50 jails in Montana. Grantee distributed 3,000 gun locks to county health departments. Grantee launched a suicide prevention awareness campaign on Facebook and a suicide prevention awareness campaign on ChaCha; both campaigns continue. A media campaign on suicide prevention has been implemented on Bresnan (Optimum). Suicide prevention trainings have been provided throughout the State. \$18,205.00 remains with DPHHS in this account and will be used to Provide ASIST trainings. DPHHS will report to MMHT on the progress of these trainings.

Eastern Montana Community Mental Health Center. #152

2508 Wilson, Miles City, MT 59301  
Contact: Frank L. Lane, Executive Director, 406-234-0234

Grant award: \$650,000.00

Purposes: Grantee initiated and oversaw the construction, furnishing, and initial operation of a comprehensive mental health center building in Glendive, Montana. The Eastern Montana Service Area Authority was in desperate need of a facility. Trust funds paid the majority of construction costs of the facility. The new mental health center is completed and in use.

Western Montana Mental Health Center—Gallatin Mental Health Center. #160

699 Farmhouse Lane, Bozeman, MT 59715

Contact: Scott Malloy, 406-556-6500

Grant award: \$30,000.00

Purposes: Grant funds provided transitional housing for the mentally ill patients, provided peer support and mentoring for mentally ill persons in crisis, and funded development of a vocational program for the clients of the Center. The program was successful.

Intermountain Deaconess Home for Children. #165

500 South Lamborn Street, Helena, MT 59601

Contact: Jim FitzGerald, 406-442-7920

Grant award: \$300,000.00

Purposes: Grantee purchased property in Helena, and has completed construction of an integrated community mental health center. Grantee has licensed and is operating the facility as a mental health center focused upon, and specializing in, treatment of Montana children and youth with serious emotional disturbances and severe disabling mental illness, and their families.

Livingston HealthCare Foundation. #168

504 South 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Livingston MT 59047

Contact: Sally O'Connor, 406-222-3541

Grant award: \$171,536.00; \$111,536.00 disbursed.

Purposes: Beginning in May 2011, Grantee organized a task force to provide training for mental health providers, law enforcement, hospital staff, veterans, first responders, school personnel and medical providers in evidence-based suicide prevention strategies. Grantee organized a task force for suicide prevention, crisis intervention training, school district suicide prevention training and crisis response training, and marketed these services. Thereafter, Grantee collaborated with and oversaw the activities of the task force in reaching the goals of the program entitled "A Community Collaboration for Suicide Prevention." Grantee solicited and obtained financial and other support from other community stakeholders in support of its work.

During the Trust period Grantee expended \$98,134.00 on the program leaving \$13,402.00 of trust funds in the account. The Trust and Grantee entered into an amended Grant Agreement wherein no further funds would be disbursed and Grantee would expend the remainder of trust funds in its possession on crisis assistance, CIT training, training hospital and fire

department personnel and providing suicide prevention programs in local schools. Grantee shall report to MMHT on the expenditure of remaining funds.

Mental Health America of Montana (MHA of MT). #172

PO Box 88, Bozeman, MT 59771-0088

Contact: Dan Aune, Executive Director, 406-587-7774

Grant award: \$12,500.00

Purposes: Grantee developed and implemented two projects directed at prevention and education concerning mental illness:

- a. Stop the Stigma – a program designed to promote mental health and suicide prevention resources through indoor advertising on movie theater screens, and with outdoor advertising on billboards located in key counties throughout the State where suicide is most prevalent and visibility is highest. This project emphasized a partnership to prevent suicide through peer-to-peer relationships. The Stop the Stigma project is modeled after the US military’s plan to promote resources through movie theater screens and emphasize the buddy system when connecting people with suicide prevention and mental health resources.
- b. Montana Warm Line Enhancement: Connecting All Drop-In Centers through Web Technology. Grantee made available in each Drop-In Center (DIC) web technologies, primarily Webcams and SKYPE video-conferencing services, to enable mental health services consumers across the State to join group activities at each of the DICs. Currently there are seven (7) functional DICs located in Bozeman, Livingston, Helena, Miles City, Missoula, Billings, and the MHA of MT Virtual DIC with an additional DIC being developed in Anaconda. MHA of MT provided training to each of the DICs, assessed the technology needs at each site, purchased the needed equipment, and provided on-going technical assistance through the first year of connectivity.

Western Montana Mental Health Center—Missoula Housing Authority. #173

Building T-9, Fort Missoula Road, Missoula, MT 59808

Contact: Melinda Mason, 406-532-9737

Grant award: \$200,000.00

Purposes: Grantee purchased a home in Missoula and developed a cooperative living arrangement for mental health services consumers. Grantee furnished the home to make it suitable for 4 to 6 clients to live together in the house, and assisted them in relocating to the home. For at least four years from the date of purchase, Grantee will continue operating the home, using Grantee’s funds and rent paid by residents, to operate the facility and pay the debts related thereto. The project has been and continues to be successful.

Mental Health of America—Montana, Peer to Peer. #175

205 Haggarty Lane, P.O. Box 88, Bozeman, MT 59715

Contact: Dan Aune, Executive Director MPN, 406-587-7774

Grant award: \$150,000.00

Purposes: Grantee established Montana Peer Network (MPN), a peer to peer program to assist persons suffering from mental illness. MPN developed and sponsored Wellness Recovery Action Plan (WRAP) workshops throughout Montana. Facilitators were trained. Over 1000 consumers attended. MPN was successful in developing into an independent organization which continues to provide peer to peer services. Remaining grant funds of \$15,938.70 were delivered to this new organization to be utilized for the purposes funded by the initial grant.

Montana's Peer Network. #175, #2

205 Haggarty Lane, P.O. Box 88, Bozeman, MT 59715

Contact: Jim Hajny, Executive Director, 406-551-1058

Grant award: \$96,885.00

Purposes: Montana's Peer Network is the successor to Montana Peer Network. It has much the same purposes, and has carried on the program of providing peer to peer services. The organization, run by mental health consumers, provides services to mentally ill Montana citizens through WRAP workshops, outreach to mental health Local Advisory Councils, and Service Authority Boards. Membership in the organization is expanding. A monthly newsletter is being produced. Further funding is being sought. The organization is a success.

Montana Council on Developmental Disabilities. #178

2714 Billings Avenue, Helena, MT 59601

Contact: Deborah Swingley, ED/CEO, 406-443-4371

Grant award: \$113,892.00

Purposes: Grantee improved service delivery for individuals with serious and persistent mental illness and intellectual/developmental disabilities. Grantee provided training and education for mental health clinicians (e.g., MD, MSW, APRN) and law enforcement personnel. Grantee provided 15 separate trainings across Montana which were attended by 548 mental health providers and administrators and 142 law enforcement officers from Montana and Tribal agencies.

Montana Department of Health and Human Services-- State Hospital . #179

P.O. Box 300, Warm Springs, MT 59756

Contact: Tracy Thun, Chief Fiscal Officer, 406-693-7000

Grant award: \$150,000.00; \$141,251.00 distributed.

Purposes: Grantee constructed a 22' X 48' greenhouse on the campus of Montana State Hospital at Warm Springs. The greenhouse is used as a part of vocational training services provided to hospital patients suffering from serious mental illness. The greenhouse facility will continue to be used as a part of the vocational services at the State Hospital for at least 8 years after the date of its completion. \$141,251.00 of the committed trust funds has been disbursed. Due to contractor's delay, at the termination of MMHST, construction was 95% complete. The structure will be utilized for the first time in the Spring of 2013. The Grant Agreement for this project has been assigned to MMHT.

Montana Office of Public Instruction. #185

PO Box 202501, Helena, MT 59620-2501

Contact: Deborah Halliday, 406-444-3559

Grant award: \$609,713.00; \$408,992.00 distributed.

Purposes: Grantee collaborated with Tribal Governments, Indian Health Services, Bureau of Indian Affairs and public school districts located on the Fort Peck, Crow and Northern Cheyenne Reservations to provide youth with serious emotional distress and potential serious emotional distress with WRAP services. Facilitators were trained and certified. Community outreach occurred. Volunteer WRAP families were recruited and trained. Peer to peer youth groups were organized. Information was disseminated to other school districts.

The program encountered delays in recruiting and training facilitators and in integrating the WRAP programs into the target communities. However, the program is now underway, gaining momentum and is growing.

\$408,992.00 of the granted amount has been distributed. An Amended Agreement allowing the program to continue has been executed and assigned to MMHT.

Ravalli County, Montana. #188

215 South 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Ste. A, Hamilton, MT 59840

Contact: Klarryse Murphy, 406-375-6750

Grant award: \$425,000.00; \$411,762.65 distributed.

Purposes: Grantee constructed, licensed, and is operating a voluntary and secure crisis facility designed to decrease the number of mentally ill individuals

held in jail, police custody or a medical facility. The facility has been, and will continue to be, used to provide community-based treatment for patients and decrease the need to transport patients to the Montana State Hospital for emergency detention and evaluation. The facility contains four voluntary and two involuntary stabilization beds. The facility has been served many mentally ill persons and has resulted in cost savings to local agencies serving them.

Abraham Low Self Help Systems (ALSHS). #189

105 W. Adams Street, Ste. 2940, Chicago, IL 60603

Contact: Christine Lewis, 866-221-0302

Montana Project Leader: Charlotte Moran, 406- 825-3063

40 Bear Gulch Road, Drummond, MT 59832

Grant award: \$44,050.00

Purposes: Recovery International ALSHS programs were expanded to additional Montana communities and increased at Montana State Hospital. The programs included are: JumpStart Introductory Workshops, Recovery International Discovery and Traditional weekly meetings; telephone and website meetings; Power to Change for Teens; and Corrections. Introductory workshops followed by weekly meetings were offered in Polson, Helena, and the tri-county area including Anaconda, Deer Lodge, & Philipsburg. Leadership training was offered to any participant who attended 24 meetings and learned to practice and model the program in everyday life. As leaders become available meetings may be offered to specialized populations, such as veterans, and persons supervised by the Montana Department of Corrections.

Rocky Mountain Development Council, Inc. #192

200 South Cruse Ave., P.O. Box 1717, Helena, MT 59624

Contact: Elaine Bruce, Mental Health Program Manager, 406-447-1680

Grant award: \$210,000.00

Purposes: Grantee utilized Trust funds to continue operating a consumer-driven, consumer-run peer to peer recovery support facility in Helena called Our Place Drop-in Center. The Drop-in Center has been successful.

Sanders County. #195

PO Box 519, Thompson Falls, MT 59873

Contact: Janine Robbins, Clerk and Recorder, 406-827-6942

Grant award: \$50,100.00; \$36,824.96 disbursed.

Purposes: Grant funding provided for the conversion of an isolation room at the Clark Fork Valley Hospital in Plains into a Voluntary Crisis Stabilization

(Safe) Room. In conjunction with the Hospital, Grantee oversaw the renovation to its completion. Additionally, Grantee trained Western Montana Mental Health Center staff in Sanders County to assume responsibility for crisis response when they receive calls from the Clark Fork Valley Hospital or the Sanders County Sheriff's Department. Grant funds paid for WMMHC staff members to be available at all times.

Shodair Children's Hospital. #196

2755 Colonial Drive, P.O. Box 5539, Helena, MT 59604

Contact: Jack Casey, Administrator, 406-444-7501

Grant award: \$500,000.00

Purposes: The grant provided major funding for the construction and use of a Family House located on the Shodair Hospital Campus in Helena. The facility provides accommodations for families to participate in intensive family therapy, be educated in collaborative problem solving, spend time with their child at Shodair, and begin integrating families and their mentally ill and emotionally disturbed children into the community.

The facility is also used as an education center for professionals. Grantee generated and supplied additional funding, in an amount not less than \$500,000.00, necessary to complete construction and furnishing of the facility, establish appropriate procedures and policies for its operation, and to staff the facility after construction was completed. For no less than six years from the date of the facility's completion, Grantee will operate it as a part of its mission to treat children and youth with serious emotional disturbances and severe disabling mental illnesses.

Montana Dept. of Public Health & Human Services. #203

Children's Mental Health Bureau

PO Box 4210, Helena, MT 59604-4210

Contact: Daniel Ladd, Community Services Supervisor, 406-444-4545

Grant award: \$449,902.00; \$330.079 disbursed.

Purposes: Grantee expanded its capacity to deliver High Fidelity Wraparound (HFW) services of facilitation and peer-to-peer support. The department's System of Care (SOC) Planning Committee had previously identified this as the model needed to support the State's objective to serve youth and families with the least restrictive home and community services. This wraparound model helps youth and families develop one plan to address all of their needs; empowers the family and youth to participate in and lead the planning process; is respectful of the family culture; provides crisis planning, and according to national statistics, results in better chances for recovery and independence.

Grantee will prepare and publish a final report and assessment of the wraparound service project to be completed no later than July 31, 2013. The report will identify the indicators used to assess the project, including: the number of children who were eligible for residential care but were successfully diverted to a less restrictive level of care; an appropriate measure of parent satisfaction with the HFW services; feedback from school personnel related to academic performance, behavior, reduction of absenteeism, and reduction of the frequency of suspension; and other pertinent measures of success. The Grant Agreement has been assigned to MMHT.

University of Montana Department of Psychology. #208

Department of Psychology  
Skaggs Building, Room 143, Missoula, MT 59812-1584  
Principal Investigator: Dr. Cameo Borntrager, 406-243-5191

Grant award: \$149,019.00; \$134,941.21 disbursed.

Purposes: The Grantee's principal investigator conducted a project entitled, "Comprehensive Training Network for Children's Mental Health Services," in collaboration with the Missoula County Public Schools, Missoula Lowell Elementary School and community mental health treatment providers associated with Western Montana Mental Health. Goals of the project were to train and coach mental health treatment providers, educators, caregivers and families in evidenced based mental health related practices. Grantee wrote a final comprehensive report on the project indicating that progress has been made in developing a model available for use in school systems across the State. The report was supplied to the Department of Public Health and Human services. Grantee reported that due to this project the Missoula County Public Schools have been awarded a three year federal grant to continue and expand on the results obtained.

HKJ, Inc. d/b/a Winds of Change. #216

2120 South Reserve Street, PMB # 117, Missoula, MT 59801  
Contact: Stacey Wheeler, 406-721-2038, Ext. 206

Grant award: \$24,400.00

Purposes: Grantee retained peer support staff to provide clients with peer to peer support services. Grantee also provided co-occurring training to staff and purchased and utilized with clients "Pathway to Recovery" workbooks and "Double Trouble in Recovery" workbooks.

Montana Alliance for the Mentally Ill. #231

616 Helena Ave., Ste. 218, Helena, MT 59601  
Contact: Matt Kuntz, 406-443-7871

Grant award: \$3,500.00

Purposes: Utilizing grant funds NAMI Montana improved its previously established NAMI Connections program by making its Connections facilitators paid part-time staff. This increased participation by facilitators and allowed for expansion of the program to additional locations in Montana. Grantee conducted a facilitator training for the program and established six Connections groups across Montana during the grant period.

Montana Alliance for the Mentally Ill. #232

616 Helena Ave., Ste. 218, Helena, MT 59601  
Contact: Matt Kuntz, 406-443-7871

Grant award: \$20,000.00; \$10,920.71 disbursed.

Purposes: Grantee sponsored a Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Presentation in Helena which included information on CIT as a potential community program, how to prepare to introduce CIT in a community, and answering audience questions. Current CIT officers, CIT training teams, coordinators, law enforcement personnel, mental health providers, emergency room personnel and crisis response personnel from throughout Montana attended.

Montana Alliance for the Mentally Ill. #232(2)

616 Helena Ave., Ste. 218, Helena, MT 59601  
Contact: Matt Kuntz, 406-443-7871

Grant award: \$90,000.00

Purposes: Grantee established a Montana Charitable Trust with the name NAMI Montana Trust. The NAMI Montana Trust will periodically distribute money for the sole purposes of supporting, educating and advocating for seriously mentally ill Montana citizens and their families. Grantee contributed to NAMI Montana Trust an amount equal to this Grant which will be used for the same purposes.

Billings Police Department. #233

220 N 27<sup>th</sup> Street, Billings, MT  
Contact: Officer Kathy Carson, 406-247-8669

Grant award: \$7,910.00

Purposes: Grantee sent seven mental health Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) members from Billings to a CIT International Conference held August 20-22, 2012 in Las Vegas, NV. Team members attending included Billings police officers, Yellowstone County sheriff's deputies, health care providers and team members from the mental health field working in CIT. Upon return from the conference the attending CIT team members shared information and knowledge gained at the conference with their respective departments. Conference attendees continue to work on, and support, efforts in surrounding communities to establish CIT programs.

Lewis & Clark County, et al. #234A

316 N. Park, Rm. 316, Helena, MT 59623

Contact: Eric Bryson, Chief Admin. Officer, 406-447-8311

Grant award: \$60,000.00; \$30,000.00 disbursed.

Purposes: The Grantees, Lewis & Clark County, Rocky Mountain Development Council (RMDC) and Center for Mental Health, agreed to continue operating, for at least two years, a consumer-driven, consumer-run peer-to-peer Drop In Center, in Helena, known as Our Place Drop-in Center, for the benefit of mentally ill persons and their families. The facility is owned by RMDC and leased to the County. The Center for Mental Health staffs the facility. Trust funds help defray the cost of renting the Drop In Center building and other facility expenses. The Grant Agreement cannot be completed within the term of the Trust per its terms, and has been assigned to MMHT.

Lewis & Clark County, et al. #234B

316 N. Park, Rm. 316, Helena, MT 59623

Contact: Eric Bryson, Chief Admin. Officer, 406-447-8311

Grant award: \$205,400.00; \$51,350.00 disbursed.

Purposes: The Grantees, Lewis & Clark County, St. Peter's Hospital, Western Montana Mental Health Center and Center for Mental Health, agreed to operate and staff a Crisis Response Team (CRT) in Lewis & Clark County and the surrounding area through the year 2014, for the benefit of mentally ill persons. CRT responds to persons in mental health crises whenever and wherever the need arises. In addition to Trust funds granted for the project, the County will contribute at least \$50,000.00 per year and the Hospital will contribute at least \$80,000.00 per year to fund CRT operations. WMMHC provides and houses CRT staff. The Grant Agreement, per its terms, could not be completed within the term of the Trust, and it has been assigned to MMHT.

Lewis & Clark County, et al. #234C

316 N. Park, Rm. 316, Helena, MT 59623

Contact: Eric Bryson, Chief Admin. Officer, 406-447-8311

Grant award: \$300,000.00; \$0.00 disbursed.

Purposes: The Grantees, Lewis & Clark County, Western Montana Mental Health Center and Center for Mental Health, agreed to construct, license, operate and maintain a Crisis Stabilization Facility in Helena for the benefit of mentally ill Montanans and their families. The facility will operate for at least five years after construction is completed and the facility is occupied.

The facility is expected to cost more than \$800,000.00. The County is responsible for construction costs in excess of the Trust grant award. No trust funds are to be disbursed until the completed plans for the facility are approved by all parties. Construction is scheduled to commence in the Summer of 2013. The Grant Agreement has been assigned to MMHT.

Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services. #235

Addictive and Mental Disorders Division

555 Fuller Ave, P.O. Box 202905, Helena, MT 59620-2905

Contact: Susan Haran, 406-454-6078

Grant award: \$850,000.00; \$5,000.00 disbursed.

Purposes: Grantee will contract with a third party (Contractor) to analyze and propose procedures for implementing local Peer Support Services in Montana communities. The Contractor's analysis will include, at a minimum: a comparison of various staffing options (e.g. fulltime, part time, volunteer); a projection of expected costs and scope, including human resource time and equipment use; an analysis of potential risks; identification of populations to be served and location sites for peer support services; identification of infrastructure requirements necessary to ensure success including policies, procedures, job descriptions, orientation, adaptations, supervision, etc.; and identification of potential funding sources.

Grantee shall prepare and publish a Request for Proposal soliciting proposals from Montana communities wishing to establish a pilot project to train and employ Recovery Support Peer Specialists and demonstrate collaboration between mental health and primary care entities to support mentally ill persons. Only communities that have pre-existing collaboration and care entities ready to employ Recovery Support Peer Specialists will receive a grant. The purpose of the grant opportunity is not to plan how to employ peer specialists, but rather to implement Recovery Support Services.

Communities which receive grants will be required to complete an evaluation which will include the development of a toolkit. The toolkit may include model job descriptions, policies and procedures, orientation for the agency to conduct peer support, orientation for the peer support specialists, evaluation tools to be used, and a timetable for the development of the peer to peer program. The pilot projects will be expected to participate in a Peer Support Task Force established by Grantee.

The funded project is expected to continue through mid-2015, and per the terms of the Grant Agreement cannot be completed within the term of the Trust. It has been assigned to MMHT.

Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services. #236

Children's Mental Health Bureau  
P.O. Box 4210, Helena, MT 59604-4210  
Contact: Daniel Ladd, 406-444-4545

Grant award: \$850,000.00; \$50,000.00 disbursed.

Purposes: Grantee will initiate a statewide Request for Proposals to develop local youth crisis diversion programs in Montana communities. Funding will support the development of community programs to enhance existing healthy connections between youth crisis diversion facilities and therapeutic supports already utilized by local families. Awardees will be required to develop a program(s) to support crisis diversion that would allow a youth to remain in his home community. Grant funds will augment existing community resources and supports, and will be used to promote locally developed, innovative, research based solutions that divert youth in crisis. Funds will not be available for planning purposes, but only for the actual development of local youth crisis diversion programs.

Grantee will also conduct monthly planning meetings with the SOC Planning Committee to evaluate progress, to coordinate planning for the proposed Youth Crisis Diversion Programs, and to adjust the work plan to meet the identified goals, monitor its grantees, collect data from grantees during the two year period, conduct ongoing analysis, and provide reports on progress toward the goals and objectives of the project.

The funded project is expected to continue until early 2015, and per the terms of the Grant Agreement cannot be completed within the term of the Trust. It has been assigned to MMHT.