

GENERAL AID

Montana 2-1-1

Provides information and connects people to resources for non-emergency needs.

<https://montana211.org/> or call (406) 2-1-1

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)

This program financially supports eligible families for up to 60 months. Find eligibility requirements on the DPHHS website. • 1-(888)706-1535

<https://dphhs.mt.gov/hcsd/TANF>

MENTAL HEALTH



Community Crisis Center

The Community Crisis Center is filling the healthcare gap by providing assessment and referral services to people in crisis who need access to integrated mental health, chemical dependency, and social services. Professional staff will provide these services as a licensed Montana Mental Health Center. Services are provided on a sliding scale and services will not be denied due to the inability to pay. • (406) 259-8800

<https://www.crisiscenterbillings.org/services>

NAMI Billings – Connection Support Group

A 90-minute recovery support group offered twice a week for anyone with a mental health condition. Groups are facilitated by peers living in recovery and provide an ongoing opportunity to discuss the challenges of living with a mental health condition and the techniques for maintaining wellness. (406) 256-2001 • <http://www.namibillings.org/connection-support-group/>

FOOD & GROCERIES

Family Service

Family Service provides Billings residents access to nutritious food boxes containing protein, fresh fruits and vegetables, dairy, and more! They also distribute groceries through the Commodity Supplemental Food Program to all participating low-income seniors over the age of 60 years. Additionally, Family Services offers rent and utility assistance for those who find themselves with a three-day notice or utility shut off notice. No-cost clothing is also available, alongside many household goods in their well-priced thrift store. • (406) 259-2269

<https://billingsfamilyservice.org/find-help/>

Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)

The Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) is a federally funded program that assures nutritious meals and snacks are served to all eligible children and adults attending child or adult care programs. In Montana, the program serves participants in all counties and on all Indian Reservations.

1 (888) 307 9333

<https://dphhs.mt.gov/ecfsd/childcare/cacfp>

Billings Food Bank

Increases food accessibility and security through a community food bank, food boxes, and senior nutrition programs to residents in and around Yellowstone County. • (406) 259-2856

<https://billingsfoodbank.com/get-help/>

Veteran's Meat Locker

Veteran's Meat Locker provides Billings-area vets and their families with professionally processed wild and domestic meat. The processed meat is donated by Montana hunters in the community. They serve all legitimate veterans, regardless of branch or service record. • (406) 860-9683

Food Stamps (SNAP)

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) supports eligible Montanans in eating a more nutritious diet by supplementing their food budget. • 1 (888)706-1535

<https://dphhs.mt.gov/hcsd/SNAP>



YOUTH & CHILDCARE

Women Infants Children (WIC)

Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for women, infants, and children. Eligible families receive food benefits and resources, education on the benefits of healthy eating, breastfeeding support when applicable, and referrals to community healthcare providers/services.

(406) 247-3370 • <https://riverstonehealth.org/healthy-families/women-infants-children-wic/>

Yellowstone Youth Services Center

The Acute Crisis Care Program provides a temporary home for youths in crisis situations who have no place to live and provides professional care to youths who have emotional and behavioral problems too severe to be managed in a traditional foster home. Behavioral and chemical dependency evaluations are offered. Outpatient services are available for self referral. Residential services can be accessed through licensed placing agencies.

(406) 256-6825

Tumbleweed Runaway Program

The Tumbleweed Runaway Program is a non-profit, community-based agency that provides services to runaway, homeless, and otherwise at-risk youth and their families. Tumbleweed's services are free of charge and include: crisis prevention; family counseling; adolescent support groups; information, advocacy, and referral to other community services; parenting courses; aftercare and assistance with location runaway youth and reuniting them with their parent/legal guardians. • (406) 259-2558

<https://www.tumbleweedprogram.org/>

Youth Homeless Demonstration Program (YHDP)

Our housing navigator coordinates with our youth and young adults, property managers and agencies that help facilitate independent housing to the population we serve (16-25). Case management is provided at least once a week and it addresses further issues from crisis intervention, food boxes, furniture, budgeting classes, life skill classes and basic understanding of community resources and rental knowledge. • (406) 259-2558

<https://www.tumbleweedprogram.org/>



VETERANS

Billings-area veterans are encouraged to reach out to the Benjamin Charles Steele VA Clinic to apply and enroll for VA healthcare. Call (406) 373-3500 to learn more information about their assistance programs and determine eligibility. If you are a veteran currently experiencing homelessness, call the number above and ask for the Homeless Vet Program to be directed to care and services.

Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH)

The HUD-Veterans Affairs Supporting Housing program, or HUD-VASH, provides rental assistance in combination with case management and clinical services provided by local Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Centers (VAMC) for homeless veterans. • (406) 373-3500

<https://housing.mt.gov/Rental-Housing/Veterans-Affairs-Supportive-Housing>

Billings Vet Center

Vet Centers are community-based counseling centers that provide a wide range of social and psychological services, including professional readjustment counseling to eligible veterans, active-duty service members, including National Guard and Reserve components, and their families.

(406) 657-6071

TECH & TRANSPORT

MonTECH

This is a free assistive technology (AT) and adaptive equipment loan program that offers Montana families the opportunity to borrow tech equipment and access equipment training. (406) 243- 5751

<http://montech.ruralinstitute.umt.edu/>

Wheels for Work

Funded in part by the United Way of Yellowstone County, the Wheels for Work program is designed to remove transportation barriers that often prevent low-income individuals from maintaining employment. (406) 247-4732 • <https://hrdc7.org/how-we-help/transportation/wheels-for-work/>



HEALTHCARE

Weekday Free COVID-19 Testing

Free drive-through testing is available through RiverStone Health at 2173 Overland Avenue in Billings. Symptomatic individuals, and those who have had close contact with COVID-19 positive individuals can be tested M-F 8:30am-2:30pm. (406) 651-6415 • <https://covid.riverstonehealth.org/>

COVID-19 Vaccination Information

For information on the vaccines currently available, the tiered vaccination approach, and links to further vaccine resources in the community visit the City of Billings website! • (406) 237-6131 <https://ci.billings.mt.us/2941/COVID-19-Vaccine>

FEMA COVID-19 Funeral Assistance

FEMA is providing financial assistance for COVID-19-related funeral expenses incurred on or after January 20, 2020. Instructions on how to apply for this assistance through FEMA's dedicated helpline at 1-844-684-6333 can also be found on the website. <https://www.fema.gov/disaster/coronavirus/economic/funeral-assistance#apply>

Healthcare for the Homeless

RiverStone Health's Healthcare for the Homeless service provides medical services for people experiencing homelessness and connects them to the care they need. The program also connects individuals to services such as other specialty care, housing, food, and clothing through local service agencies. In addition to seeing patients at our location at 2424 1st Ave North, we offer an outreach clinic at St Vincent de Paul. Healthcare for the Homeless services are also offered at our primary Clinic site at 123 South 27th Street. No appointment for outreach clinics is necessary during outreach clinic hours. • (406) 651-6560 <https://riverstonehealth.org/clinical-services/healthcare-for-the-homeless/>

Dental Lifeline Network, Donated Dental Services

Dentists in Montana provide comprehensive dental care at no charge to people of all ages who are permanently disabled, elderly or medically fragile and lack adequate income to pay for needed dental care. Please visit the attached link for more information on what counties are currently accepting applications. • (406) 449-9670 <https://dentallifeline.org/montana/>

HOUSING & UTILITIES



Montana Emergency Rental Assistance

Will provide rent and utility assistance to Montanans who have been financially impacted, directly or indirectly, by the COVID-19 pandemic. Renters will be able to apply directly for rental and utility assistance, and landlords will be able to apply on behalf of renters with the renter's co-signature and required documentation. • (406) 841-2840 <https://housing.mt.gov/Rental-Housing/Montana-Emergency-Rental-Assistance-Program>

Emergency Solutions Grant

The ESG works to quickly transition homeless individuals and families into permanent, stable housing. • (406) 247-4732 <https://hrdc7.org/how-we-help/emergency-services/emergency-solutions-grant-esg>

Affordable Apartment Search

This online search tool helps Montana residents locate affordable housing and rental information. Property managers and landlords can post and manage their listings on the site free of charge. <https://mthousingsearch.com/>



Energy Assistance (LIEAP)

LIEAP pays a portion of the low-income eligible applicant's heating bill directly to the utility provider during the heating season of October 1 through April 30 of each year. • (406) 247-4778 <https://hrdc7.org/how-we-help/energy-assistance/energy-assistance-low-income-energy-assistance-program-lieap-energy-share/>

Weatherization Assistance Program

HRDC's Weatherization program provides energy conservation services to low-income families, to improve energy efficiency and ensure the health and safety of the household. • 1 (800) 332-2272 <https://www.benefits.gov/benefit/1865>

AGRICULTURE

Growth Through Agriculture

A grant and loan program established by the Montana Legislature to strengthen and diversify Montana's agricultural industry through the development of new agricultural products and processes. • (406) 444-0134 <https://agr.mt.gov/GTA>

Noxious Weed Trust Fund Grants

Provides funding for the development and implementation of weed management programs while supporting the research and development of innovative weed management techniques including biological controls, and funds research and education projects. • (406) 444-7882 <https://agr.mt.gov/NoxiousWeedTrustFund>

Rural Assistance Loans

Finances agricultural enterprises to enhance producers' operations and assist in the economic growth and welfare of Montana agriculture. (406) 444-5420 <https://agr.mt.gov/I-Want-To/Apply-For/Grants-Loans/Rural-Assistance-Loans>

Specialty Crop Block Grants

Offers grant funds to Montana's specialty crop industry solely to enhance the competitiveness of specialty crops in Montana: fruits, vegetables, tree nuts, dried fruits, horticulture, and nursery crops (including floriculture). Funds are provided from the federal USDA Farm Bill. • (406) 444-5424 <https://agr.mt.gov/SpecialtyCropGrantProgram>

Montana Farmer Student Loan Assistance Program

Developed to encourage Montana's college-educated youth to pursue a primary career in farming or ranching; reduce financial stress on Montana's farm and ranch operators; and promote succession planning to preserve interest in Montana's agricultural future. • (406) 444-0134 <https://agr.mt.gov/Topics/Topics-P-Z/Student-Loan-Assistance-Program>



COVID-19 RESOURCE GUIDE

Explore resources available to you through Billings organizations and state agencies!

For more information and to view the online version of the guide, follow the link or scan the code below!

<https://ci.billings.mt.us/2947/COVID-19-Resource-Guide>



Don't see a resource that should be listed?
Let us know! (406) 237-6136

