

## **Montana Autism Facilities Grant**

# **Application Deadline Extended – Apply Now**

**April 14, 2024** 

## **Developmental Disabilities Program (DDP)**

# Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Division (BHDD) is awarding grant funds for the construction of Autism Facilities.

House Bill 952 was passed by Montana's 68<sup>th</sup> Legislature creating an Autism Facilities Grant program to be administered by the Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS). The Autism Facilities Grant (AFG) Program provides one-time funding, up to \$400,000, for the construction or renovation of autism facilities designed and equipped to provide services to individuals with autism spectrum disorders. Funds will be awarded on a first come first serve basis until all funds are expended. Applicants may apply for any amount ranging between \$0 to \$400,000.

The Autism Facilities Grant manual gives guidance on application requirements and process. This manual may be accessed at https://dphhs.mt.gov/BHDD/DisabilityServices/developmentaldisabilities/.

### Eligibility

Eligible applicants must:

- 1. Be a non-profit or government entity.
- 2. Be able to match dollar per dollar the requested amount.
- 3. Provide plans for the construction and development of autism facilities in the state.

#### **Application Requirements**

Applicants must submit a complete application which includes the following items:

- 1. Documentation demonstrating ability to match requested funds.
- 2. EIN, TAX ID Number, W-9, and Unique Entity Identifier (UEI).
- 3. Project Budget.
- 4. Project Implementation Schedule.
- 5. Project Management Plan.
- 6. Five-year Business Plan.
- 7. Certification of Application and AFG Objective.
- 8. Other documents as specified in the application checklist contained in appendix B of the Autism Facilities Grant Manual.

DPHHS is accepting applications now and until all funds are awarded.

Applications must be submitted via **Submittable**.

### **Contact and Website Information**

If you have questions, please contact James Lackey, Developmental Disabilities Program at (406) 444-3878 or email <u>James.Lackey@mt.gov</u>.

You may visit the <u>Developmental Disabilities Program</u> (DDP) webpage for more information on the Autism Facilities Grant program under Information for Families and the Public.