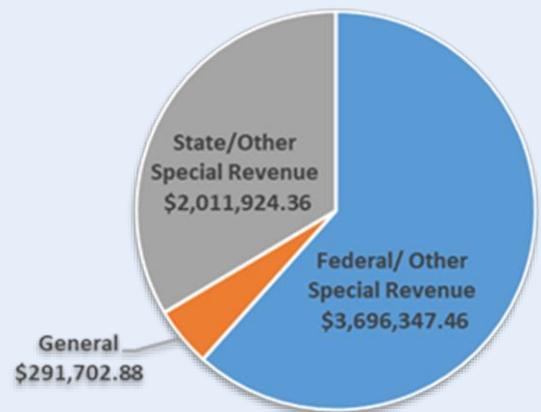


Mental illness affects tens of thousands of Montanans and alcohol and drug misuse has a huge impact on public health. Both are associated with a wide range of health and social problems. Effective prevention strategies are critical to develop skills to strengthen healthy behaviors and may prevent or delay early substance use. There is strong scientific evidence supporting effective prevention programs. Prevention programs in Montana are funded through state general fund, federal funds, and state special revenue funds and include the following programs:

- Mental Health Block Grant – Programs funded under this annual federal block grant provide community-based mental health services to adults with serious mental illness and children with serious emotional disturbances. Examples of these programs include Mental Health First Aid training and postpartum depression training.
- Substance Abuse and Treatment Block Grant – Programs funded under this annual federal block grant provide planning and evaluation of programs that prevent substance abuse and promote public health. Examples of these programs are Parenting Montana, county-based prevention specialists, and the Montana Prevention Needs Assessment.
- State funded drop-in centers – An early intervention that engages individuals in treatment in the least restrictive setting.
- Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) Grant– A biennial federal grant that provides housing services to individuals with serious mental illness and are at risk of homelessness.

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AMDD also manages short-term, grant-funded projects that are not included in the information listed above because they are not part of program core funding. These projects include State-Targeted Response (STR) to Opioids and the State Opioid Response (SOR), through which prevention projects have been completed such as the distribution of Deterra disposal bags, Naloxone training, and distribution of Naloxone to First Responders.