Montana ADA Resource Fair

4.30.2025



Office of Public Instruction Special Education Liaison (OPI) PO Box 202501 Helena, MT 406-444-3680

The Special Education Unit of the Montana Office of Public Instruction is responsible for the implementation of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and related Montana rules and regulations.

www.opi.mt.gov



Montana Accessible Communications (MTAC) 111 N Last Chance Gulch, Suite 4C Helena, MT 800-833-8503

State program within DPHHS that provides assistive communications equipment at no cost to eligible applicants who have disabilities that affect their ability to use the

phone. We also ensure access to 711 Relay in Montana.

https://dphhs.mt.gov/detd/mtac/index



Montana Statewide Independent Living Council (MT SILC) 201 1st St. S. Suite 2 Great Falls, MT 59405 406-454-6066

Living Council The mission of the Montana Statewide Independent Living (SILC) is focused on making

independent living a reality in the community of their choice for Montanans with

disabilities. <u>https://dphhs.mt.gov/detd/independentliving/MTSILC</u>



State of Montana, Children Special Health Services (CSHS) PO Box 4210 Helena, MT. 59620-4210 406-444-7213

Children's Special Health Services works to help children and families in Montana receive the healthcare and supportive services they need to live fulfilling, healthy lives in their communities. We do this through programs that help educate families and providers, connect families to needed resources, and provide services for children and youth (0-21 years of age) throughout the state.

https://dphhs.mt.gov/ecfsd/cshs/



Montana Empowerment Center (MEC) 1601 2nd Avenue North, Su 232 Great falls, MT 877-870-1190

MEC is the Montana's Parent Training and Information Center. Parent Training and Information Centers (PTIs) help families of children with disabilities have meaningful opportunities to participate in the education of their children, ages birth through age 26. We do this through individualized assistance, training, and resources that help parents work with schools, providers, and educational systems to meet the unique needs of their children. As a PTI, we help families of children with disabilities understand their rights, navigate special education systems, and access resources. https://mtempowermentcenter.org/



Living Independently for Today and Tomorrow (LIFTT) 1241 Crawford Dr. Billings, MT 59102 406-259-5080

119 S. Kendrick Ave. Glendive, MT 59330 406-948-8500

LIFTT is committed to providing programs and services that break down barriers for people with disabilities. LIFTT empowers consumers to live independent lives in their own homes and communities. Working across our 18 counties in Southeast and Southcentral Montana, we assist our consumers in everything from applying for social security benefits and finding affordable and accessible housing to navigating public transportation systems, self-directing their in-home caregiving, and becoming their own best advocate for what they need to live a fulfilling life.

https://liftt.org/



State of Montana, Vocational Rehabilitation & Blind Services (VRBS)

114 N 7th Street Miles City, MT 406-232-0583

2121 Rosebud Dr., Ste C Billings, MT 59102 406-248-4801

Montana Vocational Rehabilitation and Blind Services promotes opportunities for

Montanans with disabilities to have rewarding careers and achieve maximum personal potential.

https://dphhs.mt.gov/detd/vocrehab/VRBSServices



State of Montana, Pre-ETS Program

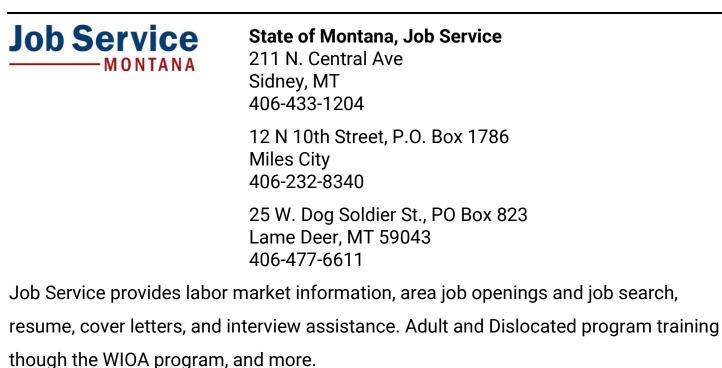
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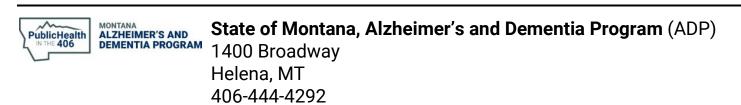
Giving youth an introduction to work, helping make informed job choices, learn good

work habits, and get real work experience.

https://dphhs.mt.gov/detd/preets



www.Montanaworks.gov



The Alzheimer's and Dementia Program seeks to promote brain health throughout the

lifespan, early detection and treatment of dementia as well as caregiver support.

Efforts also focus on addressing populations that experience higher rates of dementia and those that have difficulty in accessing care.

https://dphhs.mt.gov/publichealth/Alzheimers/AlzheimersandDementiaProgram



AWARE 205. E Park Anaconda, MT 59711 406-563-8117

We ensure people with mental health and/or developmental disabilities live in a home of their choice and provide the day-to-day support they need. AWARE helps adults with disabilities find fulfilling employment, either through an AWARE program or in the community. We ensure adults and children live successfully in their communities, providing home visits, help in school, assistance with services, psychiatric assessment, and outpatient counseling.

https://www.aware-inc.org



Work Incentives Planning and Assistance Program (WIPA) 1500 University Drive Billings, MT 1-866-968-7842

The goal of the Work Incentive Planning and Assistance Program "WIPA" is to assist Social Security Disability beneficiaries to make informed choices about work and to support working beneficiaries to make a successful transition to self-sufficiency. Our services are provided in Montana, Idaho, North Dakota, and South Dakota under Cooperative Agreement from the Social Security Administration.

https://www.msubillings.edu/socialsecurity/



Veterans' Navigation Network (VNN) 7 N 31st Street Billing, MT 406-435-9308

VNN was founded in October 2019 with the goal of meeting the transition needs of veterans. VNN does this through one-on-one resource counseling, case management, peer mentorship, advocacy, social and informational events. Federal & state VA benefits, nonprofit, faith-based, & local government services improve quality of life, but only if the veteran is aware of the resources.

https://www.veteransnavigation.org/



Montana School for the Deaf and Blind (MSDB) 3911 Central Avenue Great Falls, MT 406-771-6000

^{for}the Deaf [&]the Blind The Outreach Program serves as a statewide resource center providing information, consultation, and training to families and to schools and professionals serving students who are deaf, hard of hearing, blind, visually impaired, or deafblind. Consultants provide technical assistance and equipment on a short-term loan basis to school districts. Outreach services are provided at no cost to families or school districts.

https://www.msdbmustangs.org/



Department of Health & Human Services Disability Employment and Transition (DPHHS-DETD)

111 North Last Chance Gulch, Suite 4C Helena, MT 59604 406-444-2590

Transportation Coordinator for the Department of Public Health and Human Services. The coordinator's job is to look at all public and private aspects of transportation and assess if they are meeting the needs of traveling Montanans with disabilities. The coordinator works with agencies within DPHHS and across the state to improve transportation and works with consumers to explain their transportation options. https://dphhs.mt.gov/detd/transportation/index



MonTECH

Physical locations in Billings and Missoula 406-243-5511

MonTECH loans equipment to any Montanan facing a challenge, whether that challenge is a learning disability, living with a chronic condition, a developmental disability, or simply the difficulties that come with aging. There is no charge to borrow equipment from MonTECH, and no charge for in-person or online appointments to figure out what equipment might be helpful.

www.MT-AT.org

Unable to attend but please reach out for further information

HARDIN



Rural Employment Opportunities (REO) 2116 Broadwater Avenue- Suite 109 (Solar Plaza Building) Billings, MT 59102 406-437-2382

Rural Employment Opportunities (REO) provides The National Farmworker Jobs Program grant for farm, ranch, greenhouse, and other agricultural workers. Our statewide grant funding is used to help agriculture workers gain training in almost any area of their choosing. With this federal grant, REO offers opportunities for farm workers, and/or their qualifying family members, to improve their earning capacity in agriculture or other career paths through education and training. <u>www.reomontana.org</u>

BIG HORN COUNTY

Big Horn Public Health 200 N Mitchell Ave. Hardin, MT 59034

Big Horn County Public health helps assist people with the resources they need. We offer immunizations, car sear referrals, safe sleep education, and implementation of Montana Women, Infant & Children (WIC) Supplemental Nutrition Program. Public Health Emergency Preparedness, Childbirth Classes, Sanitarian (food permits), and immunization records are also offered here.

https://www.bighorncountypublichealth.com/



Big Horn Hospital 17 N. Miles Hardin, MT 59034 406-665-2310

Big Horn Hospital is an 18 bed critical access hospital serving Big Horn County and surrounding areas. Our services include acute care, swing bed skilled care, emergency room, laboratory, diagnostic Imaging (X-ray, CT, Ultrasound, Mammography, MRI and Dexa-Scan), and physical, occupational and speech therapy.

http://www.bighornhospital.org



Money Follows the Person PO BOX 4210 Helena, MT 59604 406-439-6870

Money Follows the Person helps Montana shift its long-term care system from the use of institutional based care to home and community based care. MFP is focused on assisting Medicaid recipients to move from institutional settings back into communitybased living.

https://dphhs.mt.gov/SLTC/mfp



MSU-Billings Native American Achievement Center MSUB NAAC 2630 Normal Avenue Billings, MT

It is the mission of the Native American Achievement Center (NAAC) to help recruit and retain American Indian students at Montana State University Billings (MSUB). The office will serve as an advocate for students pursuing post-secondary educational opportunities at MSU Billings, extension services, and City College by providing academic and student support to students while encouraging their individual, social, cultural and emotional growth.

https://www.msubillings.edu/naac/

MILES CITY



Miles City RSVP

Retired & Senior Volunteer Program is the meaning for RSVP though we only use RSVP now 406-234-0505

Miles City RSVP serves the Montana counties of Custer and Rosebud. The mission of the City of Miles City RSVP is to engage people 55 and older in volunteer service to meet critical community needs; and to provide a high-quality experience that will enrich the lives of volunteers. Miles City RSVP encourages volunteers to bring their lifetime of talents, experiences, skills, and hobbies to help improve our communities.

facebook.com/RSVPMILESCITY



Custer Network Against Domestic Abuse Inc. (CNADA)

CNADA provides resources and services to victims experiencing domestic violence,

dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. www.cnada.org



Miles Community College, Accessibility & Disability Support Services

2715 Dickinson Street Miles City 406-874-6152

Both will provide insights in the transition process from high school to post-secondary life. Additionally, information will be shared regarding services for basic education for adults, high school equivalency preparation, and services available to college students with disabilities. <u>www.milescc.edu</u>



State of Montana- Developmental Disabilities Program 2200 Box Elder #7 Miles City, MT 59301 Phone: (406) 232-2595 Phone: (406) 232-1157 Fax number 232-8868

Services provided to eligible persons through the DDP are available at no cost to individuals of any age. Many kinds of services are offered through providers in communities or self-directed options. DDP provides Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) Services, Medicaid DDP 0208 Waiver Information, and Targeted Case Management. https://dphhs.mt.gov/BHDD/DisabilityServices/developmentaldisabilities/



Developmental Educational Assistance Program DEAP 2200 Box Elder Suite #151 Miles City, MT 406-234-6034

DEAP provides a variety of education, support and residential services to families, children and adults. Services are provided in 26 eastern Montana counties.

www.deapmt.org



Hearing and Speech Connection (HASCMT) 205 S Haynes Ave., Ste 2 Miles City, MT 406-233-4327

Hearing and Speech Connection is eastern Montana's only speech and hearing center. We're here to make sure the sound of your loved one's voice, favorite song, or the ability to tell a really good joke isn't something that passes you by. We believe everyone deserves the ability to express themselves and feel in tune with the world around them - and we do everything in our power to make that a reality for each patient we treat. We do this through offering a wide range of products and services to meet your hearing and speech needs including audiology and hearing specialist diagnostic services,

hearing aid fittings, hearing aid repairs and programming and speech therapy.

www.hascmt.com



Rural Institute of Inclusive Communities Montana DeafBlind Project Transition & Employment Projects Alternatives to Guardianship University of Montana 253 Corbin Hall Missoula, MT 59812 (406) 243-4936 (Voicemail)

The Montana DeafBlind project is a source of specialized information, technical assistance, and resources focused on improving education, inclusion, and college and career readiness for individuals with combined hearing and vision loss between the ages of birth through 21.

https://mtdeafblind.ruralinstitute.umt.edu

Options for adults needing assistance in decision making.

https://transition.ruralinstitute.umt.edu

The Rural Institute is one of 67 University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (UCEDDs) in the United States. Each state has at least one UCEDD, the Rural Institute is Montana's UCEDD. The Rural Institute for Inclusive Communities partners with advocates and communities to serve, train, research, develop and evaluate services that improve the quality of life of people with disabilities. Rural Institute for Inclusive Communities | University of Montana

Sidney



Richland County Health Department, Behavioral Health/Crisis Program 1201 W. Holly St. Suite #1 Sidney, MT 406-433-2207

Our Public Health Department providers Environmental Health, Immunizations, WIC, Community Volunteerism, Family Planning, Asthma Home Visiting Program, Health Screenings, Preschool Screenings, Emergency Preparedness, Communicable Disease Prevention, Behavioral Health/Crisis Prevention, Tobacco Prevention, Cancer Control/Chronic Disease Prevention, and DUI/Injury Prevention

https://www.richland.org/behavioral-health.html



Williston Wonders 822 18th St. E Williston, ND 701-774-1508 Facebook Only: Williston Wonders

The Williston Wonders are a group of individuals with special needs of all ages that come together to enrich their lives socially and physically through recreational activities. The Wonders are fun focused and provide opportunities to be physically active, try new experiences, and grow socially through positive interactions and encouragement. Our goal is simple - Let's get out there and have some fun!



Dawson Community College, Adult Learning

DCC main Building, Room 146

Dawson, MT 406-377-9400

Both will provide insights in the transition process from high school to post-secondary life. Additionally, information will be shared regarding services for basic education for adults, high school equivalency preparation, and services available to college students with disabilities. <u>https://www.dawson.edu/</u>



Richland Learning Volunteers for Adults 121 3rd Ave NW Sidney MT 59270 406-480-1971

The purpose of Richland LVA is to improve literacy levels within our area by helping adults increase reading, math, and other skills including helping facilitate in preparing for and completing Hi-Set testing.