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# BETTER TOMORROW for Every MONTANAN

*Thank you for making the difference*



**OUR CHILDREN OUR FUTURE**

# 2020

**\$2.8 MILLION**

donated to local food programs - starting on  
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**AFTER THE BELL**

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**LOOKING AHEAD 2021**

**\$1.5 MILLION** for local food banks

**\$500,000** in Grants to Volunteer  
EMT and Ambulance Services

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# Montanans Helping Montanans

The Town Pump Charitable Foundation was formed in 1999 with the mission of providing financial support to Montana charitable organizations with a priority on meeting the basic needs and education of Montana citizens. Through a combination of Town Pump Charitable Foundation and Corporate Giving, over \$28 million has been given statewide since 2000.

The Town Pump Charitable Foundation focuses grants on three areas: Basic Needs, Education, and Community Assistance.

With the onset of COVID-19 in Montana in mid-March, schools and many businesses closed. Many of our neighbors were out of work or working reduced hours. Food Banks and Food Pantries across the state saw a demand surge of between 30% and 60%. On April 3, 2020, the Town Pump Charitable Foundation donated \$1 million to 100 food banks in 83 Montana communities.

With over 165,000 Montanans struggling with hunger, an increase of 51% as a result of COVID-19, we have continued to focus on food insecurity through Mail-A-Meal, Meals for Backpacks, Summer Lunch Programs, Breakfast After the Bell and our "19th Annual Be A Friend in Deed, Help Those in Need" campaign to help our food bank partners raise over \$4 million in operating funds including Town Pump Charitable Foundation match grants totaling over \$780,000. In 2020, over \$2.8 million was donated to support food programs in Montana communities.

**The Town Pump Charitable Foundation will kick off 2021 with \$500,000 in grants statewide for volunteer EMT and ambulance services.** The application process started in 2020 and was delayed to provide funding for food banks due to the shifting needs caused by COVID-19.

You are invited to visit our website at [www.townpumpfoundation.com](http://www.townpumpfoundation.com). There, you will see the programs we are supporting, as well as a link to our online grant application portal.

Thank you for supporting our Montana owned and operated Town Pump family of businesses. With your patronage, we can continue to support communities across Montana!



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# Town Pump Charitable Foundation awarded \$1 million in emergency grants

In April, the unemployment rate in Montana jumped to 11.3% from 3.5% only two months earlier. Our food bank partners reported a surge in demand of between 30% and 60% depending on the community, resulting in a strain on resources.

On April 3, 2020, the Town Pump Charitable Foundation awarded \$1 million in emergency grants to 100 food banks in 83 Montana communities. Checks were mailed directly to the food banks and did not require any community matching funds.

Food bank representatives said the pandemic has put additional financial strains on families who were already vulnerable and needing food assistance. Monetary donations allow for needed versatility, which permits food banks to purchase what food they need.

These grants allowed our food bank partners to do what they do best: help their fellow Montanans.



First of all let me THANK YOU!

Your COVID help has been worth more than you can know.

Before COVID we handed out about 40 food boxes a month out of our little Headwaters Food Bank. During the month of June we gave out 163 food boxes!

We were about to run out of food but then your COVID donation came in and we were able to purchase THOUSANDS of pounds of food. No kidding! We are able to be open 3 days a week instead of just 2. Thanks to you!

I don't think I could ever express the gratitude of myself but more importantly my clients.

One quick story is about an elderly couple that come in every week. This gentleman's wife has Alzheimer's and they are scared to go to any store. So they come to our little food bank every week. They do our drive up service and every week this cute little man asks if we might have some chocolate milk. I make sure we ALWAYS do just for him. Every week I see the tears well up inside as he says thank you over and over again. It's because of your generosity we can help so many like this couple. Again, thank you so much!

Kim Gelder  
Headwaters Area Food Bank  
Operations Manager



**Aaron Brock, Executive Director  
Missoula Food Bank**

Photo: Town Pump Staff

“The donation will make a positive difference in Hot Springs for our families in crisis. We have been more than doubling our food order since COVID-19. Our clients have increased by 50%. This generous donation could not be more welcomed!”

-A Volunteer at the Hot Springs Food Pantry.

# \$1.2 million donated by Town Pump and its generous customers

## BE A FRIEND IN DEED, HELP THOSE IN NEED CAMPAIGN

Our mission is to help ... help Montana food banks so they can assist Montanans in need in their communities.

For 19 years, Town Pump has worked with food bank partners across the state to help raise awareness about food insecurity in Montana and to assist the food banks in raising much-needed dollars.

Town Pump understands that a food bank does not keep its doors open through food donations alone. That is why we have committed to bring much needed financial assistance for expenses such as building rent, utilities, bulk food purchases, and purchasing perishable food items including meat, produce, dairy and bread. Decisions on how the cash is spent is left to local volunteer boards.

Working with 98 Montana food banks, the Town Pump Charitable Foundation provided matching grants totaling \$780,000. In addition, \$410,000 was donated by Town Pump's generous customers at Town Pump stores, casinos, and hotels. All funds raised, including matching funds, are used in the community where the funds were collected.



Volunteers at the Missoula Food Bank prepare food donations

Photo: Town Pump Staff



“ Most people comment on how they are ‘not able to get food’ or ‘not able to afford what they used to buy.’ The Town Pump fundraising campaign allows us to buy food that the families in our communities simply aren’t able to afford during the pandemic. ”

- Bill Alde, Community Food Pantry in Plains

**Over \$4 MILLION**  
was raised for food banks  
**in 2020.**



**TOWN PUMP**  
CHARITABLE FOUNDATION  
COMMITTED OVER  
**\$780,000**  
IN MATCHING FUNDS IN 2020  
FOR MONTANA FOOD BANKS

IN 2021 OUR COMMITMENT IS  
**\$1 MILLION**  
IN MATCHING FUNDS

## FOOD BANKS listed below received grants in 2020:

Absarokee Area Food Bank  
Alberton Community Food Pantry  
Anaconda Project Care  
Arlee Food Sovereignty Program  
Ashland St. Labre Food Pantry  
Big Fork Food Bank  
Big Timber Food Bank  
Billings Family Service, Inc.  
Billings Food Bank  
Billings Hannah House Food Pantry  
Billings Montana Rescue Mission  
Billings St. Vincent de Paul Soup Kitchen  
Blackfeet Food Pantry  
Boulder Jeffco Food Share  
Box Elder St. Mary Church Food Pantry  
Bozeman Bobcat Relief Fund  
Bozeman Gallatin Valley Food Bank  
Bridger Community Food Bank  
Browning The Nurturing Center  
Butte Action, Inc.  
Butte Emergency Food Bank  
Butte Rescue Mission  
Chester Loaves and Fishes Food Bank  
Chinook Food Bank  
Choteau Teton County Food Pantry Inc.  
Colstrip Community Food Bank  
Columbia Falls Food Bank  
Columbus Project Hope of Stillwater County  
Conrad Pondera Food Pantry  
Culbertson The County Cupboard  
Cut Bank Harvest Food Pantry  
Darby Bread Box  
Deer Lodge Food Pantry  
Dillon Beaverhead Community Food Pantry  
Ennis Madison Valley Caring and Sharing

Eureka Tobacco Valley Food Pantry  
Fairfield Food Pantry  
Forsyth Samaritans Pantry  
Fort Benton Chouteau County Food Bank  
Gallatin Gateway Big Sky Community Food Bank  
Gardiner Food Pantry  
Glasgow Valley County Emergency Food Bank  
Glendive Dawson County Food Bank  
Great Falls FISH, Inc.  
Great Falls Helping Hands/1st English Evangelical Lutheran Church  
Great Falls Rescue Mission  
Great Falls St. Vincent de Paul Society  
Hamilton Family Shelter of the Bitterroot  
Hamilton Haven House Food Bank  
Helping Hands in Hardin, Inc.  
Harlem Food Bank  
Havre Community Food Bank  
Havre Feed My Sheep Soup Kitchen  
Helena Food Share  
Helena Montana Veterans Foundation  
Hot Springs Food Pantry  
Joliet Food Bank  
Kalispell Flathead Food Bank  
Kalispell Northwest Montana Veterans Stand Down & Food Pantry  
Lakeside West Shore Food Bank  
Lame Deer Northern Cheyenne Food Bank  
Laurel Community Hope, Inc.  
Lewistown Central Montana Community Cupboard  
Libby Food Pantry  
Livingston Food Pantry of Park County  
Lodge Pole Red Paint Food Pantry

Malta Food Bank  
Miles City Custer County Food Bank  
Miles City Soup Kitchen  
Missoula Food Bank  
Missoula Hope Rescue Mission  
Missoula Poverello Center, Inc.  
Missoula River of Hope Food Bank  
Soft Landing Missoula  
Montana Food Bank Network  
Noxon Community Services Fellowship, Inc.  
Philipsburg Granite County Food Pantry  
Philipsburg Granite County Medical Foundation  
Plains Community Food Pantry  
Polson Loaves & Fish Food Pantry  
Red Lodge Carbon County Community Food Bank  
Ronan Bread Basket Food Pantry  
Roundup Musselshell County Food Bank  
Seeley-Swan Food Bank  
Shelby Sagebrush Food Pantry  
Shepherd Food Pantry  
Sheridan Ruby Valley Food Pantry  
Sidney Fellowship Food Pantry  
Sidney Richland County Food Bank  
St. Ignatius Mission Valley Food Pantry  
Stanford Judith Basin Food Bank  
Stevensville Pantry Partners Food Bank  
Superior Community Food Bank of Mineral County  
Thompson Falls Community Harvest Food Bank  
Thompson Falls Gospel Mountain Assembly of God Food Pantry  
Three Forks Headwaters Area Food Bank

Townsend Broadwater Food Pantry  
Troy Food Pantry  
Troy Yaak Food Cupboard  
West Yellowstone Food Bank  
White Sulphur Springs Meagher County Nutrition Coalition  
Whitefish North Valley Food Bank  
Whitehall Area Food Pantry  
Whitehall Sincerely Paul Feeding His Sheep  
Wibaux County Food Bank  
Wolf Point Food Pantry Inc.

“Your generosity and kindness will ensure every child has a meal and other supports needed to become thriving and productive members of our community.”

-Kristy Pontet-Stroop, Executive Director, Alliance for Youth

BE A FRIEND IN DEED

# THANK YOU, Montana, for your generosity during Town Pump's 2020 campaign



As part of our annual “Be A Friend in Deed, Help Those in Need” partnership with our Montana Food Bank partners, Town Pump team members collect donations from our customers from October 1 through November 30.

This year our team goal was to collect \$400,000 across the state. Thanks to all of you, our very generous friends and customers, we achieved our goal and had total collections of \$410,000.

These donations are forwarded to the food banks, food pantries, or soup kitchens in the communities they are collected in.

This will provide over 1.2 million wholesome meals for our Montana neighbors in need.

## COLLECTIONS BY COMMUNITY:

Anaconda.....	\$5,446	Eureka .....	\$2,460	Polson.....	\$3,255
Big Timber.....	\$4,847	Forsyth .....	\$1,002	Red Lodge.....	\$1,958
Billings .....	\$25,965	Glendive.....	\$3,535	Ronan.....	\$1,173
Boulder .....	\$6,782	Great Falls.....	\$28,498	Shelby.....	\$5,933
Belgrade/Bozeman .....	\$50,965	Hamilton.....	\$12,178	Sidney.....	\$5,563
Browning.....	\$220	Hardin.....	\$2,082	Stevensville .....	\$4,415
Butte .....	\$40,001	Havre.....	\$4,296	Superior .....	\$1,404
Chinook.....	\$1,990	Helena.....	\$18,568	Thompson Falls.....	\$5,314
Colstrip .....	\$549	Kalispell .....	\$38,026	Three Forks.....	\$3,122
Columbia Falls.....	\$5,633	Laurel .....	\$3,144	Townsend.....	\$2,000
Columbus .....	\$2,607	Lewistown.....	\$4,298	Troy .....	\$6,109
Conrad.....	\$3,688	Libby.....	\$3,048	White Sulphur Springs.....	\$6,183
Cut Bank.....	\$2,882	Livingston.....	\$15,549	Whitefish .....	\$2,891
Deer Lodge.....	\$1,823	Miles City .....	\$1,262	Whitehall .....	\$9,454
Dillon .....	\$5,668	Missoula/Bonner/Lolo/Florence ..	\$41,750	Wolf Point.....	\$172
Ennis .....	\$6,368	Plains.....	\$6,791		

**2020 TOTAL COLLECTED: \$410,000**

**IN 19 YEARS more than \$38 million** has been given to the food banks of Montana, including over \$8.5 million in matching funds committed by Town Pump.

# Backpack food programs provide nutritious, non-perishable food to children

When students leave school for the weekend, the last thing they should have to worry about is having enough food to eat over the weekend. Research has shown that 1 in 5 Montana children live in homes that struggle to put food on the table.

Thanks to Montana School Districts, food banks, food pantries, and civic organizations, weekends are worry-free for many Montana children.



## 1 in 5

children live in homes that struggle to keep food on the table.

The concept is simple: children at risk of weekend hunger receive a bag of food that is child friendly, nutritious, and non-perishable to ensure they get enough food on weekends and holidays to avoid hunger when they can't depend on school meals.

Every "backpack" program is unique to the community and school it serves. Generally a "backpack" will include enough food to replace the meals that children would receive at school (e.g. two breakfast options, two lunch options, two snack options, a can of fruit, and a can of vegetables).

Federal reimbursement is not available for the food provided by backpack programs. Most Montana backpack programs are run through food banks, food pantries, schools and other civic organizations that are already providing emergency and supplemental food assistance for families in need. These groups are dependent on grants, donations and fundraisers to cover

their costs.

In 2020, the Town Pump Charitable Foundation's "Meals for Backpacks" program provided 82 grants in 62 Montana communities totaling over \$500,000 to schools, food banks, food pantries, and

other community organizations that provide weekend meal programs to Montana students.

Since the inception of the "Meals for Backpacks" program in 2016, the Town Pump Charitable Foundation has awarded

nearly \$2 million to backpack programs.

By providing kids with the nutrients they need when they are away from school, they show up on Monday morning healthy and ready to learn.

## ORGANIZATIONS

in the following communities received Meals For Backpacks grants in 2020:

Anaconda	Conrad	Hamilton	Livingston	Shepherd
Arlee	Corvallis	Hardin	Libby	Sidney
Ashland	Cut Bank	Harlem	Miles City	St. Ignatius
Belt	Darby	Harlowton	Missoula	St. Regis
Bigfork	Deer Lodge	Havre	Moore	Stevensville
Billings	Drummond	Heart Butte	Pablo	Superior
Boulder	Florence	Helena	Philipsburg	Thompson Falls
Bozeman	Forsyth	Hinsdale	Polson	Townsend
Brockton	Fort Belknap Reservation	Kalispell	Pryor	Troy
Browning	Fort Benton	Lakeside	Red Lodge	Victor
Butte	Fort Peck	Lame Deer	Rocky Boy Reservation	West Yellowstone
Columbia Falls	Glendive	Laurel	Ronan	White Sulphur Springs
Columbus	Great Falls	Lewistown	Shelby	Wolf Point

# Healthy morning meals help children learn & thrive



Town Pump Charitable Foundation  
**has provided**  
**\$175,000**  
in 2019 and 2020  
to fund 35 schools  
across Montana to receive  
grants for necessary start up  
equipment costs including  
additional coolers, refrigerators,  
waste cans, food carts, etc.

## BREAKFAST AFTER THE BELL

No Montana child should start the school day hungry. Studies show that children who skip breakfast have a harder time functioning in the classroom during the morning.

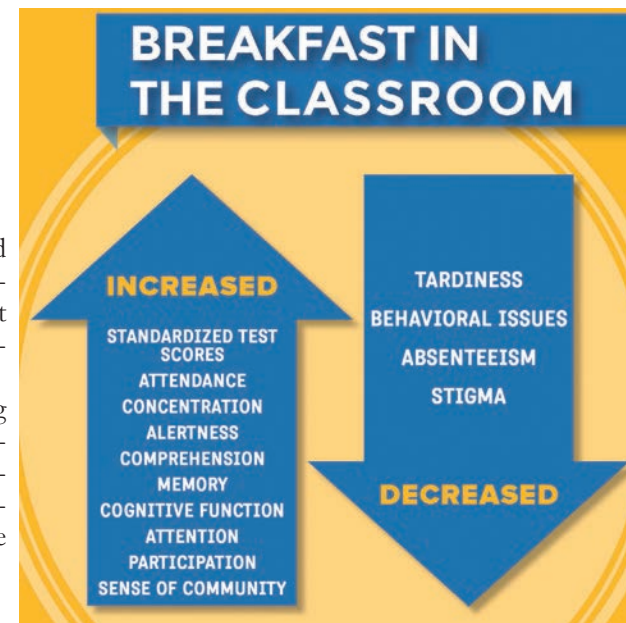
Breakfast After the Bell is a program where breakfast is delivered to the classrooms, or school nutrition staff serve breakfast from mobile carts in the hallways.

Breakfast in the classroom typically takes 10–20 minutes and can happen during morning tasks, such as attendance or announcements. Schools adopting Breakfast After the Bell see an increase in meal participation because serving breakfast during the school day improves access for everyone.

Students who eat breakfast have increased attentiveness, improved

behavior, higher attendance, and fewer sick days. The goal is to ensure that every child gets the boost they need for physical and academic well-being.

Often, the only thing standing in the way of a school implementing a breakfast program or switching to a breakfast model that increases student participation is the money for startup costs.



## Mail-A-Meal supports rural Montana

Many of our Montana neighbors live in rural, remote, low-population areas without access to emergency food assistance or nutritious quality food. The Montana Food Bank Network offers Mail-A-Meal in 26 counties either through predetermined drop-sites or Mail-A-Meal Direct providing 30 pound boxes of shelf stable food.

The Town Pump Charitable Foundation

is pleased to offer financial assistance to the Montana Food Bank Network to support this innovative program.

**In 2020, the Foundation provided \$42,000 to the program.**

More information on this program can be found at:

[www.mfbn.org/mail-a-meal](http://www.mfbn.org/mail-a-meal)



Photo: Town Pump Staff



# Everyone can make music, dance & create joy

For many years, the Town Pump Charitable Foundation has supported the Missoula-based Center for Music by People with Disabilities (CMPD). The Center is based on the idea that everybody can make, dance to, and find joy in music. And that act of making music can open doors to other accomplishments.

“People with disabilities, they have every right to listen to music, to make music, and to go from wherever they are to a higher level,” said Executive Director Devan K. M. Kartha, who founded CMPD in 1999.

In 2019, the Center benefitted nearly 200 children, teens, and young adults at three pre-schools, two elementary schools, one middle school, two high schools, and at Opportunity Resources. Approximately 90 seniors engage in their Magic of Mu-

sic with seniors events at Springs Senior Living Center, Edgewood Vista Senior Living Center and the Grizzly Peak Senior Center.

A few of the benefits identified by the Center for Music by People with Disabilities are

CMPD’s regular classes improved literacy and language skills through repetition of song lyrics and the question/answer format of their lessons.

CMPD’s classes improved fine motor abilities, such as small movements involving the wrist, hands, and fingers.

Music has been successful in treating children with emotional disturbances, helping to reduce anxiety, treating impairments in affective functioning, improving emotional responsiveness, and enhancing mental well-being.



Photos Courtesy of CMPD

The Magic of Music helps seniors get their toes a tapping and their hands clapping. Listening and singing music helps keep cherished memories fresh and can help fight loneliness. The seniors engage in body movement as well, improving their joint flexibility, blood circulation, etc.

*The Center for Music by People with Disabilities is supported solely through foundation grants and donations. The Center is located at 415 West Central Avenue, Missoula, MT 59801. And can be contacted by phone: 406-728-9193.*

## ADDITIONAL GRANTS AWARDED IN 2020

Anaconda	Anaconda Vietnam Era Veterans Memorial Association	Butte	MainStreet Uptown Butte	Helmville	Helmville Community Club	Statewide	Montana Independent Living Project, Inc.
Anaconda	Pintler Pets	Butte	Montana Tech Foundation - DECA Fund	Kalispell	Sparrows Nest	Statewide	Montana Natural Resources Youth Camp
Anaconda	Rotary Club of Anaconda	Butte	New Hope Clinic	Lewistown	Lewistown Public Schools	Statewide	Pacific Northwest Economic Region
Arlee	Friends of Arlee School	Butte	Orphan Girl Children's Theatre	Livingston	Friends of the Community, Inc.	Statewide	Red Willow Learning Center, Inc.
Belgrade	Belgrade Community Library	Butte	World Museum of Mining	Lodge Pole	Red Paint Creek Food Pantry	Statewide	Share Our Strength, No Kid Hungry
Big Timber	Carnegie FOL Foundation	Cascade	Cascade Community Food Bank	Manhattan	Gallatin River Ranch Fire Dept.	Statewide	Montana
Billings	Billings Education Foundation	Columbia Falls	Blakenship Rural Fire District	Miles City	Custer County Transit	Statewide	Ski for Light
Billings	Chinook Horses	Culbertson	Roosevelt Memorial Healthcare Foundation	Missoula	Center for Music by People with Disabilities	Statewide	Special Olympics Montana
Billings	Harvest Church	DeBorgia	West End Volunteer Fire and Rescue	Missoula	Free Cycles Missoula	Statewide	Veteran's Yoga Project
Billings	RiverStone Health Foundation	East Helena	Prickly Pear Fireworks	Missoula	The Poverello Center	Statewide	Volunteers of America
Billings	Young Families Early Head Start	Eureka	St. Michaels & All Angels Wood Bank Ministry	Missoula	Watson Children's Shelter	Statewide	Western MT Chapter for the Prevention of Elder Abuse
Boulder	Jefferson High School	Glasgow	Soroptimist of Glasgow	Plains	Flat Iron Quilting Guild	Stevensville	Stevensville Primary School
Bozeman	Bozeman Warming Shelter	Grass Range	Grass Range High School	Shelby	Northern Transit Interlocal	Stevensville	Stevensville Middle School
Bozeman	Children's Museum of Bozeman, Inc.	Great Falls	Great Falls Central Catholic High School	Sheridan	Ruby Valley Wood Bank	Troy	City of Troy Fire Department
Bozeman	Sage Gardeners	Great Falls	Great Falls Senior Center	Sidney	Action for Eastern Montana	Troy/Libby	Lincoln County Libraries
Butte	Action, Inc.	Hardin	Big Horn County Library	St. Regis	Mineral County Pioneer Council	Twin Bridges	Twin Bridges High School
Butte	Butte Chamber of Commerce	Helena	Career Training Institute	Statewide	Adopt A Sox	West Yellowstone	Yellowstone Historic Project
Butte	Butte Rescue Mission	Helena	God's Love Shelter	Statewide	American Cancer Society - Relay for Life	White Sulphur Springs	WSS Senior Center
Butte	Butte Service Unit - Girls Scouts of Montana & Wyoming	Helena	Montana Military Museum	Statewide	Big Sky State Games	White Sulphur Springs	WSS Fire Department
Butte	Butte-Silver Bow Fire Department	Helena	NAMI Montana	Statewide	CASA of Montana		
Butte	Butte Central Education Foundation	Helena	The Angel Fund	Statewide	Impact Montana		
		Helena	The Friendship Center	Statewide	K9 Care Montana		
				Statewide	Montana Food Bank Network		

Because of your generous gift to the Cody Dieruf Benefit Foundation we are able to help families who are living with Cystic Fibrosis. We assist them with obtaining Specialty Care, Recreation & Fitness Scholarships, and attending our We Walk Together Mother's Retreat. You are helping us succeed in our mission.

— Welcome to Team Cody. We sincerely appreciate you. —  
On behalf of George, Ginny & the Board of CDBF

“ Access to a necessity as basic as food and a literal helping hand is sometimes all it takes to turn a life all the way around. ”

- John Kirk Vincent, Bozone.com

# Making Christmas bright for every Montana family



We believe that no one should be deprived of Christmas memories. The true spirit of the season can be seen through the efforts of many non-profit organizations that work to make Christmas brighter for our Montana neighbors.

In 2007, the Town Pump Charitable Foundation started the Adopt A Family program to assist non-profit groups with \$500 grants to supplement their purchase of toys, Christmas gifts, clothing, linens, personal care items and food for those in need.

In 2020, two hundred \$500 grants totaling **\$100,000** were awarded.

Since the inception of the Adopt A Family program, **over \$1 million** in grants have been awarded.

“ I can't wait to see their faces when we give them all these gifts. It definitely made our day getting to go shopping for these kids, we didn't want to stop lol! Thank you again for your generosity to our community! ”

- Jennifer Hofman, Brockton School



Photo courtesy of Jennifer Hofman



# ORGANIZATIONS receiving grants included:

Adventure Cycling Association	First Presbyterian Church	Meagher County Senior Center	Three Mile Community Senior Center
Alzheimer's Association	Flat Iron Quilting Guild	Messiah Lutheran Church	Tikkum Olam Ministries, Inc.
American Legion Auxiliary Unit 27	Fresh Life Church - Whitefish	MIIJA	TOPS MT 0414 Inverness
American Legion Ladies Auxiliary Unit 14	Fresh Life Church - Polson	Miles City Soup Kitchen	Townsend Rotary Club
Angels in Camo	Fresh Life Church - Missoula	Milltown Moose Lodge #2714	Toys for Tots - Deer Lodge
ASPEN	Fresh Life Church - Kalispell	Missoula Family YMCA	Toys for Tots - Anaconda
Avon Grange #125	Fresh Life Church - Helena	Montana Trophy Properties	Toys for Tots - North Central Montana
Aware Early Head Start	Fresh Life Church - Bozeman	Mountain Brook Ladies Club	Troy School District #1
Bear Paw Beavers 4-H Club	Fresh Life Church - Great Falls	Mountain View Homemakers	Twin Bridges High School
Beaverhead Development Corp	Fresh Life Church - Billings	Native American Childrens Association	Union Gospel Mission
Belgrade Community Library Foundation	Fresh Life Church - Butte	NeighborWorks Great Falls	United Congregational Church
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Big Sky Country	Friends fo the Sun River Valley Helping Hands	Optimist Club of Lockwood	United Way of Butte and Anaconda
Big Hearts & Open Arms, Inc.	Friends of Jaycee Park - Dillon	P.E.O. Chapter AW	White Sulphur Springs Alliance Church
Big Sky Optimist Club of Billings	Friends of the Community, Inc.	Pad for Paws Foundation	Willing Workers Ladies Aid, Inc.
Big Sky Senior Services	Front Range CASA/GAL	Paradise Valley Giving Tree	Wishing Well Project
Bikers for Kids in Need	Garrison School	Park County Health Department	Yellowstone Boys and Girls Ranch
Billings Activity Program/Resource, Support & Dev	Glacier County Library Memorial Foundaiton	Poverello Center	Young Parents Education Center
Bozeman Health Foundation	Glendive Community Christmas	Reach Higher Montana	Youth Dynamics - Miles City
Broadwater Rodeo & Fair Association	Gloria Dei Lutheran Church	Rebuilding Together Yellowstone County	Youth Dynamics - Glenddivve
Brockton School	Good Samaritan Ministries and Thrift Store	River of Life Ministries	Youth Dynamics - Wolf Point
Browning High School	Grace Bible Church	RiverStone Health Foundation	Youth Dynamics - Billings
Bryant Elementary School	Gratitude in Action	Rocky Mountain Baptist Church	Youth Dynamics - Bozeman
Butte 4-C's	Great Falls Polce Protective Association	Rocky Mountain Chiropractic	Youth Dynamics - Billings
Butte Rescue Mission	Great Falls Rescue Mission	Rocky Mountain Development Council	Youth Dynamics - Missoula
Cathedral of St. Helena	Gunners Light Foundation	Rotary Club of Butte	Youth Dynamics - Great Falls
Catholic Social Services of Montana	Helena Area Community Foundation	Saddle Peak PTX	Youth Dynamics - Colstrip
Central Montana Family Planning	Helena Sunrise Rotary	Saint Leo's Church	Youth Dynamics - LakeView Group Home
Central Montana Spirit of Christmas	Hellgate Elementary School	Saint Mary Catholic Community	Youth Dynamics - North Skyline Youth Home
Chief Joseph Auxiliary Unit #135	Helping Hands of Alberton	Salvation Army	Youth Dynamics - Rimview Group Home
Choteau United Methodist Church	Helping Hands of Mission Valley	Sanders County Coalition for Families	Youth Dynamics Choice Group Home
Clark Fork Valley Women in Timber	Hi-Lines Help for Abused Spouses	Sanders County Dog Training Club	Youth Dynamics New Beginnings Group Home
Conrad/Brady Christmas Giving Tree	HRDC - Bozeman	See A Need Take Action	Youth Dynamics New Journey Group Home
Cut Bank Chamber of Commerce	Huntley Project Development Association	Shelby Public Schools	Youth Dynamics Opportunity Group Home
Day Eagle Hope Project	Immanuel Lutheran Church	Snowy Mountain Development Corp	Youth Dynamics, Inc. - Helena
Dillon Elks	Interact Club of Butte	Snowy Mountain Industries	Youth Dynamics, Inc. - Butte
Dillon Main Street, LLC	Intermountain Childrens Home	Soroptimists of Dillon	Youth Dynamics, Inc. - Malta
Discovery House	Joliet Lions Club	Southwest Montana Community Health Center	Youth Dynamics - Rivers Edge Group Home
District 4 HRDC	Kairos Youth Services	St. Bernard Council of Catholic Women	
Domestic & Sexual Violence Services of Carbon County	Knees Community Club	St. John's Foundaiton	
East Helena Eagles Club 4004	Kruzin' 4 Seniors, Inc.	St. Labre Youth and Family Service	
Eastern Montana Community Mental Health Center	Lake County Community Support	State of Montana - Child & Family Services	
Essential Eats Distributors, Inc.	Liam's Wish	Stevensville Sharing Tree	
Eureka Shop With A Cop	Lincoln County Community Health Center	Sunrise Lions	
Evergreen Rebekah Lodge #86	Lockwood PTA	TCF	
Family Outreach	Love By Choice	The Dandelion Foundation	
Family Promise of Greater Helena	Lower Yellowstone Chapter A.B.A.T.E.	The Ruby Valley Giving Tree	
Family Support Network	Loyal Order of Moose Lodge #334	The Salvation Army	
	Margaret Hall	Three Forks High School	



# Christmas Boxes for Active Military

Adopt A Sox's (AAS) mission is to recognize and thank our actively serving Montana service men and women at Christmas to show them that their own communities think of them and appreciate their sacri-

fices. To do this, we invite the community to donate a wide range of specific useful items, tasty treats, and entertaining surprises.

In 2020, Adopt A Sox shipped over 200 boxes to Montana's active service members.

The Town Pump Charitable Foundation has supported Adopt A Sox since its inception. For more information on this organization please visit their website: at:

[www.adoptasox.org](http://www.adoptasox.org)

“ It is an incredible feeling to be supported by people who have never met me. The items in my package were a welcome and fun surprise! As you have accurately determined, it's nice to be reminded of home through the little comforts. Additionally, I really appreciate that it wasn't just food. The food is welcome and wonderful, but it's exciting to receive other items.

Thank you again for your support! ”

- Love, E.T.H, Adopt A Sox Active Duty Recipient



## Adopt A Sox

Honoring Our Hometown Heroes

### Sheltering the homeless builds stronger communities

In 2019, Continuums of Care Agencies reported that Montana had an estimated 1,357 people experiencing homelessness on any given day. These include families, Veterans, unaccompanied young adults and individuals experiencing chronic homelessness.

Homeless shelters provide residents with safety and protection from

exposure to the weather while reducing the impact on communities due to law enforcement intervention, emergency room care, etc.

The Montanans Helping Montanans spirit is displayed through the work of emergency homeless shelters across the state.

**In 2020 the Town Pump Charitable Foundation provided \$425,000 in financial assistance to shelters across the state for housing and food.**

#### EMERGENCY SHELTERS RECEIVING SUPPORT:

Montana Rescue Mission - Billings  
Bozeman Warming Shelter  
Butte Rescue Mission  
Family Shelter of the Bitterroot

Great Falls Rescue Mission  
God's Love Shelter - Helena  
Hope Rescue Mission - Missoula  
Poverello Center - Missoula

Thank you for the wonderfully generous donation! It is generosity such as this that allows us to continue our work supporting our veterans. Every dollar donated further allows us to keep working towards our goals. Thank you and Good Health!

With Gratitude

VYP Team



# Promoting STEM-spiration through the Educational Alliance

**ExxonMobil**



Exxon/Mobil and Town Pump are fueling young minds. Together, we believe that all kids should be excited about math and science and the opportunities that will be available to them once they have that knowledge. Through Town Pump's more than 40-year partnership with Exxon/Mobil, we help secure grants for Montana schools. These grants are used to support science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) education within the communities we serve. In 2020, eighty-four (84) Montana schools received \$500 grants for a total of \$42,000.

Our thanks to Exxon and Mobil for sharing our commitment to giving back to our Montana communities.



## SCHOOLS receiving grants included:

Lincoln Primary School – Anaconda	Kennedy Elementary School – Butte	Havre High School – Havre	Jefferson Elementary School – Miles City
Anaconda High School – Anaconda	Whittier Elementary School – Butte	Highland Park Elementary School – Havre	Franklin School – Missoula
Ridge View Elementary School – Belgrade	Hillcrest Elementary School – Butte	Helena High School – Helena	Hellgate High School – Missoula
Heck/Quaw Elementary School – Belgrade	Margaret Leary Elementary School – Butte	Helena Middle School – Helena	Russell School – Missoula
Belgrade High School – Belgrade	West Elementary School – Butte	Kessler Elementary School – Helena	Lowell Elementary School – Missoula
Big Timber Elementary School – Big Timber	Columbia Falls High School – Columbia Falls	Broadwater Elementary School – Helena	Target Range School – Missoula
Sweetgrass County High School – Big Timber	Meadowlark School – Chinook	Rossiter Elementary School – Helena	Plains Elementary School – Plains
Arrowhead Elementary School – Billings	Columbus Elementary School – Columbus	Smith Elementary School – Helena	Linderman School – Polson
Bonner School – Bonner	Conrad Elementary School – Conrad	Jim Darcy Elementary School – Helena	Ramsay School – Ramsay
Boulder Elementary School – Boulder	Conrad High School – Conrad	Warren Elementary School – Helena	Shelby Elementary School – Shelby
Bozeman High School – Bozeman	O D School – Deer Lodge	Helmville School – Helmville	Shelby High School – Shelby
Chief Joseph Middle School – Bozeman	Dillon Middle School – Dillon	Cornelius Hedges School – Kalispell	Superior Elementary School – Superior
Emily Dickinson Elementary School – Bozeman	Parkview School – Dillon	Fred W Graff School – Laurel	Thompson Falls Elementary School – Thompson Falls
Irving Elementary School – Bozeman	Radley Elementary School – East Helena	Laurel High School – Laurel	Three Forks Elementary School – Three Forks
Longfellow Elementary School – Bozeman	Ennis School – Ennis	Garfield School – Lewistown	Troy High School – Troy
Hawthorne School – Bozeman	Eureka Public Schools – Eureka	Libby Elementary School – Libby	White Sulphur Springs Elementary – WSS
Vina Chatten Elementary School – Browning	Forsyth Elementary School – Forsyth	B A Winans School – Livingston	Whitehall Elementary School – Whitehall
Butte Central Catholic High School – Butte	Roosevelt School – Great Falls	Lolo Elementary School – Lolo	Whitehall High School – Whitehall
Butte High School – Butte	Sacajawea Elementary School – Great Falls	Lolo Middle School – Lolo	Northside School – Wolf Point
East Middle School – Butte	Grantsdale School – Hamilton	Woodman School – Lolo	
Emerson Elementary School – Butte	Daly School – Hamilton	Garfield Elementary School – Miles City	
	Hardin Primary School – Hardin	Lincoln Elementary School – Miles City	



Photo: Town Pump Staff

# Exxon/Mobil & Town Pump partner to support Montana communities

Town Pump and Exxon/Mobil recognized many dedicated Montanans for their service to our state this past summer.

**A total of \$20,000 in Exxon/Mobil Gift Cards were donated to local law enforcement agencies, fire departments, search and rescue groups, food banks, and airmen at Malmstrom Air Force Base in Great Falls.**

The organizations were free to use the cards at their discretion as recognition incentives, to help community members in need, to assist other city agencies, or even to fuel city vehicles.

The Flathead Food Bank and the North Valley Food Bank (Whitefish) used the gift cards to help volunteers delivering food to seniors with their gas expense.

The Montana Hope project was the recipient of 160 cards at the request of the Montana Highway Patrol.

Town Pump would like to thank our longtime partner Exxon/Mobil for joining us in supporting communities across Montana.



Photo: Helena Police Department / Facebook.com

Dear Mike,  
Thank you for being a special olympics champion.  
My name is Josh Anderson and I am a special olympics  
Athlete. I have been an athlete for nineteen years.  
I compete in four different sports.  
Your generosity has been an inspiration to me and I hope  
that my courage can be an inspiration to you in these  
difficult times. Thank you for all your support and for  
being our champion!  
Sincerely,  
Josh Anderson  
P.S. I am looking forward to Kayaking.

Town Pump,  
Thank you again for your  
generous support of our 2019  
Children's Store. You great helped  
100 children purchase their family's  
Christmas presents and we are  
again able to continue our support  
to the Cobitrip Good Bank. Please  
keep us in mind for the 2020  
Children's Store. Thanks again  
United Community Church Women's Circle

“Thanks again to Town Pump for the generous gift card donation to the Helena Police Department, enabling us to continue helping community service organizations.”  
- Helena Police Department on Facebook

“Thank you for supporting kids and families in our community.”  
- Nicole Mitchell, The Flagship Program

# Town Pump Employee and Family Member Scholarship Program

Twenty-seven recipients received a total of \$53,000 in scholarship grants from the Town Pump Charitable Foundation. Active employees, children, stepchildren and grandchildren of active Town Pump employees are eligible to apply for a scholarship through this program.

Students must be enrolled in a full-time undergraduate course of study at an accredited two-year or four-year Montana college or university. Maximum eligibility is four years.

## 2020 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS WERE:

Claire Britton  
Tyler Brockman  
Leon Dolozel  
Natalie Dulac  
Josey Earles  
Teidyn Gage  
Tatum Kirschenheiter

Rylee Gonzales  
Mickenzie Guski  
DeLaney Hinman  
Kassady Hinman  
Jenna Hodges  
Brett Jacobs  
Andrew Johnson

Baily Ann Johnson  
Tyson Malenovsky  
Kathryn Manson  
Danika Murphy  
Oliva Osmun  
Jacob Parish  
Payton Peterson-Zeiler

Tyler Poser  
Katelyn Rapp  
Beau Ruark  
Jenna Sanders  
Holden Sampson  
Alivia Wixsten

# Special Olympics 50 Years of Excitement

COVID-19 could not dampen the determination and spirit of Special Olympic athletes across Montana. When the Summer Games and the Fall Basketball Tournament could not be played in person, Special Olympics went virtual! Nothing stops a Montana Special Olympics athlete from competition.

In 2020, Special Olympics Montana (SOMT) celebrated its 50th Anniversary. Congratulations!



SOMT is an athlete-centered, family-based, volunteer-driven-and-supported movement with over 2,000 athletes registered in 121 programs from 65 Montana communities.

Team members at Town Pump convenience stores, casinos, and hotels support Special Olympics Montana each year through the sale of \$5 MTN/Chevy Truck raffle tickets.

**Since 2006, Town Pump team members have sold over 297K tickets, raising nearly \$1.5 MILLION for Special Olympics.**

Additionally, Town Pump has committed to increase our prize contributions for the MTN/Chevy Truck Raffle.

- **NEW to the 2021 raffle prizes is a 2nd-place prize of \$5,000 CASH provided by Town Pump.**
- **The 5th, 6th, and 7th place prizes are all \$1,000 TOWN PUMP GIFT CARDS, which can be used for fuel or in-store purchases.**

Watch for your chance to win! Town Pump team members will be selling raffle tickets from February 1, 2021, through March 31, 2021. Tickets can be purchased with cash, check, or debit card.

**THE DRAWING WILL BE HELD  
MAY 15, 2021.**

Town Pump also continues its longstanding partnership with Special Olympics Montana as Premier Mission Partner of the Montana Law Enforcement Torch Run, Premier Sponsor of the State Basketball Tournament, Premier Sponsor of the Area Winter Games and Platinum Sponsor of the State Summer Games.

“Let me win. But if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt.”



**Special  
Olympics**

“Town Pump’s motto, “Montanans helping Montanans,” precisely describes how mission partner Town Pump supports Special Olympics. Our mission of support and inclusion – of changing the world one life at a time – is possible only because of mission partners like Town Pump. Team Town Pump, thank you for helping us build inclusive communities across Montana.”

- Rhonda McCarty, CEO, Special Olympics, Montana

# \$500,000 in grants will Be awarded for volunteer EMT and ambulance services

Healthcare first response in many rural communities is provided by volunteer ambulance and EMT services. As volunteer services, many of these organizations receive little or no financial support from local governments. Many are dependent on donations from the community and spaghetti dinner fundraisers to purchase minor equipment and supplies.

In 2021, the Town Pump Charitable Foundation will provide \$500,000 in grants statewide for volunteer EMT and ambulance services to help provide for emergency medical services in rural communities. Requests for funding included items such as high-visibility jackets, pagers, tablets, medic kits, automatic external defibrillators (AED), CPR training for the community, turn-out gear, power cots for ambulances, and other minor equipment.

The Foundation will be reaching out to 94 organizations to update their grant applications for consideration in this year's program.



## Help us celebrate 20 years of partnership with local food banks in 2021

2021 marks the Town Pump Charitable Foundation's 20th anniversary of the Be a Friend in Deed, Help Those in Need campaign. This year will be more than an anniversary — it will be an opportunity to expand our support across Montana.

**Our goal in 2021 is to raise \$1.5 MILLION** for local food banks, including \$1 million in matching



grants from the Town Pump Charitable Foundation. We will continue to build a better tomorrow for all Montanans by supporting basic needs, education, and community assistance. With every grant program, we aim to help shape a better way of life in Montana.

In 2021, look for grant opportunities supporting education, food insecurity, and Veterans. Grant programs will be posted throughout the year on our website: [www.townpumpfoundation.com](http://www.townpumpfoundation.com).

BE A FRIEND IN DEED



*Thank You*  
**FRONTLINE WORKERS**



FOR THOSE WHO CONTINUE TO SHOW UP DAY AFTER DAY TO DO YOUR PART, WE ARE THANKFUL FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO CARING FOR OUR COMMUNITY!



**MONTANA IS BETTER BECAUSE OF YOU**