

February 25, 2015

Dear Members of the Montana Congressional Delegation,

It is my pleasure to inform you that the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) has awarded a 2015 Senior Corps RSVP grant to one or more organizations in Montana.

The attachment includes a brief summary of each grant awarded in Montana, including local contact information for the grantee.

This funding builds on Senior Corps RSVP's longstanding history of civic engagement. Established in 1971, Senior Corps RSVP is one of the largest senior volunteer organizations in the nation. Senior Corps RSVP taps the skills, talents, and experience of thousands of Americans age 55 and older. In 2009, Congress passed the Serve America Act, the most sweeping expansion of national service in a generation. This landmark law established an annual competition of the Senior Corps RSVP program that began in 2013. This competition requires grantees to meet performance measures and funds projects that meet a diverse range of specific local and community needs. Senior Corps RSVP volunteers serve through Area Agencies on Aging, Community Action Agencies, Volunteer Centers, United Ways, social services agencies, faith-based organizations, and many others. Together these Senior Corps RSVP volunteers have improved lives in the following ways:

- Served 329,400 veterans in activities such as transportation and employment service referrals
- Mentored nearly 78,000 children
- Provided independent living services to 797,000 adults, primarily frail seniors
- Provided respite services to 20,300 family or informal caregivers
- Engaged 20,100 veterans who served as Senior Corps RSVP volunteers.
- Leveraged an additional 18,500 volunteers to support Senior Corps RSVP activities such as delivering meals to those in need and tutoring at-risk children.

In a time of significant economic challenges, national service is a critical and cost-effective method to engage America's citizens in solving problems in their communities. Our agency seeks to expand service opportunities for older Americans and make service a transformative experience for all who serve and for the communities that they support.

I welcome the opportunity to discuss national service with you at your convenience. Please do not hesitate to contact me or Kimberly L. Allman, Director of Government Relations, at kallman@cns.gov or (202) 606-6707.

Warmest regards,



Wendy Spencer
Chief Executive Officer

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Senior Corps 2015 RSVP Grants

Project Sponsor:	Area II Agency on Aging 1502 Fourth St W PO Box 127 Roundup, MT 59072-0127 (406) 323-1320
Contact:	Todd Wood toddw@midrivers.com
Project Name:	South Central Montana RSVP
Service Area:	Musselshell, Golden Valley, Fergus, Judith Basin, and Petroleum Counties
Estimated Volunteers:	240
CNCS Award Amount:	Up to \$ 69,755
Grant Type:	New RSVP grants - funds will support RSVP projects in established geographic service areas that were competed per the Serve America Act beginning in 2013. These competitive grants ensure investment in quality programming within communities across the country.
Program Primary Focus Area:	Healthy Futures: Grants will assist with meeting health needs within communities including access to care, aging in place, and childhood obesity. Grant activities will: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Increase seniors' ability to remain in their own homes with the same or improved quality of life for as long as possible;• Increase physical activity and improve nutrition in youth with the purpose of reducing childhood obesity and increasing access to nutritious food, and• Improve access to primary and preventive health care for communities served by CNCS-supported programs (access to health care).

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Project Sponsor: Butte School District #1
111 N Montana St
Butte, MT 59701-9219
(406) 533-2508

Contact: James Moyle
moyleje@butte.k12.mt.us

Project Name: Butte School No. 1 - RSVP

Service Area: Butte Silver Bow County - Butte

Estimated Volunteers: 196

CNCS Award Amount: Up to \$ 81,693

Grant Type: New RSVP grants - funds will support RSVP projects in established geographic service areas that were competed per the Serve America Act beginning in 2013. These competitive grants ensure investment in quality programming within communities across the country.

**Program Primary
Focus Area:**

Education

Grants will provide support and/or facilitate access to services and resources that contribute to improved educational outcomes for economically disadvantaged people, especially children, and for children with special and/or exceptional needs. Grant activities will improve:

- School readiness for economically disadvantaged young children
- Educational and behavioral outcomes of elementary, middle, and high school students with special and exceptional needs
- The preparation for and prospects of success in post-secondary education institutions for economically disadvantaged students or students with special or exceptional needs.

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Project Sponsor: City of Miles City
17 S 8th St
PO Box 910
Miles City, MT 59301-3214
(406) 874-8602

Contact: Lorrie Pearce
cityclerk@milescity-mt.org

Project Name: Miles City RSVP

Service Area: Custer and Rosebud Counties

Estimated Volunteers: 184

CNCS Award Amount: Up to \$ 58,228

Grant Type: New RSVP grants - funds will support RSVP projects in established geographic service areas that were competed per the Serve America Act beginning in 2013. These competitive grants ensure investment in quality programming within communities across the country.

Program Primary Focus Area:

Healthy Futures:

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Project Sponsor: Dawson County Commissioners
207 W. Bell
Glendive, MT 59330-1616
(406) 345-4102

Contact: Adam Gartner
gartnera@dawsoncountymail.com

Project Name: Dawson/Wibaux Retired and Senior Volunteer Program

Service Area: Dawson and Wibaux Counties

Estimated Volunteers: 240

CNCS Award Amount: Up to \$ 30,192

Grant Type: New RSVP grants - funds will support RSVP projects in established geographic service areas that were competed per the Serve America Act beginning in 2013. These competitive grants ensure investment in quality programming within communities across the country.

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Project Sponsor:	Flathead County Commissioners 800 S Main Kalispell, MT 59901-5435 (460) 758-2481
Contact:	Lisa Sheppard lsheppard@flathead.mt.gov
Project Name:	RSVP of Flathead County
Service Area:	Flathead County
Estimated Volunteers:	320
CNCS Award Amount:	Up to \$ 50,246
Grant Type:	New RSVP grants - funds will support RSVP projects in established geographic service areas that were competed per the Serve America Act beginning in 2013. These competitive grants ensure investment in quality programming within communities across the country.
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Project Sponsor: Human Resource Development Council District IX, Inc.
32 South Tracy
Bozeman, MT 59715-4659
(406) 587-5444

Contact: Margaret Mason
mmason@rsvpmt.org

Project Name: RSVP of Southwest Montana 09

Service Area: Gallatin and Park Counties

Estimated Volunteers: 344

CNCS Award Amount: Up to \$ 78,661

Grant Type: New RSVP grants - funds will support RSVP projects in established geographic service areas that were competed per the Serve America Act beginning in 2013. These competitive grants ensure investment in quality programming within communities across the country.

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Project Sponsor: Missoula Aging Services, Inc.
337 Stephens
Missoula, MT 59801-3816
(406) 728-7682

Contact: Debbie Lester
dlester@missoulaagingservices.org

Project Name: RSVP of Missoula County

Service Area: Missoula County

Estimated Volunteers: 400

CNCS Award Amount: Up to \$ 72,990

Grant Type: New RSVP grants - funds will support RSVP projects in established geographic service areas that were competed per the Serve America Act beginning in 2013. These competitive grants ensure investment in quality programming within communities across the country.

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Project Sponsor:	Richland County Health Department 1201 West Holly Suite 1 Sidney, MT 59270-4901 (406) 433-2207
Contact:	Judith Lapan jlapan@richland.org
Project Name:	Richland & McCone County RSVP
Service Area:	Richland and McCone Counties
Estimated Volunteers:	248
CNCS Award Amount:	Up to \$86,045
Grant Type:	New RSVP grants - funds will support RSVP projects in established geographic service areas that were competed per the Serve America Act beginning in 2013. These competitive grants ensure investment in quality programming within communities across the country.
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Project Sponsor: Richland County Health Department
1201 West Holly
Suite 1
Sidney, MT 59270-4901
(406) 433-2207

Contact: Judith Lapan
jlapan@richland.org

Project Name: Roosevelt, Daniels, & Sheridan County RSVP

Service Area: Roosevelt, Daniels, and Sheridan counties, including the Fort Peck Indian Reservation

Estimated Volunteers: 300

CNCS Award Amount: Up to \$ 105,000

Grant Type: New RSVP grants - funds will support RSVP projects in established geographic service areas that were competed per the Serve America Act beginning in 2013. These competitive grants ensure investment in quality programming within communities across the country.

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Project Sponsor:	Rocky Mountain Development Council, Inc. 200 South Cruse PO Box 1717 Helena, MT 59624-1717 (406) 447-1680
Contact:	Julie Serstad jserstad@rmdc.net
Project Name:	Tri-County RSVP
Service Area:	Broadwater, Jefferson, and Lewis and Clark Counties
Estimated Volunteers:	320
CNCS Award Amount:	Up to \$41,413
Grant Type:	New RSVP grants - funds will support RSVP projects in established geographic service areas that were competed per the Serve America Act beginning in 2013. These competitive grants ensure investment in quality programming within communities across the country.
Program Primary Focus Area:	Healthy Futures: Grants will assist with meeting health needs within communities including access to care, aging in place, and childhood obesity. Grant activities will: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Increase seniors' ability to remain in their own homes with the same or improved quality of life for as long as possible;• Increase physical activity and improve nutrition in youth with the purpose of reducing childhood obesity and increasing access to nutritious food, and• Improve access to primary and preventive health care for communities served by CNCS-supported programs (access to health care).

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Project Sponsor: United Way of Cascade County
417 Central Ave
Ste 402
Great Falls, MT 59401-3137
(406) 727-3400

Contact: Kimberly Ochsner
kim@uwccmt.org

Project Name: United Way of Cascade County

Service Area: Cascade County

Estimated Volunteers: 490

CNCS Award Amount: Up to \$ 105,628

Grant Type: New RSVP grants - funds will support RSVP projects in established geographic service areas that were competed per the Serve America Act beginning in 2013. These competitive grants ensure investment in quality programming within communities across the country.

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Project Sponsor:	Western Montana Area VI on Aging 110 Main St Suite 5 Polson, MT 59860-2364 (406) 883-7284
Contact:	Duane Lutke aging6@area6aging.org
Project Name:	Area VI RSVP
Service Area:	Lake, Ravalli, Mineral, Sanders and Lincoln Counties, including the Flathead Indian Reservation
Estimated Volunteers:	229
CNCS Award Amount:	Up to \$ 108,514
Grant Type:	New RSVP grants - funds will support RSVP projects in established geographic service areas that were competed per the Serve America Act beginning in 2013. These competitive grants ensure investment in quality programming within communities across the country.
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