

Jon Tester United States Senator for Montana

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Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies

These projects relate to the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education. These Montana projects will provide workforce training for unemployed workers, invest in students at every level and support hospital improvements to keep Montanans healthy.

Information about each project was provided by the requesting entity. Amounts requested are not guaranteed; funds secured are likely to differ from the requested amount. Senator Tester's appropriation requests to the Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Subcommittee for Fiscal Year 2010 are listed below.

United States Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies

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Mike and Maureen Mansfield Center Institute for Leadership and Public Service

- Request**
- Subcommittee
- Committee
- Senate Floor
- Conference
- Law

Amount: \$200,000

University of Montana (Missoula, MT)

This program will fulfill the intention of the Maureen and Mike Mansfield Center to promote greater understanding of public policy issues and public service.

Montana Automotive Technology School Upgrade

- Request**
- Subcommittee
- Committee
- Senate Floor
- Conference
- Law

Amount: \$200,000

Montana Automotive Technology (Missoula, MT)

This project will update tools and equipment, allowing students to learn a trade smartly and safely, and fund the purchase of parts to allow students to complete projects.

Montana Pediatric Project - Extending Specialty Care to Montana Kids

- Request**
- Subcommittee
- Committee
- Senate Floor
- Conference
- Law

Amount: \$350,000

Saint Vincent Healthcare Foundation (Billings, MT)

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Saint Vincent Healthcare established the only pediatric intensive care (PICU) program in Montana and Wyoming on October 1, 2008. This program will allow children and their families to avoid out of state medical transports, saving money, improving medical care, and reducing disruptions to work and family life.

Reach Higher Montana: Elevating the Potential of Adult Learners



Amount: \$500,000

Montana State University Billings (Billings, MT)

This initiative will strategically target proficiencies, mentorships, and assessments needed to support learning by adults who have either dropped out of the education system or are returning to college to improve their skills.

Rescue Package for Montana's At-Risk Youth - Education for Life



Amount: \$534,500

Jobs for Montana's Graduates Foundation (Helena, MT)

This project will expand Jobs for Montana's Graduates' successful dropout prevention program to disadvantaged youth while incorporating high-wage, high-demand career exploration activities for at-risk students in areas such as energy and green technology.

Rocky Boy Health Board Equipment Upgrades



Amount: \$800,000

Rocky Boy Health Board (Box Elder, MT)

Funds will be used to purchase telecommunications equipment, x-ray equipment, optometry equipment, dental equipment, and boiler updates. The new equipment will allow the tribal health board to provide essential medical care to reservation residents such as telemedicine opportunities for reservation patients that are currently transported to off-reservation hospitals. The Health Care Facility serves the Tribe with a total of about 5500 members with more than half residing on the reservation.

Rural Health in America: Pharmacist Patient Care and Drug Therapy



Amount: \$360,000

University of Montana (Missoula, MT)

This program will construct programs for Medication Therapy Management and the "Medical Home" using collegial and collaborative drug therapy management methods to work in concert with and under the auspices of physicians to improve drug therapy in the difficult-to-access populations.

Rural Kids Telemental Healthcare Initiative



Amount: \$100,000

Youth Dynamics, Inc. (Billings, MT)

This project incorporates a creative approach to provide access to quality behavioral treatment by using state-of-the-art telemental health care technology in each of its locations to deliver therapeutic services targeted to children and youth living in Montana rural and remote areas.

Saint John's Lutheran Hospital Facilities and Equipment



Amount: \$1,500,000

Saint John's Lutheran Hospital (Libby, MT)

This project will help with hospital expansion, as months of professional planning and research found that about 77,000 additional square feet is needed to meet demands including a 29 percent increase in surgical cases and a 71 percent increase in emergency room visits.

Saint Patrick Hospital and Health Sciences Center



Amount: \$1,800,000

Western Montana Telemedicine Network (Missoula, MT)

This project will create a permanent, shareable, web-based, secure, HIPAA-compliant Electronic Health Record system to connect all hospital information systems, clinics, and physicians in the region. It will enable all Western Montana health care providers (12 hospitals, 600 providers, 300,000 patients) to communicate in real-time to compare the effectiveness of different medical treatments.

Southcentral Montana Workforce Incubation and Retention Center



Amount: \$100,000

Montana State University, Billings (Billings, MT)

This project will maintain state of the art services and facilities, such as computer labs and distance learning centers, and provide access to expert trainers and best training practices benefiting the employer, employee, and the regional economy.

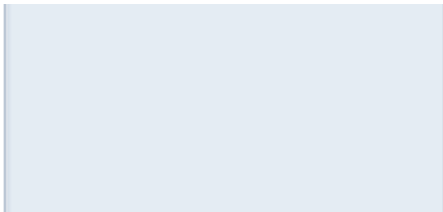
Tobacco Valley Community Center



Amount: \$300,000

Tobacco Valley Senior Citizens Association (Eureka, MT)

The Tobacco Valley Senior Citizens Center is currently housed in a converted church dating back to 1906. Realizing the limitations of the current Center, this project will help seniors further develop the senior and community center.



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