

# Jon Tester United States Senator for Montana

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## Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies

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 Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Subcommittee for Fiscal Year 2011 are listed below.

[United States Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies](#)

### Fort Harrison Fire Station

Montana National Guard  
Fort Harrison, MT  
\$1,750,000

The Montana Army National Guard Fort Harrison Fire Station is a 4,167 square foot building, which was constructed in 1995. It does not provide adequate bays for new HEMMT Fire Trucks and appropriate storage for related and unique firefighting equipment at the Fort Harrison Fire Station. This situation makes the equipment unavailable to respond rapidly, if at all, in the event of an emergency. This project is designed and could be constructed in less than twelve months in FY 2011.

### Miles City Readiness Center

Montana National Guard  
Miles City, MT  
\$14,330,000

Would fund reconstruction of the existing Readiness Center. The existing Miles City Readiness Center is 8,481 square feet and was built for an Armored Cavalry Unit in 1957. As a result of Force Structure Transformation, the current unit occupying this facility is the 260th Engineer Company, for which the facility is improperly designed and grossly undersized. The State of Montana has entered into a 35 year lease (renewable to 99 years) for the land. The project is on the FYDP.

### Military Working Dog Kennel Replacement

Malmstrom AFB  
Malmstrom AFB, MT  
\$2,500,000

Would allow construction of a new military working dog kennel and demolition of current facility. The current facility was constructed in 1955 and is rated substandard. Concerns have been raised by the base engineer about both the sanitation at and structural integrity of the facility. Average annual maintenance costs exceeded \$40,000 over the last four years.

### Physical Fitness Center

Malmstrom AFB  
Malmstrom AFB, MT  
\$10,000,000

Provides Phase II of a Fitness Center including indoor swimming pool, group exercise area, Health and Wellness Center, administrative office, and racquetball courts. Malmstrom is currently the only northern tier base without an indoor swimming pool.

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7:45 a.m.  
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Meets AF Fitness Center Design Standards and DoD force protections standards. The project is currently on the Air Force FYDP.



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