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## Grants Available to Benefit Blaine County

**Helena, Mont.**, July 24, 2017 – The Montana Community Foundation (MCF) announces the opening of a grant cycle to benefit communities and residents of Blaine County. Grants will be made from the Blaine County Community Foundation Fund, established at MCF by Warren Ross in 1997. Financial support for this grant program also comes from the Ross 87 Ranch Endowment Fund, established by Warren Ross as well.

Applicants must be either a 501(c)(3) nonprofit or an exempt governmental unit. Grants will range in size from \$1,000 to \$3,000. While grants must be used for projects benefiting communities or residents in Blaine County, the grantee organization does not need to be based in Blaine County. Only one application is allowed per organization.

Eligible projects must provide a direct benefit to local residents, be sustainable, and address important, unmet needs. Ineligible projects include conferences, workshops, planning, research, untested projects, and partisan or sectarian activities.

Grant requests are reviewed by the MCF Grants & Scholarships Committee. The grant process is competitive; incomplete applications will not be considered. Grant applications will be accepted Aug. 7 – Sept. 8, 2017.

To apply for a grant, access the online application at [mtcf.org/grants](http://mtcf.org/grants). Only online applications will be accepted. For questions, please contact MCF Director of Operations & Grants Jessica Stewart-Kuntz at (406) 441-4950 or [jessica@mtcf.org](mailto:jessica@mtcf.org).

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### About Montana Community Foundation

Montana Community Foundation's (MCF) mission is to cultivate a culture of giving so Montana communities can flourish. Founded in 1988, MCF manages approximately \$80 million in assets and administers more than 900 philanthropic funds and planned gifts. Since 1988, MCF has reinvested more than \$37 million in Montana through grants to charitable organizations and causes across the state. MCF serves as a center for philanthropy in Montana, working with donors, charitable organizations and communities to provide simple and effective ways to give back to Montana.

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