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Grants Awarded to Benefit Blaine County

Helena, Mont., November 16, 2018 – The Montana Community Foundation, Inc. (MCF) announces the grantees of the Blaine County Community Foundation Fund benefiting the communities and residents of Blaine County. The Blaine County Community Foundation Fund was 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.

The grant money must be used for programs or projects benefiting Blaine County. The applications were reviewed by a committee of Blaine County residents and MCF staff. This year's grantees are:

- Chinook Food Pantry — \$2,000 for improvements to the food pantry
- Sweet Memorial Nursing Home — \$2,000 for a water fountain
- Blaine County Wildlife Museum — \$2,000 for website updates

“Our grant application process always proves the needs of the communities we serve are great,” said Jessica Stewart-Kuntz, MCF director of Operations & Grants. “The communities themselves know how these funds would best address their needs, and we are glad to help facilitate these improvements to Blaine County.”

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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 more than \$100 million in assets and administers more than 1,100 philanthropic funds and planned gifts. MCF's accreditation through the Council on Foundations' National Standards for U.S. Community Foundations ensures MCF complies with the strictest standards in gift administration and grantmaking. Since its founding, MCF has reinvested more than \$41 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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