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Donation Drive For Welcome Baskets

Throughout March, we will be restocking shelves with contents to fill our "Baskets of Love." As individuals and families from Family Promise or Housing Advocate Network "graduate" into homes of their own, each receive appropriately sized housewarming gifts of necessary supplies needed to reestablish home life.

In 2021: 20 baskets were delivered to families In 2022: 48 baskets were delivered to families



Donations of supplies, gas cards, gift cards, or financial donations are needed to restock the shelves. There are many ways to participate!

CLICK HERE to find out how!

Welcome Naomi and Dustin!

We are pleased to welcome the newest additions to the MIC staff, Naomi Gerheim and Dustin Crowson. Naomi is our Missoula Works Sales Coordinator, and Dustin is our Get It Done Project Manager. We are thrilled to have you!



Housing Advocate Network Seeking Volunteers

Housing Advocate Network has volunteer openings for our Group Housing Workshops. Volunteers provide housing support in a team environment at the Missoula Food Bank & Community Center on Tuesdays from 2-4pm and at MIC offices on Fridays from 1-3pm. Knowledge or expertise about housing is not required!



All new volunteers attend an orientation.

For more information or questions, contact Zeke (zeke@micmt.org)

Free Foster Care Training

There is a growing need for more therapeutic and respite foster parents in our community. This FREE training from Youth Homes and Child and Family Services offers a first step to explore becoming a foster parent. There is also a zoom option for folks not able to attend in-person.



March 30th 6:30 - 8:30

To register or access a zoom link please email mic@micmt.org

Sponsored by: Youth Homes, Holy Spirit Episcopal Church, MIC

MIC Program Tours- Join us!



During the tours, we provide an overview of how programs are operating in Missoula, share stories and offer opportunities to get more involved.

February Tour: March 15th, 10am-11am

Scan the QR code or sign up HERE!

Common Good Missoula Table Talk Training

On February 16th, about 45 new leaders were trained to be facilitators of table talks. Table talks create community and belonging, provide a way for people to connect, and are a forum to discuss real concerns about everyday life in Missoula to be heard by the city for the Growth Policy.





To learn more contact lisa@commongoodmissoula.org.

Fundamentals of Organizing Training

Common Good Missoula will have a fundamentals of organizing training on March 29th and 30th (Wednesday/Thursday) from 9am-4pm at the new Headwater's space, 219 W Main Street. Stipends, wage replacement, and child care help are all available upon request and a short conversation with Lisa Davey to determine best fit

To attend register here: www.commongoodmissoula.org/events.

Common Good Missoula is also looking for potential board members. If you are interested please contact Lisa:

lisa@commongoodmissoula.org

Host Families Needed for the Montana International Choral Festival

Every three years, the Montana International Choral Festival brings hundreds of outstanding singers from all over the world to Missoula. The next Festival will take place from July 19 - 22, 2023. Please consider opening your home to some of the visiting



artists. It is a wonderful opportunity to meet and engage with folks from different parts of the world and introduce them to the beauty of Missoula and Montana. Many host families develop lifelong relationships with singers!

If you can host an international singer, sign up through this website: https://www.choralfestival.org/host-family-application/

Thank you for your continuous support of MIC and our programs! Learn more and donate to our programs at www.micmt.org

MIC's Mission is: "To draw people together across civic, economic, political and religious divides to affect social change and develop

public leaders. We exist to strengthen community organizations, generate leaders, and foster meaningful relationships as we act together for the common good."





Every act of your generosity helps us to further our mission. Thank you for making the world a better place. Love from Family Promise, Housing Advocate Network, MIC's organizing with Common Good Missoula, & Missoula Works.

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