



**HOUSING ADVOCATE NETWORK • FAMILY PROMISE • MISSOULA WORKS**

## **Volunteer Mentors Needed**

Missoula Interfaith Collaborative is seeking volunteers to help staff our "Open Office Hours" weekdays from 10am to noon. Right now we have folks coming in every day to learn more about our programs and services, and we just need some helpful people who are able to greet them, provide some in-the-moment support and then connect them with next steps for the Housing Advocate Network and/or Missoula Works.

**Interested in helping out with this?**

**[CLICK HERE](#) to register for our volunteer orientation and training April 17th from 5:30 - 7:30.**

For more information or questions, contact Zeke ([zeke@micmt.org](mailto:zeke@micmt.org))



## Re-Entry Simulation

Partners for Reintegration, Welcome Back, Missoula Works, and Montana Department of Corrections are teaming up to offer a re-entry simulation on April 28th. This is a wonderful experiential opportunity to gain understanding about what it is like for individuals re-entering their community after incarceration.

Scan the QR code or sign up [here](#)!

# Re-Entry Simulation

Experience coming back to Missoula County as a returning citizen in the first month of freedom from incarceration Try out your problem-solving skills on the difficult journey to a “successful reentry.” You won’t want to miss this! Please register – Spaces are limited



**FREE REGISTRATION**

[cwittmann@missoulacounty.us](mailto:cwittmann@missoulacounty.us)

**Friday, April 28th, 3-5pm  
St. Paul Fellowship Hall  
@ 202 Brooks, Missoula**

## SPONSORS:

Welcome Back



Montana Department  
of Corrections



Missoula Works



## Welcome Baskets Update

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to our "Baskets of Love" donation drive so far! Your generosity is helping provide our neighbors who "graduate" from Family Promise and Housing Advocate Network with wonderful housewarming gifts as they move into their new homes.



Be sure to check out the recent special [KPAX news feature](#) about the Baskets of Love program.



\*\* In order to meet the needs of our community, we have extended the drive through April so there is still time to give! [CLICK HERE](#) to find out how.

## **Missoula Works Ventures Products at Imagine Nation Brewing!**



# SAVE THE DATE

THURSDAY, APRIL 6, 2023 5-7:30 PM

We will be at INBC selling our fantastic new products. See them, and find out what we have been up to.



Join us at Imagine Nation Brewing on April 6th! We will be there with some of our products and all of our stories. Swing by and leave with a bag made by someone in your town. Every single one has a story.

## Missoula Works Needs Vinyl Banners

Do you have old vinyl banners that you no longer need? Donate them to Missoula Works Ventures and our skilled craftspeople will transform them into beautiful & functional bags like the one in this photo!



Donations can be dropped off Monday-Friday 9am-5pm at the MIC Offices located in the basement of Atonement Lutheran Church (2205 34th St)

## **MIC Program Tours- Join us!**

### **MONTHLY PROGRAM TOURS**



**PLEASE JOIN US TO LEARN  
ABOUT OUR MANY  
MIC PROGRAMS!**

#### **NEXT TOUR:**

**WEDNESDAY APRIL 19TH, 10-11AM  
@ THE FAMILY HOUSING CENTER  
(1800 S 3RD ST W)**



**SCAN TO REGISTER**



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:** April 19th, 10am-11am

Scan the QR code or sign up [HERE!](#)

## **Congratulations Ruth!**

We are please to announce that Ruth Guthrie, MIC Volunteer Extraordinaire was recently awarded University of Montana's 2023 Outstanding Student Volunteer of the Year! We are proud of you Ruth, and thank you for the exceptional work you do to serve our community.



**Business for Impact**

The next Business for Impact celebration is happening next month! This is an opportunity to bring together our current Business for Impact supporters as well as introduce our program to new business leaders in Missoula. We will also highlight Missoula Works Ventures, our new textile enterprise.

Please join us to celebrate our successes this year, goals for creating an inclusive workforce in our community, and stories.



## A Survey To Support Unhoused Youth

Help spread the word to individuals between the age of 16-24 years old! Surveys need to be submitted by April 15th.



**Your voice can SPARK change!**

**As a valued member of our community, you can help us understand what issues you are having and how we can help solve them.**

**If you are between the ages of 16 and 24 years old, Montana Legal Services (MLSA) invites you to complete a survey about**

**HOUSING INSECURE YOUTH NEEDS AND SERVICES.**

**Complete the survey in one of two ways and receive a \$25 gift card to Walmart:**

Visit the survey website:



<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MLSAYouthSurvey>

Scan the QR code with your smartphone



**Surveys must be completed by April 15, 2023.**

Questions? Call MLSA's Youth Homelessness Demonstration Project Coordinator 406-594-1971

For over fifty years, the Montana Legal Services Association has helped ensure fairness for all in Montana's justice system by providing civil, non-criminal legal services to low-income Montanans living in all 56 Montana counties and on all Tribal Reservations. MLSA works on individual cases and under a systemic approach to help low-income people living throughout the state escape domestic violence, keep their housing, preserve their public benefits, protect their basic human rights, and more.



## **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!

We need at least 60 more families to host the pairs of adult singers and at least 25 more families to host the international youth singers.



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

**Video testimonials from previous hosts can be viewed [here](#):**

**Thank you for your continuous support of MIC and our programs! Learn more and donate to our programs at [www.micmt.org](http://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, & Missoula Works.*

#### **Our Contact Information**

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