

Initiatives of Governor Steve Bullock



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Forests in Focus



The "Forests in Focus" initiative is designed to address challenges and opportunities facing Montana in the key areas of Federal Forest Management, Forest Restoration and Industry Retention, Tribal, State, and Private Forests, and Collaboration and Partnerships.

Montana Conservation Corps members serve as stewards of the land in forest management, wildfire risk reduction, and in improving the overall health of our forests.

Big Sky Watershed Corps members serve as stewards of the land in watershed restoration and improve the overall health of watersheds in Montana.

Montana State Parks AmeriCorps members improve landscapes, partnerships, and educational efforts to children and visitors throughout Montana's State Parks.

Childhood Hunger



The goal of the Governor and First Lady's initiative is to end childhood hunger in Montana by increasing participation in existing—and initiate the start-up of—"Breakfast after the Bell" programs in Montana's schools, as well as with afterschool, summer, and snack feeding programs for Montana's kids.

Montana No Kid Hungry AmeriCorps work with local schools to help mitigate childhood hunger by increasing participation in breakfast programs and strengthening community partnerships.

Governor and First Lady Youth Leadership Council engages youth in school-community service projects and events to fight childhood hunger in Montana.



S.M.A.R.T Schools

"SMART" Schools refers to a schools' ability to "Save Money and Resources Today" by implementing simple behavioral and operational changes to promote energy efficiency and health. The SMART Schools Challenges are meant to encourage schools to become more energy efficient, reduce waste, promote health, and implement sustainable practices.

An **Energy Corps AmeriCorps** member serves at the Department of Environmental Quality. The member provides expertise and guidance on environmental health and energy issues to schools, assists teachers' efforts to provide sustainable curriculum, and fosters student participation.

National Service programs also meet needs in...

Montana FoodCorps provides food and nutrition education through hands-on activities like gardening and cooking, while also filling lunch trays with nutritious meals from local farms.

Justice for Montanans helps to empower low to moderate income Montanans, particularly those living in rural and Tribal communities, to advocate for their legal rights, and increase access to justice

Early Childhood Education



Early Edge MT is Governor Bullock's Initiative to ensure every Montana child arrives at kindergarten ready to learn. Children who receive high-quality early learning are more likely to read at grade level, graduate from high school, and earn more money as adults.