



AN AMERICORPS STORY



AmeriCorps VISTA 2006-2008

with Montana Campus Compact's FoodCorps project

Served with the **University of Montana Western** Dining Services in Dillon

Currently the Sustainable Food & Agriculture Program Manager with **Alternative Energy Resources Organization** (AERO) in Helena

Kevin Moore

Kevin Moore moved to Montana to serve as an AmeriCorps VISTA with the new FoodCorps project hosted by Montana Campus Compact. He studied Environmental Policy at Fort Lewis College in Colorado and had a limited background in building local food system. His time as a VISTA gave him a great introduction to Montana's current food and agricultural system and taught him strategies for creating change in rural communities. His service also laid the foundation for UM Western to direct their spending to Montana food products that help preserve the agricultural heritage and economy that the Dillon community values.

“Serving as an MTCC VISTA FoodCorps member at Western was a first step for both me and the university. I helped the staff pave the way for a thriving community wide local foods program that exists today while developing skills and a passion for local food systems that has become the center of my academic studies and now professional development.” - Kevin Moore