

2013 MLK Day Activities in Montana
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Billings Community Connect and the 2013 Montana Housing Status	Billings Community Connect provides a safe place for homeless or near-homeless individuals and families to access assistance in a one-stop setting. The annual event includes over 50 service providers and Billings Metro VISTA members will assist. Billings Community Connect is held in conjunction with the Montana Housing Status Survey. Before participants can enter they must complete the Housing Status Survey. This survey is part of a national count of those who are homeless.		1/25/2013	9am-4pm	Training to administer 2013 Montana Housing Status Survey	The Al Bedoo Shrine Auditorium	1125 Broadwater	Billings	MT	59102		Kelly Fessler	406-657-8289	vista2@ci.billings.mt.us
Read for Peace Project	AmeriCorps VISTAs and Foster Grandparents will be reading diversity themed books to students grade K-3 in Billings.	MTCC/Foster Grandparents	1/21 or 1/19			Various elementary schools		Billings	MT			Donna Bulatowicz	247-5738	donna.bulatowicz@msu.billings.edu
Read for Peace Project	AmeriCorps VISTAs and RSVP Volunteers will read to elementary school students about MLK and encourage peace and understanding.	KidsLink/ VISTA/ RSVP/ FoodCorps	1/18/2013	3:30pm-5pm		Bozeman Elementary Schools		Bozeman	MT			Allison Barlow	406-587-5444	kidsLINK@greatergallatinunitedway.org
Read for Peace Project	Volunteers will read to students about the impact of MLK JR. Students will complete a short reflection. Reflections will be displayed in the community.	Browning Community Development Corporation	1/21/2013			Various elementary schools		Browning	MT			Kelly Sykora	(406) 338-4015	vista@browningcdc.org
Butte Community Weatherization Event	A two day, hands-on weatherization and energy education event conducted by Montana Energy Corps members in partnership with student volunteers from Highland Community College and the Butte Public Housing Authority. The first day will consist of insulating hot water tanks and piping as well as installing high efficiency shower and faucet aerators in two community housing locations. The second day, an residential energy education event will take place. This event will be open to all Butte community members. Event will include presentation given by Energy Corps members energy related games will take place with local businesses donating gift certificates to the winners. Compact fluorescent bulbs, educational materials on home energy use and food will be provided to all attendees.	Energy Corps	1/22 and 1/23	8am-5pm		Rosalie Manor, Elm Street Apartments	1125 S. Main Street	Butte	MT	59701	www.energycorps.org	Dustin Bowman	406-533-6645	dustinb@ncat.org
Read for Peace Project	Read For Peace provides volunteers to read an age-appropriate book about Dr. King to kindergarten through third-grade students in public schools. The students are then given a poem or drawing to complete. These activities are displayed for one month in the BSB public library.	Montana Campus Compact/ RSVP/ FGP/SCP	1/21/2013			Butte Schools		Butte	MT			Emily White	406 496 4692	ewhite@mt.etch.edu
Sunday Supper	Multicultural potluck followed by a screening of "Lunch Line" and community discussion of hunger, the school lunch program, etc.	Madison Farm to Fork, FoodCorps	1/20/2013	2pm-5pm		Madison Valley Public Library	210 West Main Street	Ennis	MT	59729		Natasha Hegmann	319-331-7291	natasha.hegmann@gmail.com

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Big Sky Volunteer Fair	Volunteer fair for the Big Sky community	Big Sky Watershed Corps/Blue Water Task Force/Jack Creek Preserve Foundation	1/21/2013	1pm-5pm	Must be 18 to volunteer in the school	Lone Peak High	45465 Gallatin Rd	Gallatin Gateway	MT	59730		Alicia DeGroot		alicia.t.degroot@gmail.com
Read for Peace Project	RSVP Volunteers will read to elementary school students about MLK and encourage peace and understanding.	RSVP				Schools in Glendive		Glendive	MT			Patty Atwell	406-377-4716	rsvp@midrivers.com
Winter Ready Disaster Kits	Action for Eastern Montana Senior Companion Program, Richland/McCone RSVP, Richland County Disaster Coordinator, The Great Northern RSVP and The Governor's Office of Community Service are partnering to make 118 winter ready disaster kits. Each kit will have a bag, blanket, radio, and flashlight. We are making the kits on Jan 10, 2013 and then will be handing them out to elderly senior companion clients in Richland, Dawson and Valley Counties on Martin Luther King Day.		1/29/2013					Glendive	MT			Karen O'Dell	406-433-4967	k.odell@ae mt.org
Read for Peace Project	Senior Companions, RSVP volunteers, and AmeriCorps VISTAs will be reading MLK-related books in local schools		1/15/2013			Various elementary schools		Great Falls	MT			Tina Lopez	406-454-6992	
Read for Peace Project	Community volunteers will go into classrooms throughout Great Falls and read a short story about MLK and facilitate a discussion about the book and its topics. Then the students will do a project that will be displayed in the community.	Sunburst Unlimited	1/22/2013			Great Falls Schools		Great Falls	MT			Michael McConnell	413-627-9255	gfld100@gmail.com
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Read for Peace Project	AmeriCorps VISTAS, Senior Companions, RSVP volunteers, and special guests will be reading MLK-related books in five local schools	Montana Campus Compact/ Helena School District	1/17/2013	8:45am - 11pm		Various elementary schools		Helena	MT			Gladys Walter	406-324-2105	GWalter@helena.k12.mt.us
Wake Up Montana!	This Healthy Breakfast Food Drive focuses on hot and cold nutritious, non-perishable breakfast food items. All items collected in Helena will be donated to Helena Food Share.	DPHHS Prevention Resource Center	1/21 to 2/4			Boxes across Helena		Helena	MT	59604		Nicole Gottschall	406-444-9655	ngottschall@mt.gov
Coffee Collection for Veteran's Clinic	A collection of coffee, creamer and sugar will be held beginning on MLK Day and run through February 15. Items collected will be delivered to the Kalispell Vet's Clinic and Kalispell VA Clinic.	RSVP of Flathead County	1/21 to 2/15			Kalispell VA Clinic		Kalispell	MT	59901		Sue Holst		sholst@flathead.mt.gov
Collection for Veterans	A collection of personal care items, non perishable food items and pet food will be held beginning on MLK Day and run through 2/15. Items collected will be delivered to the NW Montana Veteran's Food Pantry.	RSVP of Flathead County	1/21 to 2/15			NW MT Veteran's Food Pantry		Kalispell	MT	59901		Sue Holst		sholst@flathead.mt.gov
Read for Peace Project	Volunteers will be reading excerpts from books on Martin Luther King, Jr. in elementary school classrooms and then facilitating a creative activity with the students.	MTCC VISTA, Compact Service Corps, RSVP	1/18/2013	8am-3pm		Russell Elementary		Kalispell	MT	59901		Kimbra Buerschaper	406.756.3922	kbuerschaper@fvcc.edu

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Read for Peace Project	MLK Books will be read to preschoolers at Miles City Public Library Story Hour	RSVP of Miles City	1/15/2013	10am - 2pm		Miles City Public Library	One South 10th St.	Miles City	MT	59301	rsvpmilescity.org	Betty Vail	406-234-0505	rsvp05@midrivers.com
MLK Celebration	NCBI Missoula and the MLK Day Planning Committee present Missoula's MLK Jr Day Celebration. Starting with a Rally at Caras Park at 5pm, participants will here from human rights activists and then march to a community celebration at St. Paul's Church for a keynote address, music, awards, and a community social.	NCBI Missoula	1/21/2013	5pm-8pm		Caras Park and St. Paul's Church	202 Brooks Street	Missoula	MT		www.ncbimissoula.org	NCBI	406-541-6891	
Project Homeless Connect	Project Homeless Connect is a national initiative aimed at connecting the homeless with core services during a one-day, one-stop service event. This event improves services and housing for people experiencing homelessness in Missoula. Project Homeless Connect is a collaborative effort between service providers, local businesses, nonprofits, and volunteers that will help homeless individuals and families gain access to over 60 services in one day. Volunteers can register to help in the following areas: Host/Guide; Food Service; Clothing distribution; Service area attendant; Greeter.	Missoula City Planning Office	1/24/2013	10am - 3pm	Good communication skills; Experience working with diverse populations; Flexible	First United Methodist Church	300 E. Main Street	Missoula	MT	59807		Helen Pohman	406.728.7682	rsvp@missoulaagingservices.org
Read for Peace Project	MLK Read For Peace places volunteers in Missoula County Public Schools elementary classrooms to spread the word about the life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Volunteers will read an age-appropriate book about Dr. King to K-3 grade students. The students are then given a poem or drawing to complete over the long weekend. These activities are displayed for one month in the Missoula Public Library downtown branch.	Montana Campus Compact/ Missoula Aging Services	1/18/2013	8am-3pm	ability to read a book to a classroom of students in grades K-5 with enthusiasm	Seven elementary schools		Missoula	MT			Adrianna Ely		acely@mcps.k12.mt.us
Diversity Fair	Joint event with the Salish Kootenai College and RSVP. Elementary school children will be bused into the college. There will be a variety of "stations" that they visit. The RSVP station will use a "We're all Different, We're all the Same" storybook. The children draw a picture about the theme. The pictures will be transferred to a quilt which will be donated in the community.	Salish Kootenai College/ RSVP	1/15/2013	9am-2pm		Salish Kootenai College athletic building	Rte. 93	Pablo	MT			Maxine Garcia	406-883-7284	RSVP@area6gaging.org
Read for Peace Project	Volunteers from RSVP, AmeriCorps VISTA, and a FoodCorps service member will read to students about the impact of MLK JR. Students will complete a short reflection. Reflections will be displayed for black history month in February in a visible area.	RSVP	1/18/2013			Elementary School in Polson		Polson	MT			Maxine Garcia	406-883-7284	RSVP@area6gaging.org

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"Food Fight" Community Screening	Join us for a screening of the film "Food Fight" at Cafe Regis. The screening is free and open to the public, with delicious snacks available. Following the film we'll have a discuss about the film- considering the role of service in increasing access to good food in our community.	Red Lodge Area Food Partnership Council/ Cafe Regis/ FoodCorps	1/17/2013	6:30pm	Be excited to learn about good food. A willingness to engage, learn, and take action to increase food security in our community.	Cafe Regis		Red Lodge	MT	59068	www.foodpartnership.org	Alyssa Charney	781-888-6698	alysa.charney@foodcorps.org
Read for Peace Project	Volunteers from RSVP, AmeriCorps VISTA, and a FoodCorps service member will read to students about the impact of MLK JR. Students will complete a short reflection. Reflections will be displayed for black history month in February in a visible area.	Mission Mountain Food Enterprise Center	1/18/2013			K William Harvey Elementary School		Ronan	MT			Shay Farmer	406-676-5901 X 112	sfarmer@mefec.org
Montana Free File Outreach	AmeriCorps members will be targeting community organizations and locations where they can provide Montana Free File brochures and information, talking to organization members and clients about Montana Free File, and tabling about Montana Free File (where available).	Justice for Montanans Project	11/20 to 1/24					Statewide	MT		www.montanafreefile.org	Katy Reed	(406) 543-8343 x 208.	kreed@mtlsa.org