



MONTANA BOARD OF CRIME CONTROL

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December Board Meeting

The Board met on December 5, 2025 to approve the FY2024 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Governor's Certificate, review the funding recommendation for the 2024 Residential Substance Abuse Treatment (RSAT) for State Prisoners Program funding opportunity, approve the continuation of the VOCA match waiver, approve the redistribution of the declined FVPSA award to the other recipients, approve the 2025 board calendar, and approve committee assignments and Executive Committee appointments.

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Farewell, Jessi - You Will be Missed

Jessi Deily, our Administrative Officer, has decided to make the leap in 2025 to full-time baking. Jessi has been an integral part of MBCC for the last five years. Along with keeping the ship afloat with day-to-day operations, Jessi ran our annual conference and created all the MBCC notifications to keep you all apprised on the work we do on your behalf.

Thank you for your steadfast support, dedication, and genuine care for the MBCC Board, Youth Justice Council, MBCC staff, subgrantees, and our partners. Your contributions have shaped our organization, and your commitment has established the benchmark of excellence at MBCC that we will all strive to uphold in your honor.

Wishing you all the best!

Funding Opportunities

Current Funding Opportunities

MBCC is seeking applicants for the 2025 John R. Justice (JRJ) Student Loan Repayment Program (**applications due January 23, 2025**) and the FY2025 Residential Substance Abuse Treatment (RSAT) Winter/Spring grant.

RSAT applications submitted by **December 30, 2024** will be brought forward to the March 2025 Board Meeting and applications submitted by **March 31, 2025** will be brought forward to the June Board Meeting

Upcoming Funding Opportunities

MBCC will release the following funding opportunities in January:

- FY2025 Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) grant
 - **Opens:** December 20, 2024
 - **Closes:** January 31, 2025
- FY2025 Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP) grant
 - **Opens:** December 20, 2024
 - **Closes:** January 31, 2025
- FY2025 Domestic Violence Intervention (DVI) grant on
 - **Opens:** December 19, 2024
 - **Closes:** January 30, 2025

For more information about current and past funding opportunities, please visit our Funding Opportunities page.

[MBCC Funding Opportunities](#)



2025 Spring Program Highlights Submissions are Open!

MBCC's Program Highlights honor criminal justice and community-based programs that merit recognition for providing effective services in their communities or statewide. MBCC will recognize at least two programs per year and applications will be archived for future consideration. Applications are accepted from both current and previously funded MBCC grant recipients. MBCC is currently accepting Program Highlights for the Spring quarter.

Up to two representatives from the selected program will be invited to give a presentation about their program to the Board of Directors at the Board Business Meeting on **March 6, 2025**. MBCC will showcase the Highlight Program through a statewide press release, certificate of recognition, and placement of program information on the MBCC website. Additionally, the selected program will receive one attendance scholarship to the 2025 Montana Crime Prevention Conference.

For your program to be considered, please complete the Program Highlights Submission Form and email any relevant supplemental materials to Angie at angie.woodrow@mt.gov. The deadline for Spring Program Highlights submissions is **5:00 PM on Friday, February 14, 2025**.

[Submit Program Highlights Form](#)

December Youth Justice Council

The Youth Justice Council met on December 5, 2024. Jeremy Shields provided updates about Title II and the R/ED Conference he attended, and council members reviewed the Governor's Report.

The agenda, public documents, and more can be found on the MBCC Events Calendar.

[Find Out More](#)



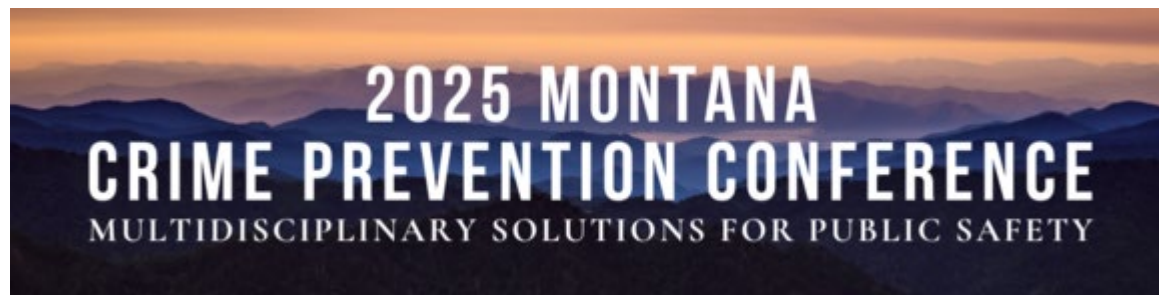
The 2025 Do the Write Thing Challenge has begun!

All across America, students are taking action to end youth violence. Montana's Do the Write Thing Challenge is a violence prevention program that encourages middle school students to examine the causes of youth violence, the impact of violence on their lives, and to communicate in written form what they think should be done to reduce youth violence. By encouraging students to make personal commitments to do something about the problem, the program ultimately seeks to give them the opportunity to break the cycles of violence in their homes, schools, and neighborhoods. Do the Write Thing is an initiative of the National Campaign to Stop Violence.

Student writings are due March 7, 2025. Nine State Finalists and one Student National Ambassadors will be selected and invited to the State Recognition Event in Helena in May 2025. The Student National Ambassadors will be invited to the National Do the Write Thing Recognition Ceremony in Washington D.C. in July 2025.

If you would like to participate in the Do the Write Thing challenge, or would like more information, please email [Jeremy Shields](mailto:Jeremy.Shields@montana.gov).

[Learn more about DtWT Challenge](#)



2025 Montana Crime prevention Conference

Multidisciplinary Solutions for Public Safety

Save the date! The 19th Annual Montana Crime Prevention Conference will take place at **Doubletree by Hilton Hotel Billings** on October 28 and October 29. Post-Conference Training will take place on October 30 and 31.

Now Accepting Presentation Proposals

Do you have an idea for a presentation? We'd love to hear it! Please fill out the Presentation Proposal Form below to submit your idea. MBCC staff will review and all selected presenters will be notified in Summer 2025.

[Submit Presentation Proposal](#)

Sponsorship Opportunities

Support from our sponsors enables our conference to continue to provide key educational sessions to law enforcement professionals, state, local and tribal government, probation, victim service providers, educators, and leaders from the public and private sectors across the state.

For sponsorship opportunity ideas, please review the [Sponsorship Levels](#).

[Become a Sponsor](#)

Exhibitor Opportunities

Exhibitor tables are \$275 and complimentary registration for one attendee is included with the purchase of the table. Tables will measure six feet in length and will be clothed and skirted. Electricity is included.

MBCC will review and accept exhibitor booth applications as they come in, and all selected exhibitors will be notified in summer 2025.

[Apply to be an Exhibitor](#)

Stay Updated

Subscribe to the Montana Crime Prevention Conference mailing list to receive notifications about selected presenters, exhibitor and sponsorship opportunities, registration, lodging, and more.

[Subscribe for Email Updates](#)

For more information, please visit the 2025 Montana Crime prevention webpage.

[Find Out More](#)

New AmpliFund Resource

Creating Expense Entries, Reporting Periods, & Payment Requests

MBCC has created a new [cheat sheet](#) that outlines the process of creating expense entries, reporting periods, and payment requests in AmpliFund.

[Find Out More](#)

Online Resources

As we continue to support our communities in Montana, we want to remind everyone about the valuable resources available through MBCC and our partners in the criminal justice system.

AmpliFund Resources Page

MBCC has created several step-by-step guides and videos to assist applicants and subgrantees as they navigate AmpliFund. On our AmpliFund Resources page, you will find information about how to submit an application in AmpliFund, how to complete quarterly programmatic and financial reporting, how to submit a payment request, and more.

Be sure to check out our newest cheat sheet on [Creating Expense Entries, Reporting Periods, & Payment Requests](#).

As always, please reach out to your program manager anytime for additional training and technical assistance.

[AmpliFund Resources Page](#)

Training Opportunities Page

On our Training Opportunities page, we list both MBCC-hosted training opportunities as well as training opportunities from our criminal justice partners throughout Montana. Check back regularly to see what opportunities are coming up!

Training Opportunities

MBCC Funding Opportunities Page

In addition to training, MBCC provides numerous funding opportunities aimed at reducing crime, improving safety, and supporting victims across Montana. For a comprehensive overview of current and past funding options, please visit our Funding Opportunities webpage.

MBCC Funding Opportunities

Other Funding Opportunities

MBCC also makes an effort to spread awareness of other funding opportunities that might be helpful to our subgrantees and partners. Be sure to check out our Other Funding Opportunities webpage for a list of current funding opportunities from federal, nonprofit, and other sources.

Some examples include:

- **RedRover Safe Housing Grants**, which may be used to build or renovate spaces dedicated to housing survivor's pets, begin a foster program to care for survivor's pets, pay for temporary boarding for survivor's pets
- **Print Copies of OVC's Child Victims and Witnesses Support Materials**

View Other Funding Opportunities



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