



MONTANA BOARD OF CRIME CONTROL

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December Board Meeting

The Board made decisions on Title II and RSAT funding, approved VOCA Match Waivers and minor language changes to Board policies, and discussed funding priority criteria for the 2022 VOCA funding opportunity.

The Statistical Analysis Center reported on the new funding and crime data dashboards, and Tawny Rogers and Jen Buckley gave a presentation on the MBCC Victim Liaison Project.

The agenda, public documents, and more can be found on the [MBCC Events Calendar](#).

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2022 Victims Funding Opportunities

MBCC is seeking applicants for the 2022 Sexual Assault Services Program (SASP), 2022 Domestic Violence Intervention (DVI) Program, and 2022 Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) funding opportunities.

Applications for SASP and DVI are due on January 26, 2022. VOCA applications are due January 27, 2022.

The 2022 STOP Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) funding opportunity will open in March 2022.

For funding opportunity links, dates and deadlines, and more information, please visit the [Funding Opportunities](#) page on the MBCC website.



Connie Young Retired on December 21, 2021

The Board of Directors and MBCC staff honored Fiscal Supervisor Connie Young at the December Board meeting for her 33 years of service with the State of Montana and 21 years with the Montana Board of Crime Control. With her unwavering leadership, tireless commitment to her work, and breadth of knowledge and wisdom, Connie has truly been the backbone of MBCC and she will be dearly missed. Congratulations, Connie, on your well-deserved retirement!

Connie left MBCC in good hands with the new Fiscal Supervisor, Maia Zelenak. Maia worked for the Board as an accountant between 2012-2014 and has extensive experience working with the state. Thank you Connie and Maia for making this a smooth transition for subgrantees, staff, and Board members.

New Subgrantee Resources Page

The Montana Board of Crime Control has added four new subgrantee procedures to the MBCC website, including:

- AmpliFund Required Documentation for Expenses
- Employee Health & Welfare Process
- Request for Program-Related Out-of-State Travel
- Use of Prepaid Cards (i.e. gift cards, gas cards, phone cards, etc.)

Subgrantees who are in the process of requesting reimbursement from MBCC are encouraged to review these procedures.

MBCC will continue to update the Subgrantee Resources page with additional subgrantee and grant management procedures as needed.

[Visit Subgrantee Resources Page](#)

A Message from the MBCC Liaisons

As the Montana Board of Crime Control liaisons, we wanted to provide you with a quick update on how our Victim Liaison Project has progressed. When we began emailing service providers around the state, we knew we would get good information, but honestly, everyone that we have met with so far has exceeded our expectations. We have learned, and are continuing to learn such solid, valuable information that is both helping us get the data we need in order to provide a statewide needs assessment that is effective in asking the right questions, and also learning what our great state already has and what gaps exist for victims in our current system. During our many one-on-one meetings and roundtable discussions with both systematic and grassroots organizations, we have been solution-focused and forward-thinking. We have also taken the time to really connect with our reservations and urban Indian centers, ensuring tribal entities are involved and tribal issues are included in this conversation. It is important to note, we still have many communities that we plan to visit, as the public health situation permits. We are gearing up to have listening sessions for victims of crime in both the Missoula and Helena areas and we are beginning to create our needs assessment. Most importantly, we want to thank everyone who has met with us and those who are still planning to meet with us. Please feel free to reach out to either of us to set up meetings or learn more about our program.

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Abuse in Later Life Update

New Abuse in Later Life Advocate Joins YWCA Missoula

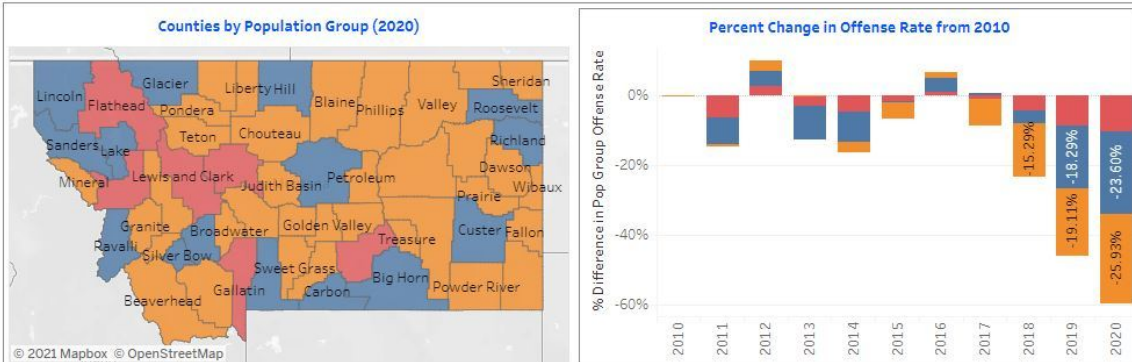
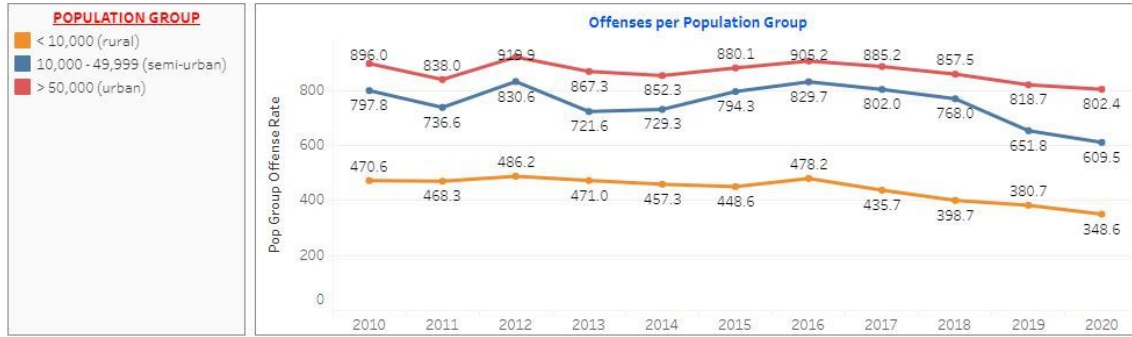
Abuse in Later Life Advocate Angie Barron has joined the YWCA Missoula team. Angie has an extensive background in direct services, mental health services, childcare and foster care, and addictions. As YWCA's Abuse in Later Life Advocate, she will exclusively serve clients ages 50 and over.

Fun fact: she adopted two cats from the animal shelter for a total of four cats--but she's no cat lady!



Statistical Analysis Center

Offense Rates by Population Size



DATA DISCLOSURES
 Crime Data extract from Montana Incident-Based Reporting System (MTIBRS) on 12/7/2021. | Offense counts represent unique Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) offense codes. Population data from <https://cic.mt.gov/People-and-Housing/Population>

Data Dashboards

The Statistical Analysis Center (SAC) has added two Funding Reports dashboards and four new Crime in Montana data dashboards to the MBCC website.

Crime in Montana (CIM)

MBCC SAC staff has added the following CIM dashboards:

- Offense Rates
- Offense Rates by Population
- Annual Agency NIBRS Offense Summary
- Annual Agency NIBRS Reported Offenses & Clearance Rates

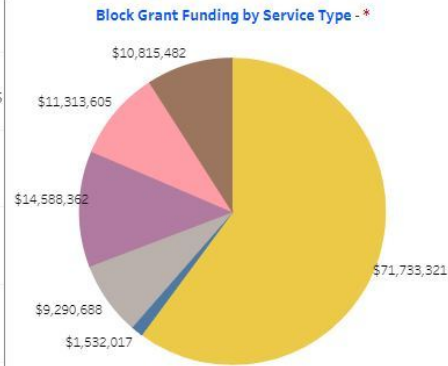
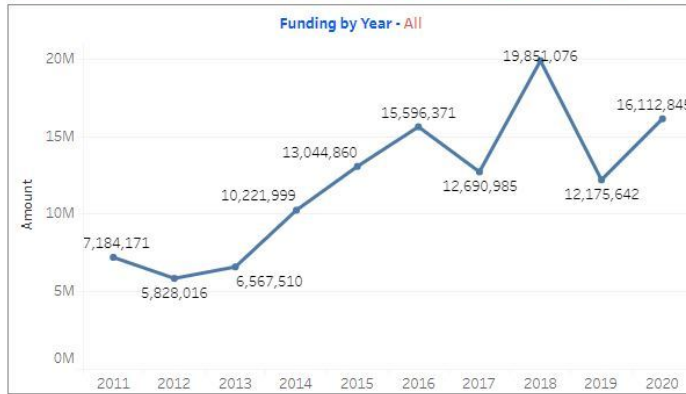
To view the new and existing dashboards, please visit crimedata.mt.gov.

[View Crime in Montana Data](https://crimedata.mt.gov)



Block Grant Funding Administered by MBCC

USE CHARTS TO FILTER BY YEAR AND SERVICE TYPE



Funding by Program, Year, Service Type

Year: All
Service Type: All

FULL TITLE	Amount	% of Total
Adam Walsh Act Child Protection and Safety Act	\$397,979	0.33%
American Indian/Alaska Native Clinical & Translational R..	\$8,238	0.01%
Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse ..	\$1,300,000	1.09%
Delinquency Prevention Grants Program	\$9,254,394	7.76%
Domestic Violence Intervention (DVI)	\$967,532	0.81%
Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)	\$9,558,033	8.01%

Service Type

- Victim Services
- Offender Services
- Criminal Justice Improvement
- Juvenile Justice Block Grant
- Public Safety Services
- Statistical Analysis Center (SAC) Projects

Dashboards reflects federal and state block grants awarded to the MBCC for distribution to subrecipients. | Awards are enumerate by year grant was awarded to the MBCC.

Funding Reports

MBCC SAC staff has added the following Funding dashboards:

- Block Grant Funding Administered by MBCC
- MBCC Awards to Subgrantees

To view the Funding dashboards, please visit fundingreports.mt.gov

[View Funding Reports](#)

2021 Law Enforcement Personnel in Montana Report

Thank you to our Law Enforcement partners for 100% participation! MBCC conducts an annual employee survey of the state's law enforcement agencies, including police departments, county sheriffs' offices, and university police. The surveys are used to determine the number and type of personnel employed by Montana law enforcement agencies as of October 31 of each year.

For the first time ever – all listed state law enforcement agencies with sworn law enforcement officers responded – this included Airports, and state agencies such as DOJ Gambling Control Division, Motor Carrier Services Division, Division of Criminal Investigations, Department of Livestock, Probation and Parole, and Fish Wildlife and

Parks. Thank you to all who participated! MBCC would not be able to present this information if it were not for the cooperation of these law enforcement agencies. The effort and time that went into completing the surveys are greatly appreciated.

The MBCC Statistical Analysis Center is in the process of building the 2021 Law Enforcement Personnel in Montana Report into an interactive data dashboard similar to those on the [Montana Crime Data](#) webpage. The report will be posted to crimedata.mt.gov when available.

[View Montana Crime Data Dashboards](#)



2022 Montana Crime Prevention Conference

Multi-Disciplinary Solutions for Public Safety

The 2022 Montana Crime Prevention Conference will take place at Fairmont Hot Springs on October 4th and 5th, 2022.

Post-conference training opportunities will be available on October 6th and 7th.

Continuing education credits, including POST, CPE, OPI, and CLE, will be offered for all 2-hour sessions.

For more information, please visit the [2022 Montana Crime Prevention Conference](#) webpage.

Don't forget to subscribe to the Montana Crime Prevention Conference email list to receive updates about the agenda, presenter, exhibitor, and sponsorship opportunities, registration, and more.

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2022 Do the Write Thing Challenge Incentive

Your School Could be Awarded \$1,000 for Participating

The Montana Board of Crime Control recently received \$5,000 from the national **Do the Write Thing** program to encourage local participation. MBCC anticipates awarding \$1,000 to schools with the highest percentage of seventh and eighth grade students submitting essays regarding youth violence. Sixth grade students may also participate if they attend the same school, but it is not required for the purposes of this incentive. Once awarded, schools may use the funds for anything they wish.

The deadline for essays to be submitted to MBCC has been **extended to March 1, 2022**. If you have not already done so, please notify MBCC if your school or classroom plans to participate. Instructions, lesson plans, and other documents can be found on the [MBCC Do the Write Thing webpage](#). Please feel free to contact Rachel Gemar at rachel.gemar@mt.gov with any questions.

[Find Out More](#)



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