













Federal Initiative Priorities for 2011

Recommended by the Montana Housing Coordinating Team



The Montana Department of Commerce and the Montana Board of Housing created the Housing Coordinating Team (HCT) to coordinate its housing efforts. The members represent a broad range of state and federal housing programs, public housing authorities, community support agencies, lenders, realtors, builders, economic development groups, city and county planners, and nonprofit organizations; virtually the entire spectrum of those who finance, regulate or provide housing and related services in the state of Montana.

The following actions will benefit affordable housing in Montana:

-  Enact housing program changes to increase flexibility and efficiency.
-  Fund Section 8 for new and existing vouchers and project-based commitments.
-  Maintain current HOME, CDBG, and NSP funding.
-  Maintain HUD funding for First-time Homebuyer Education and Homeowner Counseling.
-  Increase Tax Credit Program authority permanently.
-  Incentivize Capital Investment for the Tax Credit Program, especially for rural projects.
-  Fund mobile home replacement initiatives.
-  Fund state-administered National Affordable Housing Trust Fund.
-  Enhance and create new programs to preserve affordable housing.
-  New state-administered funding of operating and rental assistance for multifamily housing.
-  Increase Public Housing Authorities' Operating Funds.
-  Increase inventory of Inmate Re-entry Housing.

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