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- ___ Undesignated

WRITE IN NONPROFITS (must be a 501 (c) (3))

Mail your pledge form to:
Montana Shares
PO Box 883
Helena, MT 59624

WELCOME

Montana Shares serves you, the donor,
by making giving...

E.S.P.

EASY

Using mechanisms like payroll contribution, online credit card monthly giving or simply writing a check, you can support any or all of our members groups. Set it up once and it takes place automatically every pay period or every month.

SIMPLE

Montana Shares provides “one-stop shopping” for your charitable giving to any or all of our nonprofit members. They work on issues concerning health and hunger; women, families, and seniors; education; arts and culture; the environment; domestic and wild animals; social justice and human rights.

PAINLESS

Participants say they hardly notice the regular, automatic deductions that go to the nonprofits of their choice.

How much should I give?

Some people give a few dollars per pay period, while others give 3 percent to 5 percent of their gross earnings each year. The amount you give is up to you. Consider starting out by donating the monetary equivalent of 1 hour per pay period. When you find out how easy that is, you can increase your contribution each year.

Want to give but aren't sure which groups to donate to? Consider making an “**undesignated**” gift to be shared among all member organizations or designate your gift to Montana Shares itself to help us continue to help our members.



Montana Shares' Role

Individual nonprofit organizations generally can't take part in workplace charitable giving campaigns unless they are part of Montana Shares or a similar umbrella group. Montana Shares acts as an administrative mechanism through which you make payroll contributions to the groups of your choice.

Shares also advises and assists member nonprofits in fundraising and public relations. We raise public awareness of how all nonprofit organizations improve Montanans' quality of life. Montana Shares distributes 85% of the charitable giving campaign donations to member groups.

Montana Shares ensures that your donations go to well-run organizations. We are audited each year and meet the national standards for federations set by Community Shares—USA. We also hold our members to strict accountability standards.

Your gift makes a difference
for your neighbors, friends
and community.

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Join the thousands of
Montanans making our
communities better and
stronger.



Montana Shares
makes giving
easy.

2016/2017

Alternative Energy Resources Organization (AERO)

www.aeromt.org

Empowers individuals & communities to live their values by nurturing and promoting renewable energy, conservation, energy efficiency, sustainable agriculture, and resilient communities across Montana

AniMeals

www.animeals.com

Works to save the hungry, the helpless, the lost, the little ones just struggling to live; to house and feed as many animals as possible.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Montana

www.montanabbbs.blogspot.com

Provides children facing adversity with strong, enduring, professionally supported, one-to-one mentoring relationships that change their lives for the better, forever.

Bike Walk Montana

www.bikewalkmontana.org

Makes Montana a safer state for walking and bicycling through education, encouragement, improved policies and laws, and safer, more accessible places to walk and bicycle.

Bridgercare

www.bridgercare.org

A non-profit, family planning clinic that provides reproductive healthcare and education to men and women regardless of ability to pay.

Camp Mak-A-Dream

www.campdream.org

Provides medically-supervised, cost free Montana experiences, in an intimate community setting for children, teens, young adults, women and families affected by cancer.

Cancer Support Community Montana

www.cancersupportmontana.org

Ensures that all people impacted by cancer are empowered by knowledge, strengthened by action and sustained by community. Free of charge.

Disability Rights Montana

www.disabilityrightsmt.org

Provides information, education, advocacy, and legal representation to Montanans with disabilities to protect and expand their human, legal, and civil rights.

ExplorationWorks!

www.explorationworks.org

Fosters a curious, scientifically literate citizenry empowered with skills to thrive in the 21st Century through interactive hands-on science center exhibits, camps, classes and programs.

Great Falls Community Food Bank, Inc.

www.greatfallsfoodbank.org

Gathers quality "rescued," donated and purchased food that is then distributed to the hungry through 63 direct providers in and around Cascade County.

Heart of the Valley, Inc.

www.heartofthevalleyshelter.org

Southwestern Montana's open-door, no-kill shelter cares for the lost and abandoned animals of the community and offers humane education and outreach programs.

Holter Museum of Art, Inc.

www.holtermuseum.org

Inspires, connects and heals our community through the power of art. Thought-provoking exhibitions and new innovative social impact programming shape this community-focused, art-based education center.

Humanities Montana

humanitiesmontana.org

Awards grants and creates public programs that support knowledge, thoughtfulness, and civil discussion so Montanans can learn and reflect together using the humanities.

Jeannette Rankin Peace Center

www.jrpc.org

Provides resources to educate and empower people to work for non-violence, social justice, and environmental sustainability.

Last Chance Community Pow Wow

www.lastchancepowwow.com

Ever-present in the community, we share our Native American culture, drumming and dancing through an annual pow wow that celebrates tolerance of cultural differences.

Lewis & Clark Humane Society

www.mtlchs.org

Provides humane care of stray, owner-surrendered, and abandoned animals; educates public regarding responsible pet ownership; sterilizes to prevent pet overpopulation; prevents cruelty to animals.

Mai Wah Society, Inc.

www.maiwah.org

Preserves Montana's Chinese heritage through rehabilitating buildings in Butte's historic Chinese district, exhibiting artifacts, conducting educational exhibits, and sponsoring archival projects and cultural exchanges.

Missoula Community Access Television, Inc.

www.mcat.org

Provides equipment, training, and channel-time to produce TV programs, which reflect Missoula's cultural, political, and intellectual diversity, and fosters community connections that nurture understanding.

Montana 4-H Foundation, Inc.

www.montana4h.org

Provides educational opportunities for more than 20,000 youth ages 6-19 years and 4,000 adult volunteers throughout the state to learn leadership, citizenship, and life-skills.

Montana Association for the Blind, Inc.

www.mtblind.org

Promotes social and economic self-sufficiency for blind & low vision Montanans through education, training and employment services, and fosters a positive understanding of blindness.

Montana Audubon

www.mtaudubon.org

Promotes appreciation, knowledge and conservation of Montana's native birds, other wildlife, and natural ecosystems to safeguard biological diversity for current and future generations.

Montana Child Care Resource & Referral Network, Inc.

www.mtchildcare.org

Provides statewide leadership shaping collaborations and strengthening child care resource and referral agencies; building diverse, professional, quality early childhood systems accessible to all Montana families.

Montana Food Bank Network, Inc.

www.mfbn.org

Works as the only statewide food bank striving to end hunger among Montana's most vulnerable populations through food acquisition and distribution, education and advocacy.

Montana History Foundation

www.mthistory.org

Preserves Montana history by making grants to mount exhibits, restore buildings, collect oral history and save historic cemeteries across the state.

Montana Legal Services Association

www.mtlsa.org

A private, non-profit law firm that provides free legal aid to low-income Montanans in all 56 Montana counties, and on all Montana tribal reservations.

Montana Meth Project

www.montanameth.org

Significantly reduces first-time methamphetamine use among Montana's youth through a campaign of public service messaging, public policy, and community action.

Montana Spay/Neuter Task Force

www.montanaspayneutertaskforce.org

Helps volunteers create pet care events with free demonstration spay/neuter clinics. The community discovers how to solve and owns the solution to pet overpopulation.

Montana Supporting Soldiers

www.mtsupportingsoldiers.com

Supports and boosts the morale of deployed troops, wounded warriors, and veterans through care packages, clothing, food, and other needs. Their families are also supported.

Montana Trout Unlimited

www.montanatu.org

Founded in 1964, Montana Trout Unlimited is a statewide grassroots organization dedicated to conserving and restoring Montana's coldwater fisheries and their watersheds.

Montana Watershed Coordination Council

www.mtwatersheds.org

Uniting and supporting Montana's watershed communities to promote healthy and productive landscapes to benefit all Montanans, everyone downstream, now and for future generations.

Montana Wilderness Association, Inc.

www.wildmontana.org

Works with communities statewide to protect Montana's wilderness heritage, quiet beauty and outdoor traditions, now and for future generations.

Montana Wildlife Federation

www.montanawildlife.org

Protects Montana's fish and wildlife, our wild lands and waters, and fights for public access for hunting, fishing, and other outdoor recreation.

NeighborWorks Montana

www.nwmt.org

Helps low and moderate income families buy or rent a home and keep their home by providing education and financial assistance throughout Montana.

Pride Foundation

www.pridefoundation.org

Committed to expanding opportunities and advancing full equality for LGBTQ youth, adults, and families across the Northwest through investments in organizations and student leaders.

Queen City Ballet Company

www.queencityballet.com

Contributes to a vibrant culture by providing Helena with professional quality dance productions, trains dance students, and provides scholarships to talented students from low-income families.

Rural Employment Opportunities, Inc.

www.reomontana.org

Helps limited-income Montanans access education, employment and job-training leading to year-round employment, improved family income and economic security.

Susan G. Komen Idaho Montana

www.komenidahomontana.org

Provides grants to community partners to ensure all women in Idaho and Montana have access to the breast health services they need.

Youth Connections Foundation

www.youthconnectionscoalition.org

Connects kids to programs and services to prevent substance abuse, violence and risky behaviors, while creating an environment where they can thrive and succeed.

All materials and secure online giving using your credit card are available at

www.montanashares.org

2016-2017 Charitable Giving PLEDGE FORM



Print name: _____

Employer: _____

Home Address: _____

City/Zip: _____

E-mail: _____

Phone: _____

GIVE BY PAYROLL CONTRIBUTION

____ Yes, I want to give to Montana Shares through a **payroll contribution**.

\$50 \$25 \$20 \$10 \$5 Other \$_____

_____ x _____ = _____
of pay periods Amount of deduction Total pledge

"I authorize my employer to deduct from my pay the amount and pay periods indicated above from 1/1/2017 to 12/31/2017, unless otherwise set by my employer. Further I ask that Montana Shares follow its policy to honor my designation of gifts to the group(s) I have indicated. I understand that if, in the rare instance, a designated group is unable to continue as a lawful nonprofit that Shares reserves the right to redirect my gift to a qualifying nonprofit that, based on Shares' judgment, comes closest to matching the work of the original designation."

Signature: _____

Date: _____

We honor your choice. You may designate all or part of your gift to go to one or more of our member groups listed on back; otherwise, your tax deductible gift will be shared among members.

GIVE BY CHECK

____ I want to make a **check contribution**.
Enclosed is my check payable to Montana Shares for \$_____.

GIVE BY CREDIT CARD

____ To give by credit card, please use our secure online giving tools at www.montanashares.org.



Thank you for your support!