

Montana Resource Guide



American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009



From the Office of Senator Max Baucus



MONTANA



Dear Friends,

We are facing an economic storm here in Montana and across the country not seen since the Great Depression. Folks are struggling to keep their jobs and their homes all across Big Sky Country. Montana families want to be sure that their children receive a quality education. They want to be sure that their roads and bridges are safe. The best way to get our economy back on track is by creating and keeping good-paying jobs and cutting taxes for hard-working folks and small businesses.

That's why Congress passed and President Obama signed the historic \$787 billion economic recovery bill earlier this year. The purpose of this legislation, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), or Jobs Bill, is to create good-paying jobs that will put Americans back to work and steer us out of the economic downturn. The Jobs Bill will pump nearly \$1 billion into our state.

This resource guide is a reference for the funding opportunities that are and will be available to Montanans through the Jobs Bill. I have included contact information for all of my state offices. My staff and I are available to answer any questions and provide any assistance you may need.

Montanans are accustomed to hard work. We are used to earning our keep, spending carefully and saving for the future. These principles have helped us through tough times in the past and will continue to serve us well for generations to come. This resource guide will help us make the most of the Jobs Bill funds to keep Montana the last best place.

All the best,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Max Baucus". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Max Baucus
Senior Senator from Montana



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Arts

"Montana has a long arts history. From the timeless paintings of C.M. Russell to the world class beadwork and moccasins made by Oshanee, Montanans are at the heart of our National Artistic Heritage. This competitive grant money will protect the jobs of people who preserve this heritage." -Max Baucus

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Grants

\$30 million was included for competitive awards through the NEA.

Agency:	National Endowment of the Arts (NEA)
Description:	To fund arts projects and activities which preserve jobs in the non-profit arts sector threatened by declines in philanthropic and other support during the current economic downturn. These funds will be distributed through a competitive grants process.
Notes:	Matching requirement waived.
Contact:	(202) 682-5400
Website:	http://www.nea.gov/
Grants:	http://www.nea.gov/recovery/nea-recovery-act-grants.html



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State Fiscal Stabilization Funds

The State Fiscal Stabilization Fund provides \$53.6 billion to provide fiscal relief to states. Montana will receive \$148,689,792 in stabilization funds.

Agency:	U.S. Department of Education
State Administrator:	Office of the Governor,
Description:	To provide fiscal relief to the states to prevent tax increases and cutbacks in critical education and other services. To provide funding for elementary, secondary, and higher education, and for public safety and other government services, including higher education modernization. States must use 81.8% of SFS funds for the support of public elementary, secondary, and higher education, and, as applicable, early childhood education programs and services.
Note:	The Governor must submit applications to the Department of Education describing how Montana will use its allocations.
Contact:	(406) 444-3095
Website:	http://www.opi.mt.gov/ http://mt.gov/education.asp
Factsheet:	http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/factsheet/stabilization-fund.html



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Special Education

\$12.2 billion was included for the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). Montana will receive \$36,708,056 in formula funding.

Agency:	U.S. Department of Education
State Administrator:	The Montana Office of Public Instruction
Description:	To assist states and school districts with paying for the rising cost of special education for students with disabilities. The IDEA Part B Grants to States program provides formula grants to assist the states in meeting the excess costs of providing special education and related services to children with disabilities.
Contact:	The Montana Office of Public Instruction P.O. Box 202501 Helena, Montana 59620-2501 In-State Toll-Free (888) 231-9393 Local (406) 444-3095
Website:	http://www.opi.state.mt.us/SpecEd/
Factsheet:	http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/factsheet/idea-c.html



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Education for the Disadvantaged

\$13 billion was included for Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. Montana will receive \$44 million in formula funding.

Agency:	U.S. Department of Education
State Administrator:	The Montana Office of Public Instruction
Description:	Provides funding to local educational agencies (LEAs) for programs that provide extra academic support to help raise the achievement of students at risk of educational failure and help all students in high-poverty schools meet challenging state academic standards.
Contact:	The Montana Office of Public Instruction P.O. Box 202501 Helena, Montana 59620-2501 In-State Toll-Free (888) 231-9393 Local (406) 444-3095
Website:	http://www.opi.state.mt.us/
Factsheet:	http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/factsheet/title-i.html



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Enhancing Education Through Technology

\$650 million was included for the Enhancing Education Through Technology program. Montana will receive \$3,048,906 in formula funding.

Agency:	U.S. Department of Education
State Administrator:	The Montana Office of Public Instruction
Description:	The Enhancing Education Through Technology program supports state, district, and school efforts to integrate technology into curricula in order to improve teaching and learning. Funding shall be used for technology staff and service. These funds should be used to improve student academic achievement and ensure that students are college- and workforce-ready by ensuring that every student has twenty-first century skills and is technology-literate. In addition, the funds should be used to increase ongoing and meaningful professional development around technology that lead to changes in teaching and curriculum and improves student achievement.
Contact:	The Montana Office of Public Instruction P.O. Box 202501 Helena, Montana 59620-2501 In-State Toll-Free (888) 231-9393 Local (406) 444-3095
Website:	http://www.opi.state.mt.us/index.html



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Vocational Rehabilitation

\$540 million was included for Vocational Rehabilitation State Grants. Montana will receive \$1.9 million in funding.

Agency:	U.S. Department of Education
State Administrator:	Office of the Governor, Montana Department of Education
Description:	This program provides grants to states to support a wide range of services. Eligible individuals are those who have a physical or mental impairment that results in a substantial impediment to employment, who can benefit from vocational rehabilitation (VR) services for employment, and who require VR services. Priority must be given to serving individuals with the most significant disabilities if a state is unable to serve all eligible individuals.
Note:	The Governor must submit applications to the Department of Education describing how Montana will use its allocations.
Contact:	The Montana Office of Public Instruction P.O. Box 202501 Helena, Montana 59620-2501 In-State Toll-Free (888) 231-9393 Local (406) 444-3095 (202) 255-7380 (David Wachter, Montana Liaison)
Website:	http://www.opi.mt.gov/ http://mt.gov/education.asp
Factsheet:	http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/factsheet/vr.html



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Teacher Quality Enhancement Competitive State Grants

\$100 million was included for the Teacher Quality State Grants program.

- Agency:** Office of Postsecondary Education, U.S. Department of Education
- Description:** To provide grants to states to improve the quality of the teaching workforce. States may use grant funds to reform teacher licensing and certification requirements; provide alternative methods of teacher preparation; and provide alternative routes to state certification. The funds provided in the economic recovery bill will assist states in modernizing the teaching workforce, address teacher shortages, and provide new routes to teaching for jobless individuals seeking to enter the teaching field.
- Contact:** (202) 502-7676 (Teacher Quality Enhancement Grants Program)
- Website:** <http://www.ed.gov/programs/heatqp/eligibility.html>
<http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/implementation.html>

Data Systems Program

\$250 million was included in competitive grants was provided for the Statewide Longitudinal Data Systems Grant Program.

- Agency:** Institute of Education Sciences, U.S. Department of Education
- Description:** To make competitive grants to states to enable them to design and develop statewide longitudinal data systems that use individual student data for reporting and improving student achievement and to facilitate research to improve student achievement and close achievement gaps. With these grants, states can increase the capacity of their data systems, provide teachers the information they need to tailor instruction to help each student improve, and give administrators the resources and information to effectively and efficiently manage their data systems.



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Contact: (202) 502-7300 (National Center for Education Statistics)

Website: <http://nces.ed.gov/programs/slds/>

Student Financial Assistance

\$15.64 billion was included for the Pell Grant program. \$200 million was included for work-study programs. These additional funds will provide immediate financial relief to an additional 800,000 students and their families who are struggling to pay for the cost of a higher education during the economic downturn.

Agency: Office of Federal Student Aid,
U.S. Department of Education

Description: To provide need-based scholarships for undergraduate students. Students may fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to determine if they are eligible to receive a Federal Pell Grant or Work-Study funds.

Contact: (800) 433-3243
(800) 4FED-AID

Website: <http://www.ed.gov/programs/fpg/index.html>



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State Energy Program

\$3.1 billion was included for the State Energy Program. Montana will receive \$25 million.

Agency:	U.S. Department of Energy
State Administrator:	Department of Energy Quality
Description:	States use grants to address energy priorities and program funding to adopt emerging renewable energy and energy-efficient technologies.
Contact:	(406) 444-2929
Website:	http://deq.mt.gov/index.asp
Solicitation:	State Energy Program Formula Grants http://www.energy.gov/recovery/funding.htm
Reference Number:	DE-FOA-0000052
FAQs:	http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/state_energy_program/recovery_act_faqs.cfm
Factsheet:	http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/state_energy_program/pdfs/sep_factsheet.pdf

Renewable Energy Incentives

Long term extension and modification of renewable energy production tax credit.

Agency:	U.S. Department of Treasury
Description:	The bill extends the placed-in-service date for wind facilities for three years (through December 31, 2012). The bill would also extend the placed-in-service date for three years (through December 31, 2013) for certain other qualifying facilities: closed-loop biomass; open-loop biomass; geothermal; small irrigation; hydropower; landfill gas; waste-to-energy; and marine renewable facilities.
Website:	http://www.treas.gov/recovery/
FAQs:	http://energytaxincentives.org/



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Investment Tax Credit

Temporary election to claim the investment tax credit in lieu of the production tax.

Agency:	U.S. Department of Treasury
Description:	Under current law, facilities that produce electricity from solar facilities are eligible to take a thirty percent investment tax credit in the year that the facility is placed in service. Facilities that produce electricity from wind, closed-loop biomass, open-loop biomass, geothermal, small irrigation, hydropower, landfill gas, waste-to-energy, and marine renewable facilities are eligible for a production tax credit. Because of current market conditions, it is difficult for many renewable projects to find financing due to the uncertain future tax positions of potential investors in these projects. The bill would allow facilities to elect to claim the investment tax credit in lieu of the production tax credit.
Website:	http://www.treas.gov/recovery/
FAQs:	http://energytaxincentives.org/

Weatherization Assistance Program

\$5 billion was included for the Weatherization Assistance Program. Provisions also expand the eligibility of low-income households for the Weatherization Assistance Program and increasing the funding assistance level per dwelling (from \$2,500 per dwelling to \$6,500).

Montana will receive \$27 million in formula funding.

Agency:	U.S. Department of Energy
State Administrator:	Department of Public Health & Human Services
Description:	To assist low-income families reduce their energy bills by making their homes more energy efficient. Provides energy efficiency measures in the homes of qualifying homeowners free of charge.
Contact:	Citizen's Advocate (800) 332-2272



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Website: <http://www.dphhs.mt.gov/programsservices/energyassistance/index.shtml>

Solicitation: Weatherization Assistance Program Formula Grants
<http://www.energy.gov/recovery/funding.htm>

Reference Number: DE-FOA-0000051

FAQs: http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/weatherization/recovery_act_faqs.cfm

Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG)

\$3.2 billion was included for EECBG, of that over \$2.7 billion will be distributed for formula grants.

Montana will receive \$13.971 million.

Agency: Department of Environmental Quality

Description: To reduce fossil fuel emissions, decrease overall energy consumption, improve energy efficiency in the transportation, building, and other energy consuming sectors of the economies of eligible entities. Assists states and local governments in implementing strategies to reduce fossil fuel emissions created as a result of activities within the jurisdictions of the eligible entities and reduce the total energy use. Activities eligible to receive funding include: conducting residential and commercial building energy audits; establishing financial incentives programs for energy efficiency improvements; grants to non-profit organizations to perform energy efficiency retrofits; developing/implementing programs to conserve energy used in transportation; developing and implementing building codes and inspections services to promote building energy efficiency; installing light emitting diodes (LEDs); and developing, implementing, and installing on or in any government building onsite renewable energy technology that generates electricity from renewable sources.

Contact: (406) 444-2929



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Website: <http://deq.mt.gov/Recovery/energy/energy.asp>
Solicitation: <https://www.fedconnect.net/FedConnect/>
Reference Number: DE-FOA 0000013

Tribal Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant

\$54 million was included for tribes.

Agency: Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE),
U.S. Department of Energy

Description: To reduce fossil fuel emissions, decrease overall energy consumption, improve energy efficiency in the transportation, building, and other energy consuming sectors of the economies of eligible entities. The program provides federal grants to units of local government, Indian tribes, states, and U.S. territories to reduce energy use and fossil fuel emissions, and for improvements in energy efficiency. Grant recipients can use funds to promote energy efficiency, conservation, and renewable energy programs and projects that are building blocks for a strong economy, curb use of fossil fuels, and improve environmental quality.

Contact: (877) EERE-INFO
(877) 337-3463

Website: http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/wip/block_grants.cfm
Additional Info: <http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/tribalenergy/eecbg.cfm>



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Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Research

\$2.5 billion was included for research, development, demonstration, and deployment.

Agency:	Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE), U.S. Department of Energy
Programs:	\$2.5 billion for applied research, development, demonstration and deployment activities at DOE's Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE). Of this funding, \$800 million is for biomass energy projects, \$50 million is for information and communications technology efficiency, and \$400 million is for geothermal energy projects. EERE's programs conduct activities in partnership with the private sector, state and local government, DOE national laboratories, and universities.
Contact:	(877) 337-3463 (406) 841-5240
MT Profile:	http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/states/state_specific_information.cfm/state=mt
Website:	http://www.eere.energy.gov
Additional Info:	http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/states/state_specific_information.cfm/state=MT

Biomass Program

\$800 million will be dedicated to projects related to biomass.

Agency:	Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE), U.S. Department of Energy
Description:	For research, development and demonstration for converting biomass resources to bio-fuels.
Contact:	(877) 337-3463 (EERE Information Center) eere_biomass@ee.doe.gov
Website:	http://www.eere.energy.gov/biomass
Additional Info:	http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/states/state_specific_information.cfm/state=MT



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Geothermal Technologies Program

\$400 million will be dedicated for geothermal activities and projects.

- Agency:** Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE),
U.S. Department of Energy
- Description:** Research, development and demonstration efforts that emphasize the advancement of enhanced geothermal systems.
- Contact:** (877) 337-3463 (EERE Information Center)
- Website:** <http://www.eere.energy.gov/geothermal>
- Additional Info:** http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/states/state_specific_information.cfm/state=MT
<http://www1.eere.energy.gov/geothermal/faqs.html>

Advanced Battery Manufacturing

\$2 billion was included for Advanced Battery Manufacturing grants to support the manufacturing of advanced vehicle batteries and components.

- Agency:** Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE),
U.S. Department of Energy
- Description:** For the manufacturing of advanced batteries and components; and to provide facility funding to manufacturers of advanced battery systems and vehicle batteries that are produced in the United States, including advanced lithium ion battery-makers, hybrid electrical system manufacturers, component manufacturers, and software designers. These funds will be distributed through competitive grants.
- Contact:** (877) 337-3463 (EERE Information Center)
- Website:** <http://www.eere.energy.gov>
- Solicitation:** Electric Drive Vehicle Battery and Component Manufacturing Initiative
<http://www.energy.gov/recovery/funding.htm>
Reference Number: DE-FOA-0000026
- Additional Info:** <http://www1.eere.energy.gov/vehiclesandfuels/financial/recovery.html>



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Alternative Fueled Vehicle Pilot Grant Program

\$300 million was included for the Alternative Fueled Vehicles Pilot Grant Program.

- Agency:** Clean Cities Program,
Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE),
U.S. Department of Energy
- Description:** To establish a grant program through the DOE Clean Cities Program to encourage the use of plug-in electric drive vehicles or other emerging electric vehicle technologies. Eligible applicants for this competitive grants process are state governments, local governments, metropolitan transportation authorities, air pollution control districts, and private or nonprofit entities. Funding through this grant may be used for the acquisition of alternative fueled vehicles, fuel cell vehicles or hybrid vehicles, including buses for public transportation and ground support vehicles at public airports. The installation or acquisition of infrastructure necessary to directly support an alternative fueled vehicle, fuel cell vehicle, or hybrid vehicle project funded by the grant is also eligible.
- Contact:** (877) 337-3463 - EERE General Information Center
- Website:** <http://www.eere.energy.gov/cleancities>
- Solicitation:** Electric Drive Vehicle Battery and Component Manufacturing Initiative
<http://www.energy.gov/recovery/funding.htm>
Reference Number: DE-FOA-0000026
- Additional Info:** <http://www1.eere.energy.gov/vehiclesandfuels/financial/recovery.html>



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Vehicle Incentives

Consumer Tax Incentives for Alternative Vehicles

Agency:

U.S. Department of Treasury

Description:

You can get an income tax credit of \$250 to \$3,400 for buying or leasing a new hybrid gas-electric or diesel automobile. Hybrid vehicles are those that use less gasoline than the average vehicle of similar weight and that meet an emissions standard. "Lean-burn" diesel vehicles also qualify, but only a few diesel models meet the emissions standard. A similar credit exists for plug-in hybrid or pure electric vehicles, alternative-fuel vehicles and fuel-cell vehicles. The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 provides \$2 billion in consumer tax credits for plug-in electric vehicles, by modifying and increasing a tax credit passed into law in 2008. The bill also restores and updates the electric vehicle credit for plug-in electric vehicles that would not otherwise qualify for the larger plug-in electric drive vehicle credit, and provides a tax credit for plug-in electric drive conversion kits.

Websites:

http://ase.org/content/article/detail/2654#hybrid_vehicle

FAQs:

<http://energytaxincentives.org/consumers/vehicles.php>



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Transportation Electrification

\$400 million was included for Transportation Electrification grant projects.

- Agency:** Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE),
U.S. Department of Energy
- Description:** To implement a grant program for qualified electric transportation projects that reduce emissions, including shipside electrification of vehicles, truck stop electrification, airport ground support equipment, and cargo handling equipment. Eligible applicants for this competitive grant program are states, local governments, and metropolitan transportation authorities.
- Contact:** (877) 337-3463 - EERE General Information Center
- Website:** <http://www.eere.energy.gov/>
- Solicitation:** Transportation Electrification
<http://www.energy.gov/recovery/funding.htm>
Reference Number: DE-FOA-0000028
- Additional Info:** <http://www1.eere.energy.gov/vehiclesandfuels/financial/recovery.html>

Science Program

\$1.6 billion was included for the science program.

- Agency:** Office of Science,
U.S. Department of Energy
- Description:** The Office of Science manages fundamental research programs in basic energy sciences, biological and environmental sciences, and computational science.
- MT Profile:** http://www.sc.doe.gov/SC_Funding/mt/mt.htm
- Contact:** (202) 586-5430 (Office of Science)
<http://www.sc.doe.gov/Contact/index.htm>
- Website:** <http://www.science.doe.gov/>
<http://www.science.doe.gov/grants/grants.html>



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Energy Efficient Appliance Rebate Program and Energy Star Program

\$300 million was included for the Energy Efficient Appliance Rebate program and the Energy Star Program.

Agency:	Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE), U.S. Department of Energy
State Administrator:	Office of Energy Quality
Description:	Approximately 15 states have appliance rebate programs currently operating to incentivize the purchase of energy efficient appliances. This program would add federal funds to increase the effectiveness of these programs and to encourage the remaining states to adopt similar programs. This will quicken the rollout of appliances that will be able to take advantage of smart meters and spur consumer purchases of smart and energy-efficient appliances.
Contact:	(877) 337-3463 (EERE General Information Center) (888) 782-7937 (ENERGY STAR Hotline)
Website:	http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/states/alternatives/rebates.cfm http://www.energystar.gov/

Consumer Energy Efficiency Tax Incentives

The bill provides \$2 billion in consumer tax credits for improving efficiency of homes through investments in efficient windows, furnaces and boilers. This 30% tax credit is capped at \$1500 for the period 2009-2010.

Agency:	U.S. Department of Treasury
Description:	The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 extends, expands, and simplifies the federal income tax credits for homeowners who make energy efficiency home improvements. The law extends the consumer tax benefits for another year, through 2010; triples the total available tax credit from \$500 to \$1,500; and increases the tax credit to 30 percent of the cost of each qualified energy efficiency improvement.



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Website: http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?c=products.pr_tax_credits
<http://ase.org/content/article/detail/2654>

FAQs: http://energystar.custhelp.com/cgibin/energystar.cfg/php/enduser/std_alp.php

Clean Renewable Energy Bonds (CREB)

\$1.6 billion was included for the Clean Renewable Energy Bonds.

Agency: U.S. Department of Treasury

Description: To allow cities, counties, and electric cooperatives to use bonds to finance renewable energy and energy efficiency projects. Cities, counties, and electric cooperatives will be able to compete to finance renewable energy and energy efficiency projects.

Website: Applications available from IRS (<http://www.irs.gov/>)

Smart Grid Investment Program

\$4.5 billion was included for the Smart Grid Investment Program.

Agency: Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability
U.S. Department of Energy

Description: To modernize the electric grid, enhance security and reliability of the energy infrastructure, energy storage research, development, demonstration and deployment, and facilitate recovery from disruptions to the energy supply, and authorized purposes. Funds from this program may be used for research and development, pilot projects, and federal matching funds for the Smart Grid Investment Program to meet the goal of a modern electric grid, enhance security and reliability of energy infrastructure, and facilitate recovery from disruptions to the energy supply. The Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability projects are planned and implemented in concert with partners from other Federal programs;



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electric utilities; equipment manufacturers; regional, state, and local agencies; national laboratories; and universities.

Reference: http://www.oe.energy.gov/DocumentsandMedia/EISA_Title_XIII_Smart_Grid.pdf

Contact: (202) 586-1411
(Office of Electricity, Delivery and Energy Reliability)

Website: <http://www.oe.energy.gov/>
<http://www.oe.energy.gov/smartgrid.htm>

Fossil Energy Research and Development Program

\$3.4 billion was included for Fossil Energy Research and Development Program.

Agency: Office of Fossil Energy,
U.S. Department of Energy

Description: Research and Development programs encompass pollution control innovations for traditional power plants, including mercury reduction; improved gasification technologies; advanced combustion systems; development of stationary power fuel cells; improved turbines for future coal-based combined cycle plants; and creation of a portfolio of technologies that can capture and permanently store greenhouse gases. Eligible activities under this program include research and development (R&D) partnerships, cooperative R&D agreements, financial assistance, and contractual arrangements with universities and the private sector.

MT Profile: <http://fossil.energy.gov/fred/feprograms.jsp?prog=all&state=MT>

Contact: (202) 586-6660 (Office of Fossil Energy)

Website: <http://www.fossil.energy.gov/>



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Advanced Research Projects Agency (ARPA-E)

\$400 million was included for the Advanced Research Projects Agency (ARPA-E).

Agency:

U.S. Department of Energy

Description:

To support high-risk, high-payoff research to accelerate the innovation cycle for both traditional and alternative energy sources and energy. In 2007, Congress approved (PL 110-69) the creation of the Advanced Research Projects Agency-Energy (ARPA-E). Modeled after the Defense Research Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), ARPA-E will develop and deploy advanced energy technologies by identifying and promoting revolutionary advances in fundamental sciences, translating those discoveries into technological innovations, and accelerating transformational technological advances in areas that industry by itself is not likely to undertake. Eligible applicants under this program include institutions of higher education, companies, research foundations, trade and industry research collaborations, or consortia of such entities, which may include federally-funded research and development centers.

Contact:

(800) 342-5363

Website:

<http://www.energy.gov/>



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Qualified Energy Conservation Bond

\$2.4 billion was included for the Qualified Energy Conservation Bond.

Agency:	U.S. Department of Treasury
Description:	Gives authority for which cities, counties, and electric-cooperatives can compete to finance programs and initiatives designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.
Website:	Applications available from IRS (http://www.irs.gov/)

Renewable Energy Transmission Infrastructure Program

\$3.25 billion was included in borrowing authority.

Agency:	Western Area Power Administration
Description:	This money is for the purpose of building, financing or studying new transmission capacity that will expedite renewable energy production. Open to private and public sector competitive solicitation.
Website:	http://www.wapa.gov/
Request for Interest:	http://www.wapa.gov/recovery/Request%20for%20SOIs.pdf



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Clean Water State Revolving Fund

\$4 billion was included for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund. Tribes are eligible for up to \$60 million in funding.

Montana will receive \$19.2 million in formula funding.

Agency:	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
State Administrator:	Department of Environmental Quality
Description:	To provide relief to communities by requiring a greater federal share for local clean and drinking water projects and greater flexibility for states to reach communities that would otherwise not have the resources to repay a loan with interest. Funding provided to states is used to make loans to communities, tribes, individuals, and others for high-priority water-quality activities. Loans are used to build or improve wastewater treatment plants; agricultural, rural, and urban runoff control; estuary improvement projects; wet weather flow control, including storm water and sewer overflows; alternative treatment technologies; and water reuse and conservation projects.
Notes:	Waives mandatory 20% matching requirements for revolving funds. Directs the Administrator to reallocate Revolving Fund monies where projects are not under contract or construction within 12 months of the date of enactment. Directs priority funding to projects on state priority lists that are ready to proceed to construction within 12 months of enactment. Requires at least 50% of the capitalization grants each state receives be used to provide assistance for additional subsidization (forgiveness of principal, negative interest loans, or grants, or any combination of these). Requires at least 20% of each Revolving Fund be available for projects for green infrastructure, water and/or energy efficiency, innovative water quality improvements, decentralized wastewater treatment, storm water runoff mitigation and water conservation, unless states lack applicants with these types of projects.



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Contact: (202) 260-7359 (EPA Clean Water State Revolving Fund Branch)
Website: <http://www.epa.gov/owm/cwfinance/cwsrf/>
<http://www.deq.state.mt.us/>
<http://epa.gov/owm/cwfinance/cwsrf/cwsrf.pdf>

Drinking Water State Revolving Fund

\$2 billion included for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund. Tribes are eligible for up to \$30 million in funding.

Montana will receive \$19.5 million in formula funding.

Agency: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
State Administrator: Department of Environmental Quality
Description: To provide relief to communities by requiring a greater federal share for local clean and drinking water projects and greater flexibility for states to reach communities that would otherwise not have the resources to repay a loan with interest. Funding provided to states is used to make loans to communities, tribes, individuals, and others for high-priority water-quality activities. Loans are used to build or improve wastewater treatment plants; agricultural, rural, and urban runoff control; estuary improvement projects; wet weather flow control, including storm water and sewer overflows; alternative treatment technologies; and water reuse and conservation projects.
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Contact:

(202) 564-3750 (EPA Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water)

Website:

<http://www.epa.gov/owm/cwfinance/cwsrf/>
<http://www.epa.gov/safewater/dwsrf/pdfs/dwfact.pdf>

Tribal Water Projects

\$60 million was included for water intake and treatment facilities.

Agency:

U.S. Department of the Interior

Description:

Reclamation, working with other agencies, supports rural water projects, including water intake and treatment facilities.

Purpose:

Priority will be given to authorized rural water projects.

Contact:

Bureau of Reclamation
U.S. Department of the Interior
1849 C Street, NW
Washington, DC 20240-0001
202 513-0501

Website:

<http://www.usbr.gov/>



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Brownfields Grants

\$100 million was included for Brownfields projects.

Agency:	Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Description:	Funds are provided for Brownfields Competitive Grants to address environmental site assessment and cleanup, 25 percent of which are mandated by law to address petroleum contamination. Funds will capitalize revolving funds and provide low interest loans, job training grants and technical assistance to local governments and non-profit organizations.
Contact:	(202) 566-2777 Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization
Note:	Waives cost-share requirement
Website:	http://www.epa.gov/brownfields/ http://www.deq.mt.gov/Brownfields/Grants.asp

Diesel Emission Reduction Program

\$300 million was included for Diesel Emission Reduction Act (DERA) grants.

Agency:	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Description:	Funds technologies to retrofit emission exhaust systems, such as on school buses and other vehicles, replace engines and vehicles, and establish anti-idling programs - 70% of the funding supports nation-wide, competitive grants, the remaining 30% funds grants to states with approved programs.
Note:	Waives the State Grant and Loan Program matching incentive provisions of DERA.
Contact:	http://www.epa.gov/otaq/diesel/ncdc-cmt.htm
Website:	http://www.epa.gov/otaq/diesel/



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Construction Grants

\$2 billion was included for United States Army Corps of Engineers for construction activities.

Agency:	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Northwestern Division
Description:	Provides public engineering and construction services for navigation, flood and storm protection, ecosystem restoration, environmental protection, and an array of other purposes. Funding included for ongoing projects, not to initiate new projects.
Contact:	(402) 995-2006 (U.S. Army Corps, Northwestern Division, Construction Projects—Civil Works) (402) 995-2771 (U.S. Army Corps, Northwestern Division, Construction Projects—Military)
Website:	http://www.nwo.usace.army.mil/

Maintenance Grants

\$2 billion was included United States Army Corps of Engineers for operation and maintenance activities.

Agency:	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Northwestern Division
Description:	Provides funding for the operation and maintenance of facilities constructed by the Corps. Work to be accomplished consists of dredging, repair, and operation of structures and other facilities.
Contact:	(402) 995-2417 (U.S. Army Corps, Northwestern Division, General)
Website:	http://www.nwo.usace.army.mil/



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Medicaid Federal Matching Assistance Percentage (FMAP)

\$87 billion was included for the Medicaid program. States will be required to maintain at least current eligibility for the Medicaid program in order to receive this funding. Montana will receive \$180 million that will help to avoid cutting eligibility for Medicaid and maintain the services available to recipients.

Agency: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services,
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

State Administrator: Montana Department of Health Care Financing and Policy

Description: Provides each state with an increase in federal matching funds for state Medicaid expenditures in order to assist states with budget shortfalls to avoid cutting back Medicaid assistance.

Contact: (800) 332-2272

Website: <http://www.dphhs.mt.gov/programsservices/medicaid.shtml>

National Health Service Corps

\$300 million was included for the National Health Service Corps.

Agency: National Health Service Corps,
Health Resources and Services Administration

Description: To address shortages of primary healthcare providers in specific health professional shortage areas. These competitive grants, scholarships, and loan repayment programs will be used for training primary healthcare providers including doctors, dentists, and nurses as well as helping to pay medical school expenses for students who agree to practice in underserved communities through the National Health Service Corps.

Website: <http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/applications/>

Contact: (877) 464-4772 (HRSA Call Center)



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Community Health Center Infrastructure Grants

\$1.5 billion was included for Community Health Centers.

Agency:	U.S. Department of Public Health and Human Services
State Administrator:	Montana Department of Health and Human Services
Description:	To renovate clinics and make health information technology improvements. These funds will be distributed through a competitive grants process and are to be used for construction, renovation, and equipment, and for the acquisition of health information technology systems for community health centers, including health center controlled networks receiving operating grants under section 330 of the Public Health Service Act.
Website:	http://bphc.hrsa.gov/about/apply.htm http://www.hrsa.gov/grants/default.htm
Contact:	(877) 464-4772 (HRSA Call Center)
Additional Info:	http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/hrsa/healthcentergrants.html

Health Care Workforce

\$200 million was included for programs under Title VII and Title VIII of the Public Health Service Act.

Agency:	Bureau of Health Professions, Health Resources and Services Administration
Description:	To provide for training of health professions. These competitive grants, scholarships, and loan repayment programs will be used for all the disciplines trained through the primary care medicine and dentistry program, the public health and preventive medicine program, and the scholarship and loan repayment programs for nurses and health professions.
Website:	http://www.hrsa.gov/help/healthprofessions.htm http://www.hrsa.gov/grants/default.htm
Contact:	(877) 464-4772 (HRSA Call Center)



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Community Health Center Services Grants

\$500 million was included for Community Health Centers.

Agency:	U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
State Administrator:	Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services
Description:	To increase the number of uninsured Americans who receive quality healthcare. These funds will be dispersed through a competitive grants process and are to be used to support new sites and service areas, to increase services at existing sites, and to provide supplemental payments for spikes in uninsured populations.
Website:	http://bphc.hrsa.gov/about/apply.htm http://www.hrsa.gov/grants/default.htm
Contact:	(877) 464-4772 (HRSA Call Center)
Additional Info:	http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/hrsa/healthcentergrants.html

Prevention and Wellness Program

\$1 billion was included for the Center for Disease Control for evidence based clinical and community prevention and wellness programs.

Agency:	U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Description:	To support state and local efforts to fight preventable chronic diseases and infectious diseases. Funds will be dispersed through a competitive grants process to carry out evidenced based clinical and community-based prevention and wellness strategies and public health workforce development activities, including immunization programs and state efforts to reduce healthcare-related infections. The Department has not decided which agencies will take the lead but the CDC is likely to be central to these efforts.
Website:	http://www.cdc.gov/ http://www.hhs.gov/



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Biomedical Research

\$8.7 billion was included for expanding biomedical research funded by the National Institute of Health.

Agency: National Institute of Health
Description: To expand jobs in biomedical research to study diseases. \$7.4 million will be distributed to specific institutes and centers and to the Common Fund for biomedical research grants. \$800 million will be used by the Office of the Director for purposes that can be completed within two years, including short-term grants focused on specific scientific challenges, new research that expands the scope of ongoing projects, research on public and international health priorities, central research support activities, and centralized support systems.
Website: <http://www.nih.gov/>
Contact: General Grant Information
(301) 435-0714
grantsinfo@od.nih.gov

University Research Facilities

\$1.3 billion was included for the National Institute of Health to renovate and equip university research facilities.

Agency: National Center for Research Resources
National Institutes of Health
Description: To renovate and equip university research facilities. These funds will be distributed using the competitive grants process and will be used for the construction and renovation of extramural research facilities and for the acquisition of shared instrumentation and other capital research equipment.
Website: <http://www.ncrr.nih.gov/>
Contact: National Center for Research Resources
(301) 435-0888



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Health Information Technology Grants

\$2 billion was included for discretionary grants to promote the adoption and use of interoperable health information technology (HIT).

- Agencies:** Office of the National Coordinator of Health Information Technology
Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality
CDC
Indian Health Service State Entities
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Office of Governor Gibbons
- Description:** To promote the use and exchange of electronic health information in a manner consistent with the Office of the National Coordinator of Health Information Technology's strategic plan. To award planning and implementation grants to states or qualified state-designated entities to facilitate and expand electronic health information exchange. To award grants to states or Indian tribes to establish loan programs for health care providers to purchase certified electronic health record technology, train personnel in the use of such technology, and improve the secure electronic exchange of health information. To provide financial assistance to universities to establish or expand medical informatics programs.
- Website:** <http://www.hhs.gov/healthit/>
- Grant Announcement:** <https://grants.hrsa.gov/webExternal/FundingOppDetails.asp?FundingCycleId=9D3BA273-C492-4E5E-97D3-3BD6FB580E07&ViewMode=EU&GoBack=&PrintMode=N&OnlineAvailabilityFlag=&pageNumber=&version=1&NC=&Popup=>
- Contact:** (877) 696-6775 (HHS)



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Health Information Technology Improvements

\$17 billion was included to improve investments and incentives through Medicare and Medicaid to ensure the widespread adoption and use of interoperable health information technology (HIT).

Agency:	Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)
Description:	Provides incentives for the early adoption and use of interoperable HIT to Medicare and Medicaid providers and penalties in future years for providers not demonstrating meaningful use of Electronic Health Records. Provides eligible professionals who show meaningful use of an Electronic Health Record (EHR) in 2011 or 2012 with incentive payments of \$18,000 in the first year. Payment adjustments for eligible professionals not demonstrating meaningful use of an EHR would begin in 2015. Provides eligible hospitals (including Critical Access Hospitals) with incentive payments starting in Fiscal Year 2011 and payments adjustments for hospitals not demonstrating meaningful use of an EHR in Fiscal Year 2015.
Website:	http://www.cms.hhs.gov/RegionalOffices/Downloads/San%20Francisco%20Regional%20Office.pdf
Contact:	(800) MEDICARE



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COBRA Continuation Coverage

\$24.7 billion was included for COBRA Continuation Coverage.

Agency:	Group Health Plan, US Department of Labor
Description:	To provide individuals and their families with a premium subsidy of 65 percent of the COBRA continuation premiums for a maximum of 9 months of coverage only with respect to involuntary terminations that occurs on or after September 1, 2008, and before January 1, 2010. The full premium subsidy is limited by a taxpayer's adjusted gross income (AGI), \$125,000 for individuals and \$250,000 for joint filers and is phased out for individuals with an AGI between \$125,000 and \$145,000 and families with an AGI between \$250,000 and \$290,000. It provides a special 60-day election period for a qualified beneficiary who is eligible for a subsidized premium and who has not elected COBRA continuation coverage as of the date of enactment or who is no longer enrolled on the date of enactment, for example, because the beneficiary was unable to continue paying the premium. Recession-related job loss threatens health coverage for many families. This provision is intended to provide targeted assistance to individuals and families who have been involuntarily terminated to enable them to afford premium payments for health insurance coverage under COBRA. The Joint Committee on Taxation estimates that this provision would help 7 million people maintain their health insurance by providing a vital bridge for workers who have been forced out of their jobs in this recession.
Website:	http://www.dol.gov/dol/topic/health-plans/cobra.htm
Contact:	(866) 4-USA-DOL



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Comparative Effectiveness Health Research

\$1.1 billion was included for HHS, the Agency on Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), and NIH.

Agency:	Agency on Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) and National Institutes of Health (NIH), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Description:	This funding, dispersed through a competitive grants process, will be used to conduct or support research to evaluate and compare clinical outcomes, effectiveness, risk, and benefits of two or more medical treatments and services that address a particular medical condition. This research will not be used to mandate coverage decisions or impose "one-size-fits-all" medicine on patients. It will be designed to enable medical professionals and patients improve treatment. \$300 million will be administered by AHRQ, \$400 million will be transferred to NIH, and \$400 million will be allocated at the discretion of the Secretary of HHS.
Website:	http://www.ahrq.gov/ http://www.nih.gov/
Contact:	(301) 427-1364 (AHRQ)



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Facilities Construction

\$415 million was included for facilities construction, to be distributed as follows: \$227 million for two new facilities on the Indian Priority Facilities List, \$100 million for maintenance and improvements, \$68 million for construction, repair and maintenance of sanitation facilities, and \$20 million for purchase of medical equipment.

Agency:

U.S. Department of Labor

Description:

The objectives of the Indian Health Service (IHS) health facilities management, health care facilities construction, sanitation facilities construction, and environmental health services programs are: (1) to provide optimum availability of functional, well-maintained IHS and tribally-operated health care facilities and adequate staff housing at health care delivery locations where no suitable housing alternative is available; and (2) to reduce the incidence of environmentally-related illness and injury by: (a) determining and addressing factors contributing to injuries; (b) working with the tribes to improve environmental conditions; and (c) constructing sanitation facilities and ensuring the availability of safe water supply and adequate waste disposal facilities in American Indian and Alaska Native (AI/AN) homes and communities. Funding will be used for facilities construction projects, deferred maintenance and improvement projects, the backlog of sanitation projects, and the purchase of equipment.

Contact:

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Indian Health Service
801 Thompson Avenue, Ste. 440
Washington, DC
(301) 443-1083
randy.grinnell@ihs.gov

Website:

<http://www.hhs.gov/recovery>



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Public Housing Capital Fund

\$4 billion will be distributed to public housing agencies for capital repairs and improvements to federally-subsidized public housing. \$1 billion was also included for competitive grants for priority investments, including leverage private-sector financing for renovations and energy conservation retrofits.

Montana will receive \$4,429,323 in formula funding.

Agency:	Office of Public and Indian Housing, Office of Capital Improvements, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Description:	Provides funding to local housing agencies to repair and replace aging housing. To make capital repairs and improvements to public housing, including energy conservation measures.
MT Profile:	http://www.hud.gov/local/index.cfm?state=MT
Contact:	Montana Local Housing Authorities: (406) 442-7970, Helena (406)-245-6391, Billings (406) 453-4311, Great Falls (406)-782-6461, Butte (406) 563-2921, Anaconda (406) 482-1978, Richland County (406) 228-4942, Glasgow (406) 862-4143, Whitefish (406) 482-1978, Dawson County (406) 549-4113, Missoula
Website:	http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/capfund/index.cfm
Additional Info:	http://www.hud.gov/recovery/phcfund.cfm



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Assisted Housing Stability, Energy, and Green Retrofit Investment Stimulus Program

\$250 million was included for this program.

- Agency:** U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Affordable Housing Preservation
- Description:** Grants and loans will be made available through HUD's Office of Affordable Housing Preservation (OAHP) for eligible property owners to make energy and green retrofit investments in the property, to ensure the maintenance and preservation of the property, the continued operation and maintenance of energy efficiency technologies, and the timely expenditure of funds.
- Website:** <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/aheretrofith.cfm>

Homelessness Prevention Fund

\$1.5 billion was included in funding distributed through the Emergency Shelter Grants program to prevent and combat homelessness during the economic crisis. Montana will receive \$3,731,327 in formula funding for this program.

- Agency:** U.S. Department Of Housing and Urban Development
- Description:** Funding to provide assistance to individuals and families to avoid or escape homelessness. Formula funding provided to the State of Montana to be used for short- or medium-term rental assistance; housing relocation and stabilization services such as housing search and security or utility deposits; and other homelessness prevention and rapid re-housing activities.
- Contact:** (406) 449-5050 (HUD Helena Field Office)
- Website:** <http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/homeless/programs/esg/>
- Additional Info:** <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/homeless-prevention.cfm>



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Community Development Block Grants

\$1 billion was included in formula funds to be distributed to local communities and states for community development and affordable housing activities.

Montana will receive \$2,437,908 in formula funding.

Agency:	U.S. Department Of Housing and Urban Development
State Administrator:	Montana Department of Commerce
Description:	To develop viable communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment and by expanding economic opportunities, principally for persons of low- and moderate-income. Grantees must ensure that at least 70 percent of its Community Development Block Grants (CDBG) funds are used for activities that benefit low- and moderate-income persons.
MT Profile:	http://www.hud.gov/local/mt/community/cdbg/index.cfm#state
Contact:	Dr. Gus Byrom CDBG Program Manager (406) 841-2777
Website:	http://commerce.mt.gov/
Additional Info:	http://www.hud.gov/recovery/cdblock.cfm http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communitydevelopment/programs/



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Neighborhood Stabilization Program

\$2 billion was included in competitive grants to states, local governments, and non-profit entities or consortia of nonprofit entities in areas with the greatest number of foreclosed homes to provide emergency assistance for the redevelopment of abandoned and foreclosed homes.

Agency:	Office of Community Planning and Development, U.S. Department Of Housing and Urban Development
State Administrator:	Montana Department of Commerce
Description:	Competitive grants to assist states, local governments, and nonprofit organizations in the purchase and rehabilitation of foreclosed properties in order to create affordable housing and reduce neighborhood blight. Funds can be used by grantees to purchase and redevelop foreclosed homes, purchase and rehabilitate abandoned or foreclosed-upon homes, establish land banks, demolish blighted structures, and redevelop demolished or vacant properties as housing.
Contact:	Jennifer Olson NSP Manager 301 S. Park Ave. Helena, MT 59620 (406) 841-2773 jeolson@mt.gov
Website:	http://comdev.mt.gov/CDD_CDBG_NSP.asp
Additional Info:	http://www.hud.gov/recovery/nspg.cfm



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Lead Hazard Reduction Program

\$100 million for grants to local governments and nonprofit organizations to remove lead paint hazards in low-income housing.

Montana will receive \$873,963.

- Agency:** Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control, U.S. Department Of Housing and Urban Development
- Description:** Competitive grants funds will be available to remove lead paint hazards in low-income housing. First priority for available funding will be given to 2008 grant applicants who were qualified but unfunded due to funding limitations.
- Contact:** (406) 449-5050 (HUD Helena Field Office)
- Website:** <http://www.hud.gov/offices/lead/grantprograms.cfm>
- Additional Info:** <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/healthy-homes.cfm>

Housing Improvement Program

\$20 million was included for distribution by Bureau of Indian Affairs for housing.

- Agency:** U.S. Department of Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs
- Description:** The Housing Improvement Program provides grants to eligible Tribes for housing repairs and renovations of existing homes, or for construction of a house for families who do not own a home but have ownership of sufficient land suitable for housing. Program funds are distributed regionally, and then based on individual income eligibility.
- Contact:** Les Jensen
Program Manager
Housing Improvement Program
Office of Indian Services
Bureau of Indian Affairs
Department of the Interior
1849 C Street, NW, Mail Stop 4513
Washington, DC 20240
(202) 513-7620
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Native American Housing Block Grants

*\$255 million was included for tribes eligible for NAHASDA block grants.
Montana tribes will receive \$11 million in formula.*

Agency:	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Description:	The Native American Housing Block Grant program funds new construction, acquisition, rehabilitation, including energy efficiency and conservation, and infrastructure development activities. Funds can also be used to leverage private-sector financing for new construction, renovation and energy retrofit investments. In selecting projects to be funded with Recovery Act funds, recipients shall give priority to projects for which contracts can be awarded within 180 days from the date that such funds are available to the recipient.
Contact:	Rodger Boyd U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development 451 7th Street, SW Washington, DC 20410 (202) 401-7914 rodger.j.boyd@hud.gov
Website:	http://www.hud.gov/recovery/native-american-formula.cfm



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Native American Housing Competitive Grants

\$255 million was included for tribes eligible for NAHASDA block grants to apply for competitive grants.

Agency:	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Description:	The Native American Housing Block Grant program funds new construction, acquisition, rehabilitation, including energy efficiency and conservation and infrastructure development activities. Funds can also be used to leverage private sector financing for new construction, renovation and energy retrofit investments. Funds will be distributed regionally, with projects awarded on a competitive basis. The competitive grants will go to support projects that spur construction and rehabilitation of homes and eligible projects, and create employment opportunities.
Contact:	Rodger Boyd U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development 451 7th Street, SW Washington, DC 20410 (202) 401-7914
Website:	http://www.hud.gov/recovery
Additional Info:	http://www.hud.gov/recovery/nahblockh.cfm



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Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations

\$5 million was included for the Food Distribution Program.

- Agency:** Food and Nutrition Service,
U.S. Department of Agriculture
- Description:** The Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) provides commodity foods to low-income households, including the elderly living on Indian reservations, and to Native American families residing in designated areas near reservations and in the State of Oklahoma. Funds under this Act are to be used to upgrade facilities and equipment used for FDPIR. Program priorities should be communicated with the local FDPIR administrator and regional FNS office.
- Contact:** Mr. Jim Nolan
Chief, Inter-Governmental Human Services Bureau
Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services
1400 Carter Drive
P.O. Box 202956
Helena, Montana 59620-2956
Phone: (406) 447-4262
Fax: (406) 447-4287
jnolan@mt.gov
- Website:** <http://www.fns.usda.gov/fns/recovery/recovery-fdpi.htm>



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Native Elder Nutrition

\$3 million was included for the expansion of nutrition programs. Current recipients of these funds will be eligible to receive funding.

- Agency:** Administration on Aging,
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
- Description:** This program awards grants directly to Tribe, Tribal organizations and native organizations for nutrition services (including congregate and home delivered meals), information and assistance, transportation, and in-home supportive services. Most sites provide hot congregate meals four to five times a week. Home-delivered meals are available for elders who are in poorer health, are more functionally impaired, are more apt to be homebound and in need of transportation services, or in need of in-home supportive services. Funds will be used to expand nutrition services.
- Contact:** M. Yvonne Jackson
Director
Office of American Indian, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian Programs
Center for Program Operations
Administration on Aging
One Massachusetts Avenue, NW
Room 5013
Washington, DC 20201-1401
(202) 357-3501
yvonne.jackson@aoa.hhs.gov
- Website:** <http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/programs/aoa/arra.html>



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Bureau of Land Management (BLM) – Management of Lands and Resources

\$125 million was included for the management of lands and resources BLM-wide.

Agency:	Bureau of Land Management
Description:	This funding is intended for resource management activities on BLM administered lands. The BLM has been encouraged to weigh the capacity of proposals to create the largest number of jobs in the shortest period of time with lasting value for the American public. The BLM is provided flexibility to determine the allocation of this funding among states and programs. They will be considering deferred maintenance, abandoned mine and well site remediation, road and trail maintenance, watershed improvement, and high priority habitat restoration, as well as other resource management activities.
Website:	http://www.doi.gov/recovery
Contact:	Gene Terland State Director 5001 Southgate Drive Billings, MT 59101 MT_SO_Information@blm.gov
Phone:	(406) 896-5000
Fax:	(406) 896-5299



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Bureau of Land Management (BLM) – Construction

\$180 million was included for construction projects BLM-wide.

Agency: Bureau of Land Management

Description: This funding is intended for construction activities on BLM lands. The BLM has been encouraged to weigh the capacity of proposals to create the largest number of jobs in the shortest period of time with lasting value for the American public. The BLM is provided flexibility to determine the allocation of this funding among states and programs. They will be considering construction, reconstruction, decommissioning and repair of roads, bridges, trails, property, and facilities and for energy-efficient retrofits of existing facilities, critical deferred maintenance projects, and remediation of abandoned mine and well sites on all BLM managed lands.

Website: <http://www.doi.gov/recovery>

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Bureau of Land Management (BLM) – Wildland Fire Management

\$15 million was included for wildland fire management projects BLM-wide.

Agency: Bureau of Land Management
Description: This funding is intended for wildland fire management on BLM lands. These funds are to be used for high-priority hazardous fuels reduction projects on BLM lands.
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U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) – Resource Management

\$165 million was included for resource management FWS-wide.

Agency: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Description: This funding is intended for FWS resource management. The FWS has been encouraged to weigh the capacity of proposals to create the largest number of jobs in the shortest period of time and lasting value for the American public. The FWS is provided flexibility to determine the allocation of this funding among regions and programs. They will be considering priority critical deferred maintenance and capital improvement projects, construction, and high priority restoration projects on National Wildlife Refuges, National Fish Hatcheries, and other FWS properties.
Website: <http://www.doi.gov/recovery>
Contact: Region 6 Office of External Affairs
MountainPrairie@fws.gov
(303) 236-7905



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U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) – Construction

\$115 million was included for construction FWS-wide.

Agency:

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Description:

This funding is intended for FWS construction projects. The FWS has been encouraged to weigh the capacity of proposals to create the largest number of jobs in the shortest period of time and lasting value for the American public. The FWS is provided flexibility to determine the allocation of this funding among regions and programs. They will be considering critical deferred maintenance and capital improvement projects, construction, reconstruction and repair of roads, bridges, property, and facilities and energy-efficient retrofits of existing facilities and energy conservation projects and habitat restoration on National Wildlife Refuges, National Fish Hatcheries and other FWS properties.

Website:

<http://www.doi.gov/recovery>

Contact:

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National Park Service (NPS) – Operations

\$146 million was included for operations NPS-wide.

Agency: National Park Service
Description: This funding is intended for NPS operations. The NPS has been encouraged to weigh the capacity of proposals to create the largest number of jobs in the shortest period of time with lasting value for the National Park System and its visitors. The NPS is provided flexibility to determine the allocation of this funding among regions and programs. They will be considering deferred maintenance, repair, and rehabilitation of facilities, trails and other infrastructure, and for other critical repair and rehabilitation projects.
Website: <http://www.doi.gov/recovery>
Contact: (202) 208-6843
Headquarters, Public Information Office

National Park Service (NPS) – Construction

\$589 million was included for construction NPS-wide.

Agency: National Park Service
Description: This funding is intended for NPS construction. The NPS has been encouraged to weigh the capacity of proposals to create the largest number of jobs in the shortest period of time and lasting value for the National Park System and its visitors. The NPS is provided flexibility to determine the allocation of this funding among regions and programs. They will be considering deferred maintenance, repair, and rehabilitation of facilities, trails and other infrastructure, and for other critical repair and rehabilitation projects.
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U.S. Forest Service (FS) – Capital Improvement and Maintenance

\$650 million was included for Capital Improvement and Maintenance FS-wide.

Agency: U.S. Forest Service
Description: This funding is intended for FS capital improvement and maintenance. The FS has been encouraged to weigh the capacity of proposals to create the largest number of jobs in the shortest period of time with lasting value for the American public. The FS is provided flexibility to determine the allocation of this funding among regions and programs. They will be considering priority road, bridge, and trail maintenance, decommissioning, reconstruction and capital improvement, including related watershed restoration and ecosystem enhancement projects; facilities improvement and deferred maintenance and renovation, including alternative energy technologies; remediation of abandoned mine sites and other related critical habitat and forest improvement projects; and support costs necessary to carry out this work.
Website: <http://www.fs.fed.us/recovery>
Contact: (800) 832-1355 (National Headquarters)

U.S. Forest Service (FS) – Wildland Fire Management on Federal Lands

\$250 million was included for wildland fire management projects on FS land, FS-wide.

Agency: U.S. Forest Service
Description: This funding is intended for FS wildland fire management efforts on FS lands. The FS has been directed to use these funds for hazardous fuels reduction, forest health protection, rehabilitation and hazard mitigation activities on Federal lands.
Note: Please see the FS Wood-to-Energy grants category.
Website: <http://www.fs.fed.us/recovery>
Contact: (800) 832-1355 (National Headquarters)



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U.S. Forest Service (FS) – Wildland Fire Management Cooperative Activities on State and Private Lands

\$250 million was included for wildland fire management cooperative activities on state and private lands, nationwide.

Agency:	U.S. Forest Service
Description:	This funding is intended for FS wildland fire management assistance programs on state and private lands. The FS has been encouraged to weigh the capacity of proposals to create the largest number of jobs in the shortest period of time and lasting value for the American public. The FS is provided flexibility to allocate funds among existing state and private assistance programs to choose programs that provide the maximum public benefit. They will be considering hazardous fuels reduction, forest health and ecosystem improvement activities on state and private lands using all authorities available to the Forest Service.
Note:	Funds provided for activities on state and private lands shall not be subject to matching or cost share requirements. Please also see the FS Wood-to-Energy grants category.
Website:	http://www.fs.fed.us/recovery
Contact:	(800) 832-1355 (National Headquarters)



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U.S. Forest Service (FS) – Wood-to-Energy Grants

\$50 million was included for Wood-to-Energy grants.

Agency:	U.S. Forest Service
Description:	This funding is intended to establish a stable, broad-based program utilizing wood as an alternative to fossil fuels (wood-to-energy). It offers competitive wood-to-energy grants to promote increased utilization of biomass from federal, state, and private lands.
Note:	The funds available for these grants are a subset of the combined totals identified above for FS land and state and private land wildland fire management activities.
Website:	http://www.fs.fed.us/recovery
Contact:	(800) 832-1355 (National Headquarters)

United States Geological Survey (USGS) – Surveys, Investigations, and Research

\$140 million included for surveys, investigations, and research, USGS-wide.

Agency:	United States Geological Survey
Description:	This funding is intended for surveys, investigations, research, and repair, construction and restoration of USGS infrastructure. The USGS has been encouraged to weigh the capacity of proposals to maximize jobs and provide lasting improvement to our nation's science capacity. The USGS will consider a wide variety of activities, including repair, construction and restoration of facilities; equipment replacement and upgrades including stream gages, seismic and volcano monitoring systems; national map activities; and other critical deferred maintenance and improvement projects which can maximize jobs.
Website:	http://www.doi.gov/recovery
Contact:	(888) 275-8747 (National Headquarters)



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Employment Training Services – Adult

\$500 million was included for the Adult State Grants.

Montana will receive \$1.2 million in formula funding.

Agency:	U.S. Department of Labor
State Administrator:	Montana Department of Labor & Industry
Description:	Formula funding to states to facilitate increased training of individuals for high-demand occupations. To train unemployed adults and ensure that supportive services and needs-related payments are available to support the employment and training needs of priority populations, including recipients of public assistance and other low-income individuals.
Contact:	Statewide Oversight, (406) 444-4100
Website:	http://wsd.dli.mt.gov/wia/wiaadult.asp
Grants:	http://www.nea.gov/grants/apply/index.html/

Employment Training Services - Dislocated Workers

\$1.25 billion was included for the Dislocated Workers State Grants.

Montana will receive \$1.7 million in formula funding.

Agency:	U.S. Department of Labor
State Administrator:	Montana Department of Labor & Industry
Description:	To assure that supportive services and needs-related payments that may be necessary for an individual’s participation in job training are a part of the dislocated worker service strategy.
Contact:	Statewide Oversight (406) 444-4100
Website:	http://wsd.dli.mt.gov/wia/wiadislocatedworker.asp



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Employment Training Services – Youth

\$1.2 billion was included for Youth Services Grants, which raise the age of eligibility for youth services provided with the additional funds through age 24 to allow local programs to reach young adults who have become disconnected from both education and the labor market.

Montana will receive \$2.9 million in formula funding.

Agency:	U.S. Department of Labor
State Administrator:	Montana Department of Labor & Industry
Description:	To create summer employment opportunities for youth and language applying the work readiness performance indicator to such summer jobs is included as an appropriate measure for those activities. Year-round youth activities are also envisioned.
Contact:	Statewide Oversight (406) 444-4100
Website:	http://wsd.dli.mt.gov/wia/wiayouth.asp

Employment Services

\$400 million was included for Wagner-Peyser employment services.

Montana will receive \$2.9 million.

Agency:	U.S. Department of Labor
State Administrator:	Montana Department of Labor & Industry
Description:	Formula funding to states for reemployment services to connect unemployment insurance claimants to employment and training opportunities that will facilitate their reentry to employment.
Contact:	406-447-3222 (Helena)
Website:	http://wsd.dli.mt.gov/http://detr.state.nv.us/PDFS/EUC_Website_Information.pdf



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Dislocated Worker Assistance National Reserve

\$200 million was included for DOL National Emergency Grants.

Agency:	Employment & Training Administration U.S. Department of Labor
State Administrator:	Montana Department of Labor & Industry
Description:	These funds will allow the Secretary of Labor to award competitive national emergency grants to respond to plant closings, mass layoffs and other worker dislocations.
Contact:	(877) 872-5627 (One-Stop Career Center Help Line)
Website:	http://www.doleta.gov/NEG/ http://www.doleta.gov/grants/

YouthBuild

\$50 million was included for the YouthBuild Program. The conference agreement includes language to allow YouthBuild grantees to serve individuals who have dropped out of school and reenrolled in an alternative school, if that reenrollment is part of a sequential service strategy.

Agency:	Employment & Training Administration U.S. Department of Labor
Description:	These competitive grant funds will provide services for at-risk youth, who will gain education and occupational credentials while constructing or rehabilitating affordable housing.
Contact:	(877) 872-5627 (One-Stop Career Center Help Line)
Website:	http://www.doleta.gov/youth_services/youthbuild.cfm



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Green Jobs Training

\$500 million was included for grants to train workers in energy efficiency and renewable energy jobs.

Agency:	Employment & Training Administration U.S. Department of Labor
Description:	These competitive grant funds are designated for projects that prepare workers for careers in energy efficiency and renewable energy as described in the Green Jobs Act of 2007.
Contact:	(877) 872-5627 (One-Stop Career Center Help Line)
Website:	http://www.doleta.gov/

Job Corps Program

\$250 million was included for the office of Job Corps.

Agency:	Office of Job Corps, U.S. Department of Labor
Description:	These competitive grant funds will support construction and modernization of a network of residential facilities serving at-risk youth. The funds will allow the Office of Job Corps to move forward on a number of ready-to-go rehabilitation and construction projects, including those where competitions have already been concluded.
Contact:	(202) 693-3000 (Job Corps Program) national_office@jobcorps.gov
Website:	http://www.jobcorps.gov/



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Unemployment Insurance

Includes provisions to extend the Emergency Unemployment Compensation Program (33 weeks) and provides \$25 more a week in unemployment insurance benefits to recipients.

Agency:	U.S. Department of Labor
State Administrator:	Montana Department of Labor & Industry Unemployment Insurance Division
Description:	Unemployment Insurance (UI) is temporary income for workers who are unemployed through no fault of their own and who are either looking for new jobs, in approved training, or awaiting recall to employment. Regular UI is a state funded program that provides up to 26 weeks of benefits. Emergency UI is a federal funded program created in 2008 to provide additional benefits of up to 33 weeks of benefits for those living in states with high unemployment.
Note:	The current federally-funded emergency UI program (which provides up to 33 weeks of extended benefits) is scheduled to begin to phase out at the end of March 2009. The proposal would use general revenues to extend the program through December 31, 2009.
Contact:	406-444-2545 (West) 406-247-1000 (East)
Website:	http://uid.dli.mt.gov/
Online Form:	https://app.mt.gov/ui4u/index



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Trade Adjustment Assistance for Workers

Includes provisions to expand the eligibility and benefits of the Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) and reauthorizes the program through December 31, 2010.

Agency:	Division of Trade Adjustment Assistance, U.S. Department of Labor
State Administrator:	Montana Department of Labor & Industry
Description:	To assist manufacturing, service and public-sector workers who have become (or are threatened to become) fully or partially laid-off from jobs due to increased imports from a foreign country or a shift in production abroad. TAA also covers suppliers of component parts as well as downstream workers. Workers apply for TAA benefits through the Secretary of Labor. Eligible workers can receive extended income support, training, a health care tax credit, job search and relocation allowances and other services to help them retrain and get new jobs.
Contact:	(406) 444-2840
Website:	http://dli.mt.gov/

Trade Adjustment Assistance for Firms

Reauthorizes the program through December 31, 2010, and increases to \$50 million the funding authorization for fiscal years 2009 and 2010 for the Trade Adjustment Assistance for Firms program.

Agency:	Economic Development Administration, Department of Commerce
Description:	Provides financial assistance and consulting services to manufacturing and service firms that have been affected by import competition. Trade-affected firms apply through TAA for Firms regional offices. Montana's small- and medium-sized firms are served through the Northwest Trade Adjustment Assistance Center. Experts assist in the application process, development of the adjustment proposal and implementation of projects. Eligible firms can receive up to \$75,000 in grant funding to



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Contact: help maintain or improve their competitiveness.
(206) 622-2730
Website: <http://www.nwtaac.org>
<http://www.eda.gov/Research/TradeAdj.xml>

Trade Adjustment Assistance for Farmers

Reauthorizes the program through December 31, 2010, provides \$90 million for the program, and reforms assistance to help farmers and ranchers become more competitive.

Agency: Foreign Agriculture Service, Department of Agriculture

Description: Provides financial assistance and consulting services to farmers and ranchers that have been affected by import competition. A group of farmers apply for TAA benefits through the Department of Agriculture. Individual farmers must demonstrate that they produced the agricultural commodity and that the price received, quantity of production, or value of production for the commodity has decreased. Eligible farmers can receive technical assistance, training, and up to \$12,000 in grant funding to help maintain or improve their competitiveness.

Contact: tradeadjustment@fas.usda.gov
Website: <http://www.fas.usda.gov/ITP/TAA/taa.asp>



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Trade Adjustment Assistance for Communities

Creates the Trade Adjustment Assistance for Communities program and authorizes \$150 million for the program.

Agency:	U.S. Department of Commerce
Description:	To provide technical assistance to trade-affected communities to identify impediments to economic development and develop a community strategic plan to address economic adjustment and workforce dislocation in the community. The Secretary of Commerce may provide grants to assist in the development and implementation of the community's strategic plan for community redevelopment. Communities must match 5% of the funds allotted by the Commerce Department to implement the strategic plan.
Contact:	(202) 482-2000 (U.S. Department of Commerce)
Website:	http://www.commerce.gov/Recovery/

Industry or Sector Partnership Grants

Establishes the Sector Partnership Grant program and authorizes \$40 million for the program.

Agency:	U.S. Department of Labor
Description:	To establish a Sector Partnership Grant program to facilitate efforts of the partnership to strengthen and revitalize industries. The Secretary of Labor awards grants to facilitate partnerships between industry, state and local governments, firms, local labor and workforce investment boards, and educational institutions. Grants may be used to help the partnerships identify the skill needs of the targeted industry or sector and address any gaps in the supply of available, skilled workers in the trade-affected community. Grants may also be used to implement and develop strategies for small- and medium-sized firms to increase their productivity and retain workers.



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Contact: (877) US-2JOBS
Website: <http://www.dol.gov/>

Community College and Career Training Grants

Establishes the Community College and Career Training Grants program and authorizes \$40 million for the program.

Agency: U.S. Department of Labor
Description: To establish a Community College and Career Training Grant program to develop or improve training programs for workers eligible for the TAA for Workers Program. Grant proposals must include information regarding the manner in which the grant will be used to improve or develop an education or training program, the extent to which the program will meet the needs of workers in the community, the extent to which the proposal fits into a communities strategic plan or Sector Partnership Grant, and any previous experience of the institution in providing such services to TAA eligible workers.
Website: www.dol.gov
Contact: (877) US-2JOBS



Public Safety

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State Fiscal Stabilization Funds

\$53.6 billion was included to provide fiscal relief to states.

Montana will receive \$148,689,792 stabilization in funds.

Agency:	U.S. Department of Education
State Administrator:	Montana Office of Public Instruction
Description:	To provide fiscal relief to the states to prevent tax increases and cutbacks in critical education and other services. To provide funding for elementary, secondary, and higher education, and for public safety and other government services, including higher education modernization. The Governor may use 81.8% of the stabilization funds (\$362.78 million) to support elementary, secondary, and postsecondary education and some school construction and 18.2% of the stabilization funds (\$80.7 million) for public safety or other government services, which can include education and higher education modernization, renovation, and repair.
Note:	The Governor must submit applications to the Department of Education describing how Montana will use its allocations.
Contact:	Montana Office of Public Instruction Michael Hall (406) 444-4422
Website:	http://www.opi.state.mt.us/index.html
Factsheet:	http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/factsheet/stabilization-fund.html



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Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program

\$210 million was included for the firefighter assistance grant program for fire station construction. Each grant may not exceed \$15 million.

Agency: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA),
U.S. Department of Homeland Security

Description: Competitive grants to provide assistance for communities to modify, upgrade, or construct state and local fire stations.

Website: <http://www.firegrantsupport.com/AFG/>

Contact: (866) 274-0960 (Help Desk)
firegrants@dhs.gov

SAFER (Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response) Grant Program

All non-federal matching requirements for SAFER grants waived for fiscal years 2009-2010.

Agency: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA),
U.S. Department of Homeland Security

Description: To help fire departments increase the number of trained "front-line" firefighters available in their communities.

Note: The Recovery bill waives the cost-share requirement for SAFER grants awarded with fiscal years 2009 and 2010 funding.

Contact: (866) 274-0960 (Help Desk)
firegrants@dhs.gov

Website: <http://www.firegrantsupport.com/safer/>



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Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grants

\$2 billion was included for Byrne/JAG program.

Montana will receive \$3.2 million in formula funding.

Agency:	Office of Justice Assistance, U.S. Department of Justice
State Administrator:	Montana Board of Crime Control
Description:	Formula funding to state and local police forces to help prevent, fight, and prosecute crime. Eligible law enforcement programs include: prosecution and courts; prevention and education; corrections and community corrections; drug treatment and enforcement; planning, evaluation, and technology improvement; crime victim and witness programs. Funds can be used to pay for personnel, overtime, and equipment. Funds provided to states can be used for statewide initiatives, technical assistance and training, and support for local and rural jurisdictions.
Website:	http://www.mbcc.state.mt.us/

Byrne Competitive Grants Program

\$225 million was included for the Edward Byrne Memorial Discretionary Grant Program.

Agency:	Office of Justice Assistance, U.S. Department of Justice
Description:	To prevent crime, improve the administration of justice, provide services to victims of crime, support critical nurturing and mentoring of at-risk children and youth, and for other similar activities. In order to stabilize state, tribal, and local governments and fight crime, funds can be used for a variety of purposes, including equipment, operations and support for other associated law enforcement personnel (such as prosecutors, public defenders, etc.). These funds can also be used to pay overtime expenses of officers on multi-jurisdictional task forces.
Contact:	(866) 859-2687 (Bureau of Justice Assistance) Byrne.Discretionary@usdoj.gov
Website:	http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/



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Additional Info: <http://www.recovery.gov/?q=content/fighting-crime-improving-justice-system/>

Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Hiring Grants

\$1 billion included for the COPS Hiring Grants program. The \$75,000 per officer salary cap and the 25% local match requirement is waived for funding provided in the stimulus, fiscal year 2009 and 2010 bills.

Agency: Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS), Department of Justice

Description: Competitive grants funding that may be used for hiring and rehiring of additional career law enforcement officers.

Note: The \$75,000 per officer salary cap and the 25% local match requirement is waived for funding provided in the stimulus, fiscal year 2009 and 2010 bills. State, local, and tribal law enforcement are eligible for this program.

MT Profile: http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/pdf/Cong_Conf_Calls/Quick_Facts/MTqf.pdf

Grant Solicitation: <http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/Default.asp?Item=2108>

Website: <http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/>

Contact: (800) 421-6770 (COPS Office Response Center)
ask.cops@usdoj.gov



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STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program

\$140 million was included for the STOP Violence Against Women Formula Assistance Program.

Montana will receive \$916,955 in formula funding.

Agency:	Office on Violence Against Women U.S. Department of Justice
State Administrator:	Montana Board of Crime Control
Description:	The STOP (Services, Training, Officers, and Prosecutors) Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program promotes a coordinated, multidisciplinary approach to improving the criminal justice system's response to violent crimes against women. The STOP Program encourages the development and strengthening of effective law enforcement and prosecution strategies to address violent crimes against women and the development and strengthening of victim services in cases involving violent crimes against women. STOP formula grants are intended for use by states and territories; state, local and tribal courts (including juvenile courts); Indian tribal governments; local governments; and nonprofit, nongovernment victim services programs. Recipients are required to meet one or more of 14 statutory purpose areas. These areas include, but are not limited to: training law enforcement officers, judges, court personnel and prosecutors; developing, enlarging, or strengthening victim services programs; developing, installing or expanding data collection; and developing, enlarging, or strengthening programs addressing stalking.
Contact:	Montana Board of Crime Control 3075 North Montana Helena, MT 59620 (406) 444-3604
Website:	http://mbcc.mt.gov/grants/rfp/09-05VAWA.pdf



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Transitional Housing Assistance Program

\$43 million was included for transitional housing assistance grant.

- Agency:** Office on Violence Against Women,
U.S. Department of Justice
- Description:** Provides competitive, peer-reviewed grants to assist victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking who are in need of transitional housing, short-term housing assistance, and related support services. Funds may be used for transitional housing, short-term housing assistance, support services designed to enable individuals who are fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking to locate and secure permanent housing and integrate into a community by providing those individuals with services such as transportation, counseling, child care services, case management, employment counseling, and other assistance. Eligible recipients include states, units of government, Indian tribes, and other organizations, including domestic violence and sexual assault victim service providers, domestic violence and sexual assault coalitions, other non-profit, nongovernmental organizations, or community-based and culturally specific organizations.
- Contact:** (202) 307-2277
(Office on Violence Against Women)
- Website:** http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/thousing_grant_desc.htm



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Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force Program

\$50 million was included for the Internet Crimes Against Children Program.

Montana will receive \$403,670 in formula funding.

Agency: U.S. Department of Justice
State Administrator: Montana Board of Crime Control
Description: To help state and local law enforcement agencies enhance investigative responses to offenders who use the Internet, online communication systems, or other computer technology to sexually exploit children.
Contact: Tim West
Montana ICAC Task Force Program Coordinator
P.O. Box 1554
Billings, MT 59103
Website: <http://www.mticac.org/index.php>

Victims Compensation

\$100 million to be used for victims of crimes.

Montana will receive \$222,846 in formula funding.

Agency: U.S. Department of Justice
State Administrator: Montana Department of Justice
Description: To support state compensation and assistance programs for victims and survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, child abuse, drunk driving, homicide, and other federal and state crimes.
Contact: (406) 444-3653 (Helena)
(800) 498-6455 (outside of Helena)
E-mail: dojovs@mt.gov
Website: <http://www.doj.mt.gov/victims/victimcompensation.asp>



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Indian Jails Construction

\$225 million was included, for the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of Justice, and tribes to coordinate building efforts.

Agency:	United States Department of Justice
Description:	The Department of Justice is directed to coordinate with the Bureau of Indian Affairs on prioritizing projects funded under this Act. In assessing an area's need, consideration must be given to detention bed space needs and violent crime statistics of applicant tribes.
Contact:	Mr. Julius Depree Policy Advisor for Corrections U.S. Department of Justice Bureau of Justice Assistance 810 Seventh Street NW. Washington, DC 20531 (202) 514-1928 julius.dupree@usdoj.gov
Website:	http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html



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Tribal Governments Grant Program

\$20.8 million was included for the Tribal Government Grant Program.

- Agency:** Office on Violence Against Women,
United States Department of Justice
- Description:** The Tribal Governments Grant Program enhances the ability of tribes to respond to violent crimes against American Indian and Alaska Native women, enhance victim safety, and develop education and prevention strategies. Eligible applicants include federally recognized Indian tribes, their authorized designee, or a consortium consisting of two or more federally recognized tribes. The OVW will award competitive grants, whose funds must be used for VAWA prevention efforts and prosecution of offenders.
- Contact:** Office on Violence Against Women (OVW)
ATTN: Tribal Unit
U.S. Department of Justice
800 K Street, N.W., Suite 920
Washington, D.C. 20530
(202) 307-3911
(202) 307-2277 (TTY)
- Website:** <http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/TribalCol.htm>
<http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/recovery.htm>
<http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/indian-tribal-gov-grant.htm>



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Tribal Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Coalitions Grants

\$2.8 million was included for the Tribal Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Coalitions Grant.

- Agency:** Office on Violence Against Women,
United States Department of Justice
- Description:** The purpose of the Tribal Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Coalitions Grant Program is to assist in the creation of nonprofit coalitions whose mission is to help end violence against American Indian and Alaska Native women. Eligible applicants are established nonprofit, nongovernmental tribal coalitions addressing domestic violence and/or sexual assault against American Indian and Alaska Native women.
- Contact:** Office on Violence Against Women (OVW)
ATTN: Tribal Unit
U.S. Department of Justice
800 K Street, N.W., Suite 920
Washington, D.C. 20530
(202) 307-3911
(202) 307-2277 (TTY)
- Website:** <http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/TribalCol.htm> and
<http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/recovery.htm>



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Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG)

\$2 billion was included for the Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) program.

Montana will receive \$5.7 million in formula funding.

- Agency:** Administration for Children and Families,
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
- Description:** Provides subsidized child care services through vouchers or contracts with providers to low-income working families and low-income families in which parents are engaged in education or training.
- Contact:** Montana Department of Health and Human Services,
Child and Family Services
(406) 444-5900
- Website:** <http://www.dphhs.mt.gov/legalresources/rfi/ecsbrfi012005.shtml>
- Factsheet:** <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ccb/ccdf/factsheet.htm>

Head Start Program

\$2.1 billion was included for Head Start Program funding and the expansion of the Early Head Start Program.

Montana will receive \$2.1 million in funding for the Head Start Program.

- Agency:** Administration for Children and Families,
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
- State Administrator:** Mary Jane Standaert
- Purpose:** Funding is administered directly to Head Start programs in states to provide development, educational, health, nutritional, social and other activities that prepare children to succeed in school.
- Contact:** Montana Head Start Association
(406) 444-0589
- Website:** <http://www.headstartmt.org/AssnBus/collab.htm>



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Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)

\$1 billion was included for Community Services Block Grant (CSBG).

Montana will receive \$4.7 million in formula funding.

Agency:	U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
State Administrator:	Montana Department of Health and Human Services, Human and Community Services Division
Description:	Provides funding to local Community Action Agencies (CAAs) for services for the growing number of low-income families hurt by the economic crisis, such as child care subsidies, job skills training, and food pantry assistance in Montana to deliver employment training and other support services to low-income families.
Contact:	Human and Community Services Division, Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services (406) 444-1788 CSBG Region VIII contact Janelle George 202-401-4830 jolleen.george@acf.hhs.gov
Website:	http://www.dphhs.mt.gov/hcsd/
Grants:	www.nea.gov/grants/apply/index.html



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The Emergency Food Assistance Program

*\$150 million was included for the Emergency Food Assistance Program.
Montana will receive \$261,650 in formula funding.*

Agency: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Description: The Emergency Food Assistance Program provides funds to buy surplus food commodities for emergency food assistance providers such as food banks and soup kitchens designated by the State of Montana as regional and local sponsors.
Contact: Jim Nolan, Bureau Chief, (406) 447-4260
Forest Farris, (406) 447-4262
Website: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/fns/recovery/recovery-tefap.htm>
Factsheet: http://www.fns.usda.gov/cga/FactSheets/TEFAP_Quick_Facts.htm

The Emergency Food and Shelter Program

*\$100 million was included for the Emergency Food and Shelter Program.
Montana will receive \$172,693 in funding.*

Agency: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA),
U.S. Department of Homeland Security
State Administrator: Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program
Description: Provides grants to local non-profit and faith-based organizations to supplement their programs for emergency food and shelter services, including short-term assistance with rent, mortgage, and utility bills.
Contact: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region VIII
(703) 706-9660
(Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program)
Website: <http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/efs.shtm>
<http://www.efsp.unitedway.org/>



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Child Nutrition School Equipment Grants

\$100 million was included for the School Equipment Grants Program.

Montana will receive \$225,000, distributed as 45 \$5,000 grants.

Agency:	U.S. Department Agriculture
State Administrator:	Montana Office of Public Instruction, Health Enhancement and Safety Division
Description:	The Child Nutrition School Equipment Grants provide funding to schools to make necessary improvements to school kitchens in order to handle and process healthy foods. This fund will be distributed by the Montana Office of Public Instruction through a competitive grant process.
Contact:	Christine Emerson, Director, School Nutrition Programs (406) 444-2501
Website:	http://www.opi.mt.gov/schoolfood/index.htm http://opi.mt.gov/Health
Factsheet:	http://www.fns.usda.gov/cga/FactSheets/TEFAP_Quic_Facts.htm
Additional Info:	http://dpi.wi.gov/fns/pdf/gm_nslp_sp_20_2009.pdf

Nonprofit Organizations Capacity Building Grant

\$50 million was included for a new grants initiative for nonprofit organizations nationwide.

Office:	Office of Community Services, Administration on Children and Families
Agency:	U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Description:	Creates a new initiative under Section 1110 of the Social Security Act to award capacity-building grants directly to nonprofit organizations. These competitive grants will be used to expand the delivery of social services to individuals and communities affected by the economic downturn.



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Contact: (866) 223-5129
Website: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ocs/>

Title IV-E Foster Care and Adoption Assistance

*\$1.04 billion was included for Title IV-E Foster Care and Adoption Assistance.
Montana will receive \$658,774.*

Agency: Administration for Children and Families,
Children's Bureau,
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

State Administrator: Montana Division of Child and Family Services

Description: Provides each state with a temporary increase in federal matching funds for state expenditures on Title IV-E foster care maintenance, adoption assistance, and kinship guardianship assistance payments. These Title IV-E programs help ensure the well-being of Montana's children and their families, including protecting children from abuse or neglect and ensuring that they have safe and permanent homes.

Contact: (406) 444-5900 (Montana Division of Child and Family Services)

Website: <http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/programs/acf/adoption-foster.html>
<http://www.dphhs.mt.gov/cfsd/>



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Temporary Assistance for Needy Families

\$5 billion was included for the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program. Montana will receive \$19,019,558 in formula funding.

Agency:	U.S. Department of Health & Human Services
State Administrator:	Montana Department of Public Health & Human Services
Description:	The Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program supports state assistance to needy families in the form of financial aid. States can access the money from three different categories basic assistance, non-recurrent short-term payments, and subsidized employment. Those who are eligible for TANF funding in Montana are those with minor children, women in their final trimester of their pregnancy, refugees with minor dependents and certain relatives with minor children living with them.
Contact:	Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services Human & Community Service Division P.O. Box 202925 Helena, Montana 59620-2501 Local (406) 444-1788
Website:	http://www.dphhs.mt.gov/programsservices/publicassistanceprograms.shtml
FAQs:	http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/programs/tanf/tanf-faq.html



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Child Support Enforcement

\$46 million was included for the first quarter for incentive award grants for the Child Support Enforcement Program.

Montana will receive \$161,040 for the first quarter.

Agency:	U.S. Department of Health & Human Services
State Administrator:	Department of Public Health & Human Services
Description:	The Child Support Enforcement program supports state to protect and help children. In Montana the Child Support Enforcement Program works to create social awareness of parental obligation. Funds will help support the program establish medical and support payments, locating absent parents. and other services that the program offers.
Contact:	Child Support Enforcement Division 3075 North Montana Avenue PO Box 202943 Helena, MT 59620-2943 (406) 444-9855 Toll-free: (800) 346-5437 Fax: (406) 444-1370
Website:	http://www.dphhs.mt.gov/csed/
FactSheet:	http://www.acf.hhs.gov/opa/fact_sheets/cse_factsheet.html



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One-Time Economic Recovery Payments

\$250 to Social Security beneficiaries, SSI recipients, RRB and disabled veterans

- Agency:** Social Security Administration, Veterans Administration, and Railroad Retirement Board
- Description:** One-time payment of \$250 to adult Social Security, Veterans Affairs (VA) and Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) beneficiaries and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients. To receive the payment the individual must be eligible for Social Security, VA, RRB or SSI during the months of November 2008, December 2008 or January 2009.
- Website:** <http://www.ssa.gov/payment>
<http://www.rrb.gov/recovery>
<http://www.va.gov/recovery>



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Micro-Loan Program

\$50 million was included for micro-loans through September 30th, 2010.

Agency:	U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA)
Description:	Provides very small loans to start-up, newly established, or growing small business concerns. Under this program, SBA makes funds available to nonprofit community based lenders (intermediaries) which, in turn, make loans to eligible borrowers in amounts up to a maximum of \$35,000. The average loan size is about \$13,000. Applications are submitted to the local intermediary and all credit decisions are made on the local level.
Website:	http://www.sba.gov/services/financialassistance/sbaloantopics/microloans/index.html
Contact:	(800) U-ASK-SBA (800) 827-5722

7(a) Loan Guarantee Program

\$375 million was included for temporary fee reduction for the 7(a) loan guarantee program and the 504 loan program.

Agency:	U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA)
Description:	To ensure small businesses maintain access to 7(a) loans that may be used to establish a new business or to assist in the operation, acquisition or expansion of an existing business.
Note:	Temporary fee elimination - SBA is directed to collect no fee or reduce fees to the maximum extent possible for the 7(a) loan program. SBA may guarantee up to 90% of 7(a) loans.
Contact:	(800) U-ASK-SBA (800) 827-5722 answerdesk@sba.gov (406) 441-1081 (Montana)
Website:	http://www.sba.gov/services/financialassistance/sbaloantopics/7a/



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504 Loan Program

\$375 million was included for the temporary fee reduction for the 7(a) loan guarantee program and the 504 loan program.

Agency:	U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA)
Description:	To ensure small businesses maintain adequate access to 504 loans for fixed asset projects. 504 loans may be used to purchase land and improvements, including existing buildings, grading, street improvements, utilities, parking lots and landscaping; construction of new facilities, or modernizing, renovating or converting existing facilities; or purchasing long-term machinery and equipment. Fees total approximately three percent of the debenture and may be financed with the loan.
Note:	Temporary fee elimination - SBA is directed to collect no fee or reduce fees to the maximum extent possible for the 504 loan program.
Contact:	(800) U-ASK-SBA (800) 827-5722 answerdesk@sba.gov (406) 441-1081 (Montana)
Website:	http://www.sba.gov/services/financialassistance/sbaloan/topics/cdc504/index.html http://www.sba.gov/localresources/district/mt/index.html



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Business Stabilization Program

\$255 million was included for loan subsidies and loan modifications for loans to small businesses that are experiencing immediate financial hardship.

- Agency:** U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA)
- Description:** To provide loans on a deferred basis to viable small business concerns that have a qualifying small business loan and are experiencing immediate financial hardship. Funds may be used to make periodic payment of principal and interest, either in full or in part, on an existing small business loan for no more than 6 months.
- Contact:** (800) U-ASK-SBA
(800) 827-5722
answerdesk@sba.gov
(406) 441-1081 (Montana)
- Website:** <http://www.sba.gov/services/financialassistance/sbaloan topics/cdc504/index.html>
<http://www.sba.gov/localresources/district/mt/index.html>

Indian Guaranteed Loan Program

\$10 million was included to expand the Indian Guaranteed Loan Program.

- Agency:** Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs
- Description:** Created to stimulate and increase Indian entrepreneurship and employment through establishment, acquisition or expansion of Indian-owned economic enterprises, the program provides guaranteed loans for tribes and Indian-owned businesses. Frequently, borrowers leverage loan funds to secure other sources of federal and private funds. Recovery funds are available to guarantee business loans for tribal and individually-owned Indian businesses.
- Contact:** Mr. Bob Middleton
U.S. Department of the Interior
Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development
Room 20 C-South Interior Building
1951 Constitution Ave., NW
Washington, DC 20245
(202) 208-5324



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Highway Improvement Programs

\$27.5 billion was included for Highway Infrastructure Investment.

Montana will receive \$211.8 million in highway funding.

Agency:	U.S. Department of Transportation
State Administrator:	Montana Department of Transportation
Description:	For transportation projects including resurfacing and pavement preservation projects, traffic signal system upgrades, bridge projects, transit projects and intelligent transportation systems. MDOT is currently working with state officials, the Legislature, regional transportation commissions, the Montana Association of Counties and the Montana League of Cities to develop a list of priorities. In order to be eligible for funding, projects must be listed on the State Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP), have completed their federal environmental review, and identified/acquired right of way.
Contact:	(406) 444-6200
Website:	http://www.mdt.mt.gov/



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Transit Capital Assistance

\$6.9 billion was included for transit capital assistance grants.

Montana will receive \$15.6 million in transit formula funding.

Agency: U.S. Department of Transportation
State Administrator: Montana Department of Transportation
Description: Funds are distributed through the existing urban and rural transit formulas - 80% of the capital assistance funds are to be distributed through the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) urbanized formula. Funds apportioned to Montana's Urbanized Areas (UZAs), are pooled and then first applied to the highest priority projects. This funding can be used to purchase the transit equipment needed to improve public transportation, transit, and intermodal facilities. Priority will be given to transit projects or activities that are completed within a 2 year window. Funding will be distributed under existing Federal Transit Administration (FTA) formulas:
80 percent will be distributed by the Urbanized Formula.
10 percent will be distributed by the Rural Formula.
10 percent will be distributed by the Growing States and High Density Formula.

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Classification Maps:

<http://www.mdt.mt.gov/travinfo/maps/>

Contact:

(406) 444-6200

Website:

<http://www.mdt.mt.gov/>



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Capital Investments Grants (New Starts & Small Starts)

\$750 million was included for capital investment grants.

Agency:	Federal Transit Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation
Description:	For light rail lines, rapid rail (heavy rail), commuter rail, automated fixed guideway system, or bus-way/high occupancy vehicle (HOV) facilities. Funds are distributed on a discretionary basis for New Starts and Small Starts projects that are already in construction or are nearly ready to begin construction.
Website:	http://www.fta.dot.gov/index_9440.html
Contact:	(202) 366-4020 (FTA Office of Program Management)
Additional Info:	http://mdt.mt.gov/recovery/

Transit Capital Assistance – Discretionary Grants

\$100 million was included for transit capital assistance grants.

Agency:	Federal Transit Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation
Description:	Discretionary grants to public transit agencies to improve energy efficiency, and reduce costs and dependence on foreign oil.
Website:	http://www.fta.dot.gov
Contact:	(202) 366-4020 (FTA Office of Program Management)
Additional Info:	http://mdt.mt.gov/recovery/



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National Surface Transportation System – Discretionary Grants

\$1.5 billion was included for discretionary grants for the National Surface Transportation System.

Agency:	U.S. Department of Transportation
Description:	Funding will be allocated to state and local governments for projects that have a large-scale or regional impact. Funding is available for highway, rail, and public transportation projects among others. The DOT is still in the process of publishing guidelines for distributing this funding.
Website:	http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/economicrecovery/index.htm
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Additional Info:	http://mdt.mt.gov/recovery/

Capital Assistance for High Speed Rail and Intercity Passenger Rail Service

\$8 billion was included for Capital Assistance to States and the High Speed Passenger Rail Program.

Description:	The Capital Assistance to States—Intercity Passenger Rail Service program provides grants on a discretionary basis to states to fund necessary capital improvements to improve intercity passenger rail service. Grants under this program are awarded to the most meritorious projects as measured against statutory criteria. Discretionary grants are allocated to states to provide capital assistance for improving intercity passenger rail service as well as maintaining existing passenger rail corridors.
Website:	http://www.fra.dot.gov/us/content/1954
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Capital Grants to Amtrak

\$1.3 billion was included for capital grants to Amtrak for security and non-security improvements.

- Agency:** Federal Railroad Administration,
U.S. Department of Transportation
- Purpose:** To maintain and improve the national system of intercity passenger rail. In addition to security improvements, repair, rehabilitation, or upgrade of railroad assets or infrastructure, and for capital projects that expand passenger rail capacity including the rehabilitation of rolling stock (locomotives and passenger cars).
- MT Profile:** <http://www.amtrak.com/pdf/factsheets/MONTANA08.pdf>
- Note:** Funds cannot be used for Amtrak's operating losses.
- Website:** <http://www.fra.dot.gov>
<http://www.fra.dot.gov/us/content/30>
- Contact:** (202) 366-4000 (General Information)



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Tribal Transit Set-Aside

\$17.25 million was included for capital improvements under the Tribal Transit Program.

Agency:

U.S. Department of Transportation

Description:

The goals of the Tribal Transit Program: 1) to enhance the access of public transportation on and around Indian reservations in nonurbanized areas to health care, shopping, education, employment, public services, and recreation; 2) to assist in the maintenance, development, improvement, and use of public transportation systems in rural and small urban areas; 3) to encourage and facilitate the most efficient use of all federal funds used to provide passenger transportation in nonurbanized areas through the coordination of programs and services; and 4) to provide for the participation of private transportation providers in nonurbanized transportation to the maximum extent feasible. Funds will be distributed on a competitive basis. Funds under this Act may be used for capital improvements, but not operating expenses.

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Road Maintenance and Repair

\$143 million was included for the repair and maintenance of BIA-maintained roads.

Agency:	Bureau of Indian Affairs, U.S. Department of Interior
Description:	The BIA Road Maintenance Program funds maintenance and repair of BIA transportation facilities, certain tribal transportation facilities, BIA road systems and related road appurtenances, highway bridges and drainage structures, and other uses identified in 25 C.F.R. Part 170. In addition, IRR High Priority Program assists tribes or tribal consortium whose annual allocation for roads construction/maintenance (under the IRR formula funding) is insufficient to complete a tribe's/consortium's highest priority project or assists tribes when emergency/disaster repairs to IRR projects are necessary. The Agency anticipates that approximately \$70 million will be disbursed to regions by historical allocation. The other \$70 million will go towards high-priority projects.
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Website:	http://www.fta.dot.gov/index_9118.html



U. S. Government Websites

Name of Agency	Website	Telephone
U.S. Government Recovery Web site	http://www.recovery.gov/	
Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS)	http://www.nationalservice.gov/about/recovery/index.asp	(202) 606-5000
Department of Agriculture (USDA)	http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/?navid=USDA_ARRA	(406) 444-3144
Department of Commerce (DOC)	http://www.commerce.gov/Recovery/	(202) 482-2000
Department of Defense (DOD)	http://www.defenselink.mil/recovery/	(703) 428-0711
Department of Education (ED)	http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/index.html	(800) 872-53276
Department of Energy (DOE)	http://www.energy.gov/recovery/	(800) 342-5363
Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)	http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/	
Department of Homeland Security (DHS)	http://www.dhs.gov/xopnbiz/recovery.shtm	(202) 282-8000
Department of Labor (DOL)	http://www.dol.gov/recovery/	(202) 208-3100
Department of State (DOS)	http://www.state.gov/recovery/	(202) 647-4000
Department of the Interior (DOI)	http://www.doi.gov/recovery/	(202) 208-3100
Department of Transportation (DOT)	http://www.dot.gov/recovery/	(202) 366-0747
Department of Treasury (TREAS)	http://www.treas.gov/recovery/	(202) 622-2000
Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)	http://www.va.gov/recovery/	(800) 827-1000
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)	http://www.epa.gov/recovery/	(800) 227-8917
National Endowment for the Arts (NEA)	http://www.nea.gov/recovery/	(202) 682-5400
National Science Foundation (NSF)	http://www.nsf.gov/recovery/	(703) 292-5111
Small Business Administration (SBA)	http://www.sba.gov/recovery/	(800) 827-5722
Social Security Administration (SSA)	http://ssa.gov/recovery/	(800) 772-1213
Agency for International Development (USAID)	http://www.usaid.gov/recovery/	(800) 518-4726
Internal Revenue Service	http://www.irs.gov/newsroom/article/0,,id=204335,00.html	(800) 829-1040



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Name of Agency	Website	Telephone
Governor's Recovery Website	http://www.recovery.mt.gov/	(406) 444-3111
Department of Commerce	http://commerce.mt.gov/	(406) 841-2700
Department of Labor	http://dli.mt.gov/	(406) 444-2840
Department of Business	http://www.business.mt.gov/	(406) 444-5634
Department of Health and Human Services	http://www.dphhs.mt.gov/	(406) 444-5622



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