

\$1,266,152 Equity in our Community

- \$546,568 Comprehensive Code Reform

[Our Missoula](#) looks to refresh [Missoula's Growth Policy](#), Missoula's vision for future growth. It looks to modernize one of its key tools for carrying out that vision - the zoning and development code. Missoula has undergone significant change since adopting the Growth Policy in 2015. The City recognizes the need to update its policies and priorities to be responsive to current challenges, like housing affordability, equity, and climate change. With broad community involvement, Our Missoula will result in an inclusive vision for how Missoula will grow in the future and will guide critical changes in the code that the City needs to take to carry out that vision.

- \$107,016 Parks & Recreation afterschool scholarships

Funds supported FY22 sliding fee scale and scholarships for [Parks Afterschool programs](#). Programs are offered at Paxson, Lewis and Clark, Rattlesnake, Franklin, Jeannette Rankin and Russell elementary schools and are critical in ensuring Missoula's youth have a safe, positive and enriching place to be between the hours of 2 pm and 5:30 pm during the school year.

- \$65,943 BASE Camp

Parks and Recreation began programming at the Base Facility located at 301 Main St. (the old library) in the fall of 2020 to provide out of school time programming to meet pandemic demands in a safe indoor environment. ARPA helped with FY22 support for the BASE facility.

- \$316,686 JEDI

Funding supports City contracting with qualified, professional consultants for [Justice, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion \(JEDI\)](#) planning, internal policy updating, and public engagement. The JEDI program works to ensure the City of Missoula more closely resembles the community it represents by fostering JEDI principals on our neighborhood councils, boards and commissions, in our hiring practices, and all City business. JEDI includes review and revision of policies, procedures, processes, and engagement to ensure equitable delivery of City of Missoula services.

- \$90,000 [Climate Action](#) Goals & Initiatives

- 100% Clean Energy Statewide Advocacy and Coalition Building - \$75,000

Funding supports the City's adopted goal of 100% Clean Electricity by 2030, as well as carbon neutrality goals that appear both in our integral and community Climate Action plans. While staff can shape and shepherd programmatic work, significant high-level expertise is needed to develop and an effective citywide and community-wide plan to achieve 100% clean energy. These funds will help us to hire consultants to continue exploring the Renewable Rate Option with Northwestern Energy, as well as exploration

of additional identified solutions to get to 100% clean electricity both within municipal operations, as well as community wide.

- Community [Zero Waste](#) Infrastructure, Incentives and Capacity - \$15,000

Funding will be used to support an AmeriCorps or internship opportunity to increase waste diversion efforts at local businesses as well as for infrastructure (recycling bins, signage, bags) to increase access to recycling and composting opportunities in the downtown corridor.

- \$61,439 Victim Witness Coordinator (City Attorney's office)

ARPA support will help shift the cost from a Montana Board of Crime Control (MBCC) award that's winding down to the City's general fund, and ensures continuation of services provided to victims of crime against the person.

- \$41,000 - 2023 Legislative Session Lobbying & Tracking

The Montana legislature meets for 90 working days of each odd numbered year. Each legislative session the City contracts with a lobbyist based in Helena. Lobbying can provide decision makers with valuable insights and information and facilitate public access to policy development and implementation. Having boots on the ground in Helena means the lobbyist can attend all meetings, build on existing relationships with legislators and coordinate with lobbyists from the Montana League of Cities and Towns (MLCT), Missoula County, etc. when we have issues in common. During the legislative session, public updates will happen weekly at Monday Council meetings as an ongoing item under new business.

- \$37,500 [UM Women's Business Development Center](#)

Funding supports coaching and access to training to aspiring and current female entrepreneurs and small business owners. The program, partly funded by the Small Business Administration, will operate at the MonTEC facility across the river from the university campus. See the Missoula Current's article on the importance of the Center [here](#).