

Browning Public Schools  
**Board Agenda Request**  
Meeting To Be Held: 3/21/19



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**Recognition:**    Students                       Staff                       Parents  
**Information:**    Building Report                       Old Business                       Superintendent's Report  
**Action:**    Resignation                       Hiring                       Contract Service Agreements  
                     Travel Out-of-State                       Travel In State                       Approvals  
                     Termination                       Legal Matters                       Other:  
                    This action request pertains to  Elementary (only)                       High School/District Wide

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**Date:**   3/13/19

**To:**        **Corrina Guardipee Hall**  
                    Superintendent

**From:**   Nikki Hannon  
**Title:**    PCOP Director

**Subject:** **In- State Travel to 2019 Montana Conference on Homelessness**

**Description:**   Request approval for travel to attend the first ever Montana Conference on Homelessness in Helena, MT on April 1 & 2, 2019.

**Financial Impact:** \$591.58

**Funding Source (Budget/grant, etc.):** 226.70.150.1700.582

**Attachment(s):** conference agenda, leave request

**Approval:** Superintendent's Office/Finance/Personnel as applicable (Initial) \_\_\_\_\_

**Comments:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Board Action:**    N/A (Info)     Approved     Denied     Tabled to: \_\_\_\_\_



# Montana Conference on Homelessness

**Monday, April 1st | 10:00 am - 5:00 pm**

**Tuesday, April 2nd | 8:00 am - 4:00 pm**

***Delta Marriott Colonial Hotel***

***Helena, Montana***

Montana has an incredible network of over 75 organizations and programs providing over 2200 beds of emergency, transitional and permanent supportive beds for the homeless. These include private faith-based shelters built upon more than a century of experience to community-based YWCAs, Family Promises and HRDCs to the myriad of federally funded programs directly and indirectly serving homeless with housing and supportive services, and so many more.

The first ever Homeless Conference to be held April 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> in Helena is an opportunity for homeless providers of all kinds to learn more about and fortify this informal network, celebrate the incredible work we are doing, collectively assess our challenges and outcomes as well as discuss how we might do more.

## **Registration Fee**

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Attendee Registration Fee: \$25.00

MT Conference on Homelessness

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## Agenda

### Monday

#### Plenary & Breakout Session Synopses

Time		Room
10:00 am - 10:30 am	<b>Welcome Address</b> Sheila Hogan, Director MT Dept. of Health & Human Services	Capitol Room
10:30 am - 11:00 am	<b>MT CoC, Who, What &amp; Why</b> Revonda Stordahl, President	Capitol Room
11:00 am - 11:45 am	<b>State of Homelessness in Montana</b>	Capitol Room
12:00 pm - 12:45 pm	<b>Lunch &amp; Speaker</b> <b>"System-wide Problem Solving"</b> Matt White	Capitol Room
1:00 pm - 1:45 pm	<b>Youth with "Lived Homeless" Experience</b>	Capitol Room
2:15 pm - 3:00 pm	<b>HMIS 101: Learn the Basics</b> Bill Matson, Pathways MISI	Helena Room
	<b>It Takes a Village I</b> Community CoC Organizations	Clark Room
	<b>Dynamic Coordinated Entry System Management</b> Matt White, Abt Associates	Montana Room
3:15 pm - 4:00 pm	<b>HMIS Implementation Review</b>	Helena Room
	<b>Education Rights of Youth &amp; Kalispell's HEART Program</b>	Clark Room

	<b>Alternative Housing Options</b>	Montana Room
4:15 pm - 5:00 pm	<b>Coordinated Entry Progress Review</b>	Helena Room
	<b>Ensuring Shelter &amp; Safety for Domestic Violence Survivors</b>	Clark Room
	<b>Preventing Homelessness</b>	Montana Room

## Tuesday

Time		Room
7:00 am - 8:30 am	<b>Breakfast Buffet</b>	Capitol Room
8:00 am - 8:45 am	<b>Welcome, Announcements</b>	Capital Room
8:45 am - 9:30 am	<b>Public-Private Partnerships</b> Steve Berg, NAEH	Capitol Room
9:45 am - 10:30 am	<b>It Takes a Village II</b> FUUSE Communities	Helena Room
	On the Frontlines--ES	Clark Room
	Housing Navigators	Montana Room
10:45 am - 11:30 am	<b>Accessing Mainstream Services</b>	Helena Room
	<b>Equal Access and Gender Identity</b> James Clifton Whiteside. HUD Attny	Clark Room
	<b>Veterans</b>	Montana Room
11:45 am - 1:00 pm	Lunch & Speaker <b>Using Data Efficiently to Make a Difference In Homelessness</b> William Snow, HUD.	Capitol Room
1:15 pm - 2:00 pm	<b>Envisioning Future of MT HMIS</b>	Helena Room
	<b>Highlighting Successes &amp; Initiatives</b>	Clark Room
	<b>Equal Access and Gender Identity</b> James Clifton Whiteside. HUD Attny	Montana Room
2:15 pm - 3:00 pm	<b>Blending Data Sources</b>	Helena Room
	<b>New Homeless Youth Initiatives</b>	Clark Room
	<b>Ensuring Hsing &amp; Safety for DV Survivors</b>	Montana Room
3:15 pm - 4:00 pm	Wrapup <b>Panel</b>	Capitol Room

	<b>Ask the Experts</b>	
4:00 pm	<b>Adjourn</b>	Capitol Room

## Montana Conference on Homelessness

### Conference Topics

#### Plenary Session Panel; State of Homelessness in Montana

A panel of experienced homeless service providers give data and perspectives on the current state of homelessness, including accomplishments, greatest needs and where they see us ten years from now.

#### Plenary Session Panel: Homeless Youth Panel

A panel of youth from the recently created Homeless Youth Action Board share their "lived experiences." Hear their own stories about how they became homeless, who and what was helpful as well as where critical opportunities and interventions were missed that might have made a difference.

#### Alternative Housing Options

Affordable housing is one of our most needs, but in the face of shortages, hear about other options that are being implemented now, e.g. tiny homes and tiny home villages, master leasing and the status of Housing Coalition initiatives in the 2019 Legislature to promote more affordable housing development. And more.

#### Accessing Mainstream Resources

A panel of CoC grantees and mainstream service program managers from Medicaid, Job Service, Community mental health clinics and more discuss the challenges and opportunities for ensuring that homeless persons access all of their eligible services.

#### "It Takes A Community; the CoC Community-Wide Approach."

A panel of local CoC coordinators from communities throughout the state share their experiences and lessons learned in trying to implement HUD's CoC concept of community-wide participation in addressing homelessness, including implementation of "Coordinated entry" and services coordination.

#### Homeless Youth, their Rights and Guarantees

Heather Denny, MT Office of Public Instruction's State Education Homeless Liaison will highlight the federally guaranteed education rights of homeless youth that must be made available everywhere and what key factors contribute to successful graduation of homeless students. Nichole Heyer, Homeless Education Liaison, Kalispell Schools, describes the HEART Program, a nonprofit organization that encourages growth and graduation by helping meet the basic needs of students struggling with homelessness. Both Heather and Nichole have been nationally recognized for their work.

#### Ensuring Housing and Safety for DV Survivors

A recent nationwide survey counted 184 adults and children taking refuge in emergency shelters on a single night in Montana and another 147 adults and children receiving other non-shelter assistance, e.g. counseling, legal advocacy and child supports. The 2018 Homeless Survey counted 293 women who were homeless as a result of domestic violence. Patty Murphy, YWCA Missoula, and Stacey Umhey, SAFE Hamilton will lead a panel examining the many pieces that need to be interconnected to ensure survivors safely access shelter. What and how are we doing in Montana?

#### HMIS

Montana is still in the first year of implementing a new statewide homeless data base system for any and all homeless providers. A panel of HMIS users will identify best practices and challenges as well as explain why they use it and the potential of HMIS to impact homelessness in Montana. See how data can be dynamic and informative.

#### Coordinated Entry Systems (CES)

HUD has charged Continuums of Care with the task of implementing systems that ensure all homeless have easy access to the network of homeless housing and services available, that those with the greatest needs are prioritized and that the assessment of need is the same for everyone. After two years of planning and implementing CES in seven cities, a panel will reflect on the challenges and successes so far, highlight how CES is making a difference now and what the real potential of CES holds for the future. Hear how CES is mandatory for some but voluntary for most and how it has provided greater community-wide collaborations.

## Federal Rule on Equal Access and Gender Identity

HUD has issued three rules to ensure fair and equal access regardless of actual or perceived sexual orientation, gender identity or marital status. The first rule was updated to include an expanded definition of family and it was updated again to ensure application of the rules to HUD's Native American programs. James Whiteside of HUD's Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity will provide an insightful introduction to complying with these federal requirements.

## Preventing Homelessness

A panel of Community Action Agencies (aka HRDCs in Montana) will be challenged with answering the question, "How can we prevent first-time homelessness?" Montana's ten HRDCs provide a variety of programs for low-income persons, including emergency shelter and emergency services, housing assistance, food banks, and more, and are often the first place individuals and families go when at imminent risk of becoming homeless or actually becoming homeless. A panel of HRDC providers will call upon 50 years of experience to share how poverty has changed and what can be done to prevent homelessness in the first place.

### Veterans

What are VASH and SSVF and how have these two programs resulted in a significant decrease in the number of homeless veterans. Yet veteran homelessness continues to be a national priority. Learn about these two programs and how they are serving more veterans each year in Montana.



*ending homelessness in Montana*

### Contact

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**BROWNING PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
Leave Report/Travel Request**

Employee Name J. Nikki Hannon  
Building PCOP

Employee #11194  
Substitute Name NA

**LEAVE REPORT**

<u>Date of Leave</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Type of Leave</u>
<u>4/1/19-4/2/19</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>SR</u>
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Employee Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Approved; Condition upon the specific leave being available for the specific employee  Not Approved

Principal/Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**TYPE OF LEAVE**

AN Annual	PL Personal Leave	ALWO Approved Leave W/O Pay
SL Sick Leave	JD Jury Duty (attach verification)	ULWO Unapproved Leave w/o Pay
*EX/SR Extra-Curricular/School Related	NG National Guard	SWP Suspended w/Pay
	FN Funeral _____	SWOP Suspended w/o Pay

**(Master Contract Relationship)**

**\*If taking School Related/Extra-Curricular Leave only, In or Out of District, you MUST list Conference Name/Location**

**TRAVEL REQUEST** (If receiving payment for EX/SR leave please fill out entire form completely)

Conference/Workshop Montana Conference on Homelessness **(Attach Brochure/Agenda)**

Location Helena, MT

Departure Date 03/31/19

Return Date 04/02/19

Departure Time 4:00 PM.

Return Time 8:00 PM

Transportation:  Personal Vehicle  
 District Vehicle  
 Professional Development

Mileage 344 x .58 = \$199.52  
Per Diem 2@36.00+1@15.00=\$ 87.00

Registration PO#31621 = \$ 25.00  
 Hotel PO# 31622 = \$280.06  
 Other PO# = \$ 0.00  
 Other PO# = \$ 0.00

**Sub Total \$591.58**

Budget 226.70.150.1700.582 (100 %) \$286.52

**Check Total \$286.52**

Employee Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Principal/Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Superintendent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_