MTCC advances the public purposes of colleges and universities by deepening their ability to improve community life and to educate students for civic and social responsibility.

Communities in Montana and the surrounding region will experience significant, community-initiated, positive impact through the service of college students.

I. Enhance our national leadership by expanding civic engagement opportunities
   Goals: Increase awards, national service placements, events, and recognition to ensure quality volunteer and service experiences

II. Increase the positive impact higher education has on community-identified needs
   Goals: Maximize Compact membership in Montana, engage institutions from neighboring states in MTCC programming, and formalize new campus-community partnerships

III. Strengthen MTCC to maximize civic engagement potential
   Goals: Enhance professional development opportunities, develop advisory committees, and increase unrestricted revenues

IV. Instill long-term civic habits in our alumni
   Goals: Define staff roles for alumni engagement, incorporate alumni outreach and training in program offerings, and develop systems for tracking alumni communications.

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November 2012

Dear Friends,

Lotte E. Scharfman, former president of the League of Women Voters of Massachusetts, once declared, "Democracy is not a spectator sport!" Theoretically, it would be difficult to argue the point; but practically speaking where does a young person learn the skills, gain the broad understanding, and develop the confidence to participate? Certainly college can be that place. Teaching and practicing democratic principles have been a foundation of colleges and universities throughout the history of American higher education. Through the years, however, higher education has been called upon for so much more, including intellectual, social, and, most recently serious economic development.

This year, a national task force published *A Crucible Moment: College Learning and Democracy's Future*. The report highlights the “civic recession” in the United States and asks higher education to help reverse this trend. Specifically it states, “It is time to bring two current national priorities—career preparation and increased access and completion rates—together in a more comprehensive vision with a third national priority: fostering informed, engaged, responsible citizens. Higher education is a space where that triad of priorities can cohere and flourish.” (The National Task Force on Civic Learning and Democratic Engagement, 2012)

We couldn’t agree more! In the following pages of this 2012 Annual Report you will find practical examples from across Montana in which Montana Campus Compact member campuses have implemented programs and provided services that challenge the status quo regarding civic engagement and civic learning. We are proud of our students, faculty, and staff for the commitment each has shown to educate citizens and build community in our state, region, and across the globe.

As the Montana Campus Compact prepares for its 20th Anniversary year (1993-2013), our network does not plan to sit on the sidelines. We will encourage fewer spectators and more participants. We intend to provide avenues for students to engage, contribute, and lean forward into their civic and social responsibilities.

In Service,

Dean McGovern
Executive Director
Montana Campus Corps is Montana Campus Compact’s longest-running program. 2011-2012 marked the 18th year for Campus Corps, which is sponsored by the Montana Governor’s Office of Community Service (OCS).

In 2011-2012, 78 departmental units at 15 campuses actively engaged students in meeting community-identified needs through MTCC’s Campus Corps program:

- **Aaniiih Nakoda College**—President’s Office
- **Carroll College**—Career Services/Internships, Education, Hunthausen Center for Peace and Justice, Nursing Department, Student Advocates for Valuing the Environment (SAVE) Foundation
- **Dawson Community College**—Community Involvement Office, Education, Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice
- **Flathead Valley Community College**—Early Childhood Education, Education, Emergency Management/Paramedicine, Nursing, Radiology Tech, Service-Learning Office, Social Science, Surgical Tech, Theater Department, Upward Bound
- **Fort Peck Community College**—Daya Tibi Wellness Center, Service Learning, Student Services
- **Great Falls College MSU**—Advising and Career Center/Student Services
- **Montana State University Billings**—Education, Nursing, City College-Nursing & Health Occupations, MSU Extension-Yellowstone Co., Office for Community Involvement, Paramedicine-Public Safety, Radiologic Tech, Upward Bound
- **Montana State University Bozeman**—College of Nursing-Bozeman, College of Nursing-Kalispell, College of Nursing-Missoula, Education, Engineers Without Borders, Health and Human Development, MSU Extension-Horticulture, MSU Extension-Park Co., MSU Extension-Teton Co., MSU Extension-Toole Co., Office for Community Involvement, School of Architecture, WWAMI Program-Bozeman, WWAMI Program-Missoula
- **Montana State University Northern**—Bio Energy Center, Career Services, Education Department, Nursing
- **Montana Tech of The UM**—Clark Fork Watershed Education Program (CFWEP), Highlands College-Radiologic Tech, Highlands College-Trades & Technology, Institute for Educational Opportunities, Nursing, Upward Bound
- **Rocky Mountain College**—Career Services, Education Department
- **Salish Kootenai College**—Nursing Department
- **Stone Child College**—Student Services
- **The University of Montana Missoula**—Department of English, Linguistics (Anthropology), Missoula College-Radiologic Technology, Office for Civic Engagement, Office of Field Experiences (Education), School of Physical Therapy and Rehabilitation Science, School of Social Work, spectrUM Discovery Area, Student Assault Resource Center (SARC), UM Forum for Living with Appropriate Technology (FLAT), Upward Bound
- **The University of Montana Western**—Biology, Environmental Studies, Early Childhood Education, GEAR Up, Learning Center, MSU Extension-Beaverhead Co., Office of Student Success, Youth Challenge
Compact Service Corps is an AmeriCorps program funded by the Corporation for National & Community Service, hosted by Campus Compact state offices in CO and MT.

For more information about the Compact Service Corps program and its accomplishments for 2011-2012, download the [CSC Year-End Impact Report](#).
Montana Campus Compact (MTCC) is a network of 20 colleges and universities committed to advancing the public purposes of higher education. Campus affiliates build long-term partnerships with local nonprofits, schools, and faith-based organizations to address critical community needs across Montana. MTCC’s service initiatives are bolstered by student volunteers, service-learners, AmeriCorps members, faculty, and staff support. AmeriCorps*VISTA members facilitate much of the community planning work and develop reciprocal campus-community partnerships.

**Statewide Partnerships**

**American Red Cross of Montana and Opportunity Link**

Beginning in the summer of 2011, Montana Campus Compact formalized statewide partnerships with the American Red Cross of Montana and Opportunity Link. These collaborative efforts connect higher education institutions with nonprofits to strategically address needs in areas of disaster preparedness and financial literacy.

Four MTCC institutions—Blackfeet Community College, Stone Child College, MSU Northern & Aaniiih Nakoda College—participated in the partnership with Opportunity Link, which placed campus volunteers with Volunteer Income Task Assistance projects to promote financial literacy for low income Montanans between Browning & Fort Belknap.

**Flathead Valley Community College, Great Falls College** (then MSU Great Falls), The University of Montana Missoula, Montana Tech of UM, Rocky Mountain College and the University of Great Falls participated in the American Red Cross of Montana partnership, which leveraged college student volunteers to create new tools and systems to develop new infrastructure for local Red Cross affiliates to meet the disaster and emergency needs of the state.

**Partner Spotlight**

**Missoula Urban Demonstration Project**

When the Missoula Urban Demonstration Project (MUD) joined forces with Montana Campus Compact through the MTCC VISTA program, MUD was disorganized, financially strained and closing key programs. With the assistance of AmeriCorps*VISTA members, MUD entirely revamped its strategic plan, its image, its programs, its fundraising strategies, and its respect in the community over the last few years. MUD now serves over 300 Missoula Tool Library and Truck Share members, over 700 Youth Education Program students, and over 120 Backyard Workshop Series participants. MUD recently received a $96,000 Community Development Block Grant for providing low-income Missoulians the tools to maintain their homes and live sustainably.

After 30 years, MUD is finally operating to its potential as an organization. It would not have been possible without the Montana Campus Compact AmeriCorps*VISTA program.

— Lauren Caldwell, Board President – Missoula Urban Demonstration Project
The Salvation Army of Billings
Placed with The Salvation Army of Billings, Montana Campus Compact AmeriCorps*VISTA Bill Dickman was tasked with expanding programming and mentoring opportunities for disadvantaged youth and families in Billings. As a result of the Bill’s efforts developing a partnership with MSU-Billings, over 250 disadvantaged youth were provided consistent mentoring and skill building instruction at no cost. Additionally, over 75 families were provided with financial education and other life-building classes. Through life skills classes and providing an environment of growth for youth and their families, the Salvation Army of Billings is providing the disadvantaged of the Billings community a way out of poverty and will continue to do so through the plans developed by AmeriCorps*VISTA and carried out by the program’s Development Council.

— Major Kevin Jackson, Salvation Army of Billings

MTCC VISTA Impact Data Snapshot

| # of campus-community partnerships developed: | 13 |
| # of VISTA members serving in 2011-2012: | 31 |
| # of community volunteers leveraged: | 2,801 |
| # of community volunteers serving who are Baby Boomers: | 1,322 |
| # of service hours performed by community volunteers: | 18,340 |
| Dollar value of cash resources developed by VISTA members: | $225,611 |
| Dollar value of non-cash resources developed by VISTA members: | $60,555 |

Project Highlights

Amanda Opitz, Montana Public Radio
In celebration of National AmeriCorps Week, MTCC VISTA Amanda Opitz, in partnership with The University of Montana, interviewed eight current and former AmeriCorps volunteers, showcasing their work of meeting local needs, strengthening communities, and increasing civic engagement through national service. Click here for the full radio program.

Lindsay Howard, Lake County Community Development Corporation
In October of 2011, MTCC VISTA Lindsay Howard was featured in the Lake County Leader for her efforts in coordinating a ‘Montana-Made Meal Day.’ The event featured healthy, locally grown foods on the menu at three Lake County Schools. The event was a part of a broader effort aimed at promoting healthy food alternatives in schools coupled with nutrition education to reduce childhood obesity. Click here for the full article.

Denise Juneau, Guest Column
In October, the Montana State Superintendent of Public Instruction Denise Juneau wrote a guest column featured in Montana newspapers highlighting farm-to-school efforts occurring statewide. Highlighted are the efforts of MTCC VISTA members in partnership with MTCC affiliates, serving in six communities across the state. For the full column click here.
MTCC honors Montana students who demonstrated an investment in finding solutions for challenges facing their communities. Through service, research, and advocacy, Newman Civic Fellows are making the most of their college experiences to better understand themselves, the root causes of social issues, and effective mechanisms for creating lasting change. MTCC award recipients include: Kallie Madler, Dawson Community College; Elizabeth Collins, Montana State University Billings; Sarah Foster, The University of Montana Western; Corey Ledbetter, Flathead Valley Community College; Maureen Karlin, The University of Montana-Missoula; Michael Townshend, Montana State University Bozeman; and Catherine Gray, University of Great Falls.

MTCC engaged 150 college students, faculty, & staff from 26 campuses in 4 states at the 2011 Building Engaged Citizens Conference. Thanks to the generous support of the Jenzabar Foundation participants convened at Montana State University- Billings to explore and discuss civic leadership and community service at Tribal Colleges. Participants left with a new appreciation for and understanding of the unique civic contributions of Tribal Colleges across the country.
2011 Montana Athletes in Service Award

Montana Campus Compact honors civic-minded student-athletes who make a commitment to community service by raising awareness for civic engagement, encouraging other students to become more civically engaged, and engaging in civic opportunities in their communities.

Geoff Irwin
Sport: MSU Alpine Skiing
Major: Business Finance

Alex Shaw
Sport: UM Football
Major: Finance

Melissa Jenkins
Sport: UM Track & Field
Major: Biology

Youth Serve Montana Scholarships

Youth Serve Montana Scholarship recognizes youth volunteerism, encourages young leaders to further their learning, and provides tuition assistance for Montana high school graduates who wish to attend college in state. In 2011, scholarships were made available through a partnership between the Governor’s Office of Community Service, Student Assistance Foundation, and Montana Campus Compact.

91 Montana high school graduates representing 64 Montana high schools received the 2011 YSM scholarship.

Collectively, recipients are recognized for approximately 10,000 of service to their communities.

2011 Recipients attended: Carroll College, Dawson Community College, Great Falls College MSU, Helena College UM, Miles Community College, Montana State University, Montana State University Billings, Montana Tech of The UM, Rocky Mountain College, The University of Montana, The University of Montana Western, University of Great Falls.

Total amount of scholarships awarded for 2011-2012 academic year: $91,000
Strategic Priority I: Enhance MTCC’s national leadership
Indicator: What types of engagement programming do MTCC institutions offer?

Strategic Priority II: Increase the impact higher education has on community needs
Indicator: How do MTCC affiliates assess impact of civic engagement efforts?
Strategic Priority III: Maximize civic engagement potential
Indicator: How do MTCC institutions foster or support student service?

Strategic Priority IV: Instill long-term civic habits in our alumni
Indicator: How much do students at MTCC institutions volunteer?

*College students at MTCC institutions served an estimated 2,560,399 hours during the 11-12 academic year (based on a 32 week academic year and average student FTE from reporting campuses), nearly double the national average.
**Issue Areas Addressed through Service:** 81% - 94% of MTCC institutions reported that they prioritize health care, mentoring, K-12 education and housing/homelessness through service activities.

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Community-Based Work Study: MTCC institutions dedicate an average of 25% of federal work study funds to community service positions.

Alumni Engagement: How do MTCC affiliates track civic engagement of alumni?

(% of Montana Institutions Reporting)
FY 2012 Budget Highlights
Comparisons to FY 2011:
- Seventy percent increase in non-federal funding to support programs
- Fifteen percent more grant funding passed along to campuses
- Fewer federal dollars supporting 5% more National Service members
- No increase in affiliation dues for individual member campuses

Revenues
Total: $1,344,928

- State & Federal Grants: $1,035,510
- Private / Non-Federal Grants: $15,000
- Fee for Service / Program Support: $212,350
- Affiliation Dues: $64,760
- Other income / Reimbursements: $17,308

Expenditures
Total: $1,223,144*

- Staff Salaries & Benefits: $424,472
- Nat'l Service Member Support: $367,142
- Subawards to Campuses: $225,081
- Operations: $198,231
  - Includes supplies, travel, communications, contracted services, meetings and conference costs
- Affiliation Dues to National: $8,218

* Total includes expenses incurred as of October 2012. Remaining AmeriCorps grant funds must be spent by December 2012.
## Benefits or Services Provided

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<td>Stipends and Corps Member Support Costs</td>
<td>1 AmeriCorps<em>VISTA Leader&lt;br&gt;29 full-time AmeriCorps</em>VISTAs&lt;br&gt;14 full-time Campus Corps Leaders&lt;br&gt;68 stipended student AmeriCorps members&lt;br&gt;9 VISTA Summer Associates</td>
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<td>Segal Education Awards for Corps Members</td>
<td>57 full-time Education Awards @ $5,550&lt;br&gt;131 half-time Education Awards @ $2,775&lt;br&gt;27 reduced half-time Education Awards @ $2,114&lt;br&gt;306 quarter-time Education Awards @ $1,468&lt;br&gt;371 minimum-time Education Awards @ $1,175&lt;br&gt;7 Summer Associate Education Awards @ $1,132</td>
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<td>Americorps Administrative Support Grants</td>
<td>$63,477 supporting 15 Campus Corps host sites&lt;br&gt;$28,138 for 10 Compact Service Corps host sites</td>
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<td>Professional Development Funds for Campuses</td>
<td>Three faculty training grants&lt;br&gt;Two regional student training grants&lt;br&gt;Ten Careers in the Common Good awards&lt;br&gt;One CSC Training Ground mini-grant</td>
<td>$7,136</td>
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<td>Trainings, Conferences, &amp; Statewide Events</td>
<td>Community Building webinar series&lt;br&gt;Annual Building Engaged Citizens conference&lt;br&gt;Serve Montana Symposium scholarships&lt;br&gt;Martin Luther King Jr. Day funding&lt;br&gt;Local Red Cross Ready campaigns&lt;br&gt;3 leadership retreats and 2 coordinator trainings</td>
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<td>Youth Serve Montana Scholarships</td>
<td>Ninety-one $500(^{2}) scholarships awarded to high school seniors serving 100+ volunteer hours</td>
<td>$45,500</td>
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<td>Advocacy, publications, scholarly research, awards for students, and grants for campuses and faculty</td>
<td>$8,218</td>
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<td><strong>Total Service Value to Affiliates</strong></td>
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For every **$1.00** in membership dues, MTCC affiliate campuses received **$38.40** in programs, grants, and other member benefits in 2011-2012

## Value of Volunteer Service

Actual volunteer hours logged by Campus Corps members: 302,160 hours

Actual volunteer hours logged by Compact Service Corps members: 83,084 hours

Estimated* number of volunteer hours served by MTCC VISTA members: 55,050 hours

*Based on 1,700 hours per full-time VISTA and 450 hours per Summer Associate

Total market value of MTCC Corps Members’ service at $15.28/hour: **$6,727,692**

Source: [http://www.independentsector.org/programs/research/volunteer_time.html](http://www.independentsector.org/programs/research/volunteer_time.html)
New to the MTCC team in 2012:

Amanda Opitz
VISTA Leader (12-13)

Kathy Peterson
Administrative Associate