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Opportunity Link's  
Quarterly  
Newsletter

## North Central Montana Transit now Runnin' on Montana Biodiesel

On January 18, NCMT started using a 5% biodiesel-95% diesel blend in the two Sprinters leased from Glacier National Park Shuttle. NCMT also recently started using the biodiesel blend in its new 15-passenger Sprinter, acquired from the Montana Department of Transportation January 27. Soon it will be using the same biodiesel blend in the two 21-passenger buses awarded to NCMT that are expected to arrive this quarter and in the 23-passenger Optima bus that is also leased from Glacier National Park. "I think this is a great move," says Ray Tinkey, Glacier National Park Shuttle lead operator. He adds "we are very much interested in having our own biodiesel processor so that we can have biodiesel in our buses too."

The biodiesel that NCMT is using is produced and blended at MSU Northern's

Bio-Energy Center using a 50-gallon complete biodiesel processor that the Center acquired in July. Opportunity Link, lead operating agency of NCMT, is a partner of the Center in the provision of training in the region using the biodiesel processor. "We produce biodiesel during



*MSU-Northern Chancellor Dr. Frank Trocki hands canola biodiesel, produced and blended at MSU's Bio-Energy Center to NCMT director Jim Lyons*

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Established in 2004, Opportunity Link is a non-profit organization that creates and implements long-term solutions and encourages partnerships that will reduce poverty in the Northcentral region of Montana. Opportunity Link devotes its resources to promoting public-private sector collaborations to develop systemic solutions. Opportunity Link, Inc. was established in partnership with the Northwest Area Foundation ([www.nwaf.org](http://www.nwaf.org)) which is dedicated to helping communities reduce poverty for the long-term. For more information, visit

[www.opportunitylinkmt.org](http://www.opportunitylinkmt.org).

## OppLink, NCMT and AmeriCorps programs celebrate National Day of Service

Opportunity Link, together with the North Central Montana Transit, Montana Energy Corps and Montana Conservation Corps and in coordination with Hill County Electric, MSU Northern, the Chippewa Cree Tribe and the Fort Belknap Indian Community celebrated the National Day of Service January 18 with a full day of activities in northcentral Montana promoting energy efficiency and the use of renewable and alternative

energy resources.

Community volunteers, Energy Corps Americorps members, Conservation Corps and Campus Corps members installed solar lamp posts in the Veteran's Memorial Park in Rocky Boy, the Don Addy Memorial Park in Fort Belknap and at the NCMT bus facility east of Havre. Loren Stiffarm, chief executive officer of the Fort Belknap Indian Community, remembers Don Addy, "I

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**WHAT IS BIODIESEL?**

*Biodiesel...*

*... is a clean burning alternative fuel, produced from domestic, renewable resources such as plant oils, animal fats, used cooking oil and even new sources such as algae.*

*... contains no petroleum but can be blended at any level with petroleum diesel to create a biodiesel blend.*

*... blends can be used in compression-ignition (diesel) engines with little or no modifications.*

*... is simple to use, biodegradable, nontoxic, and essentially free of sulfur and aromatics.*

**Source:** National Biodiesel Board [www.biodiesel.org](http://www.biodiesel.org)

**Biodiesel (continued from page 1)**



*Opportunity Link executive director Barbara Stiffarm reveals the design January 18 at the NCMT bus facility, which would be placed on both sides of NCMT buses fueled with biodiesel*

trainings held in October and the oil used was already paid for by the Montana Agro-Energy Program, Growth through Agriculture Program, NorthWestern Energy and Opportunity Link as part of the training," said Jon Soriano, lead research scientist of the Center. The Bio-Energy Center also has the capacity and equipment to ensure that biodiesel and biodiesel blend produced are up to ASTM D6751 fuel quality standard.

The initial use of biodiesel was promoted as part of the National Day of

Service celebration by Opportunity Link, NCMT and the Montana Energy Corps Project on January 18. AmeriCorps members and volunteers from the communities promoted energy efficiency, use of renewable and alternative energy, with volunteerism and community service (See article below).

Jim Lyons, director of NCMT, is very excited about the possibilities. He says, "The best thing is that this is all produced here in the Hi-Line – the oilseed was grown in Malta, pressed and cleaned in Chester, and the biodiesel was produced and blended in Havre. This is a move towards becoming energy-independent." Barbara Stiffarm, executive director of Opportunity Link adds, "We'd like to believe that we can create our own demand in the region if only more agencies, companies and individuals are willing to trust using and start producing Montana biodiesel. This is the first step."

For more information, you can visit [www.opportunitylinkmt.org](http://www.opportunitylinkmt.org), [www.ncmtransit.org](http://www.ncmtransit.org), and [www.bioenergytestingcenter.com](http://www.bioenergytestingcenter.com) or call Opportunity Link at (406) 265-3699.



*Pana Garrison, a community member from Hays, installs a solar-powered lamp by the entrance of the Don Addy Memorial Park in Fort Belknap as volunteers assist.*

**Day of Service celebration (continued from page 1)**

thought it was fitting on the National Day of service to honor a man who has done so much for Fort Belknap."

Volunteers also distributed CFL bulbs, weatherization kits from Hill County Electric, and other energy-savings educational materials. Volunteers also signed up individuals that need hands-on weatherization assistance in their homes. Members of the Conservation Corps, Energy Corps and Campus Corps stayed on after the event to perform weatherization installations for those needing assistance in the communities. In response to the weatherization assistance, Chippewa Cree Tribe chairman Jake Parker said, "Know that we appreciate your help. Our community welcomes you."

NCMT buses provided rides to volunteers throughout the day as they celebrated and promoted their first ever use of biodiesel in their buses.



*Members of the MT Energy Corps, MT Conservation Corps and MT Campus Corps with Opportunity Link staff at Fort Belknap celebrate the National Day of Service*

## OppLink, NCMT manages, obtains re-certification of Havre City-County airport

On December 24, 2009, the North Central Montana Transit and Opportunity Link, received approval from Opportunity Link's Board of Directors to manage the Havre City-Hill County International Airport. NCMT director, Jim Lyons, had been approached by city and county officials to bring the management of the airport under the NCMT umbrella.

The airport was in danger of losing its Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) certification. If FAA certification were to be revoked, the airport would be closed; possibly, permanently. This could have devastating consequences to residents and businesses along the Hi-Line as there would be no Essential Air Services to Billings and connecting flights, the US Air Mail, FedEx, UPS, among others. Jim implemented new and improved existing

policies and procedures, hired staff from District IV HRDC's subsidized employment program, included NCMT staff and met with the FAA during their intensive review. In addition, Jim asked NCMT operator, Rana Weber, a retired Air Force National Guard Senior Master Sergeant with 21 years of airfield management experience, to serve as the airport's FAA Compliance Officer to help make certain the airport maintains the stringent expectations regarding airport and airfield management of the FAA.

We are proud to say that the airport has recently received recertification, making it possible now to keep all essential air services available, falling right in line with our policy to keep accessible transportation available to all residents of the Hi-Line.

## Volunteers weatherize more than 70 homes in region

Since November, members of the Montana Energy Corps AmeriCorps program in northcentral Montana have been helping individuals with hands-on weatherization assistance in their homes. This is an effort initiated through a partnership between the MT Energy Corps

Project, the National Center for Appropriate Technology and Northwestern Energy. Northwestern Energy customers in Great Falls, Havre, Chinook, Harlem and Fort Belknap Agency received weatherization kits during its energy fairs in November and signed up for hands-on help with the installation.

Recently however, Opportunity Link and Hill County Electric were able to support increased weatherization assistance in the region. Members of the Montana Conservation Corps and Campus Corps worked alongside the Energy Corps and local weatherization teams for an intensive weatherization assistance project in Rocky Boy. Opportunity Link has also started to mobilize its community service volunteers to assist with these efforts.

For more information, contact Curtis Windy Boy, MT Energy Corps Fort Belknap, via e-mail to [curtiswindyboy@yahoo.com](mailto:curtiswindyboy@yahoo.com) or call Opportunity Link at (406) 265-3699.

*A member of the MT Conservation Corps works alongside Rocky Boy's weatherization team to install weather stripping on doors and windows.*



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Author Steve Parese to meet with region's workforce program practitioners this March

## “Workin’ It Out” author to visit Northcentral Montana, to develop new curriculum with OppLink

Steve Parese, author of the nationally-recognized “Workin’ It Out” work-readiness program will be in Havre and Rocky Boy first week of March. Steve will be working with Opportunity Link and key workforce partners to develop a new curriculum that would more accurately reflect Native American work ethic, traditions, family values, and cultural barriers of this region.

This program would follow Steve’s proven WIO format but would specifically reflect the needs and insights of our Rocky Boy’s, Fort Belknap and Blackfeet training partners.

Opportunity Link, through its certified facilitators, has provided WIO soft-skills training to over 700 individuals in the region. For more information, call (406) 265-3699 or visit [www.workinitout.com](http://www.workinitout.com).

## Area youth receive work-readiness training, life skills

Opportunity Link, in partnership with YouthBuild North Central Montana, organized a week of educational workshops for its participants with the goal of helping them to succeed in today’s world. The workshops were held January 4 to 8, 2010 at MSU Northern in Havre.

YouthBuild North Central Montana is an intensive, nine-month program that began in October 2009 in which at-promise youth in the region between the ages of 16 and 24 receive a well-rounded start on their future. Within the program term, YouthBuild teams will work and train with experienced construction professionals to build two modern, high efficiency homes for needy families in the community. YouthBuild North Central Montana is a partnership between MSU Northern and Stone Child College and funded by the US Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration.

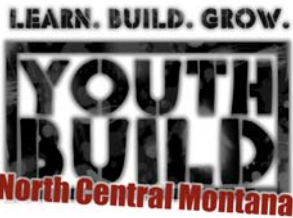
Participants completed a “Workin’ It Out” work-readiness training facilitated by Starlaen Perkins, Opportunity Link’s community development officer and certified WIO facilitator. Opportunity Link’s program officer Rebecca Farr also conducted courses on resume writing, interview skills, networking and basics of credit, investments and the market.

Heather Keller and Jose Jimenez of NeighborWorks Montana, presented basics of budgeting and money management and introduced the statewide housing IDA program; Lynnette McClenahan, case manager of Rural Employment Opportunities presented the “Rural Montana

Saves” IDA program; Cindy Small of MSU Northern’s financial aid office presented career and educational scholarship research; and Ken McLean, field representative of the Apprenticeship and Training Program of the Montana Department of Labor and Industry presented apprenticeship opportunities and the process of being an apprentice.

Participants also learned hands-on weatherization techniques from Northcentral Montana Energy Corps members and visited a newly-constructed home from District IV HRDC’s Mutual Self-Help Housing Program in Havre.

For more information on YouthBuild North Central Montana, visit [www.msun.edu/youthbuild](http://www.msun.edu/youthbuild) or call Jessica Windy Boy, YouthBuild North Central Montana director at (406) 265-4199.



A youthbuild participant building part of a park bench in MSU Northern’s carpentry lab

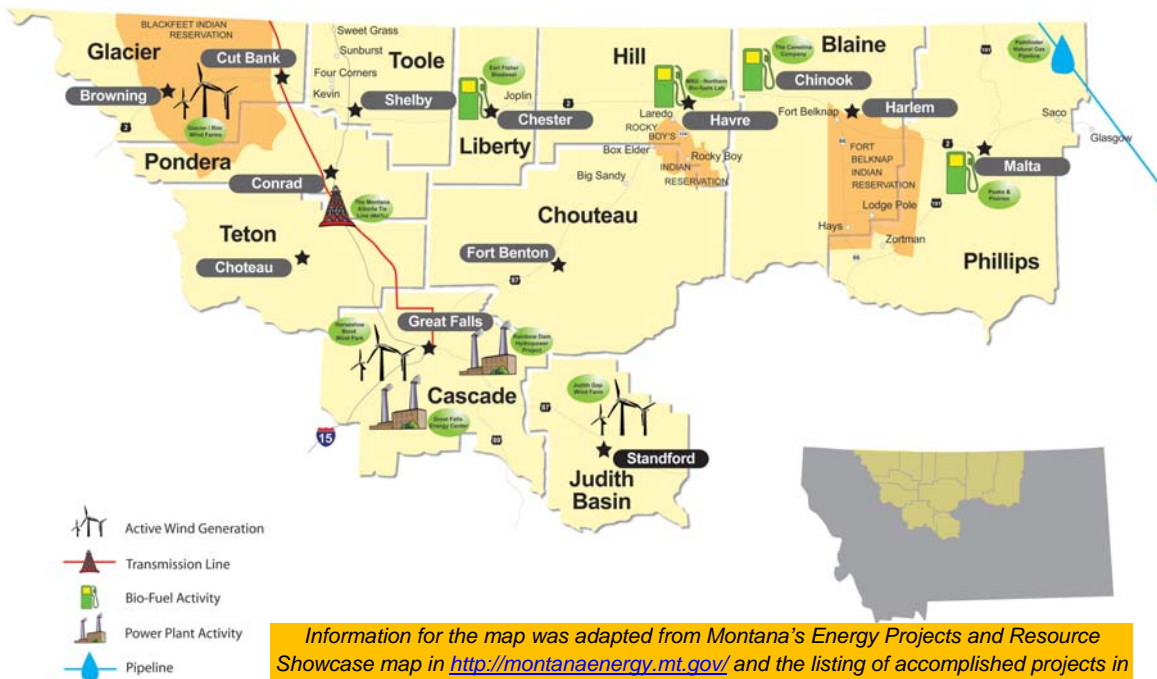


Most YouthBuild participants are regular passengers of North Central Montana Transit and Rocky Boy Transit. They are shown here on board NCMT’s Red Line bus.



YouthBuild participants, with Opportunity Link facilitators Starlaen Perkins and Rebecca Farr, show off their “Workin’ It Out” completion certificates at MSU Northern’s Hensler Auditorium January 7<sup>th</sup>

# Energy Projects in Northcentral Montana



## Energy awards in and around the region

**Helena, MT** – The Montana Electrical and Joint Apprenticeship and Training Council (MEJATC) was recently awarded a \$5,000,000 Energy Training Partnership Grant by the US Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration (DOLETA) to teach workers the skills required in emerging industries including energy efficiency and renewable energy. The project will serve all Montana counties statewide and will focus on current craft workers in need of skill upgrades to obtain or retain employment; and unemployed workers seeking to enter targeted industries to receive training required for electricians, electrical line workers, carpenters, millwrights, laborers, weatherization technicians, iron workers (welders), HVAC technicians, power plant technicians, plumbers/pipefitters, and heavy equipment operators.

**Blackfeet Indian Reservation** – The Blackfeet Tribal Business Council was awarded a Green Capacity Building Grant of \$96,257 by the US DOLETA to add green components to its YouthBuild training program in cooperation with the Montana State University Great Falls College of Technology. These components will

include residential wind, solar and energy audit training. The initiative includes green building workshops for staff and youth participants conducted by construction-related professionals from vendors, the construction trades, contractors and government agencies.

**Helena, MT** – The Montana Department of Labor and Industry was awarded a State Labor Market Information Improvement Grant by the US DOLETA for \$3,877,949. The project, entitled “Researching the Green Economy” will create a consortium consisting of workforce agencies in seven contiguous states to improve labor market information (LMI) collection. This effort will enhance the labor exchange system for green careers among the participating states. This collaborative project will allow for the effective distribution of green surveys and will create new methods to close the green jobs information gap. The result will be a sustainable dialogue relating to green labor demand and supply, an LMI system sustaining those relationships, and an established design for evaluation as an integral part of a sustained effort. Partner states include IO, NE, ND, SD, UT and WY.

Source: [www.doleta.gov](http://www.doleta.gov)

### WHERE TO STUDY ENERGY IN MONTANA

**Montana State University Bozeman**  
Sustainable Food & BioEnergy Systems (BS)  
<http://sfbs.montana.edu>

**MSU Northern Havre**  
Industrial and Energy Technology\* (CAS)  
<http://www.msun.edu/academics/cots/program-IndustEnergyTech.htm>

**MSU Great Falls COT Great Falls**  
Sustainable Energy Technology\* (CAS, AAS) – Starting Fall 2010  
Contact: Natalie Nefzger (406) 771-5132

**MSU Billings COT Billings**  
Welding for Energy Technology (CAS)  
Power Plant Technician (AAS)  
Process Plant Technician (AAS)  
<http://www.msubitings.edu/cot/Programs.htm>

**University of Montana COT Missoula**  
Energy Technology (AAS – online program)  
<http://ace.cte.umn.edu/programs/energy.html>

**Montana Tech of UM COT Butte**  
Pre-Apprentice Line Program (Certificate-1 semester)  
Sustainable Energy Technology\* (CAS, AAS)  
[http://www.mtech.edu/cot/trade\\_tech/](http://www.mtech.edu/cot/trade_tech/)

**Miles Community College Miles City**  
Energy Technoloy (AAS)  
Biofuels (AAS)  
Biofuels Emphasis (AS)  
<http://milescc.edu/DegreesPrograms/BiofuelsEnergy/>

**Fort Peck Community College**  
Electrical Line Worker (Certificate-1 year)  
Hazardous Materials/Waste Management Technology (AAS, AS, Certificate-1 year)  
[http://www.fpcc.edu/degrees\\_certificates.html](http://www.fpcc.edu/degrees_certificates.html)

\* via the Wind Montana project. Programs will and continue to be offered if approved by the Board of Regents.

## Free Tax Preparation Sites in Northcentral Montana

### Box Elder

Stone Child College of Rocky Boy  
Call Natalie at 395.4875 ext 273

### Browning

Browning Community Devt Corp  
124 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave NW

No appointments necessary  
Open most Mondays & Tuesdays  
Call Elva at 338.4051

### Conrad

Conrad Public Library  
Feb 18 & 19, appointment only  
Call 278.3020 to schedule

### Cut Bank

Glacier Electric Coop  
410 East Main  
Feb 12 & 13, 9am to 4:30pm  
Appointment required  
Call 873.2213 to schedule

### Fairfield

Russell Country Federal Credit  
Union, 105 4<sup>th</sup> St. S  
Appointment required  
Call 467-2541

### Fort Benton

Russell Country Federal Credit  
Union, 1510 St. Charles  
Appointment required  
Call 622-2541

### Great Falls

Senior Citizens Center  
1004 Central Ave.  
Mon 12-7pm, Fri 12-5pm,  
Sat 10:30am-3:30pm  
Great Falls Public Library  
301 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. North  
Tuesdays 12-7pm  
West Side US Bank  
511 Central Ave W  
Wed, Thu 12-4:30pm  
Department of Revenue  
Property Tax Office  
300 Central Ave., Ste 202  
Mondays to Fridays, 8am-4pm

### Harlem

Fort Belknap SBDC  
Appointments on weekdays pm  
Call McKay or Mildred 353-4672

### Havre

Havre Senior Citizens Center  
2 Second St. West  
Appointment required  
Call 265-5464  
Bear Paw Credit Union  
201 Second St.  
Appointment required  
Call 265-9626 ext 2028

### Shelby

Shelby Senior Citizens Center  
No appointment necessary,  
9 am to 5pm

## File your taxes online or by paper – free!

For free tax filing assistance, look no further than [www.MontanaFreeFile.org](http://www.MontanaFreeFile.org). This website can give you options on how to file your taxes for free, contains a listing of free tax preparation service locations, and gives you information on how to get your refund in as little as eight days at no charge. You may even qualify for a higher refund through the federal earned income tax credit.

Secure online filing is provided through the I-CAN! E-file and IRS Free File. Both are free although restrictions apply. You can generally use I-CAN! E-file unless you have a foreign address, own a business (see article below), are a church employee or clergy member or sold real estate in 2008. Alternatively, anyone with an adjusted gross income of \$54,000 or less may use the IRS Free File.

If you prefer to have someone do your tax return for you, you can use a VITA site (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program) or an AARP Tax-Aide Montana site. A listing of the VITA and AARP sites in Northcentral Montana is provided on the

For tax assistance outside Browning, in East Glacier, Heart Butte and Seville, contact Elva at 338.4051 or e-mail [elvad@browningcdc.org](mailto:elvad@browningcdc.org) for more information.



left. Anyone with a household income of less than \$42,000 per year can use a VITA site although taxpayers with a complicated tax return may not be eligible. AARP Tax-Aide Montana is available to those with low- to moderate income and preference is given to those 60 years old and older.

All information for free, reliable and legitimate tax preparation services in Montana is available from [www.MontanaFreeFile.org](http://www.MontanaFreeFile.org). Montana Free File is a partnership of Montana Legal Services Association, Montana's Credit Unions, Department of Revenue, Rural Dynamics, and Opportunity Link.

For more information or if you have questions, call 1-800-666-6899 or Opportunity Link at (406) 265-3699 or visit [www.MontanaFreeFile.org](http://www.MontanaFreeFile.org) or [www.icanefile.org](http://www.icanefile.org).

## Tax Help Montana's Self-Employment Tax Initiative

*Contributed by Jolene Bach, Communications Director, Rural Dynamics Inc.  
and Consumer Credit Counseling Service*

This year Tax Help Montana (THM) is expanding its Self Employment Tax Initiative program! Do you have self employment income, run your own business, earn money from arts or crafts sales, or have income reported on a form 1099-MISC? THM can help you file your income tax return for no cost. In the current economic climate more people are turning to self-employment as a way to earn extra income to support their families. If you have earned over \$400 you must file a special tax form called a Schedule C or Schedule C-EZ, this is required by law even if you owe no taxes.

If you made under \$50,000 in total

income this year, THM can help you file self employment tax return. Visit [www.TaxHelpMontana.org](http://www.TaxHelpMontana.org) to locate a free tax site near you. Not all tax sites prepare self employment tax returns; however, this year we are able to prepare returns remotely by fax. Download the 2009 Self Employment Tax Organizer to be sure your documents are in order and follow the steps online and we can prepare your 2009 self employment tax return remotely. Call 1-800-823-1323 for more information!

**Free tax assistance for small business owners, artists and self-employed individuals!**

## Social security outreach and benefits fair headed to Northcentral Montana

*Contributed by Peggy Murphy, Lead Public Affairs Specialist, SSA Denver Region*

In December, I met with the Opportunity Link Board of Directors to share some information about Social Security. I am a Montana Native that recently relocated from Denver, CO to Great Falls, MT. I am a Public Affairs Specialist and Tribal Liaison for the Denver Region of the Social Security Administration.

The Denver Region of the Social Security Administration includes Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Colorado, Wyoming, and part of Minnesota. The Denver Region is home to 29 Indian Reservations; as tribal liaison it is important to make sure that the Social Security Administration is delivering excellent customer service in Indian Country. The Denver Region is the smallest in population, but the largest in geography. Customer service delivery on our reservations and our rural communities present challenges that the Denver Regional Commissioner, Nancy Berryhill has made one of her top priorities.

In Montana, the Social Security Administration works closely with the State Disability Determination Service, and other agencies to provide State & Federal Benefit Workshops on our reservations. These informational workshops are open to everyone and offer three days jam packed with information. The next workshop is April 20th-22nd, 2010, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church located at Fort Belknap Agency. Information is provided on: Social Security Retirement Benefits, Disability Benefits, Homeless Outreach Project, Social Security Employment Support Services, Tribal and Montana Vocational Rehabilitation Services, Medicaid, Healthy Montana Kids Plan, Veterans Administration Benefits, Medicare Advocacy, Benefits QuickLINK, Americorps Inclusion, Fort Belknap Tribal Health Department and Indian Health Service. This is a great opportunity for sharing information about all the different types of benefits available to people.



*Peggy Murphy, public affairs specialist and tribal liaison for Social Security Administration, will be holding a state and federal benefits informational fair at Fort Belknap this April 20-22.*

Social Security continues to promote and improve their online services. So many answers can be found online. This is great if traveling into your local office poses an obstacle, but we do understand that not everyone has access to computers. For those that do, your search for Social Security answers is over. At [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov) you'll find a question and answer section containing the most frequently asked questions about Social Security. Just look for the "Questions" section in the upper right hand corner of the Home Page slightly below the tab that says "Supplemental Security Income". When you click on the drop-down box, you can choose from a menu of questions about the Social Security Number & Card, Benefits, Checks & Payments, the Social Security Statement, Disability or many other topics. You can also file for retirement and disability benefits online.

Take the time to check out the website, you'll be pleasantly surprised at how many social security services are now available online. People are always welcome to visit one of the local Social Security Offices, and we also have a nation-wide toll free number that is available at 1-800-772-1213.

When not traveling, Peggy can be reached at 406-761-6393 ext. 207 or by email at [peggy.murphy@ssa.gov](mailto:peggy.murphy@ssa.gov).

### **State and Federal Benefits Fair**

*April 20 to 22, 2010  
Fort Belknap Agency*

#### **DISCUSSION TOPICS**

**Social Security Benefits**  
Social Security Retirement and survivor's benefits including Medicare eligibility

#### **Supplemental Security Income**

Eligibility requirements, calculation of payments, income and resources

#### **Social Security Disability Insurance**

Benefits payable to disabled workers, disabled widow(er)s, and disabled adult children

#### **AmeriCorps Inclusion**

Service opportunities and eligibility requirements for AmeriCorps state programs

#### **Medicare Advocacy with Q & A**

Montana State Health Insurance Assistance Program

#### **Benefits QuickLINK**

National Council on Aging benefits primarily for persons who are elderly, blind or disabled

#### **Medicaid and Healthy Montana Kids (MHK) Plan**

Changes to Children's Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Plan becoming a single health coverage program starting October 2009

#### **Other Topics:**

*Employment Works:  
Montana's Transition from BPAO to WIPA*

*Department of Veterans Affairs*

*Fort Belknap Tribal Health Department*

*Indian Health Service*

*Tribal and Montana Vocational Rehabilitation Services*

## Grassroots & Groundworks: Seizing Opportunities to Reduce Poverty and Build Community Prosperity



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The national conference organized by the Northwest Area Foundation will be held May 13- 14, 2010 in Portland, Oregon. An exciting line up of events is planned, including nationally-known keynote speakers, networking opportunities, and breakout sessions. Conference goers will also have the option to register for one of two half-day Community Builder Institute workshops: *Communicating for Social*

*Change, or Influencing Public Policy.*

Twenty different break-out sessions will feature proven or emerging models of poverty reduction focused on public policy advocacy, asset and wealth building, and increasing capacity and leadership. Online conference and hotel registration is now open with special early bird rates. For more information, visit [www.nwaf.org](http://www.nwaf.org) or [www.grassrootsandgroundwork.org](http://www.grassrootsandgroundwork.org).

### Upcoming Events in and around the Region

- Harvesting Clean Energy, February 7-9, Three Rivers Convention Center, Kennewick, WA
- The Ultimate Job Search Workshop Series, February 11,18,25, March 4,11, Job Service, Havre
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual American Indian Studies Film Screening, February 19, Fort Belknap College
- Building a Money Savvy Montana, 2010 MFEC Statewide Conference and Resource Fair, February 23, Best Western Great Northern Hotel, Helena
- Montana's Recovering Economy: Where do we go from here? Montana Ambassadors 2010 Annual Meeting and Conference, February 25-26, Holiday Inn, Great Falls
- Economic Recovery: What's Ahead for Men and Women Workers, 2010 Economic Outlook Seminar, March 17, MSUN Hensler Auditorium, Havre
- Social Security Administration's State and Federal Benefits Workshop, April 20-22, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Fort Belknap Agency
- 2010 Montana Housing Partnership Conference: Affordable, Sustainable, Accessible, June 13-14, Best Western Great Northern, Helena

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