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The latest news and updates from Child Care Connections



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Summer Bike Rodeos

Our First Annual Cayden James Leonard Bike Rodeo was a success! With the support of the Livingston Community, we fitted and gave out 246 helmets to local children and raised over \$16,000 for child safety in Park County.

At the Townsend Bike Rodeo, CCC gave out 45 bike helmets and educational materials to children in Broadwater County!

Summer Food Programs

No sign-up and open to kids 0-18, free meals are offered around MT during the summer. Find a site near you, text FOOD to 877-877. For Spanish, text the word "COMIDA" instead of "FOOD"

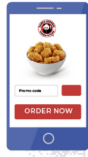
Become a STARS provider

Let's get you started! The Best Beginnings STARS to Quality Program is a voluntary quality rating improvement system that aligns quality indicators with support and incentives for early childhood programs and early childhood professionals.

Visit cccmontana.org/provider-resources



*20 percent of event sales will be donated to Child Care Connections



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Wednesday, August 11, 2021 ALL DAY

Panda Express Community Fundraiser

cccmontana.org/event/panda-express-community-fundraiser

or



On August 11, from 11:30 AM to 9 PM, Panda Express is donating 20 percent of their sales to Child Care Connections. For sales to be counted, participating orders must use the promo code 325364 for online orders, or bring in a digital or print flyer.

Best Beginnings Scholarship

New income limits mean more families qualify!

BEST BEGINNINGS CHILD CARE SCHOLARSHIP UPDATES

- Increased eligibility
- \$10 per month co-pay for all families
- No attendance restrictions

APPLY TODAY!



Expanded eligibility for the Best Beginnings Scholarship means that more families qualify! If you have applied in the past and have been declined, we strongly encourage you to apply again.

Visit cccmontana.org/bbs-update for more info or scan here



Serve Montana Award

The Elkhorn Community Organizations Active in Disaster (COAD) received the ServeMontana Award. The purpose of the ServeMontana Awards is to recognize Montana Citizens, who have enhanced quality of life in our state through their commitment to volunteerism and service to their community.

The Elkhorn COAD serves Lewis and Clark, Broadwater, and Jefferson Counties. When it came to executing a plan to use the Lewis & Clark County Fairgrounds to launch a large-scale, drive-through vaccination site, Elkhorn COAD volunteers enthusiastically said "Yes!".

Over 360 volunteers gave thousands of hours to direct traffic, provide coffee to volunteers, and staff the snack counter. Volunteers included youth from local Boy Scout troops. To date, over 26,000 vaccines have been given at this clinic, and people all over the country are learning about the model adopted in Lewis and Clark County.



CHILD CARE CONNECTIONS

Child Care Connections is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit advocating for the well-being and quality care of children. To learn more about our services for families and early childhood professionals visit cccmontana.org or call (406) 587-7786.

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