Creating opportunities for families and individuals to live in affordable homes in strong communities across Montana.

New Housing Project Will Help Bring Life to Missoula Neighborhood

NWMT’s Real Estate Development and Acquisition program (REDA) provided financing of $205,775 to Homewood for land in Missoula where Homewood will develop six single family homes.

The land was part of the Missoula Food Bank’s efforts to expand its community gardens, and these homes will complete the development. The lot where the homes will be placed has had quite a history and will be completely cleaned up as part of the Brownfields program through the EPA. In our review of documentation, there was a hand-written deed from 1905!

Homewood will be receiving funding through the City of Missoula HOME program and there is quite a lot of interest already from potential purchasers of the homes. We are pleased to be able to assist Homewood in this important project.
The checkerboard center—it is the driveway and parking area for the residents and the checkered pattern is called “woonerf”, which will be a checker and chess board that residents can use!

2018 ROC Leadership Institute a Success!

This year marked the first ROC (only) Leadership Institute, which allowed for
twice as many folks to attend. Those who were in attendance left feeling inspired and energized from the opportunity to train, network with others, and share their experiences.

For years, ROC leaders would attend the Community Leadership Institutes, and while the experience of these gatherings was great, it became clear that we needed an event focused on ROC specifically. We thank ROC USA for launching this new event!

What is ROC? NWMT is technical assistance provider for Resident Owned Communities throughout the state of Montana. What that means is that we help homeowners purchase and successfully manage their manufactured home parks. This gives them the freedom to make their own decisions and the peace of mind that their park will not be sold without their knowledge. Resident homeowners form a corporation to own and operate the community.

Mary and Dee Sherman of Northwood in Ronan, Brian Carter of Morning Star of Kalispell, Debbie Seymour of Mountain Springs Villa in Red Lodge, Lorie Cahill of Green Acres in Kalispell, and Danielle Maiden of NWMT made up nearly 100 leaders in attendance at the institute.

The three-day event was filled with workshops, learning labs and keynote speakers focused on helping leaders grow their skills and learn new ways to benefit their communities. Topics covered included communication, business basics, building your community brand, infill strategies, and conflict resolution.

Visit our website to learn more about our efforts in Montana.
Visit their website to learn more about their national program.

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Our ROC Community Grows!

Our ninth Resident Owned Community in Montana, Country Court Community, Inc. closed on June 29, 2018! This makes 214 ROCs in the Nation.

Country Court Community has 11 households and is the first small
community (under 25 homes) that has been purchased for resident ownership in the State of Montana. The community is just south of Kalispell and has many long-time residents who are very excited about the purchase!

**What does "Resident Owned Community" mean?**
NWMT is a Technical Assistance Provider through ROC USA. Through this program, we help residents of manufactured home communities purchase their land and become a corporation who owns and operates the community. This offers the residents security and a home that is affordable to them for the long-term.

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**Homebuyer Education**

Please encourage prospective homebuyers to take a homebuyer education class in their area to prepare for home purchases. The July schedule is below. Keep in mind, we also have an online version for anyone not in a class area, or who may be closing between classes.
### NEIGHBORWORKS MONTANA
### HOMEBUYER EDUCATION ACROSS MONTANA
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| CAPNM - Kalispell                                      | 406.758.5420 | July 7
|                                                        |            | July 17        |
| Homeword - Missoula                                    | 406.532.4663 | July 10 - 12   |
| HomeOwnership Center - Bozeman                         | 406.585.4895 | July 21
|                                                        |            | July 30 - 31   |
| HRDC 4 - Havre                                         | 406.265-6743 | July 10 - 11   |
| NeighborWorks Great Falls                               | 406.761.5861 | July 18 - 19   |
| Northern Cheyenne Housing Authority - Lame Deer         | 406.477.6419 | July 26        |
| RMDC - Helena                                          | 406.442.1236 | July 21        |
| Snowy Mountain Development Corp. - Lewistown           | 406.535.2591 | July 7 - 10    |

Don’t see a class in your area? Please call us at 1.866.587.2244 to find out more about our online course (phone counseling will be required to receive certificate).

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