

Lending & Education News March 2021



Coming Soon! Montana Emergency Rental Assistance Program

The Montana Emergency Rental Assistance program will provide rent and utility assistance to Montanans who have been financially impacted, directly or indirectly, by the COVID-19 pandemic. Do you have clients, friends, family, or know community members who are renters in need of support or landlords with tenants struggling to stay current on their rent? Spread the word!

The program is still being developed, but renters and landlords can start to prepare their documentation now, and stay current on program availability here: housing.mt.gov/Rental-Housing/Montana-Emergency-Rental-Assistance-Program.



Join us April 21st
12:00PM to 12:30PM

Our monthly Meet NWMT Lunch & Learn is a quick introduction to NeighborWorks Montana and how we can help homebuyers reach their home purchase goals. If you are a new mortgage lending or real estate professional, we encourage you to join us to learn how we can work together to serve Montanans.

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The last LIFT loan is finalized, drawing an official close for the program! Thank you to all who helped make this program such a success, we could not have done it without all of you!



2021 Montana Housing Partnership Virtual Conference May 18 - 19



Have you registered for the 2021 Housing Partnership Virtual Conference yet? The virtual conference will be held May 18-19. You won't want to miss this year's conference, so visit mthousingpartnership.org/2021-conference to register. Be sure to register prior to April 9th to be guaranteed to receive special conference swag in the mail.

The conference is offering two days packed full of great content, with three plenary sessions and over 20 breakout sessions to choose from. Our virtual platform comes with the benefit of not having to miss a single session! Recordings of all sessions will be available through both the Whova web-based app (for 3 months) and mobile app (for 6 months).

About the Plenary Sessions:

- Our opening plenary session will bring together experts in the field of rural housing from across the country for a panel conversation about the different issues and solutions to rural housing from REDI to Native Homeownership and how COVID has affected or changed the way they do their work. We will also hear from Montana's elected officials during this time!
- The plenary on Wednesday morning will feature Sarah Elkins of Elkins Consulting. Sarah will guide us to uncovering the right personal stories for the right audiences so executives, leaders, public speakers, and job seekers can clearly and effectively demonstrate their character, values, and vision.
- Our final plenary will examine the effects COVID has had on housing across Montana. Hear from the staff at Montana Housing and partners statewide who have been working on housing assistance as part of the COVID response. Clients will share their experience with receiving COVID Emergency Housing Rental Assistance, and we will look at where we go from here.

The conference is \$150 for individual registration, or new this year, you can purchase an organization ticket to cover up to 10 in your organization (don't forget your Board members). Visit mthousingpartnership.org/2021-conference for full details and to register.

Our annual conference is only possible because of the ROCKSTAR support we get from generous sponsors. We are especially gifted by them because like us, they value what it means for Montanans to have a home they can comfortably afford and feel safe in. A huge THANK YOU to our 2021 sponsors! And a special shout out to Wells Fargo, for being our Platinum Sponsor for the third year in a row!



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