

Through the united efforts of your visionary leadership and large coalition of economic development partners, the 1999 Legislature created these programs which were designed to intentionally support the growth and development of Montana's economy. From the initial investment made by the 2000 special session of the Legislature these programs have demonstrated their effectiveness in building and growing our State's economy.

In addition to these key programs, the 2015 Legislature funded several one-time -only programs that have been essential to the continued economic growth of Montana. These programs working together, have helped to provide the foundation for much of Montana's present economic vitality.

The Montana Economic Developers Association (MEDA), an organization of economic development professionals and partners, is pleased to showcase these programs and to demonstrate the

IMPACT of Partnerships that Work.



# Certified Regional Development Corporations

**Mission:** CRDC's are responsible for helping local officials, communities and businesses "assess, plan, and facilitate action" within their regions.

2012-2015 (2016 4th Qtr Pending)

Current Funding	\$425,000 per year \$35,435,250
Leverage	\$35,435,250
Jobs Created/Retained	2,707
Businesses Assisted	4,520
Loans Provided	393
Total Loan Value	\$25,826,610



Office of Trade and International Relations Bureau

# **Montana Marketing Technical Assistance Program**

**Mission:** To provide technical and marketing assistance to help Montanans pursue business opportunities, both domestically and worldwide.

### 2012-2016

Current Funding	\$300,000 per year
Businesses Assisted	1,139
Leveraged Assets	\$93.8 Million
Commodity Exports	\$7.1 Billion
Jobs Created/Retained	647
International Missions Supported	57



# Small Business Development Centers

Mission: Through a network of ten statewide offices, assist businesses to start and grow by providing no-cost; one on-one business coaching and low-cost training to individuals and companies.

#### 2012-2016

Annual State Funding	\$125,000
Businesses Assisted	3,191
Leveraged Assets	\$175.5 Million
Jobs Created/Retained	2,751
Workshop Attendees	5,762



## Montana Manufacturing Extension Center

**Mission:** Provide information, training, decision support and implementation assistance to Montana's 2,841 manufacturers. Assists manufacturers in adopting new advanced technology, techniques and business practices.

#### 2012-2015 (2016 4th Qtr Pending)

Current Funding	\$325,000/yr
Clients Served	745
Counties Served	115
Leverage	\$2,560,000
Jobs Created/Retained	2,331
Sales Created/Retained	\$541,329,266
Client Investment	\$120,744,635
Average Return on each State Dollar	\$9.27



## Montana Cooperative Development Center

**Mission:** MCDC promotes and develops cooperatives to meet the economic and community needs of rural Montana.

#### 2012-2016

Current Funding	\$65,000 per year
Federal Funds Leveraged	\$1,000,000
Jobs Created/Retained	48
New Co-ops Incorporated	17
Number of Co-ops Assisted/Trained	108
Patronage Returned to Local Economy	\$65 million +
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per year from all MT Cooperatives



# MT Board of Research & Commercialization Technology

**Mission:** Encourage economic development through investment in research projects that have a clear path to commercialization.

#### Cumulative

Current Funding	\$1,275,000/y
Projects Funded	208
Funding for all 208 projects	\$42 million
Leverage	\$47 million
Follow-on New Funding	\$370 million



# Primary Sector Workforce Training Grant Program

**Mission:** To provide grant funds to existing and new Montana businesses for new worker training and to encourage job creation and business expansion in primary sector businesses.

#### 2012-2016

Total Funding Awarded	\$3,626,892
Total Businesses Assisted	27
Workers to be Trained	735
Leverage	\$34,992,682
Annual Return to General Fund	\$2.685.780



# Indian Country Economic Development (ICED) Program

Mission: To provide funding for Tribal Priority
Projects for economic development activities, to provide
funding for start-ups and tribal member-owned businesses on
or near reservations, and to
and technical assistance to Montana's tribal communities.

#### 2012-2016

\$800,000/yr

Businesses Assisted	113
Leveraged Assets	\$8.7 Million
Tribal Jobs Created and Retained/Trained	118/9
Businesses Assisted by	
Native American Business Advisors	988
Match Ratio	2.5:1

**Current Funding** 



# Growth Through Agriculture Program

**Mission:** To strengthen and diversify Montana's agricultural industry through development of new agricultural products and processes.

#### 2012-2016

Current Funding	\$625,000/yr
Annual Return on Investment	2:1
Funds Awarded	\$2,600,000
Projects Funded	172
Leveraged funds	\$5,800,000
Jobs Created	222



# Food and Agriculture Development Centers

**Mission:** To deliver technical assistance to develop Montana's food production, manufacturing and farm-derived renewable energy. products.

### 2012-2016

Current Funding	\$300,000/yr
Annual Return on Investment	8:1
Capital Infusion Dollars	\$2,400,000
Businesses Counseled	175
Jobs Created/Retained	136
New Products Introduced to Market	52



# Montana Technology Innovation Partnership

**Mission:** Delivering advanced technical assistance to small, science -based businesses for the purpose of commercializing technology developed in Montana and creating high-tech jobs.

### 2012-2016

Annual State Funding	\$50,000/yr
Businesses Assisted	310
Leveraged Assets	\$31 Million
Annual Average MT Company Awards	\$6.2 Million
Total Montana SBIR/STTR Awards	81



Showcasing key economic development programs and partnerships that IMPACT Montana's economy.



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