

Welcome!

MEDA Fall  
Conference and  
Candidate Forum

# We're In This Together



**October 13 – 15, 2020**

**MEDA Virtual Fall Conference**

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## Today's Schedule

- 8:15am – 8:30am Welcome from President Brian Obert
- 8:30am – 8:55am MEDA 2020 Impact Awards  
Brett Doney, Impact Awards Chair
- 8:55am – 9:00am Anthony J. Preite Champion of  
Economic Development Award  
presented to Jim Atchison
- 9:00am – 10:00am Tell Us Something with Marc Moss
- 10:00am – 10:30am Gubernatorial Candidate  
Mike Cooney
- 10:30am – 10:55am Q & A with MEDA 2020 Award  
Winners
- 10:55am – 11:00am Tomorrow's Agenda and Wrap Up for  
Today

Brett Doney  
and MEDA  
IGNITE!

Rapid 3 minute  
report from  
2020 Award  
Winners



# MEDA IGNITE!

Rapid 3 minute  
report from  
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## Space2Place







3:00



Thanks to  
Brett Doney,  
Impact Awards  
Coordinator

## Powder River County Bridge Disaster Recovery Effort





3:00

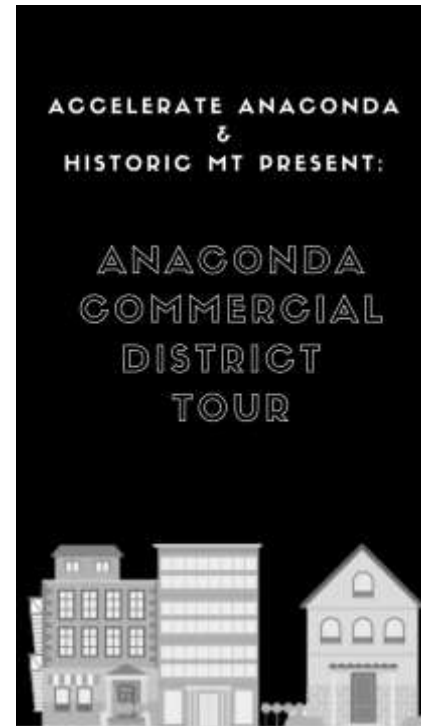
ACCELERATE ANACONDA



Thanks to the Awards Jury:

*John Rogers  
Kim Morisaki  
Justin Pearson  
Russ Fletcher  
Tim Guardipee  
Tracy McIntyre*

**Business District Historic Sign and App Campaign**





3:00

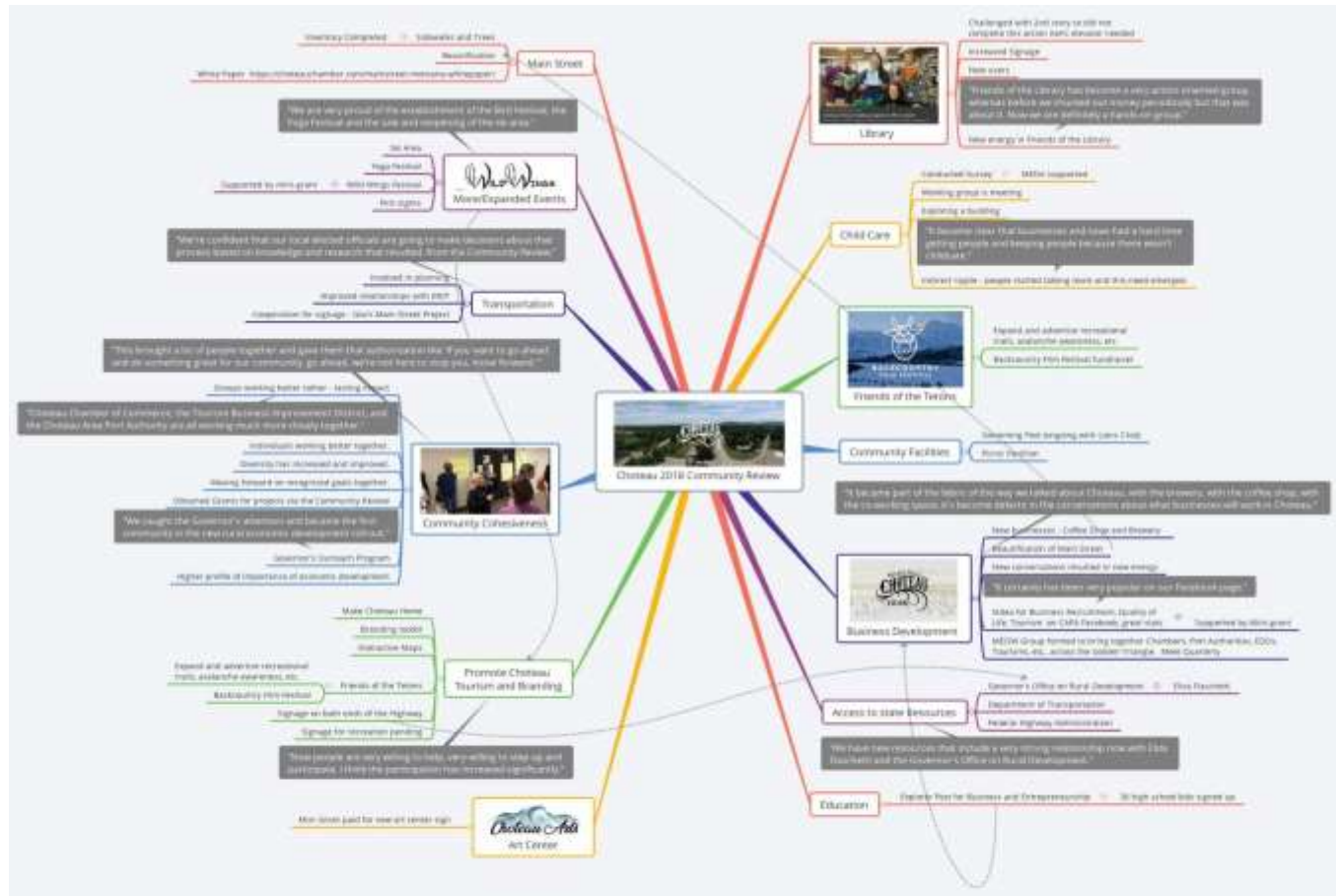


MEDA  
IGNITE!

Read full  
award stories  
at

[medamembers.org/awards](http://medamembers.org/awards)

## Community and Economic Development Success







3:00



## Creative Bridge Financing

In 2021 MEDA hopes to have several dozen Impact Award winners!





3:00

MEDA Awards began in 2015

Plaques are on display in the Governor's Office of Economic Development



## COVID-19 Rapid Response



Who was the  
very first AJP  
Champion of  
Economic  
Development?  
(Trick Question)



## Coulson Park Project



3:00







3:00

Congratulations



Jim Atchison



# MEDA

MONTANA ECONOMIC DEVELOPERS ASSOCIATION



**Anthony J. Preite**

**Champion of**

**Economic Development Award**

Sign up for the  
Tell Us Something  
Workshops with  
Marc Moss  
Oct 19 - -22, 2020

Special MEDA  
Storytelling  
Event  
November 6<sup>th</sup>  
11:00am





MEDA  
CANDIDATE  
FORUM

# **Gubernatorial Candidate Mike Cooney**

# MEDA AWARDS

Q & A

10:30am – 10:55am

**Southeastern Montana  
Development Corp.  
Powder River County Bridge  
Disaster Recovery Effort**

**Anaconda Local Development  
Corp.  
COVID-19 Rapid Response**

**Accelerate Anaconda  
Anaconda Local Development  
Business District Historic Sign  
and App Campaign**

**Big Sky Economic Development  
Space2Place**

**Big Sky Economic Development  
Coulson Park Project**

**Choteau Area Port Authority  
Community and Economic  
Development Success**

**Great Falls Development  
Authority  
Creative Bridge Financing**

**Anthony J. Preite Champion of  
Economic Development  
2020 Jim Atchison**

See you  
tomorrow!

7:50am

# Tomorrow's Agenda

- 8:00am – 8:30am Candidate Forum with Senator Steve Daines
- 8:30am – 9:00am Gubernatorial Candidate Forum with Greg Gianforte
- 9:00am – 10:00am Montana Next Generation of Community and Economic Development Tools Panel
- 10:00am – 10:30am Q & A and Attendee Participation with the Next Gen Study
- 10:30am – 11:00am MEDA Virtual Ignite
- 11:00am – 11:30am House Candidate Forum with Matt Rosendale
- 11:30am – 12:00pm House Candidate Forum with Kathleen Williams