



2021 KIDS FUND GRANT AWARDEES

Boys & Girls Club of Glacier Country: \$50,000 to provide after-school programming to more than 75 K-8 students from Helena Flats School, East Evergreen Elementary, Evergreen Junior High and the Flathead Crossroads Program. Trained Boys & Girls Club staff members will lead students through various educational projects designed to instill healthy habits, build life skills and cultivate leadership traits. (This is the first installment of a \$100,000 grant payable over three years.)

CASA for Kids: \$50,000 to support a Youth Case Manager who provides both targeted case management and peer-to-peer support activities to foster youth and alumni age 14-23. (This is the second installment of a \$110,000 grant payable over three years.)

Child Bridge: \$10,000 to support the creation of an in-house studio to produce videos, podcasts, educational materials, etc. to recruit and equip foster families in the Flathead Valley.

Farm Hands – Nourish the Flathead: \$10,000 to support The "Hands in the Dirt" summer camp and Farm to School programming at Wildcat School Garden in Columbia Falls, providing local children with education, life skills building, and access to fresh and healthy food.

Flathead Youth Home \$10,000 toward the purchase of a safe, reliable vehicle to transport youth to school, appointments, family visits, and community activities. Connecting youth to services that will support them is part of the case management Youth Homes provides. Without these services, youth risk vulnerability to homelessness when they lack a network of individuals to ensure their ongoing needs are being met and a space for healing is provided.