



**POWERHOUSE
MONTANA**
of the Women's Foundation of Montana

We've always known that Montana women were one of our greatest untapped resources. We're tapping in.

Fall is Right Around the Corner!

New Happenings from PowerHouse Montana

Greetings, PowerHouses! Hope you've been enjoying the last of the summer sunshine.

August has been filled with continued conversations regarding innovation here at PowerHouse Montana. And early discussions from our Women's Innovation Summit back in June have now developed into a tangible event, which I'm very excited to share with you!

In October, PowerHouse Montana, led by Women's Foundation of Montana Board Member, Jayne Morrow, will be hosting a statewide Zoom video call to encourage women from all across Montana to join our conversation and identify how we can create lasting, inclusive innovation in our communities.



Over the course of the meeting our statewide groups will work to:

- Identify opportunities to invite, inspire and empower the next wave of innovation in Montana - one that is truly inclusive of all unexpected ideas and all possibilities - and led by women.
- Generate ideas and prioritize what will be most impactful in creating more inclusive innovation.
- Identify our next steps to empowering women led innovation- one idea and one commitment at a time.

Our intention is support women in leading their own community change efforts, while working to increase diversity in leadership overall in our state.

Curious about this event? We will have more information available on social media within the coming weeks - including where you can participate in your community. We hope you make plan so join us for this inspirational event.

Also starting in September, we are thrilled to announce that PowerHouse Montana will be offering our very own marketplace page to highlight businesses across the state which support the future of women and girls in Montana. If you are interested in marketing your business to the PowerHouse on powerhousemt.org please contact Maggie at Maggie@mtcf.org!

Build your Social Wellness - with PowerHouse Montana Events Across the State!

More Meetings to Follow in September. Stay tuned!

Monday, September 24 @ 6:00pm

PowerHouse Billings
4570 Iron Horse Trl,
Billings

Tuesday, September 18 @ 12:00pm (MDT)

PowerHouse Montana Webinar:
Smart Money: Financial Management 101
(ONLINE) [Register Here](#)



PowerHouse Billings - July 31, 2018

Interested in hosting your own PowerHouse Gathering? Contact Maggie Sullivan at Maggie@mtcf.org

[More Details about our Monthly PowerHouse: Montana Gatherings, here!](#)

Pipeline to Leadership Featured Opportunities and Events

Let us know if you apply for any of these positions - we'd love to highlight your success, and connect others with potential opportunities!

State Banking Board

Description: Board makes final determinations on applications for new banks, acts in an advisory capacity on banking, and reviews the decisions on applications for the formation or closure of branch banks, sales of branch banks or the consolidation, merger, or relocation of banks and branch banks conducting hearings as required.

Position: Member of the public, who is not an officer, director, or shareholder of any state or national bank

Time Commitment: Low (Meets as needed, when there are applications for new banks, sometimes only once a year)

Takeaway: Members would learn the regulatory environment of banking in Montana and be instrumental to any new banks opening in the state.

Compensation: \$50/day and travel reimbursement

[Website](#)

Commission on Community Service

Description: Commission supports community-based volunteer programs focused on

addressing critical community needs. Vision includes a Montana of healthy, vibrant communities where individuals are empowered to strengthen communities through service and volunteerism.

Positions: Community-Based Organization and 16-25 year old who is involved in a service, national or campus program

Time Commitment: Moderate (Meets 3-4 times a year)

Takeaway: Members get to be actively involved in the advancement of community service in the state, and support volunteers of all stripes across Montana.

Compensation: Travel costs only

Website

Women on the Web

PowerHouse Articles and Resources:

Montana Leads the Country In Entrepreneurship, UM Study Says:

In 2015, more than 10 percent of Montanans owned a business as their main job, compared to six percent of Americans. About 3,400 Montanans started a new business each month, and more than half of the startups formed in 2011 were still open for business five years later. [Discover the study, here.](#)

Polson Woman Shatters Triple-Stroller Pushing Record in Half Marathon:

Cynthia Arnold, 34, from Polson, Montana, showed ultimate mom power last weekend when she crushed the women's half marathon race in the Missoula Marathon. On the July 15 race, Arnold not only ranked 14th for women overall and third in her age group, but she also beat the current world record for fastest half marathon time for a woman pushing a three-child stroller. [Read more about Arnold, here.](#)

Montana-born Michelle Williams on Her Very Public Fight for Equal Pay:

At the end of November, as Ridley Scott and the cast of All the Money in the World were in the midst of nine days of re-shoots in Rome and London, The Washington Post ran [an article about pay disparities](#) among the cast, specifically between Mark Wahlberg, the male lead, and Michelle Williams, his female co-star. Exactly how egregious the gap we would not learn until early January, when USA Today reported that Wahlberg, who in August 2017 was named the highest-paid actor of the year by Forbes, with annual earnings of \$68 million, was being paid \$1.5 million. Williams, on the other hand, who has been nominated for four Oscars, five Golden Globes (she won for My Week with Marilyn in 2012), and a Tony, was paid an \$80 per day, which amounted to less than \$1,000 total. [Learn about her story, here.](#)

5 Inspiring Young Women Who Are Leading The Way In STEM:

For centuries, the fields of science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) have been dominated by men. And while women today only hold 24 percent of jobs in these areas, a new generation has made it their mission to close the gender gap by offering new ways for girls to get involved in STEM. From learn-to-code apps to science summer camps, these initiatives are creating opportunities that help give girls the confidence and support they need to pursue careers in these male-dominated fields. [View these remarkable women, here.](#)

August is Shining Bright!

Time to catch the last of those summer rays, PowerHouse! With August coming to a close, we didn't want you to miss the opportunity to learn about our featured profile for this month - [Missoula PowerHouse, Morgan Slemberger!](#)



Morgan is a force to be reckoned with as the Innovation and Entrepreneurship Marketing and Operations Manager for Blackstone LaunchPad at the University of Montana. Morgan is consistently looking for innovative ways to promote independence for women in our state - and in her efforts has brought together a group of community and university members to create the [Last Best Conference \(LBCon\)](#).

How does Morgan 'Reboot'?:

"I have found that with small children, being able to find serenity and peace is difficult. So, when I can create those opportunities to be at home alone, in the woods alone, or connect to myself quietly - I feel re-energized and centered.

I have been a TM (transcendental meditation) meditator for about 10 years which helps me tune out superfluous distractions throughout the day. Also, I relish hiking whenever I can create the opportunity in the morning before work and on the weekends."

Connect and share your experiences with Morgan via PowerHouse Montana today!

Know someone who would be a great Featured Profile for 2018? Email your suggestions to Maggie at Maggie@mtcf.org

Become a PowerHouse: Montana Blog or Instagram Contributor!

Do you enjoy writing, blogging, and/or sharing your thoughts and experiences via social media? Are you looking to engage your community through education, mentorship and leadership - but not sure how? Do you want to create a brighter future for Montana's women and girls?

Well, we have some good news - our PowerHouse Sign-Ups are specifically designed with you in mind! Paired with monthly discussion topics predetermined by our newest survey data - becoming a guest contributor is an easy, and effective way to get yourself out there.

Want to be involved? Become a part of the PowerHouse Montana movement today by signing-up below!

Sign-Ups Below:

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Questions?

If you have any questions about [PowerHouse Montana](#), the [Women's Foundation of Montana](#), or would like to make an edit to your profile, please email Maggie Sullivan at Maggie@mtcf.org or call (406) 541-7409.

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About **PowerHouse Montana**

PowerHouse Montana is an initiative of the **Women's Foundation of Montana** with two goals in mind: (1) connecting Montana women with the resources, mentors, and opportunities they need to create thriving businesses and thriving lives, (2) increasing the number of Montana women in leadership by providing a go-to source for organizations and companies looking for their next CEO or board chair.

The Women's Foundation of Montana advances economic independence for Montana women and creates a brighter future for our girls. Learn more at www.wfmontana.org.



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