



**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.

You Spoke, PowerHouse - We Listened.

NEW PowerHouse Annual Calendar - and 'Survey Says'!

Happy February, PowerHouses - it's your Program Assistant, Maggie here! Ready to fill you in on all the recent great happenings across our state, and at PowerHouse Montana.



First off, I wanted to say thank you once again, to all who participated in our 2018 PowerHouse Impact Survey; We not only appreciate the time and effort spent on your behalf - but can honestly say, it makes a difference in how PowerHouse serves you!

That being said - I'm proud to share the end results from our survey, as we discovered some fascinating things:

When considering potential topics for discussion, webinars, and event gatherings - PowerHouses wanted to extend their impact within their communities, specifically through leadership positions, networking

opportunities, and more frequent local meetings.

In order to meet these requests, we've handcrafted our 2018 PowerHouse Annual Discussion Calendar - which will not only change topics monthly, but will also include quarterly webinars to actively engage with other PowerHouses across the state.

On that note, and with Women's History Month coming up in March - our discussion topic for next month will encompass Montana women's leadership and legacy, as well as include our very first webinar on [March 21, 2018: Women Lead the Way](#). Be inspired by women who have stepped up to leadership in their communities and the state, while learning about resources to support your own success. Save the date, and stay tuned for more information.

Curious about our Annual Discussion Calendar or In-Depth Survey Results?
Check-out our Yearly Schedule, [here](#) - Read our Survey Results, [here](#).

Engage Your Community - with PowerHouse: Montana Events Around the State!

Thursday, February 22nd

[PowerHouse: Flathead @ 4:00pm](#)
MacKenzie River Pizza Company
45 Treeline Road
Kalispell

Monday, February 26th

[PowerHouse: Big Sky @ 6:00pm](#)
Luxe Spirits and Sweets
47 Town Center Ave B1,
Big Sky

[PowerHouse: Billings @ 5:30pm](#)
Vintage Apothecary
2818 3rd Avenue North,
Billings

[PowerHouse: Eureka @ 5:30pm](#)
Front Porch Grill House
307 Dewey Ave,
Eureka



Big Sky PowerHouse Gathering - January 2018

[PowerHouse: Hi-Line @ 6:00pm](#)
Lodestar Land and Home
1639 5th Ave,
Havre



Eureka PowerHouse Gathering - January 2018

Monday, February 26th (Continued)

[PowerHouse: Wolf Point @ 6:00pm](#)
Harry's Nite Club
4624 Highway 13,
Wolf Point

**Future PowerHouse Gatherings for
March:**

[PowerHouse: Bozeman](#)
Blue Ocean Innovation Center
1820 West Lincoln Street,
Bozeman

*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**

Board of Realty Regulation

Description: Board is charged with licensing and regulating persons and businesses engaged in real estate professions and occupations.

Qualifications: Member of the public (represent consumer perspective), not involved in profession like realty, property management, etc.

Commitment: Remaining three years of a four year term, with meetings a little more than quarterly in Helena. Compensation includes travel expenses and a small stipend.

[Website](#)

Board of Occupational Therapy

Description: Board is charged with licensing and regulating persons and businesses engaged in occupational therapy professions and occupations.

Qualifications: Public Representative (consumer or similar perspective is nice, but not necessary)

Commitment: Remaining three years of a four year term, with meetings a little more than quarterly in Helena. Compensation includes travel expense and a small stipend

[Website](#)

The Montana Healthcare Foundation Grant Application:

Description: The Montana Healthcare Foundation (MHCF) makes grants to improve the health and well-being of all Montanans. For 2018, we are pleased to announce this competitive Call for Proposals (CFP). We will consider proposals in three areas under this CFP:

- American Indian Health
- Behavioral Health
- Partnerships for Better Health

[MHCF Grant Link](#)

Professional-Technical Award Application:

Description: The Professional-Technical Award helps women in Missoula, Montana who are currently attending or have been accepted into a vocational, technical, or training program. This award is granted to a woman who demonstrates a financial need. One award of \$1,000 is granted each year.

[Apply for the Professional-Technical Award](#)

Montana NEW Leadership Application:

Description: Montana NEW Leadership is a program hosted by the University of Montana's Mansfield Center to educate, empower, and encourage college women to become politically active and to take on leadership roles. During the summer institute, students meet women leaders, learn about women in American politics, and develop and practice leadership skills through panel discussions, workshops, and hands-on projects. After the summer institute, participants are encouraged to continue to develop their leadership skills.

[Program and Application Link](#)

Women in Computing Scholarship \$1,000 Annual Award:

Description: Dotcom-Monitor would like to encourage and support female undergraduate students who are pursuing careers in computing by assisting them with the rising cost of higher education. Each year one applicant will be selected to receive the Dotcom-Monitor Women in Computing Scholarship of \$1,000 to support their education and pursuit of a career in computing.

[Scholarship Link](#)

Mansfield Center Lecture Series: Why Women's Leadership Matters, from Montana to Myanmar:

[Wednesday, February 28, 12:00pm - 12:50pm University Center Room 332](#)

Description: Jen Euell, the Program Director of Women's Foundation of Montana and participant in the U.S. Department of State Professional Fellows Program shares her recent takeaway regarding global female leadership, and its impact.

[Event Page Link](#)

Youth Justice Council

Description: Council works with the Board of Crime Control to improve the juvenile justice system through planning, research and development of statewide juvenile justice programs under the Montana Youth Court Act, Federal Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 2002, and related regulations.

Qualifications: Local Government, volunteers with youth delinquents, judicial, agencies, non-profits in criminal justice areas, etc. Many opportunities to help!

Commitment: Two year term, with meetings a couple of times a year. Compensation includes travel and a small stipend per day.

[Executive Order Link](#)

[Website](#)

Women on the Web

PowerHouse Articles and Resources:

Working Remotely is Helping Women Close the Gender Gap in Tech:

While many companies are starting to realize the benefits of remote work, it is still a work structure that has yet to be embraced by the masses. However, for women, the ability to work from home means much more than a reduced commute time and increased productivity. Remote work is a chance for the tech industry to close its infamous gender gap.

[Find out how they're Closing the Gap, here.](#)

The Women Making History at The 2018 Winter Olympics:

As athletes from around the globe gather for the Winter Olympics in Pyeongchang, South Korea, audiences have more to cheer about than gold medals: This year, the games also offer a remarkable showing of athletes making history for their countries, sports, and communities. From the first American to land a triple axel, to the first Nigerian bobsled team - these are the game-changing athletes to look out for.

[Discover the Olympians, here.](#)



All-Girl Engineer Team Invents Solar-Powered Tent for the Homeless:

As Daniela Orozco picks off excess plastic bordering a 3D-printed box, she recalls how many homeless people she saw on her way to school when she was a high school freshman. That was the starting point for her invention: a solar-powered tent that folds up into a roll-away backpack. She hopes that one day, her tent will improve the lives of people experiencing homelessness in their community.

[Be Inspired by Their Efforts, here.](#)

Local Montana News:

Annual Girls' Summit continues to Teach and Empower:

More than 100 young women packed the rooms of Montana State University's Strand Union Building on Saturday, February 10, 2018. Some were meditating, others were practicing self-defense and still others were learning how to write a resume. All were there as part of the 12th Annual Girls Summit, an event hosted by local youth-based nonprofit [Thrive](#) aimed at empowering and educating women.

[Read more about the Girls Summit, here.](#)

Say Hello to February's Featured PowerHouse!

Helena PowerHouse, [Whitney Mitchell](#) currently works as the *Inbound Marketing Coordinator* at Can-Do Ideas.



As a fifth-generation Montanan, Whitney has the grit and determination needed to find the creative breakthroughs her clients need to take their marketing to the next level. With a background in public affairs, event marketing and account management Whitney is able to help companies exceed their goals.

Whitney graduated with honors from Concordia College, with a double major in Political Science and Public Relations, with a minor in Writing. She is Inbound Marketing Certified, and a budding Hubspot expert.

When not heads down brainstorming and writing copy, you can find Whitney (with a good GPS) deep in the mountains or lakeside with her husband and son.

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

Know someone who would be a great Featured Profile for 2018? Email your suggestions to [Maggie at Maggie@mtcf.org](mailto:Maggie@mtcf.org)

Share the Love - 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:

[Blog Contributor Sign-Up](#) | [Instagram Takeover Sign-Up](#)



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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