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## FBMT & the FHLB Member Impact Fund

First Bank of Montana, in partnership with Federal Home Loan Bank of Des Moines (FHLB Des Moines), is pleased to announce that Bear Paw Development Corporation received a \$10,000 grant from the FHLB Des Moines Member Impact Fund and First Bank of Montana.

### FHLB Des Moines provides

funding solutions and liquidity to more than 1,200 members to support mortgage lending, economic development, and affordable housing in the communities they serve. The Member Impact Fund provides \$3 for every \$1 of an eligible FHLB Des Moines member's grant donation to strengthen the ability of not-for-profits or government entities to serve the affordable housing or community development needs of their communities.



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Orry Fruit  
Branch Manager  
First Bank of Montana

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The Member Impact Fund awards are given in partnership with member financial institutions to communities in their districts to become more vibrant places to live and work. This is the second year that FHLB Des Moines offered the Member Impact Fund, which is designed for members to directly strengthen communities within targeted areas in its district.

First Bank of Montana’s Branch Manager, Orry Fruit states, “Bear Paw Development has served in our surrounding communities by improving economic and community needs for several years. First Bank of Montana has been fortunate to partner with Bear Paw on projects within our community. We are pleased to be able to continue supporting them with this donation.”

Bear Paw Development Corporation administers programs to help improve regional economic conditions in Hill, Blaine, Liberty, Chouteau, and Phillips Counties in Montana. Their mission is to be the most responsive and relevant non-profit economic and community development organization in Montana, focusing on their five-county, two-reservation region of northern Montana.



These funds will be used in Bear Paw Development’s Community Development Department, which provides local and tribal governments with grant writing and administration support, as well as assisting with project development. The Member Impact Fund investment will continue to assure that Bear Paw Development has the necessary capacity to help local governments with their infrastructure needs, including drinking water and wastewater systems, bridges and other amenities that create economically resilient communities that are great places to live, work, raise a family and build a business.



“We are very grateful for this significant investment in our organization and the partnership with First Bank of Montana that recognizes the importance of strong communities, vibrant Main Streets and an economy that works for those of us in rural Montana.”

Paul Tuss  
Executive Director  
Bear Paw Development Corporation

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First Bank of Montana, in partnership with the FHLB, donated \$420,000 to 13 non-profit organizations across our Central Montana footprint.

In addition to First Bank of Montana’s participation in this program, all Montana divisions of Glacier Bank, in partnership with the FHLB, donated \$2,048,600 to 100 non-profit organizations and government entities across the state of Montana.



*Big Sandy, Montana*

Recipient organizations were selected based on the needs for grant funding to support capacity-building or working capital necessary to strengthen their ability to serve affordable housing or community development needs, including training, predevelopment assistance, management information systems or software, strategic planning, market study or community needs assessment, and working capital.

The Member Impact Fund is part of FHLB Des Moines’ ongoing mission to offer a variety of funding options through its members to support affordable housing and community development needs.



*Fort Benton, Montana*

“We are thrilled to see grants from our Member Impact Fund having a direct, positive impact on the communities in which our members help advance affordable housing and community development needs in a meaningful way.”

Kris Williams  
President and CEO  
FHLB Des Moines



# FIRST BANK OF MONTANA

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**TOP 10**  
★★★★★★★★  
**BEST BANKS**

**Forbes**, one of the foremost financial publications in the world, again honors Glacier Bancorp as one of the top ten banks in the United States.

**Glacier Bancorp**, headquartered in Kalispell, Montana, is a regional bank holding company providing commercial banking services in 143 communities through 223 banking offices in Montana, Idaho, Colorado, Utah, Washington, Wyoming, Arizona, and Nebraska. First Bank of Montana, with its 9 branches, has served communities throughout Montana for 98 years.

### How Forbes calculates its rankings

**Forbes** bases its 2022 rankings on data collected by S&P Global Market Intelligence from filings submitted to federal and state regulatory agencies through September 30, 2021.

*"As a member of the Glacier family since 2006, we are proud to be part of a great company and honored that Forbes continues to recognize Glacier as one of the top performing banks in America. This recognition is a tribute to the employees at First Bank of Montana and throughout Glacier Bancorp. Their passion for community banking is the foundation for our success."*

~ Dean Comes  
President, First Bank of Montana

Total Assets	\$21.3 billion
Total Deposits	\$17.5 billion
Total Loans	\$11.2 billion
Total Shareholder Equity	\$2.4 billion
YTD Net Income	\$234 million
Locations	233

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Business metrics used to calculate Forbes' rankings

