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Spirit of Service Partners Looking for Homeowners to Assist

Housing Helena, MT Helena’s annual Spirit of Service (SOS) is around the corner and sponsors are looking for homes and homeowners to assist.

Head Start
Rocky Mountain Preschool
Energy Share
LIEAP
Weatherization
On May 13, over two hundred fifty volunteers will help local homeowners with outdoor cleanup chores. SOS recipients must own their home, reside there, and be unable to accomplish yard work or light maintenance themselves. There’s no income criterion and no charge. Volunteers provide tools and materials. Homes that have not received Spirit of Service help during the past three years receive priority.

Mental Health Crisis Planning
Kids Management Authority (KMA)
Agency on Aging
Daily Dinner Clubs
“Montana has among the fastest growing senior populations in the Nation. By 2025, we know that a quarter of Montana’s residents will be over 65 and Lewis & Clark County anticipates a higher percentage. Helping seniors with yard work is a small, but manageable contribution we can make,” says Rose Felter, Rocky Mountain Development Council Executive Assistant and SOS Coordinator, “We’re also know that individuals with disabilities are homeowners, too, and could use a hand with outdoor chores.”

Foster Grandparents
Meals on Wheels
Retired & Senior Volunteers
The SOS partner organizations hope to assist 45 homes this year. If you, a family member or a friend would benefit from this service, contact Rose at Rocky Mountain Development Council at 457-7303, by March 17, St. Patrick’s Day. “If you think you might be interested, please call,” says Felter.

Senior Citizen Centers
Senior Companions
Senior Transportation
This eleventh annual SOS event is sponsored by Anderson ZurMuehlen & Co. P.C., American Federal Savings Bank, Rocky Mountain Development Council, Heritage Propane, St. Peter’s Hospital, The City of Helena, Wal-Mart, Morrison-Maierle Inc., Student Assistance Foundation, and Employee Benefit Resources.

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