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## CONTACT INFORMATION

We help with:
Homelessness
Prevention of homelessness
Children/Families of inmates/homeless

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We provide services for women and families also

Manifesting Dreams and Ideas for Life Resources under the Big Sky

A Nonprofit Corporation since July 21, 2004

This corporation is organized and shall be operated exclusively as a non profit entity for charitable and educational purposes within the definition of Section 501 c 3 of the Internal Revenue Code.

**"The only way to lead a child down the right path is to go that way yourself".** Abraham Lincoln

Objectives of this corporation is to establish contacts with local, state and national organizations that offer training and support services that would be beneficial to members of Montana Dads Incarcerated, Inc.

## MISSION STATEMENT

Provide education on parenting, communication and other subjects as deemed appropriate. Build better working relationships between incarcerated fathers, community based programs, rehabilitative services and educational departments.

Assist fathers/parents in building a healthier, more productive and meaningful relationship with their children both during their incarceration as well as after release from incarceration.

Encourage and assist members in leading productive, crime free lives by fostering successful reintegration back into society upon release.

Promote and induce continuing support and improving relationships within the institutions and surrounding communities.

Represent members interests to state and nationwide organizations/resources designed to offer help and support to children and families of incarceration.

## NOTES

**Individual Sessions:** one-on-one assistance by referral to professionals in the community as needed.

**Resource Referral:** If we don't have what you need we will refer you to outside resources or develop a program ourselves.

**Peer Support:** Consumer helping consumer to develop confidence, a sense of purpose, self-worth and belonging.

**Effective Speaking/Writing:** To get us past the fear of public speaking and communication. WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

We have some additional things we offer for your learning and growing pleasure and desire:

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| Book Club | Advocacy |
| Leadership | Life Lessons |
| Outreach | |

We offer a unique life skills, recovery building program through experience, knowledge and support.

We look forward to hearing from you. Please contact us at: **406-647-3225** or write to: P. O. Box 31930, Billings, MT 59107 or e-mail at mdisecretary@yahoo.com.

## VISION STATEMENT

Encourage members to make personal growth changes for themselves, for their children, for their families, and for the communities that they will one day return to.

## PURPOSE

Develop awareness among interested persons of the needs and capabilities of inmates and ex-offenders.

Provide information relating to work, education, housing, transportation, sponsors, and counseling services to inmates and ex-offenders.

Function as a clearing house of information in order that contact can be maintained between inmates and affirmative action groups located within the Unites States and particularly within the State of Montana.

Provide information, educational instruction, and assistance to MDI members in the area of parenting, communication, and stress/anxiety management.

Assist incarcerated individuals in an effort to help them form constructive relationships with their children and with other person in free society.

Strive to improve the conditions of confinement for Montana state inmates with emphasis on education that provides personal growth, self-actualization, motivation, rehabilitation and awareness.

## SERVICES OFFERED

MDI offers support and grief management meetings to inmates dealing with ongoing issues of separation, stress, depression and the loss of a child or loved one to life's trials. MDI will provide input on day to day issues, interactions with other inmates, staff and members of the community. MDI also offers holiday projects to benefit children and families of incarceration.

MDI provides education on parenting, communication, living skills, relationships and community based services. Seminars offered by MDI include issues of child support, release and discharge planning, and using community services.

MDI offers direct support to men, women, children and families of incarceration within the community by supplying access to a large community network of supporters. This network supplies donations of household necessities, limited travel assistance and car pooling, holiday gifts and support as well as access to available community resources throughout the state of Montana and surrounding states.

MDI continues to work on other needs of support including a hobby program, employment and housing options for those recently released as well as continuing to improve all existing programs and projects.

## MONTANA DADS INCARCERATED INC.
## Inmate Community Life Resources Programs

MDI Life Resources Programs are an educational outreach designed to help and empower you through definition, development, and achievement of individual goals. This is accomplished through the use of the following tools:

**Lectures:** Focusing on recovery and the use of the elements to improve your quality of life.

**Workshops:** Self-exploration to empower, encourage, and motivate you to identify your needs/goals. Make individualized goal plans to use in daily living.

**Group Sessions:** Sharing and receiving feedback from others in a non 12 step approach.