

FY21 Application Overview

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Big Sky Fire Department	\$1,001,480.00	2	We have seen the potential consequences of not being adequately prepared for large scale wildland fire events. We want to be proactive instead of reactive when it comes to our ability to adequately respond to the communities risk.
Big Sky Transportation District	\$900,000.00	2	Skyline continues to try and meet the public transportation needs of the community. This next fiscal year (FY21), the Transportation District hopes to initiate half-hour service between the Meadow Village Center, Town Center and Mountain Village Center during the winter season.
Gallatin County Sheriff's Office	\$311,327.00	1	The Big Sky/Canyon Division Patrol will provide law enforcement services to all in and around Big Sky including but not limited to; emergency response, traffic control, criminal investigation, search and rescue coordination, coroner services, service of civil notices, and more.
Arts Council of Big Sky	\$185,500.00	1	The summer programming provided by the Arts Council has become integral to Big Sky's DNA, bringing locals and visitors together for high-quality, family friendly cultural activities. In 2019, Music in the Mountains was voted Best Annual Event by readers of Explore Big Sky.
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Big Sky Co	\$15,000.00	1	Big Brothers Big Sisters of Big Sky Country is asking for assistance to support the young people of Big Sky through mental health education and support, one-to-one mentoring opportunities in school, and summer mentoring programs.
Big Sky Community Food Bank	\$65,800.00	2	The Big Sky Community Food Bank has doubled our hours of operation in response to the needs of the Big Sky community as a result of the economic impacts of COVID 19. We now offer more services to households in need and are seeking funds to support these new staffing and operational costs.
Big Sky Discovery Academy and Community Learning Center	\$89,320.00	1	Big Sky Discovery Academy Early Childhood Preschool Program offers a robust preschool/childcare program for three through five year olds in the community with extended day and holiday/non-school day options. Discovery supports families with young children through a whole-child, Montessori approach.
The Big Sky Rotary Foundation	\$5,400.00	1	Big Sky is a destination community whose current attention to sustainability issues related to waste reduction does not match our inherent culture. This project addresses community recycling and composting, with respect to events, visitor impacts & resident accessibility.
Big Sky Search and Rescue	\$14,150.00	3	BSSAR is applying for funds needed to maintain our current level of care, provide volunteers with technology to keep them safe, and tools to fix and protect the resources we have.
Big Sky Skating & Hockey Association, Inc.	\$40,227.00	1	The BSSHA requests some help with operating expenses for the ice rink they operate every Winter in the Town Center. The ice rink and programs are a vital part of the Winter activities of our Community, with wide participation by residents, visitors, seasonal workers, and especially local children.
Friends of Big Sky Education dba Warren Miller Performing Arts Center	\$176,350.00	1	WMPAC continues to provide world-class and family-friendly programming at affordable prices for our entire community. Our events are carefully designed and planned to encourage individuals from all walks of life to connect through culture in a safe, inspiring space year-round.
Friends of the Big Sky Community Library	\$80,720.00	1	Serving the community for 20 years, the library provides a variety of resources and services to locals and visitors in the Big Sky area. It is our mission to promote a greater appreciation of literature and lifelong learning by providing special programs throughout the year.
Gallatin Invasive Species Alliance	\$26,068.00	4	Governed by a board of community members and natural resource experts, the Alliance is a not-for-profit organization that facilitates a comprehensive and cost-effective campaign to protect natural resources from the threats of invasive species in the upper Gallatin Watershed.
Gallatin Valley Snowmobile Association	\$25,000.00	1	GVSA provides grooming of the Buck Ridge snowmobile trail. The trail is typically groomed Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Grooming normally begins in December and runs through the end of March depending on snow conditions.
Habitat for Humanity of Gallatin Valley Inc	\$100,000.00	1	Habitat has maximized the resources from the community to achieve a lower cost of construction than what would be the cost on the open market. We have had active participation from the school employees, cost reductions from local contractors, and donations restricted to the Teaching.
Morningstar Learning Center	\$168,255.00	1	Morningstar Learning Center is a non profit entity and Big Sky's only state-licensed child-care facility. Morningstar Learning Center's mission is to fill a critical void in Big Sky's basic community infrastructure by providing accessible, affordable childcare services.
Parkview West Homeowners Association	\$114,000.00	1	Rehabilitation of the Gallatin River bridge at Karst. This bridge provides the sole access to residents living on the west side of the river as well as sportsmen and other visitors. The rehabilitation of this bridge makes it possible for fire trucks to cross the bridge fully loaded with water.
The Montana Land Reliance	\$20,000.00	1	The Montana Land Reliance (MLR) works with landowners to permanently protect fish and wildlife habitat and open space in the Big Sky community and throughout Montana. MLR has conserved over 11,500 acres in the Big Sky community.
The Post Office, LLC	\$80,000.00	1	The Post Office, LLC is requesting BSRAD funding to satisfy the gap between the cost to operate the Big Sky Post Office facility and the funding provided by the fixed-rate contract with the United States Postal Service.

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Wildlife Conservation Society	\$48,136.00	1	WCS Bear Smart Big Sky is charting a new co-created path to a wilder Big Sky through a community culture of bear smart stewardship and as a model to our neighbors; we are working to ensure that people and lands remain connected and bears remain wild in growing communities anchored by the outdoors.
Women In Action	\$50,000.00	2	Women In Action works to provide the Big Sky community with access to affordable behavioral health care services.
Big Sky Chamber of Commerce	\$379,511.00	3	Our Community. Our Business. The Big Sky Chamber, in serving its 450+ member businesses, their thousands of employees and our Big Sky community at-large works every day to Elevate Big Sky in its continued evolution from a destination ski resort to a healthy and sustainable community.
Big Sky Community Housing Trust (BSCHT), dba HRDC	\$1,850,000.00	4	The mission of BSCHT is to provide a diversity of housing affordable for the community in order to grow and retain a strong base of residents and employees living in Big Sky. Strategies include deed restricted home ownership opportunities and additional long term rental options for workers.
Big Sky Community Organization	\$604,402.00	2	BSCO is requesting funds to maintain and operate our community's public 97 acres of parkland and 23.25 miles of trails. The request also includes 50% of the costs to expand our trail system 4.25 miles to make high priority trail connections as outlined in our Master Trails Plan.
Gallatin River Task Force	\$443,601.00	6	Big Sky depends on cold, clean and abundant water in the Gallatin River. With our FY2021 Resort Tax request, we recommit to protecting and restoring the Upper Gallatin for future generations, basing our actions on credible scientific data and relying on diverse partnerships for maximum impact.
Visit Big Sky	\$601,258.00	4	VBS, the official Destination Marketing & Management Organization for the Big Sky destination leads the development/marketing of authentic tourism experiences, through research and stakeholder collaboration to grow Big Sky's economy while balancing the need to sustain quality of life for residents.
TOTAL FUNDS REQUESTED:	\$7,395,505.00		