



Welcome to Family Outreach

THE EARLY CHILDHOOD INTERVENTION PROGRAM



MISSION AND PROGRAMS

Family Outreach is committed to providing a comprehensive continuum of care and support for individuals with disabilities across the lifespan. Our diverse programs offer specialized services tailored to meet the unique needs of individuals at every stage of life, ensuring that they and their families receive the support necessary to thrive within their homes and communities.

PROGRAMS:

Early Intervention (EI)

- Part C
- Family Education & Support
- Services vary based on county of residence, see Service Area Maps on Slides 7 & 12 for details

Support Services

- 0208 Waiver (service contractor for Habilitation services and a variety of other program categories)
- Pre-Employment Transition Services (Pre-ETS)
- Supported Employment Services via Vocational Rehabilitation & 0208 Waiver
- Available within Helena, Bozeman & Butte locations, only

Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA)

- Currently available within our Helena and Bozeman locations, only



EARLY CHILDHOOD INTERVENTION

Early Intervention provides supports and services for infants and children with developmental delays and disabilities, and their families. Services are **100% free** for eligible families and have no income limit. Services can have a significant impact on a child's ability to learn new skills and overcome challenges to increase success in their home and communities.



HOME VISITING MODEL

Early Intervention provides services within the home and natural environments. This support is targeted to empowering parents to support their child's development in a comfortable environment with resources they have available to them. This can include parent coaching, modeling developmentally supportive interactions, and adjusting the environment to support safety and development.

All services provided by Family Outreach's Early Intervention Program include monthly home-visiting services.

EARLY INTERVENTION LEADERSHIP TEAM



Executive Director
Jackie Mohler



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Bozeman
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Julia Robinson



Helena
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Coming Soon



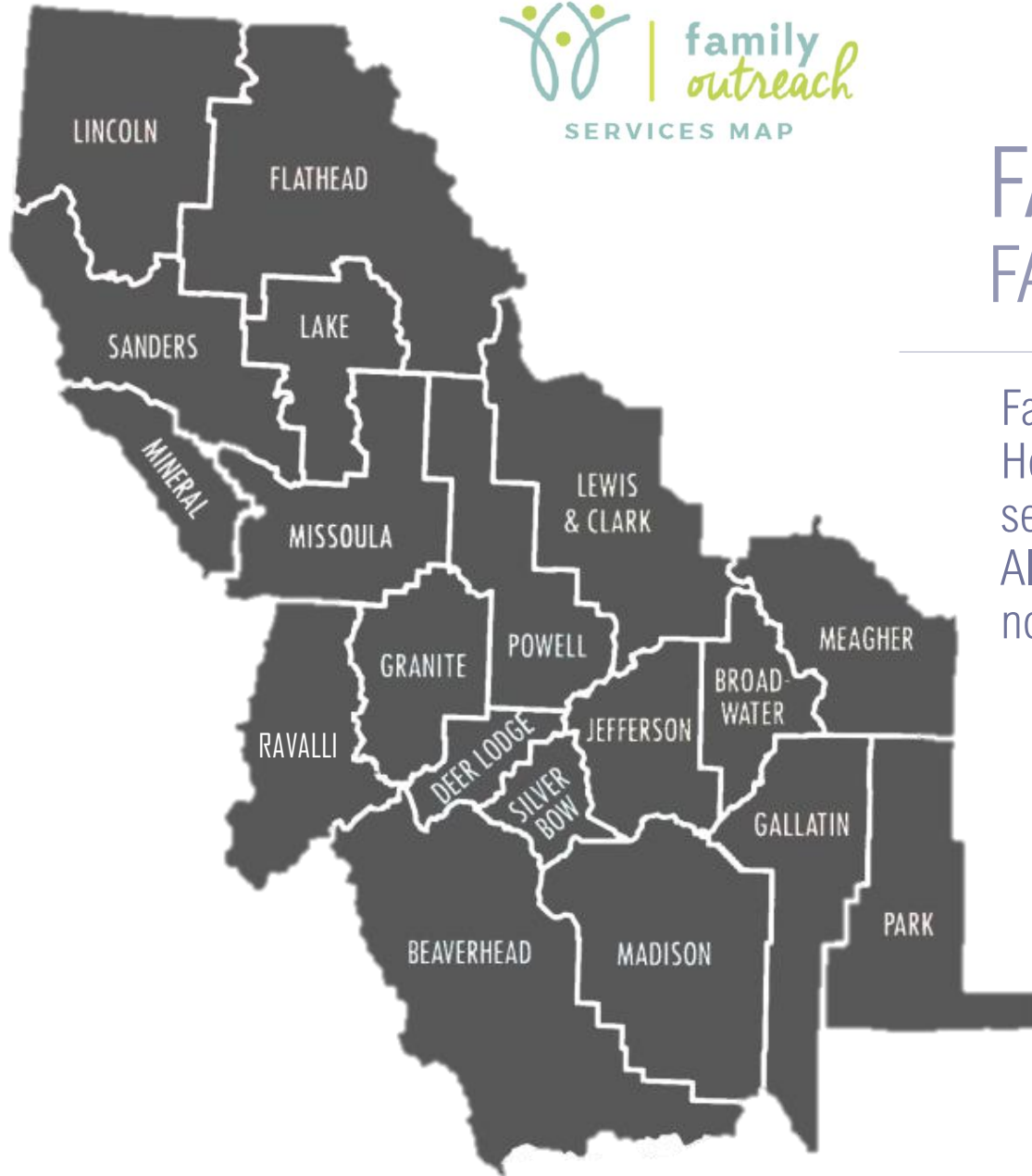
Butte Supervisor
Amy Simpson



Northwest Region
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**** All members of EI Leadership Team are currently providing support and oversight to our new Northwest service areas ****

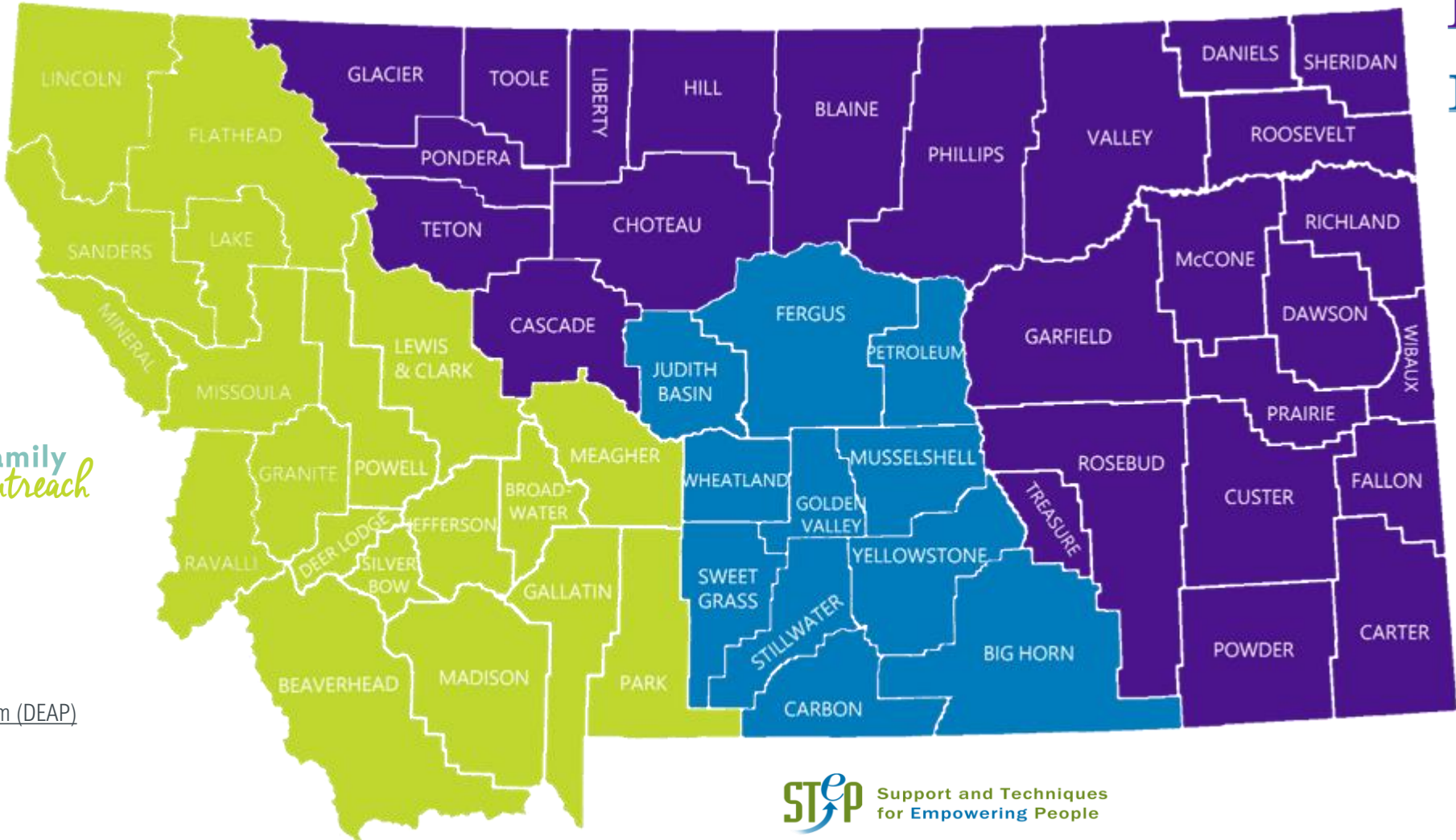


FAMILY EDUCATION & SUPPORT FAMILY OUTREACH SERVICE MAP

Family Outreach serves 19 counties surrounding Bozeman, Butte, Helena, Missoula and Kalispell. Eligibility for early intervention services is based on an evaluation of the child's skills and abilities. All eligible children ages three to sixteen are provided services at no cost to the family, however, there may be a waitlist for services.

MT FES SERVICE AREA MAP

Effective: 07/01/2024



 Developmental Education Assistance Program (DEAP)

 Family Outreach, Inc.

 Support & Techniques for Empowering People (STEP)



STATE CONTRACTS

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS



FAMILY EDUCATION & SUPPORT (FES)

ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATION DIFFERS BY AGE GROUP

- ▶ **AGES 3 to 7:** Eligibility is based on developmental scores and is redetermined annually
 - ▶ One measurable delay of 50% in any one developmental areas; or
 - ▶ A 25% measurable delay in two or more of the developmental areas
- ▶ **AGES 8 TO 16:** For children aged 8 to 16, eligibility for FES is dependent upon eligibility determination for the Developmental Disabilities Programs (DDP), 0208 HCBS Waiver. Children & families actively receiving FES services before age 8 will be assisted through this process with the support of their Family Support Specialist, starting around age 6.

STATE CONTRACTS



FAMILY EDUCATION & SUPPORT (FES)

- ▶ Funded through a Federal Social Security Block Grant dollars
- ▶ 3 to 16 years old
- ▶ In addition to monthly Home-Visiting, Staff work continuously with the child's multidisciplinary team to support the child/families on going needs
- ▶ Limited FES slots are available throughout the State (469 slots State-Wide), as a result of this eligible children may be placed on a Waitlist
- ▶ The FES Waitlist is managed by the Montana Milestones Program. Children are selected to receive active services based on a need-based matrix system, FSS availability and caseload capacity.

FLATHEAD COUNTY COMMUNITY OUTREACH

PRESENTATIONS AND/OR SERVICE DISCUSSIONS:

- Early Childhood Coalition of Flathead Valley
- Evergreen Elementary
- Kalispell School District #5
- Glacier Gateway
- Logan Health Children's Primary Care with additional staff members of the Burns Way team
- Healthy Beginning Pediatric Therapies
- Logan Health Kid Kare (+ Child Find event in December)

COMMUNITY EVENTS:

- MT Empowerment Center – IEP Boot Camp, Kalispell
- Flathead Valley Buddy Walk

IN PROCESS CONNECTIONS EFFORTS & FUTURE PRESENTATIONS:

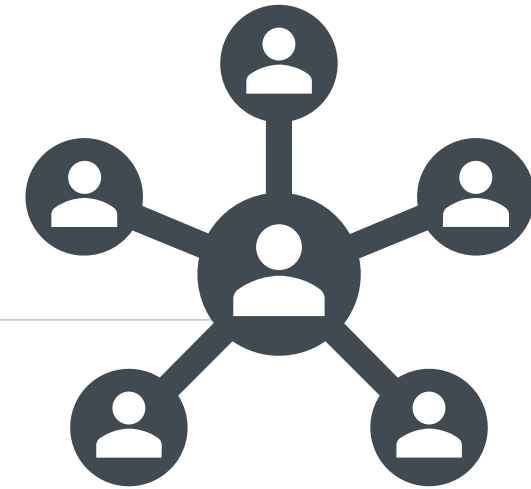
- Flathead County Sheriff's Department
- Kalispell Police Department
- Glacier Medical Associates, Whitefish/Columbia Falls
- Greater Valley Health Center (Downtown, Hungry Horse & Evergreen Clinics)
- Child Protective Services
- Multiple In-Home Daycares, Childcare Centers, Montessori Schools & Preschools

BROCHURES & PROMOTIONAL PACKETS PROVIDED TO:

- Community Action Partnership of the Northwest
- The Nurturing Center
- Flathead Youth Home
- Northwest Montana Head Start
- Healthy Beginning Pediatric Therapy
- Logan Health Pediatric Unit
- All About Kids Therapy
- Growing Roots Early Learning Center
- Orphans Lifeline
- Heart and Hands Midwifery and Family Healthcare
- Child Protective Services
- Logan Health...
 - Primary Care 1280 Burns Way
 - Children's Specialists
 - Pediatric Therapies
 - Columbia Falls
 - Primary Care Heritage Way

Please let us know if you have specific community providers you would like us to connect with!

HOW TO REFER



Referrals can be sent to Family Outreach through any of the following platforms:

- Visit our Website: [Family Outreach, Inc.](https://www.familyoutreach.org)
- Or submit directly: [Family Outreach Referral Submission](#)
- Email: referrals@familyoutreach.org
- Fax: 1(406)494-1979
- Contact our Family Support Coordinator for the Northwest Counties ↓



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▶ INFORMATION TO PROVIDE FOR A COMPLETE REFERRAL:

- ▶ Full name of Child
- ▶ DOB
- ▶ Name(s) of Parent or Guardian Name (and if Parent was notified of referral)
- ▶ Address (Physical and Mailing, if different)
- ▶ Phone number
- ▶ Developmental concerns/reason for referral
- ▶ Preferred but not required:
 - ▶ Medicaid Number, Social Security Number and Race/Ethnicity
 - ▶ Copies of any relevant reports, evaluations or other records

**** We appreciate as much relevant information about the child and family as you can provide ****



Montana Milestones



BENCHMARK

HUMAN SERVICES

What about Part C Services?

Montana Milestones/Part C of the IDEA Early Intervention Program is Montana's comprehensive system of early intervention services and supports for families who have infants or toddlers, from birth through 36 months who have significant developmental delays or disabilities or have been diagnosed with an established condition associated with significant delays in development.

Make a Referral

If you have questions about a child's development, an evaluation can be accessed at any time to determine whether the child may benefit from the services offered through Montana Milestone. A referral can be made directly by downloading the referral form and emailing it to partchelp@mt.gov

- [Montana Milestones Part C Referral Form](#)

OR Contact Benchmark Human Services directly

(866) 235-4700

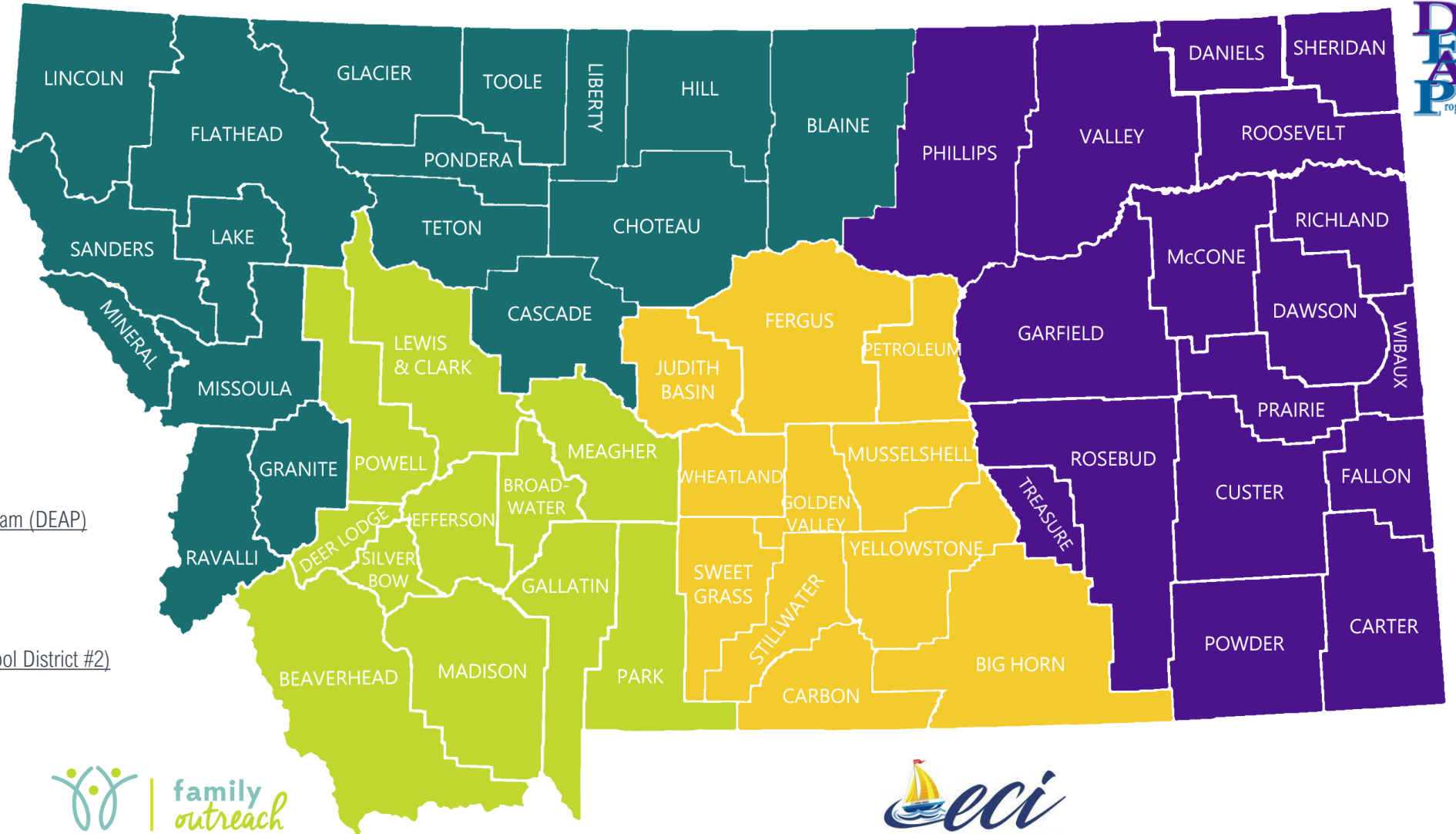
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MT PART C SERVICE AREA MAP

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- Developmental Education Assistance Program (DEAP)
- Family Outreach, Inc.
- Early Childhood Intervention (Billings School District #2)
- Benchmark Human Services





QUESTIONS?

Visit our Website: [Family Outreach, Inc.](#)

Email: eiinfo@familyoutreach.org

Call Our Offices:

- Bozeman: (406) 587-2477
- Butte: (406) 494-1242
- Helena: (406) 443-7370
- Northwest Counties: (406) 558-3293

