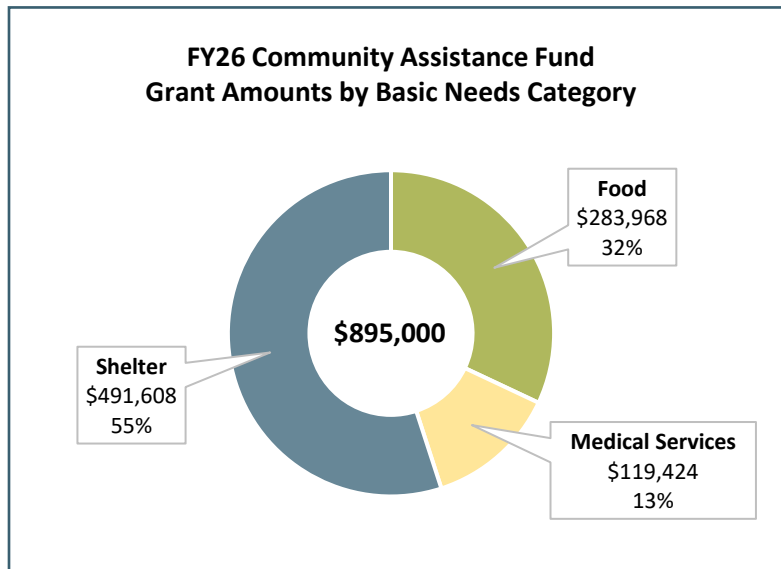




## Community Assistance Fund (CAF) Recommended Grant Awards by Basic Needs Categories Fiscal Year 2026

**Purpose:** The Community Assistance Fund (CAF) is levied by the Board of County Commissioners to provide human services and establish a safety net or continuum of services for at-risk and vulnerable populations to meet basic human needs of **Food, Medical Services, Shelter, and Emergency Transportation**. For fiscal year 2026, a citizen review committee recommends that 20 community-oriented programs receive grant awards totaling \$895,000 to support these basic human services.



**Persons Served:** Recipients of these human services include infants and toddlers, neglected and abused youth, K-12 students and families facing food insecurity, homeless individuals and families, domestic violence survivors, and older and/or disabled citizens needing food and help to medical appointments.

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CAF Category and Grantee	Program	Grant Amount
<b>Food (\$283,968 = 32 %)</b>		
<b>Farm Connect Montana</b>	Double SNAP Dollars	\$66,968
<b>Garden City Harvest</b>	Neighborhood Farms and Community Gardens	\$32,000
<b>Missoula Aging Services</b>	Home-Delivered Meal Program	\$40,000
<b>Missoula Food Bank</b>	Kids EmPower Pack Program	\$75,000
<b>Missoula Food Bank</b>	Rural Satellite Pantry Distribution	\$70,000
<b>Medical Services (\$119,424 = 13%)</b>		
<b>Health Department</b>	Missoula Foster Child Health Program	\$32,090
<b>Partnership Health Center</b>	Dental Services	\$25,000
<b>Poverello Center, Inc.</b>	Medical Respite Coordinated Care Services	\$42,122
<b>Seeley Lake Community Foundation</b>	Seeley Lake Area Medical Shuttle	\$20,212
<b>Shelter (\$491,608 = 55%)</b>		
<b>Crosswinds Recovery</b>	Residential Support Services	\$49,439
<b>District XI Human Resource Council</b>	Interim Assistance Program	\$40,000
<b>Health Department</b>	Community Health Workers Program	\$60,972
<b>Homeword, Inc.</b>	Financial/Homebuyer Education	\$21,000
<b>Hope Rescue Mission</b>	Temporary Safe Outdoor Space	\$32,323
<b>Missoula Interfaith Collaborative</b>	Housing Advocate Network	\$10,000
<b>Mountain Home Montana</b>	Supportive Housing Program	\$15,404
<b>Poverello Center</b>	Homeless Outreach Team	\$34,494
<b>United Way of Missoula County</b>	Housing Solutions Fund	\$97,027
<b>YWCA Missoula</b>	Family Housing Center	\$76,556
<b>YWCA Missoula</b>	Pathways Domestic Violence Shelter	\$54,393