

## Billings Gazette Articles Featuring the Billings Metro VISTA Project Members



GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS

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### Well-traveled VISTA class settles in to bolster Billings, Red Lodge nonprofits

By MIKE FERGUSON mferguson@billingsgazette.com Feb 1, 2016

The new class of Billings Metro VISTAs is as diverse as the tasks they've been assigned to help Billings and Red Lodge residents lift themselv...

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/government-and-politics/well-traveled-vista-class-settles-in-to-bolster-billings-red/article\\_095bc5b0-149f-55e8-932c-0f43246cc2ae.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/government-and-politics/well-traveled-vista-class-settles-in-to-bolster-billings-red/article_095bc5b0-149f-55e8-932c-0f43246cc2ae.html)



LOCAL NEWS

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### State tax credits will help build 30 affordable housing apartments in Billings Heights

By MIKE FERGUSON mferguson@billingsgazette.com Jan 21, 2016

Nearly \$3.4 million in Montana Board of Housing credits awarded to the Housing Authority of Billings on Tuesday will be used beginning this sp...

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/state-tax-credits-will-help-build-affordable-housing-apartments-in/article\\_cde7a1f6-590f-5caf-b726-de550d633260.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/state-tax-credits-will-help-build-affordable-housing-apartments-in/article_cde7a1f6-590f-5caf-b726-de550d633260.html)



LOCAL NEWS

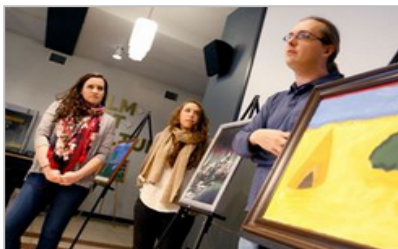
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### Three-day course designed to help Billings renters

By MIKE FERGUSON mferguson@billingsgazette.com Jan 19, 2016

Americorps VISTA worker Emily Aerts is halfway through her year-long commitment with the Home Center, and on Tuesday she went public with a pr...

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/three-day-course-designed-to-help-billings-renters/article\\_5a48af47-75b3-599e-9e4f-13784754d440.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/three-day-course-designed-to-help-billings-renters/article_5a48af47-75b3-599e-9e4f-13784754d440.html)



GAZETTE OPINION

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### What works for Montana folks in crisis

Dec 12, 2015

I'm worried about my medication. I'm worried about my situation. The world, my future. The change of weather, 'winter'. My health, my legs. If...

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/opinion/editorial/gazette-opinion/what-works-for-montana-folks-in-crisis/article\\_3e76aca3-072d-5878-ab8b-8d2cda76305b.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/opinion/editorial/gazette-opinion/what-works-for-montana-folks-in-crisis/article_3e76aca3-072d-5878-ab8b-8d2cda76305b.html)



GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS

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### Billings parks department garners four awards

MIKE FERGUSON mferguson@billingsgazette.com Nov 25, 2015

Staff members and two programs of the Billings Department of Parks, Recreation and Public Lands recently have received awards, Director Michael...

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/government-and-politics/billings-parks-department-garners-four-awards/article\\_5b016f77-b157-5e97-a06d-b0c2ac85ee63.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/government-and-politics/billings-parks-department-garners-four-awards/article_5b016f77-b157-5e97-a06d-b0c2ac85ee63.html)



RELIGION

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### 'Go out and help': Faith communities to discuss resources available for helping poor, homeless

By SUSAN OLP solp@billingsgazette.com Nov 13, 2015

When the Rev. Dana Keener attended last year's Faith Engagement Panel Discussion and Resource Fair, it opened her eyes.

[http://billingsgazette.com/lifestyles/faith-and-values/religion/go-out-and-help-faith-communities-to-discuss-resources-available/article\\_ca86231c-a905-5926-a77f-4aa84a685fec.html](http://billingsgazette.com/lifestyles/faith-and-values/religion/go-out-and-help-faith-communities-to-discuss-resources-available/article_ca86231c-a905-5926-a77f-4aa84a685fec.html)



### Community Crisis Center gets great support

Courtesy photo Sep 30, 2015

From left: Dan Stephenson, Community Crisis Center manager MarCee Neary, Cahrissa Dasso, Liz Brennan and Ernie Szillat, owner of Creative Viny...

[http://billingsgazette.com/community-crisis-center-gets-great-support/image\\_ef27effa-ba00-507a-9ad1-7a1aaa25523d.html](http://billingsgazette.com/community-crisis-center-gets-great-support/image_ef27effa-ba00-507a-9ad1-7a1aaa25523d.html)



LOCAL NEWS

### Phillips 66 hosts barbecue meet-and-greet at South Park

By MATT HUDSON mhudson@billingsgazette.com Sep 10, 2015

The largest property owner in Billings' south side neighborhood hosted a barbecue in the park for its neighbors Thursday evening.

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/phillips-hosts-barbecue-meet-and-greet-at-south-park/article\\_02a36ef9-09bf-527b-bc6c-333615fcf502.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/phillips-hosts-barbecue-meet-and-greet-at-south-park/article_02a36ef9-09bf-527b-bc6c-333615fcf502.html)



GAZETTE OPINION

## Gazette opinion: What Billings can learn from Vista volunteers

Pat Bellinghausen Sep 8, 2015

The Community Crisis Center sees people on their worst days. Last year, the center handled 9,971 crisis cases, providing mental health care, m...

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/opinion/editorial/gazette-opinion/gazette-opinion-what-billings-can-learn-from-vista-volunteers/article\\_bb62ec57-860f-5d96-a76a-99e6ab41ad78.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/opinion/editorial/gazette-opinion/gazette-opinion-what-billings-can-learn-from-vista-volunteers/article_bb62ec57-860f-5d96-a76a-99e6ab41ad78.html)



MOVIES

## Class teaches basics of making movie magic

By JACI WEBB jwebb@billingsgazette.com Jul 28, 2015

AmeriCorps VISTA volunteer Molly Brown knows that her teenage film students can pick up video editing faster than she can teach it. And that's OK.

[http://billingsgazette.com/entertainment/movies/class-teaches-basics-of-making-movie-magic/article\\_26b16ee0-17f4-5f77-bf36-e7a34dd40eb8.html](http://billingsgazette.com/entertainment/movies/class-teaches-basics-of-making-movie-magic/article_26b16ee0-17f4-5f77-bf36-e7a34dd40eb8.html)



LOCAL NEWS

## VISTAs share their view of a better Billings

By MIKE FERGUSON mferguson@billingsgazette.com Jul 20, 2015

This year's crop of Billings' Metro VISTA volunteers is working to reduce poverty in part by impoverishing themselves.

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/vistas-share-their-view-of-a-better-billings/article\\_105e76fe-45d6-5943-b015-fd4301361bda.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/vistas-share-their-view-of-a-better-billings/article_105e76fe-45d6-5943-b015-fd4301361bda.html)



LOCAL NEWS

## Community discusses how to feed the 1 in 3 Montanans going hungry

By MIKE FERGUSON mferguson@billingsgazette.com Jul 8, 2015

The numbers can't tell the story of hunger's debilitating effect, especially on children, but they do point out the extent of the local hunger...

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/community-discusses-how-to-feed-the-in-montanans-going-hungary/article\\_e135568d-522c-585e-97ce-4f66b3c53fcf.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/community-discusses-how-to-feed-the-in-montanans-going-hungary/article_e135568d-522c-585e-97ce-4f66b3c53fcf.html)



GAZETTE OPINION

## Gazette opinion: Billings, let's unite to help at-risk kids

Pat Bellinghausen Jun 3, 2015

The number of homeless students is growing in Billings Public Schools. As the school year ends this week, Sue Runkle, the district's homeless ...

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/opinion/editorial/gazette-opinion/gazette-opinion-billings-let-s-unite-to-help-at-risk/article\\_4c53387b-cc2b-5581-b998-f89fc632d88b.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/opinion/editorial/gazette-opinion/gazette-opinion-billings-let-s-unite-to-help-at-risk/article_4c53387b-cc2b-5581-b998-f89fc632d88b.html)



RELIGION

## Billings Youth Connect newest Faith Engagement project

By SUSAN OLP solp@billingsgazette.com May 29, 2015

Last fall, new relationships were forged between the faith community and area service providers.

[http://billingsgazette.com/lifestyles/faith-and-values/religion/billings-youth-connect-newest-faith-engagement-project/article\\_866a8938-bf68-576e-94b9-1f21ad85c5f9.html](http://billingsgazette.com/lifestyles/faith-and-values/religion/billings-youth-connect-newest-faith-engagement-project/article_866a8938-bf68-576e-94b9-1f21ad85c5f9.html)

LOCAL NEWS

## Military personnel, veterans can tap into Billings grocery bargains this weekend

By MIKE FERGUSON mferguson@billingsgazette.com Apr 8, 2015

To military personnel and their dependents, a base or post commissary is the go-to place for good deals on groceries.

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/military-personnel-veterans-can-tap-into-billings-grocery-bargains-this/article\\_df663cdd-60bd-547f-bafe-00cc19048deb.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/military-personnel-veterans-can-tap-into-billings-grocery-bargains-this/article_df663cdd-60bd-547f-bafe-00cc19048deb.html)



LOCAL NEWS

## 2 new 3D printers will help youngsters gain 21st century skills

By MIKE FERGUSON mferguson@billingsgazette.com Mar 10, 2015

Two new printers at the Billings Public Library will help teens and youth design — and, with a little know-how, print — three-dimensional items.

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/new-d-printers-will-help-youngsters-gain-st-century-skills/article\\_9c444f59-6021-5f12-a516-31ac1bf0a889.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/new-d-printers-will-help-youngsters-gain-st-century-skills/article_9c444f59-6021-5f12-a516-31ac1bf0a889.html)



LOCAL NEWS

## Event connects services, smiles with the people who need them most

By MIKE FERGUSON mferguson@billingsgazette.com Feb 3, 2015

Danielle Limberhand of Billings attended Tuesday's Community Connect event with her niece, Abby Pettit, and Abby's 1-year-old son, Jacy, becau...

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/event-connects-services-smiles-with-the-people-who-need-them/article\\_9ca80272-e428-5446-a6e1-4295500a161f.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/event-connects-services-smiles-with-the-people-who-need-them/article_9ca80272-e428-5446-a6e1-4295500a161f.html)

LOCAL NEWS

## Military, veterans' families can take advantage of new scholarship program

Gazette staff Jan 31, 2015

Working together with the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1634, Erica Zutz, a member of the AmeriCorps Volunteers in Service to America Billings...

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/military-veterans-families-can-take-advantage-of-new-scholarship-program/article\\_bf7faed0-c75a-543f-8040-d0f80a603ebb.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/military-veterans-families-can-take-advantage-of-new-scholarship-program/article_bf7faed0-c75a-543f-8040-d0f80a603ebb.html)



LOCAL NEWS

## Vista volunteer works to ease burdens of military families

By MIKE FERGUSON mferguson@billingsgazette.com Nov 7, 2014

As the wife of a Coast Guard reservist who previously served eight years in active duty, Erica Zutz understands the challenges of military fam...

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/vista-volunteer-works-to-ease-burdens-of-military-families/article\\_146f2919-31f9-5d4e-99b1-91f667cd8e7c.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/vista-volunteer-works-to-ease-burdens-of-military-families/article_146f2919-31f9-5d4e-99b1-91f667cd8e7c.html)



GAZETTE OPINION

## Gazette opinion: Community solutions could change lives, save money

Pat Bellinghausen Nov 4, 2014

Hundreds of Billings people came together last week to work on solutions to the entwined problems of homelessness, mental illness and chemical...

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/opinion/editorial/gazette-opinion/gazette-opinion-community-solutions-could-change-lives-save-money/article\\_8f24bb6e-f7ac-5a4a-bf9e-5dc169755a40.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/opinion/editorial/gazette-opinion/gazette-opinion-community-solutions-could-change-lives-save-money/article_8f24bb6e-f7ac-5a4a-bf9e-5dc169755a40.html)



LOCAL NEWS

## Helping the poor brings service providers, people of faith together

By SUSAN OLP [solp@billingsgazette.com](mailto:solp@billingsgazette.com) Oct 28, 2014

In the midst of last year's bitterly cold winter, Tumbleweed Executive Director Sheri Boelter was facing a crisis.

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/helping-the-poor-brings-service-providers-people-of-faith-together/article\\_e7a4f1ab-02b1-53d9-831c-17f4f4b77208.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/helping-the-poor-brings-service-providers-people-of-faith-together/article_e7a4f1ab-02b1-53d9-831c-17f4f4b77208.html)



RELIGION

## Planned panel, resource fair hope to help turn faith into action

By SUSAN OLP [solp@billingsgazette.com](mailto:solp@billingsgazette.com) Oct 18, 2014

All of the faith communities in Billings that took part in a recent survey say that helping the poor and homeless is woven into the fabric of ...

[http://billingsgazette.com/lifestyles/faith-and-values/religion/planned-panel-resource-fair-hope-to-help-turn-faith-into/article\\_9dd4eed5-408c-5e45-89b8-773d3c8ed0fa.html](http://billingsgazette.com/lifestyles/faith-and-values/religion/planned-panel-resource-fair-hope-to-help-turn-faith-into/article_9dd4eed5-408c-5e45-89b8-773d3c8ed0fa.html)



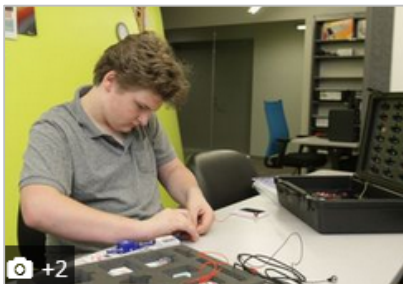
LOCAL NEWS

## VISTA helps Billings veterans 'Suit Up'

By CHRIS CIOFFI [ccioffi@billingsgazette.com](mailto:ccioffi@billingsgazette.com) Sep 28, 2014

Getting male veterans the right clothes for a job interview at an affordable price can sometimes be difficult.

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/vista-helps-billings-veterans-suit-up/article\\_5b011a9f-72ed-5626-96fe-c8ccee85fa24.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/vista-helps-billings-veterans-suit-up/article_5b011a9f-72ed-5626-96fe-c8ccee85fa24.html)



LOCAL EDUCATION

## Mentoring program will aid youth at the Billings Library TECH Lab

By MIKE FERGUSON [mferguson@billingsgazette.com](mailto:mferguson@billingsgazette.com) Sep 22, 2014

An experienced mentor herself, Kersey Voss knows how much one-on-one attention can help a teenager.

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/education/mentoring-program-will-aid-youth-at-the-billings-library-tech/article\\_da7ec765-4867-5172-9513-addd83935d20.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/education/mentoring-program-will-aid-youth-at-the-billings-library-tech/article_da7ec765-4867-5172-9513-addd83935d20.html)



LOCAL NEWS

## Washington Elementary bike repair clinic aims to get kids back on two wheels

By NICK BALATSOS nbalatsos@billingsgazette.com Sep 10, 2014

With fat tires, tall handlebars and long spokes, fifth-grader Tyler Simenson's shiny chrome "chopper" sat with a flat for what felt like years.

[http://billingsgazette.com/local/washington-elementary-bike-repair-clinic-aims-to-get-kids-back/article\\_9c8b5627-c28b-5a4b-abe8-c291b515e658.html](http://billingsgazette.com/local/washington-elementary-bike-repair-clinic-aims-to-get-kids-back/article_9c8b5627-c28b-5a4b-abe8-c291b515e658.html)



LOCAL NEWS

## Low-income residents get cameras to document their experience

By CHRIS CIOFFI ccioffi@billingsgazette.com Aug 8, 2014

A project designed to give low-income Billings residents a chance to express themselves creatively while raising awareness of the issues they ...

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/low-income-residents-get-cameras-to-document-their-experience/article\\_c5dd59ce-a680-59f2-84f8-7d830497312b.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/low-income-residents-get-cameras-to-document-their-experience/article_c5dd59ce-a680-59f2-84f8-7d830497312b.html)

LOCAL NEWS

## A day to recognize service to others

By MIKE FERGUSON mferguson@billingsgazette.com Apr 1, 2014

The best way to find yourself, Mahatma Gandhi said, is to lose yourself in the service of others.

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/a-day-to-recoqnize-service-to-others/article\\_aeddc4a7-febd-5f75-bf7a-96f03b44fe1c.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/a-day-to-recoqnize-service-to-others/article_aeddc4a7-febd-5f75-bf7a-96f03b44fe1c.html)



LOCAL NEWS

## Vista volunteers putting together teen learning lab at library

By MIKE FERGUSON mferguson@billingsgazette.com Mar 31, 2014

Andrew Golden and Kersey Voss spend part of each workday playing and trying to think like the teenagers they serve.

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/vista-volunteers-putting-together-teen-learning-lab-at-library/article\\_dc5417b0-0916-55cc-8f79-bf5505607aeb.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/vista-volunteers-putting-together-teen-learning-lab-at-library/article_dc5417b0-0916-55cc-8f79-bf5505607aeb.html)



LOCAL NEWS

## AmeriCorps volunteers organizing community garden near Amend Park

By MIKE FERGUSON mferguson@billingsgazette.com Mar 24, 2014

Two recent college graduates will lead the city Department of Parks, Recreation and Public Lands' first foray into community gardening.

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/ameri-corps-volunteers-organizing-community-garden-near-amend-park/article\\_a2fbe641-48a5-58a3-b0a6-5e831b6b26c3.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/ameri-corps-volunteers-organizing-community-garden-near-amend-park/article_a2fbe641-48a5-58a3-b0a6-5e831b6b26c3.html)



LOCAL NEWS

## Businesses, agencies gather to help Billings' at-risk and homeless

By ZACH BENOIT zbenoit@billingsgazette.com Jan 24, 2014

Hundreds of Billings' homeless and people at risk of homelessness got the opportunity Friday to learn about services to give them a hand and t...

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/businesses-agencies-gather-to-help-billings-at-risk-and-homeless/article\\_61c0d570-8091-5a53-98b4-11cf37aaa685.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/businesses-agencies-gather-to-help-billings-at-risk-and-homeless/article_61c0d570-8091-5a53-98b4-11cf37aaa685.html)



LOCAL NEWS

## Joshua Downes and Chelsia Davis

CASEY PAGE/Gazette Staff Nov 7, 2013

Joshua Downes, left, and Chelsia Davis of the Billings Metro VISTA Project do a pre-presentation of their homeless youth survey results for Tu...

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/joshua-downes-and-chelsia-davis/image\\_2e2f701b-f096-509f-9f1c-464cbae7880a.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/joshua-downes-and-chelsia-davis/image_2e2f701b-f096-509f-9f1c-464cbae7880a.html)



LOCAL NEWS

## New resources for homeless people unveiled

By ED KEMMICK ekemmick@billingsgazette.com Jun 25, 2013

Two new resources for homeless people were introduced at an afternoon reception in Billings on Tuesday.

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/new-resources-for-homeless-people-unveiled/article\\_2780cdc2-e6d6-5668-8e36-f28fbf67a262.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/new-resources-for-homeless-people-unveiled/article_2780cdc2-e6d6-5668-8e36-f28fbf67a262.html)



LOCAL NEWS

## AmeriCorps VISTA workers meet at community garden

By CLAIR JOHNSON [cjohnson@billingsgazette.com](mailto:cjohnson@billingsgazette.com) Jun 5, 2013

For a couple of hours Wednesday afternoon, the Whitetail Run Community Garden was humming with about 30 white-T-shirted young adults who pulled...

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/americorps-vista-workers-meet-at-community-garden/article\\_dc9b2513-2813-53d5-875a-cc3bc84807d0.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/americorps-vista-workers-meet-at-community-garden/article_dc9b2513-2813-53d5-875a-cc3bc84807d0.html)



THEATRE

## Telling their story: "And I Know" tackles homelessness

By JACI WEBB [jwebb@billingsgazette.com](mailto:jwebb@billingsgazette.com) Apr 18, 2013

If there's anything playwrights Ryan Gage and Shad Scott would like the audience to understand when they see their new play, "And I Know," it's...

[http://billingsgazette.com/entertainment/arts-and-theatre/theatre/telling-their-story-and-i-know-tackles-homelessness/article\\_602d6016-1538-5083-88e3-6ff9d3fcb0d8.html](http://billingsgazette.com/entertainment/arts-and-theatre/theatre/telling-their-story-and-i-know-tackles-homelessness/article_602d6016-1538-5083-88e3-6ff9d3fcb0d8.html)



LOCAL NEWS

## AmeriCorps duo digs into community gardening project

By CARMEN DAYE IRISH [cirish@billingsgazette.com](mailto:cirish@billingsgazette.com) Mar 25, 2013

A new crop of community gardens in Billings will sprout in the coming spring weeks.

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/americorps-duo-digs-into-community-gardening-project/article\\_9554e335-5844-53e7-9afe-af7fddd00500.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/americorps-duo-digs-into-community-gardening-project/article_9554e335-5844-53e7-9afe-af7fddd00500.html)



THEATRE

## Weekly Webb: More than a paycheck

Jaci Webb Feb 15, 2013

Jessie Obee was burned out working at a job where most of her coworkers only cared about the paycheck.

[http://billingsgazette.com/entertainment/arts-and-theatre/theatre/weekly-webb-more-than-a-paycheck/article\\_6dbd5d5f-bb4a-57b1-85ac-354524c64085.html](http://billingsgazette.com/entertainment/arts-and-theatre/theatre/weekly-webb-more-than-a-paycheck/article_6dbd5d5f-bb4a-57b1-85ac-354524c64085.html)



LOCAL NEWS

## Garden tool donations to help families grow their own food

By CARMEN DAYE IRISH [cirish@billingsgazette.com](mailto:cirish@billingsgazette.com) Dec 4, 2012

Housing Authority of Billings Community Gardens and King's Ace Hardware have partnered to fight hunger in Billings with a Christmas garden too...

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/garden-tool-donations-to-help-families-grow-their-own-food/article\\_bcec37a1-ffd0-5e76-b796-3bdd75030748.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/garden-tool-donations-to-help-families-grow-their-own-food/article_bcec37a1-ffd0-5e76-b796-3bdd75030748.html)



LOCAL NEWS

## New community garden blossoms in the Heights

By ED KEMMICK [ekemmick@billingsgazette.com](mailto:ekemmick@billingsgazette.com) Aug 13, 2012

Tom Moss would be proud.

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[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/new-community-garden-blossoms-in-the-heights/article\\_b141ff9a-5147-5b7f-b02f-e8d7b225e2f9.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/new-community-garden-blossoms-in-the-heights/article_b141ff9a-5147-5b7f-b02f-e8d7b225e2f9.html)



LOCAL NEWS

## Veterans, volunteers raise community garden

By CLAIR JOHNSON [cjohnson@billingsgazette.com](mailto:cjohnson@billingsgazette.com) Jul 16, 2012

Last year, the homeless veterans at Independence Hall and AmeriCorps VISTA volunteers raised about 1,200 pounds of vegetables and flowers from...

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[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/veterans-volunteers-raise-community-garden/article\\_67f96bb0-e5a6-577a-a882-36c7ae2878dd.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/veterans-volunteers-raise-community-garden/article_67f96bb0-e5a6-577a-a882-36c7ae2878dd.html)



LOCAL NEWS

## Pantry program grows to help hungry teens

By SUSAN OLP [solp@billingsgazette.com](mailto:solp@billingsgazette.com) Apr 16, 2012

A program to feed hungry teens in Billings public schools has doubled in size in its first five months.

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/pantry-program-grows-to-help-hungry-teens/article\\_f0c7b135-582d-501b-b942-5f81690b34c9.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/pantry-program-grows-to-help-hungry-teens/article_f0c7b135-582d-501b-b942-5f81690b34c9.html)



GAZETTE OPINION

## Gazette opinion: Be part of ending homelessness in Billings

Mar 2, 2012

A steady job is what homeless Billings people say they most need to end their homelessness.

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/opinion/editorial/gazette-opinion/gazette-opinion-be-part-of-ending-homelessness-in-billings/article\\_8cf7432e-2049-599f-b6c7-72351a2cfdd6.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/opinion/editorial/gazette-opinion/gazette-opinion-be-part-of-ending-homelessness-in-billings/article_8cf7432e-2049-599f-b6c7-72351a2cfdd6.html)



LOCAL NEWS

## Homeless count shows numbers going up

By LORNA THACKERAY lthackeray@billingsgazette.com Feb 23, 2012

Billings' homeless population continues to grow, at least according to preliminary results of the Jan. 26 Point-In-Time survey of the city's m...

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/homeless-count-shows-numbers-going-up/article\\_ce3fc0ea-fede-590f-8f8d-bb17d57c9c18.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/homeless-count-shows-numbers-going-up/article_ce3fc0ea-fede-590f-8f8d-bb17d57c9c18.html)

LOCAL NEWS

## Food being collected for Teen Pantries

Jan 4, 2012

In honor of Martin Luther King Day, AmeriCorps VISTA is hosting a food drive through Jan. 16 for Teen Pantries in Billings that focuses on hea...

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/food-being-collected-for-teen-pantries/article\\_10ba6c82-ed23-597d-8018-f222d62ae377.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/food-being-collected-for-teen-pantries/article_10ba6c82-ed23-597d-8018-f222d62ae377.html)



GAZETTE OPINION

## Gazette opinion: Billings nurtures new ideas to end homelessness

Dec 4, 2011

Seeds of prevention are being sown in an old warehouse behind the Salvation Army Thrift Store in downtown Billings.

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/opinion/editorial/gazette-opinion/gazette-opinion-billings-nurtures-new-ideas-to-end-homelessness/article\\_f35b1968-3352-50ae-b38f-958142b6ebe2.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/opinion/editorial/gazette-opinion/gazette-opinion-billings-nurtures-new-ideas-to-end-homelessness/article_f35b1968-3352-50ae-b38f-958142b6ebe2.html)



LOCAL EDUCATION

## School food pantries shine light on overlooked population: needy teenagers

By ROB ROGERS Of The Gazette Staff Nov 30, 2011

For Sue Stahley, the food pantry now running at West High is a game changer.

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/education/school-food-pantries-shine-light-on-overlooked-population-needy-teenagers/article\\_34505675-c55d-52be-a219-c554cddeae37.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/education/school-food-pantries-shine-light-on-overlooked-population-needy-teenagers/article_34505675-c55d-52be-a219-c554cddeae37.html)



LOCAL NEWS

## AmeriCorps workers, veterans plant community garden

By ED KEMMICK

Of The Gazette Staff Jul 25, 2011

When two AmeriCorps VISTA workers first talked about planting a community garden at Independence Hall, a residence for homeless veterans in th...

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/ameri-corps-workers-veterans-plant-community-garden/article\\_e5540928-1ac5-5e93-9594-0b7d529760f9.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/ameri-corps-workers-veterans-plant-community-garden/article_e5540928-1ac5-5e93-9594-0b7d529760f9.html)

GAZETTE OPINION

## Gazette opinion: How savvy managers make ends meet on low income

Jul 19, 2011

When United Way of Yellowstone County wanted information about managing tight budgets, it asked some experts: Billings women who are successfu...

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/opinion/editorial/gazette-opinion/gazette-opinion-how-savvy-managers-make-ends-meet-on-low/article\\_1e082c03-0932-5fb3-ac17-ab530b761c34.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/opinion/editorial/gazette-opinion/gazette-opinion-how-savvy-managers-make-ends-meet-on-low/article_1e082c03-0932-5fb3-ac17-ab530b761c34.html)



LOCAL EDUCATION

## Salvation Army volunteers plant community apple orchard

By ROB ROGERS Of The Gazette Staff Jun 16, 2011

More than a dozen volunteers were busy digging, planting and watering 50 apple trees Thursday afternoon in a vacant lot next to the Billings S...

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/education/salvation-army-volunteers-plant-community-apple-orchard/article\\_ff1c835-cb61-53da-8a51-30829cbd9143.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/education/salvation-army-volunteers-plant-community-apple-orchard/article_ff1c835-cb61-53da-8a51-30829cbd9143.html)



LOCAL EDUCATION

## Bike, walk, bus transportation encouraged for this week

Gazette Staff May 17, 2011

Bike/Walk/Bus Week is under way in Billings and continues through Saturday with many events scheduled.

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/education/bike-walk-bus-transportation-encouraged-for-this-week/article\\_67f05eea-80ce-11e0-919d-001cc4c03286.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/education/bike-walk-bus-transportation-encouraged-for-this-week/article_67f05eea-80ce-11e0-919d-001cc4c03286.html)



LOCAL NEWS

## Celebrate Community: VISTA worker helps at the Hub

By CLAIR JOHNSON

Of The Gazette Staff Apr 18, 2011

From clean clothes to bras for women, Sara Stout is making a difference in the lives of the homeless in Billings.

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/celebrate-community-vista-worker-helps-at-the-hub/article\\_b607a09c-095d-51e0-92cc-ee6a72cf5fe2.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/celebrate-community-vista-worker-helps-at-the-hub/article_b607a09c-095d-51e0-92cc-ee6a72cf5fe2.html)



LOCAL NEWS

## A wider mission

By ED KEMMICK Of The Gazette Staff Jan 2, 2011

If your main impression of the Salvation Army involves bell-ringers and food baskets, think again.

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/a-wider-mission/article\\_ba87a1e5-eeb4-535a-bbc7-f7086b3f2592.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/a-wider-mission/article_ba87a1e5-eeb4-535a-bbc7-f7086b3f2592.html)



THEATRE

## Giving voice to the homeless

By JACI WEBB

Of The Gazette Staff Dec 10, 2010

Authenticity is key to any theater project, but when the story is about real people living on the streets, some just beyond Venture Theatre's ...

[http://billingsgazette.com/entertainment/arts-and-theatre/theatre/giving-voice-to-the-homeless/article\\_888fb79a-79b4-552f-b774-bf331cc93a63.html](http://billingsgazette.com/entertainment/arts-and-theatre/theatre/giving-voice-to-the-homeless/article_888fb79a-79b4-552f-b774-bf331cc93a63.html)



GAZETTE OPINION

## Gazette opinion: Thanks to those who give back to community

Nov 25, 2010

While traffic crept slowly along icy, snowpacked Jackson Street, inside Orchard Elementary School a dozen children were trying to figure out h...

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/opinion/editorial/gazette-opinion/gazette-opinion-thanks-to-those-who-give-back-to-community/article\\_e2363dcb-7790-5856-b864-7bca0c229727.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/opinion/editorial/gazette-opinion/gazette-opinion-thanks-to-those-who-give-back-to-community/article_e2363dcb-7790-5856-b864-7bca0c229727.html)

LOCAL NEWS

## Billings' other VISTAs contribute in their posts

LINDA HALSTEAD-ACHARYA Of The Gazette Staff Apr 18, 2010

Armed with a degree in studio arts from the University of Texas in Austin,

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/billings-other-vistas-contribute-in-their-posts/article\\_ea158136-4b5d-11df-a818-001cc4c03286.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/billings-other-vistas-contribute-in-their-posts/article_ea158136-4b5d-11df-a818-001cc4c03286.html)

LOCAL NEWS

## New bike race hopes to raise money for homeless

CATHY ULRICH Of The Gazette Staff Mar 24, 2010

A new event Saturday will help raise money for a program to help homeless people.

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/new-bike-race-hopes-to-raise-money-for-homeless/article\\_0b16f47c-37a0-11df-8f16-001cc4c002e0.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/new-bike-race-hopes-to-raise-money-for-homeless/article_0b16f47c-37a0-11df-8f16-001cc4c002e0.html)



LOCAL NEWS

## Seven young volunteers sign on to fight homelessness in Billings

ED KEMMICK Of The Gazette Staff Jul 16, 2009

The fight against homelessness in Billings has picked up seven young recruits from around the country.

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/seven-young-volunteers-sign-on-to-fight-homelessness-in-billings/article\\_23258f34-7260-11de-8c4e-001cc4c03286.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/seven-young-volunteers-sign-on-to-fight-homelessness-in-billings/article_23258f34-7260-11de-8c4e-001cc4c03286.html)



LOCAL NEWS

## Homeless event draws 100s

ZACH BENOIT Of The Gazette Staff Jan 30, 2009

According to the Mayor's Committee on Homelessness, about 650 homeless people are in Billings on any given day.

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/homeless-event-draws-s/article\\_1be34967-c343-5cde-b223-2eebb81b3721.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/homeless-event-draws-s/article_1be34967-c343-5cde-b223-2eebb81b3721.html)

Pre- Billings Metro VISTA Project Article...Former City Administrator

LOCAL NEWS

## VISTA changes lives

ED KEMMICK Of The Gazette Staff Apr 13, 2008

Former Billings City Administrator Dennis Taylor called his two years of service with VISTA in the early 1970s "one of the most formative expe..."

[http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/vista-changes-lives/article\\_3d27d6ef-0adb-5bae-b01d-f9caf68b756a.html](http://billingsgazette.com/news/local/vista-changes-lives/article_3d27d6ef-0adb-5bae-b01d-f9caf68b756a.html)