



How the SPIRIT Moves

The Butte SPIRIT Center
Quarterly Newsletter

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WOMEN'S HOME CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

With our Men's Home reaching sustainability, Butte SPIRIT needs your support to address the gap in services for women. Over the last few months, we've identified and even more suitable (and affordable) home just 4 blocks away from the Men's home! It's a beautiful 8 bedroom, 3 bathroom home that is well suited to our needs.

GOAL: \$450,000

With over \$325,000 already committed, we are giving you an opportunity to leave a legacy brick in the home's walkway, engraved with the name of your choosing for an investment of \$500 or more.



Donate through our Facebook Page @ButteSPIRIT or through PayPal on our website at buttespirit.org

Butte SPIRIT Center is a 501c3 non-profit (EIN#: 83-3127164).

WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THE HOME?

The Butte SPIRIT Home has been in a great period of stability and consistency, with a solid group of men in the home who are all dedicated to their recovery. Our Clinical director, Christian Foley, has been working with outside providers to lead quality life skills and health related groups in the home. Additionally, we're preparing to add two new Rehabilitation Aides to come into compliance with new Administrative Rules of Montana which require awake staff anytime that Residents are present in the home. This addition of staff will bring us up to 6 employees total, and by the end of this year, we expect to have a staff of 10 to assist in the management of both the men's and women's homes.



Residents enjoy a meal with Christian's beautiful daughters

NUTRITION AND GARDENING

We're very proud to announce a partnership with SNAP-ed, the Developmental Disabilities Council, and the Park Street Community Garden which will bring a long held dream of better health, nutrition, and garden education to the Butte SPIRIT Home. Starting in April, there will be a 9-week rotation of weekly in-home cooking and nutrition classes.



In the last week of this first round of classes, our Residents will be going to work in the Park Street Community Garden a block from the house, expanding the existing garden by adding a large number of new beds, including one dedicated to Butte

SPIRIT! Going forward, our Residents will get hands on experience with their own garden plot, as well as smart shopping, cooking, and nutrition classes!

WORDS FROM A RESIDENT

Butte SPIRIT has been learning Spanish! With our first Hispanic resident, we've been ordering our first books and materials in Spanish and brushing up on our translation, although he is conversational in English, the following piece he wrote was translated from Spanish to be presented to you:

"What I recognize is that I'm a person that's very lucky to have known the Butte SPIRIT Center because I am learning how to be a good person who serves the community and knows how to love myself and love those around and learn how to be a happy person and not continue to hurt myself and others. For this I give thanks to the Butte SPIRIT Center, thank you to the staff for opening the door for me to your home and your heart. Thank you for helping me straighten my path."

Encouragement. I have never felt controlled or coerced, not looked down upon. I have only felt encouraged and that this facility is really here to back me up in my sobriety.

SPIRIT Resident

WE'RE HIRING!

If you or someone you know is interested in working with our organization as a Rehabilitation Aide, the job posting is [live on our website](#). Please share the link around and help us find good people to provide support and safety at night.