

2025 MNPS grant awards

Project title	Project category	Organization	Location	Amount funded	Project description
Â L. Price Park Native American Ethnobotany Exhibit	Native plant garden	SE MT Area Revitalization Team	Baker, MT	\$2,500.00	The Ethnobotany Garden is an educational space for residents and visitors, which highlights the deep historical and cultural roots of the Native Americans. The garden will focus particularly on the uses of native plants by the tribes that lived in this region, and will feature a curated selection of wild plants found in Montana.
Growing Apsaalooke Abundance through Restoring Plant Knowledge	Education	Hardin School District 17H & 1 Farm to School	Hardin, MT	\$3,000.00	Our Farm to School Program has been developing a 5-acre teaching farm. The space will support lessons, production for the school lunch program, and community gatherings. Funding will support edible walkways, a food forest, and pollinator MMIP memorial garden with native varieties of plants, berries and fruit trees.
From Good to Great: Jay's Native American Medicinal Plant Garden Expansion Project	Native plant garden	The Science & Conservation Center	Billings, MT	\$3,000.00	Jay's Native American Medicinal Plant Garden was established on the grounds of ZooMontana in 2022. The garden serves as a demonstration garden for native plants and their Indigenous uses. Through this project, we would increase the species in the garden, add educational signs, and host the "Native Plant Table" at the ZooMontana's Earth Day event.
Effects of logging on native plant communities and plant-pollinator interactions	Research	MT State University Dept of Ecology	Bozeman, MT	\$2,500.00	We will study how forest management actions (logging), implemented to protect Bozeman's water supply, impact native understory plant communities, non-native species invasion, and plant-pollinator interactions. This project is partially funded by USFS, but due to federal funding cuts and staff losses, we are seeking to refund important aspects.