



MCDD QUICK NEWS

Here's What's Happening in Council Offices
for the month of August 2008



Quick News is back! The August 08 issue begins our regular monthly publication. We are delighted to again bring you a brief, easy-to-read newsletter full of valuable information.

SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY TOOLBOX METNET

On Monday, August 18 the Social Security Administration in partnership with the University of Montana Rural Institute on Disabilities will be holding a METNET broadcast to provide information about Social Security and S.S.I. Disability Benefits.

The agenda will include speakers from the Social Security Administration on the disability program, the Montana Disability Determination Services on how the decision is made and the Office of Disability Adjudication and Review on the Hearing Process.

The time will be from 10:00am to 1:00pm and will be broadcast to the following METNET Sites: Missoula, Butte, Dillon, Havre, Great Falls, Miles City, Kalispell, Billings, Bozeman and Helena. If you wish to attend, you must **specify the site** which you will be physically attend and send your RSVP to Denver.Webinars@ssa.govindicating

Space is limited and reservations will be on a first come/first served basis. Don't miss the outstanding opportunity!

COUNCIL OFFICERS ELECTED FOR FFY 2009

Congratulations to Lisa T Hathaway and Connie Wethern who will serve as the Council Chair and Vice-Chair for FFY 2009.

COUNCIL SUSPENDS ISSUING NEW CALLS FOR INVESTMENT THRU CURRENT 5-YEAR PLAN-OF-ACTION

The MCDD has made the decision to suspend issuance of any **new** Calls for Investment for the duration of its current 5-year plan of action which terminates September 30, 2011. The Council's decision is based upon its desire to concentrate on the projects currently in the plan and to support those and other Council generated projects identified in the plan. The Council anticipates issuing new Calls for Investment to coincide with FFY 2012.

COUNCIL ADOPTS POLICY GOVERNANCE MODEL

After months of careful research and deliberations the MCDD voted at the June 2008 to adopt policy governance as its corporate governance model. Council policies will be posted to our website www.mtcdd.org in the very near future, or feel free to contact Council offices for a hard-copy. Special thanks go out to the Washington and Idaho Councils for their assistance and training in policy governance.

AUGUST 2008 MCDD MEETING CANCELLED

Council membership voted to cancel the scheduled August 2008 MCDD meeting. We hope everyone is enjoying their summers!

FFY2009 MCDD MEETING CALENDAR SET

MCDD members have adopted the following dates for the FFY 2009 meeting:

October 16, 17, 2008 - Helena - Wingate Inn

January 15, 16, 2009

March 12, 13, 2009

June 18, 19, 2009

These meeting dates will be posted on the Council's website www.mtcdd.org in the very near future.

All meetings will be held at the Wingate Inn in Helena. For additional information please contact Council offices.

**We hope you are all enjoying this beautiful
Montana Summer!**

