

People First of Montana/MCDD



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First Fundraiser of Miles City Chapter

The Group talked about a lot of different fundraisers they wanted to have in this and future years. Members voted that their first fundraiser would be the Christmas Market. There were a lot of decisions to be made on how much to sell the tickets for. The members voted on \$2.00 a ticket and 3 for \$5.00. Their advisor made the raffle tickets up and as a group they made posters with the name of group, Christmas Raffle and Christmas pictures.

The group went to different stores for donations for the Christmas Raffle. The businesses were very giving and gave many nice gifts. We advertised the raffle in the local newspapers. Flyers made to explain who, and what is People First of Montana. They were distributed at the Christmas Raffle. We had two long days with the first day setting up and starting the raffle. The next day was long day but the group voted on who would do what hours for the two days. The advisor was there throughout the whole event to help if the members needed her. The members worked as a team and had a great time! The event was a success. Members were very happy how well they worked together on their first event and how successful it turned out.

We invoiced MCDD for the money we needed for the fundraiser for rental, supplies, refreshments and they were wonderful about getting out a check for Miles City. MCDD gave us instructions on how to bill and there were no problems. They also told our group to how to get their own EIN (employer ID number) which our advisor was very helpful in securing. We have our own number and money in our checking account set up for the Miles City Chapter.

The main thing was that everyone worked together as a team and had a great time doing it. So for the first fundraiser the group did great. There are many to come we are working on next two coming up.