**End of Year Report 2021**

**Dedicated to building a more sustainable Montana for all since 1974.**

**Our Mission**

Grassroots and statewide, AERO cultivates sustainability by engaging community stakeholders and weaving networks that build lasting partnerships in the sustainable energy, agriculture and local food system sphere, creating spaces where leaders and inspired community models flourish.

**2021 Programs Focus**

**Food Systems**

- 180+ participants in our Food Product Liability Workshop Series, addressing opportunities & risks associated with the new Montana Local Food Choice Act
- 56 subscribers to the 21-Week Racial Equity in the Food System Challenge
- 17 community-led projects completed across the state through the Montana Food Economy Initiative
- 8 Cottage Foods Technical Assistance videos released to support cottage food operators
- $600 awarded to Heather Snell in Poplar, MT through the 2021 Jane Kile Memorial Scholarship

**Community Engagement**

- In 2021, AERO served on three Grow Montana Food Policy Coalition committees: Steering Committee, Visioning Committee, Fundraising Committee
- supported the collaborative online searchable library initiative Montana Food Matters
- Expanded Abundant Montana as a marketing and media hub

**Network Weaving**

- 356 unique registrants at AERO’s 2nd virtual and free Expo Conference
- 19 recorded sessions on different aspects of building resilient community food systems

**Montana’s Local Food Megaphone**

- 790 food and farm businesses & resources listed on the updated database directory
- 8 new, affordable marketing services available for Abundant Montana partners in 2022
- 3,296 followers on Facebook
- 955 followers on Twitter
- over 59,000 social media users reached annually

Find all recordings on our AERO MT YouTube channel
**MFEI 2021 Community Project Sites**

**Abundant Montana Local Food Coordinators**

**New Abundant Montana Local Food Coordinator Positions in 2022**

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**COMMUNITY PROGRAMMING ACROSS THE STATE**

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**2021 FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

**Income Sources**
- Memberships: $16,849
- Program Grants: $30,891
- License Plates: $30,891
- Contributions: $230,275

**Total Expenses**
- Admin: $16,849
- Fundraising: $30,891
- Programs: $230,275

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**SOCIAL MEDIA OUTREACH**

@aeromt
- 2,754 followers

@aeromontana
- launched in October 2021
- 188 followers

AERO MT
- 2,840 total views

Visit our website at: aeromt.org