

Bridging the Capacity Gap

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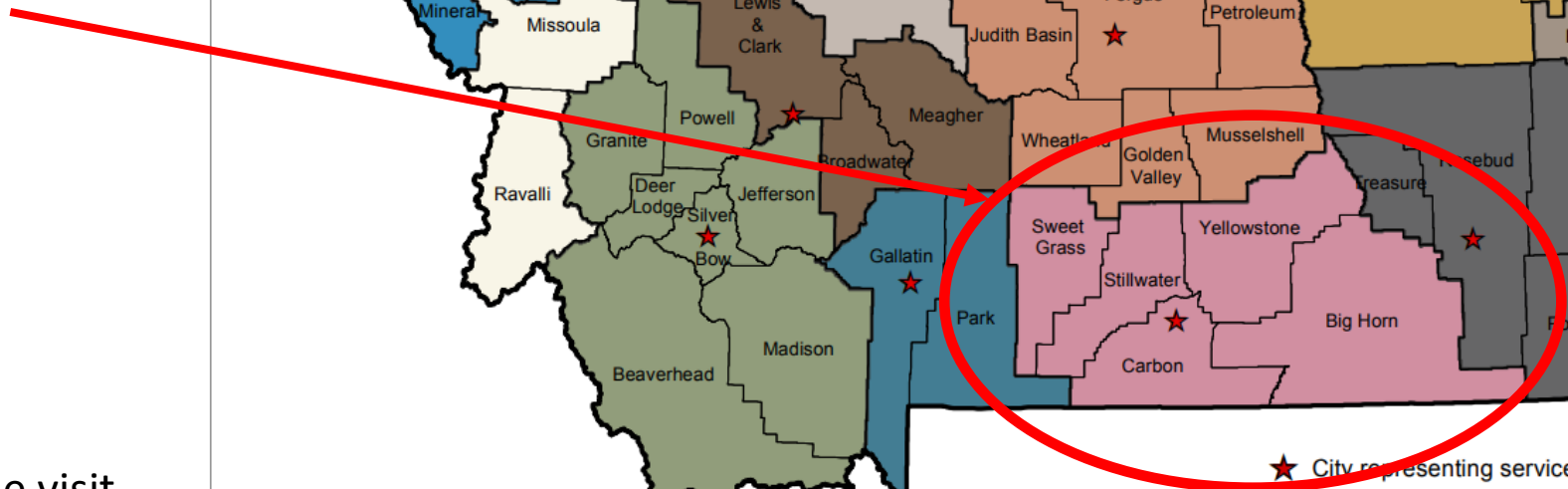
CRDCs: Boots on the Ground



- Certified Regional Development Corporation (CRDC)
- Four components to a CRDC: Small Business Assistance, Planning, a Revolving Loan Fund (RLF), and Community Development
- Each CRDC offers different programs, but they all have these four components.
- The CRDC program was created by the 2003 Montana Legislature to encourage a regional approach to economic development that facilitates the efficient delivery of economic development programs by supporting regional capacity.

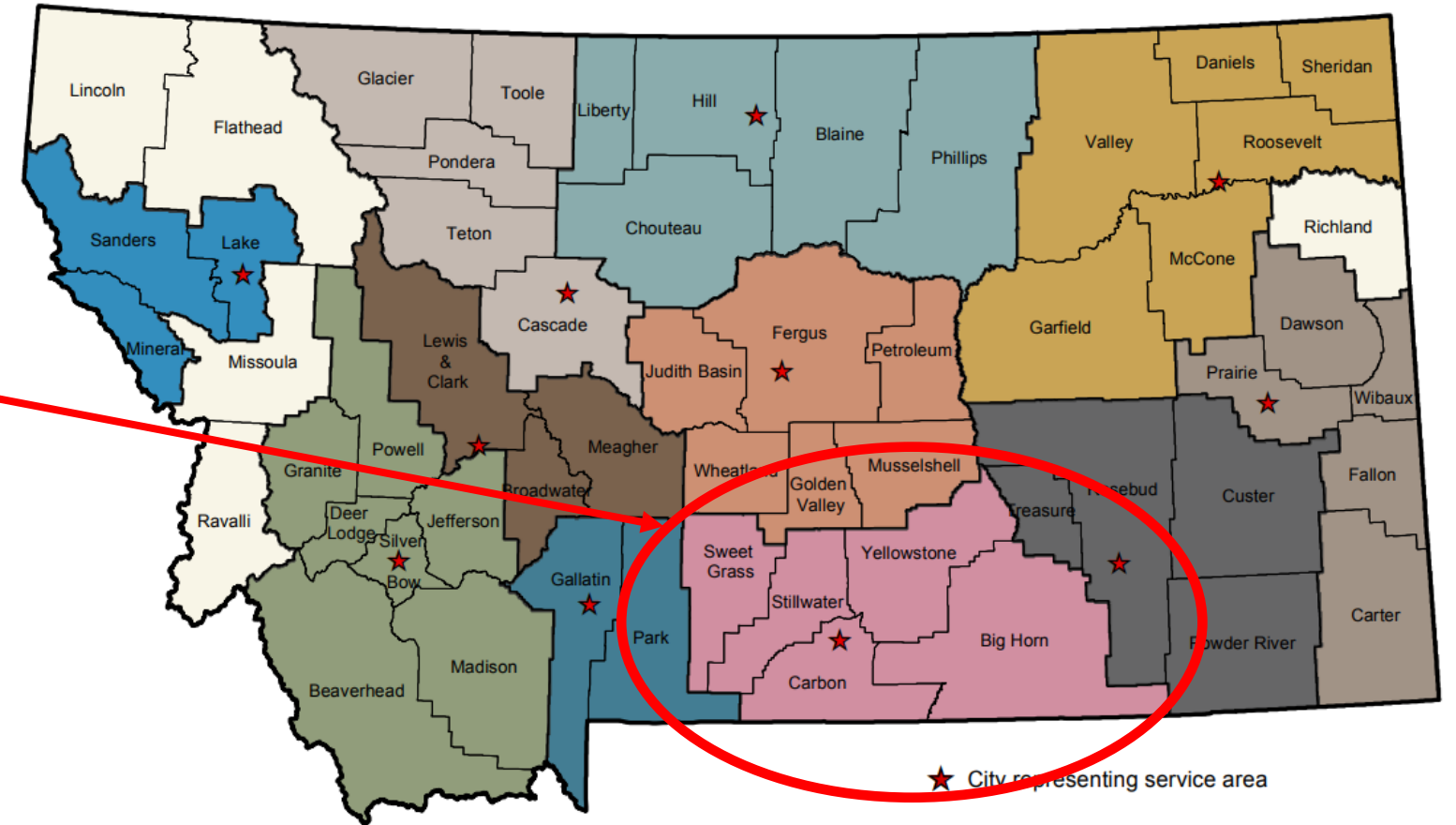
CERTIFIED REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION REGIONS

BRCDC Region



For the CRDC map, please visit this website:

business.mt.gov/Business-Assistance/Certified-Regional-Development-Corporations/



Bear Paw Development Corporation Havre - (406) 265-9226	Great Northern Development Corporation Wolf Point - (406) 653-2590	Montana Business Assistance Connection Helena - (406) 447-1510	Southeastern Montana Development Corporation Colstrip - (406) 748-2990
Beartooth Resource Conservation and Development Area, Inc. Joliet - (406) 962-3914	Headwaters Resource Conservation and Development Area, Inc. Butte - (406) 723-4349	Prospera Business Network Bozeman - (406) 587-3113	Sweetgrass Development Great Falls - (406) 727-5173
Eastern Plains Economic Development Corporation Terry - (406) 698-3255	Lake County Community Development Corporation Ronan - (406) 676-5901	Snowy Mountain Development Corporation Lewistown - (406) 535-2591	Locally Managed



Some Programs to Bridge the Gap:

- **Rural Community Development Initiative (RCDI):**

- Enabled us to build capacity in economic development and housing.
- The basic entities involved with this grant: the intermediary, the recipient, and the ultimate recipients
- 2 existing RCDI examples: Big Horn County and Carbon County

- **Rural Microentrepreneur Assistance Program (RMAP):**

- Enabled us to provide microloans (\$50K or less) to microbusinesses (10 employees or less) in rural areas (\$50,000 population or less)
- Assist small businesses and entrepreneurs in startup or expansion costs (but NO construction)

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