

Watson Children's Shelter Mission

Watson Children's Shelter is dedicated to providing a safe, nurturing home for Montana children who have experienced abuse, neglect, abandonment or family crisis.

Quick Facts

- Ages served: infant to age 14
- Children served annually: 100 - 115
- Average length of stay: 60-90 days
- Number of shelters: 2
- Residence capacity: 16 kids/home
- Annual budget: \$1.2 million

Where the Money Goes

Every Child RECEIVES: Every Child is TAUGHT:

- Support, guidance and care
- Clothing, shoes, and necessities
- Age appropriate toys
- A handmade blanket
- Recreational & cultural opportunities
- Help with homework
- A Birthday party
- Holiday celebrations
- Skills in basic hygiene
- Responsibility & accountability
- Table manners
- Social skills
- Natural consequences
- Appropriate dress
- Positive ways to handle conflict
- To enjoy being a child

Our kids enjoy ...

Swimming lessons • Grizzly football & basketball games • Splash Montana & Currents • Hiking • MCT musicals • Movies The Carousel • Camping trips • Bowling • Museums • Pow Wow

Currently, about 49% of our operating funds and supplies are provided through your private donations.

***Wish List:** children's sandals (no flip-flops), bathing suits (no bikinis for girls), 2-in-1 Shampoo/Conditioner, unscented soap, 2T-5T pull-ups. Find more items online under our "ways to give" section. www.watsonchildrensshelter.org.

Bike for Shelter

Bike for Shelter provides a critical portion of funding for Watson Children's Shelter, raising more than \$60,000 each year through corporate sponsors and participants like you - so THANK YOU! Bike for Shelter is also intended to help raise awareness about the important service Watson's provides for children in need of a safe haven.

We can't thank you enough for your support!

Go for the Ride, Stay for the Carnival

Bike Rides

8 a.m.
9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

9:30 a.m.
10 - 11 a.m.
11 a.m.

Registration Opens
Children's Bike Rodeo & Strider Bike Course
11 Mi. Neighborhood Ride
2 Mi. Fun Ride
Registration Closes

Carnival

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

11 a.m.

11:15 a.m. - 1 p.m.
12 p.m.

1:30 p.m.

Bounce House, Trampoline
Face Painting, Sack Races & Carnival Games
Barbecue Opens
Cart Rides
Live Music
Drawings & Awards
(costumes, bike raffle, bingo cards)
Thanks for Coming!

4 Ways to Continue Your Support

- 1 Sign up to be a **monthly donor** at: www.watsonchildrensshelter.com
- 2 Donate items on our **wish list*** of child & household needs
- 3 Gather pledges and run with **TEAM Watson** in the Missoula full, half marathon, or Saturday 5k
- 4 Attend the **PEAK Tennis Pro-Am!**
Visit www.peaktennisproam.com for dates

Stay in Touch!

www.watsonchildrensshelter.org
Facebook (WatsonChildrensShelter)
[Like Us for frequent updates on our children!]

Watson Children's Shelter Bike for Shelter



Course Map & Schedule of Events

Bike for Shelter

Bike Route

11 miles (2 mile fun loop)



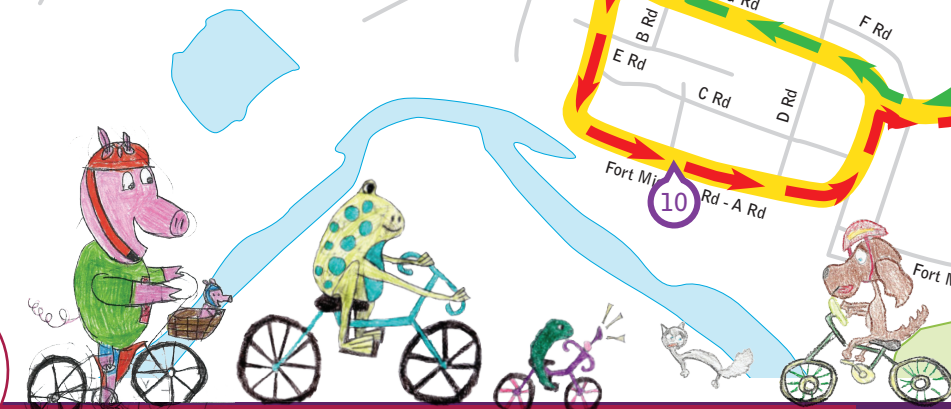
Thanks to our Big Wheeler Sponsor **Montana Rail Link**



Key

- First Half
- Second Half
- 2 mile **FUN** Loop
- Bathroom
- Mile Marker

Children must be accompanied by parents at all times & helmets are required!



Forgot your helmet? Visit PayneWest Insurance at registration for a free helmet & fitting.

You are the **DIFFERENCE** to our Children.

