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Rocky Mountain Gardens & Exploration Center

To find out more about how you can be a part of securing a vibrant, healthy future for next generations, contact us:

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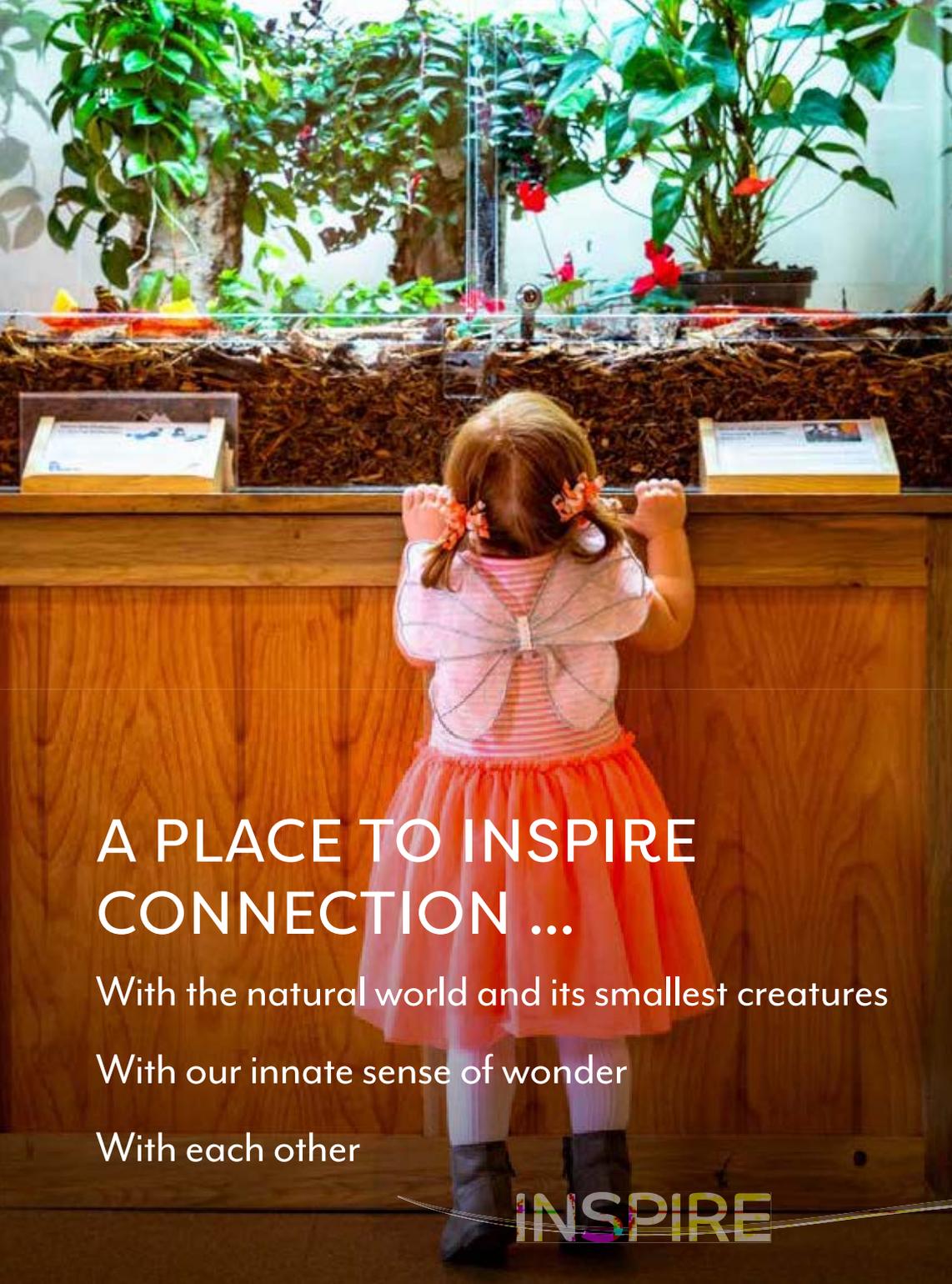


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KNOWLEDGE
BEGINS WITH
WONDER!

-Aristotle



A PLACE TO INSPIRE CONNECTION ...

With the natural world and its smallest creatures

With our innate sense of wonder

With each other

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A PARTNERSHIP TO BUILD ...

A home for educational collaboration

Montana's first tropical butterfly house

Montana's premier education gardens



The more we know, **THE MORE WE CARE**

OUR NATURAL WORLD SURROUNDS ALL MONTANANS.

It reflects our past, current and future values. Understanding and caring for the complex interrelation of land, plants, insects and yes, butterflies, is our legacy. We must educate and inspire our next generation, so they too share in the awe of our natural world.

Lighting this unique sense of wonder within all of us will be our legacy for Missoula, Montana and the Rocky Mountain West.



A friendship that **CONNECTS US**

IN MISSOULA, WE LEAD THE WAY IN OUR STATE AND BEYOND.

Our commitment to our partnership and to our community will offer a one-of-a-kind place of natural connection — to our landscape and to each other. Our public-private program integration and collaboration will be nationally distinctive. And our joint efforts will be a legacy to inspire generations to learn and experience the characteristics that make us uniquely Missoula and proudly Montanan — today and always.



Preparation meets OPPORTUNITY

THE MISSOULA BUTTERFLY HOUSE & INSECTARIUM AND MISSOULA COUNTY WEED DISTRICT & EXTENSION

have a once-in-a-generation opportunity to join together and blend our complimentary programs for all Montanans and visitors. Our facility and gardens will be located on the campus of the Missoula County Fairgrounds and will be the first major milestone of its long-awaited revitalization. Attracting travelers and residents into the heart of our town, we will be an important contributor to the economic vitality in Midtown Missoula.



Securing our HERITAGE, Nourishing our FUTURE

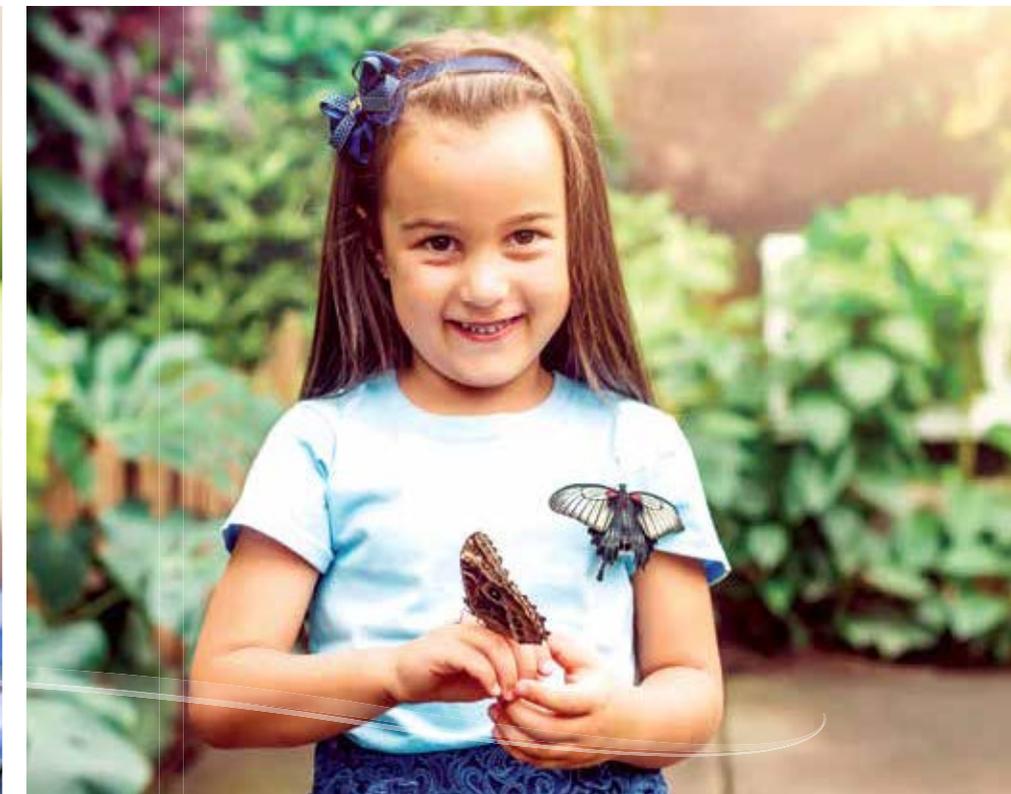
WITH YOUR HELP, WE WILL PROVIDE PROGRAMS FOR THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY, young and old, that will inspire understanding of the vital interconnection of science, plants and insects including our precious pollinators. We will preserve, honor and expand rural traditions in the urban center with meaningful and practical hands-on experiences — consistent with Missoula's culture. We will be a regional model for rural-urban renewal and science education.

Together, we will secure Montana's heritage and nourish a vibrant, healthy future for next generations.

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THE MISSOULA COUNTY WEED DISTRICT AND EXTENSION is a trusted community leader enhancing quality of life so people can thrive and realize their individual and collective potential, not by building programs *for* people, but by building programs *with* people. For decades we have actively promoted and encouraged cooperation with a diversity of partners in our community, our state and our region to develop effective, sustainable solutions to complex natural resource and land management problems. From developing management strategies for invasive species in diverse terrestrial ecosystems to working with youth to foster a new generation of land stewards, we grow our programs from a solid base of education and training using current, research-based information.

THE MISSOULA BUTTERFLY HOUSE AND INSECTARIUM is the only organization in Missoula with a sole educational focus on insects and their arthropod relatives. Our efforts open (and reopen) visitors' eyes to an amazing world filled with animals that are largely misunderstood, feared or ignored. These are species that play invaluable roles in the health of our ecosystems and our own lives. Our approach to learning involves hands-on, interactive experiences with live arthropods that leave visitors of all ages with a deep and lasting impression and a desire to learn more. Working in partnership with other organizations, we're a unique part of the rich and diverse educational experiences and opportunities available to our schools, our community and visitors to Missoula.

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Inspire a more meaningful future
and **BE A PART
OF HISTORY!**

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WE INVITE YOU

To make a lasting impact on our children,
our culture and our community.

To create a better, more vibrant and naturally
connected Missoula for all of us.

To join the Missoula Butterfly House
& Insectarium and the Missoula County
Weed District & Extension in providing this
once-in-a lifetime opportunity for the benefit
of all Montana and beyond.

