

**STRATEGIC PRIORITY: ENHANCE QUALITY OF PLACE**



## TRAILS

This committee meets quarterly in partnership with TrailNet, and is open to all Chamber members. Goals of this committee are to work with all our community "Trail Stakeholder Groups" to connect and improve our trail system. This committee is a consortium of businesses, organizations, governmental bodies, and individuals devoted to developing the Marathon Loop and connecting trail amenities and our cultural assets to the Heritage Trail System. [Info@BillingsChamber.com](mailto:Info@BillingsChamber.com) for questions.



## AIR SERVICE

Air service is a vital component to a community's business success and visitor economy, while enhancing quality of life for residence. This committee will engage community partners (Big Sky Economic Development, City of Billings and businesses) to maintain Billings' air service, grow service into new targeted destinations, and support facility progression. Committee members are appointed and meet approximately four times per year. [Info@BillingsChamber.com](mailto:Info@BillingsChamber.com) for questions.

**STRATEGIC PRIORITY: INFLUENCE GOVERNMENT POLICY**



## LOCAL, STATE & FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ADVISORY BOARD

Meets as needed. Board composed of ten Chamber Members approved by the Chamber Board of Directors. Responsible for recommending positions to the Chamber Board that pertain to the City of Billings and Yellowstone County local policies and issues, along with State and Federal policies and issues. Provides members with information about local candidates. [Info@BillingsChamber.com](mailto:Info@BillingsChamber.com) for questions.



### **NEXT GEN**

Emerging professional network for people aged 21 to 39. NextGEN exists to foster relationships among young professionals, develop business opportunities, support civic involvement, and promote an overall investment in the future of our community. Leadership team meets monthly. Open to both members of the Chamber and non-members (additional annual fee required). Leadership team participation is through an application process. Info@BillingsChamber.com for questions.



### **DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION NETWORK**

The Billings Chamber is dedicated to fostering a sense of belonging and welcoming for all individuals in our business community. Our DEI Network strives to cultivate environments where everyone feels valued and included, recognizing the unique perspectives and contributions of individuals from diverse backgrounds. Our network provides valuable tools and resources to empower organizations and business leaders to nurture inclusivity and equity within their workplaces. Formerly known as our DEI Immersion program, BUILD (Belonging, Understanding, Inclusivity, for Leadership Development) is a five-month course offered annually. It brings together people and businesses committed to enhancing their workplaces through increased awareness and progress toward creating environments that are truly welcoming and inclusive. In addition to BUILD, we also host quarterly roundtables where participants can engage in meaningful discussions and share best practices for fostering belonging and inclusion in their respective workplaces. Join us in building a community where everyone feels valued, respected, and empowered to succeed. Visit BillingsDEI.com for additional details.



### **WOMEN'S NETWORK**

The Network exists as a space for professional women to build connections and relationships and offers many opportunities to engage with, and mentor other professionals. The Women's Network delivers monthly programming as well as opportunities to engage with ENCORE, a separate cohort offering under the Network. Info@BillingsChamber.com for questions.





### **AMBASSADORS**

Committee members are appointed through an application process to support the mission of the Chamber by connecting new and existing members to opportunities to grow their business and to advocate for the members to the Chamber staff. [Info@BillingsChamber.com](mailto:Info@BillingsChamber.com) for questions.



### **COLLABORATE**

Open to all members of the Chamber at no additional cost and no limit to industry. Members meet weekly to exchange business information, network and support each other through lead development, shared strategies, and best practices. [Info@BillingsChamber.com](mailto:Info@BillingsChamber.com) for questions.

## **Business Development NETWORK**

### **BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT NETWORK**

Meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month (location varies, 8:30 am, 12 pm or 3 pm rotation). Open to all members of the Chamber at no additional cost and no limit to industry to assist businesses in creating long-term value; create relationships to benefit business; explore how interactions create opportunity for growth. [Info@BillingsChamber.com](mailto:Info@BillingsChamber.com) for questions.



### **MAJOR INVESTOR NETWORK**

Meets quarterly. Led by current Chamber Board Chair and Chamber President/CEO. This is a benefit for senior leadership of our Beartooth, Granite Peak and Big Sky level members. As prominent business leaders, and major investors in the Chamber's mission, this Network provides participants access to issues, speakers and local leaders. The Chamber Board of Directors ask participants in this group to share their valuable input as the Chamber develops and implements ways to drive our community. [Info@BillingsChamber.com](mailto:Info@BillingsChamber.com) for questions.

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**COMMITTEE**

**AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE**

Meets the 1st Friday of each month at 7 am and is open to all members of the Chamber. The Ag Committee's focus is to inform and educate the membership and community regarding issues and changes related to agriculture. Members serve on the Ag Celebration and Ag Tour planning committees. [Info@BillingsChamber.com](mailto:Info@BillingsChamber.com) for questions.



**VISIT BILLINGS/TOURISM BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**

The Billings Tourism Business Improvement District (BTBID) Board of Directors meets at 8:30 am on the 2nd Thursday of each month at the Chamber. The BTBID Board is appointed by the mayor. Meetings are open to the public. The BTBID is one of two organizations managed by the Chamber that promote Billings as the leisure, sports, and convention destination under the Visit Billings brand. Go to: [VisitBillings.com/tbid-stakeholder](http://VisitBillings.com/tbid-stakeholder) for more information on meetings or email [Info@VisitBillings.com](mailto:Info@VisitBillings.com) with questions.



**VISIT SOUTHEAST MONTANA**

Meets at least five times a year. Meetings rotate around eastern Montana. The board is appointed annually and consists of representation from the 13 counties and two Indian reservations in our region. Meetings are open to the public and people with an interest in learning about tourism are encouraged to attend. The board oversees investing regionally-collected lodging tax into destination development projects and tourism promotion of the Visit SEMT region. Go to [SoutheastMontana.com](http://SoutheastMontana.com) or email [Brenda@SoutheastMontana.com](mailto:Brenda@SoutheastMontana.com) for additional information.