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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

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Missoula Rose Society Hosts Hands-On Workshop and Volunteer Project

The Missoula Rose Society and Parks and Recreation are hosting a volunteer project and hands-on workshop at Memorial Rose Garden Park on Saturday, June 16 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Citizens are invited to join club members in sprucing up the rose gardens and learn pruning techniques for roses in our climate. Rose Society members will be on hand to share their knowledge and enthusiasm for growing roses in Montana.

Volunteers should bring water, work gloves and gardening tools such as hand pruners, hand shovels and spades. Adults and youth aged 12 and up are welcome, youth under 18 must have a parent or guardian on hand to sign a volunteer waiver. No pre-registration is necessary. For more information, call Rose Society members Kathleen Clark at 777-0336 or Leslie Hiller at 721-1980. For more information on Parks and Recreation's [Partners In Parks volunteer program](#), phone Recreation Specialist Jason Pignanelli at 552-6271 or visit www.missoulaparks.org.

[Memorial Rose Garden Park, located at 800 Brooks St.](#), was established in 1944 by the City and the Missoula Rose Society to commemorate members of the armed forces killed in World War II. It has since become the site for memorials dedicated to casualties of America's conflicts including Vietnam, Grenada, Panama, the Persian Gulf and Korea. In addition, there are a variety of other memorials throughout the park, including the Missoula Law Enforcement Memorial. The Missoula Rose Society purchases and maintains over 200 roses in several beds throughout the park. The roses are purchased through generous donations from families and businesses throughout the community.

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