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**American Rose Society
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- Yes! I'd like to Adopt A Bed!
- Sponsorship Donation Enclosed:
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Make an online donation at Friends Of Missoula Parks:
www.fmparks.org. Friends of Missoula Parks is a 501c3.

Or, mail this form with check to:

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A LIVING MEMORIAL

Missoula's Memorial Rose Garden was established in 1946 as a memorial to Missoula area casualties of World War II. Six local rose enthusiasts formed the Missoula Rose Society on November 12, 1944.

The Society's first aim was the establishment of a Memorial Rose Garden. Response was enthusiastic, with 700 donors from around the state contributing.

In 1946, Rose Society members planted 650 rose bushes around the Memorial. A plaque on the Memorial lists the names of those who lost their lives in World War II.

The Garden is a joint effort of the Missoula Rose Society and the Missoula Parks and Recreation Department.

By agreement, the Rose Society is responsible for providing the rose bushes, planting them, and the overall supervision of the Garden. Maintenance of the parkland surrounding the Rose Garden is the province of the Parks and Recreation Department.

At present, 44 beds are planted with 600+ bushes, including a variety of hybrid teas, grandifloras, floribundas and miniatures. There are also a number of old shrub roses located in the park.

REMEMBERING THOSE WHO SERVED

Among the attractive features of the park are the American and Montana state flags, which are lighted 24 hours a day, symbolizing the enduring honor paid to those who gave their lives for their country.

The Blue Star Memorial Rose Garden Bronze Plaque, located in the southwest corner of the park, was erected by the Montana Federation of Garden Clubs.

The Vietnam Veterans Memorial, located in the northeast corner of the park, was dedicated in 1989. The Korean War Monument, in the northwest corner, was dedicated in 1997. The Policemen's Memorial was dedicated in 2000 and is located to the southwest. Veterans of the conflicts since World War II are remembered throughout the park. Memorial Rose Garden Park is located at 800 Brooks St.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Adopt A Bed

The Memorial Rose Garden has become a place of reflection for family and friends who have lost their loved ones and is a constant source of beauty for the community. With your help, we will continue to provide the roses with the necessary care to keep them strong and healthy.

Individuals, groups or organizations may adopt one of the 44 rose beds in the park to care for throughout the year. You will be provided with the training and tools necessary to perform routine maintenance of the roses, which should require an average of 2 to 3 volunteer hours per month, March to October. Adopters are asked to make sure their beds are looking their best for the major holidays, from Mother's Day to Labor Day, when the Garden is visited most often.

The Adopt A Bed program is a wonderful community service project in which your minimal time commitment has a huge impact for our community. For more information, contact Parks and Recreation Volunteer Coordinator Tyler Decker at 552-6271 or deckert@ci.missoula.mt.us.

Sponsor the Memorial Rose Garden

The Memorial Rose Garden is planted, pruned, and maintained primarily by volunteers, led by the Missoula Rose Society and Partners In Parks, and it needs your support to grow.

Benefits/Recognition

- On-site at the Rose Gardens/WWII Interpretive Panels
- City website recognition as a Partners in Parks and recognition on Currents Aquatics Center donor wall.
- Appearance in the Missoula Rose Society Bulletins, Schedules
- Recognition at Missoula Rose Society Events, including at Southgate Mall Rose Show and Missoula County Fair.
- Appreciation Plaque to be located at your business.

How do I help?

The volunteer-led effort by the Missoula Rose Society requires an annual cash budget of \$5000. The City of Missoula provides a match of in-kind a materials/labor support of more than \$5000 per year. The Rose Society annual budget includes \$1700 for new and replacement roses and \$3300 for materials, supplies, bed improvements.

The Society is seeking five major "Rose Growers" Sponsors or up to ten \$500 "Rose Pruners" Sponsors. Advertising funds, private donations, foundations funds are all welcome.

Gifts are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law. The Missoula Rose Society is a 501c3, tax ID 81-6017381.

