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SET FOR 6 MONTANA COMMUNITIES UNDER MCH GRANT

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Public forums on the theme "The Politics of Indian Employment: Today's Employment Alternatives for Minorities" will be presented in March, April and May in Missoula, Great Falls, Billings, Butte, Havre, and Helena.

The six forums, which are open to the public without charge, will be sponsored by the Montana United Indian Association under a grant of \$7,600 from the Montana Committee for the Humanities (MCH), an organization which has home offices at the University of Montana in Missoula.

Lee Topash, Helena, area representative for the Human Resources Development Institute (HRDI) of the AFL-CIO, is coordinator of the series.

Each forum will address four basic subjects:

- The problems Indians face when seeking and retaining employment.
- The problems employers face in recruiting minority personnel.
- Existing efforts being made to employ Indians and other minorities in Montana.
- Possible alternative methods of recruiting minorities.

Dates of the respective forums and the city in which each will be held follow.

March 29--Missoula; April 5--Great Falls; April 12--Billings; April 26--Butte; May 3-4--Havre, and May 24-25--Helena.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting Topash at the HRDI headquarters, Lundy Shopping Center in Helena, or by phoning the institute office, 443-5370.

Bruce R. Sievers, Missoula, is MCH executive director, and UM President Robert T. Pantzer is MCH chairman.

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