Montana Child Care Survey "DOES INADEQUATE CHILD CARE IMPACT MONTANA FAMILIES?"

The University of Montana, on behalf of the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, is gathering information from Montana parents, guardians, and caregivers regarding

the child care situation in the state. A small number of Montana families were randomly selected to participate in the study. During the first week of January, the University of Montana sent each of these families a letter with instructions on how to complete the survey. Participation is voluntary and responses will be kept confidential.

If you are a parent, guardian, or caregiver who received a letter to participate in the study, we appreciate your help by completing the survey. The best way we know to improve what we know about the child care situation in Montana is to ask Montana families to share their experiences with us.

If you are a representative of an organization that works with Montana families with young children, you are welcome to share this information about the study with the families you connect with.

Results of the survey will be available by this summer and will help inform families, organizations, businesses, and elected leaders about child care in the state. If you have any questions about the survey, please contact Janet C. Stevens, Survey Coordinator at the Bureau of Business and Economic Research, University of Montana. She can be reached at **(406) 243-5113** or **janet.stevens@umontana.edu**.



