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Linder unveils plan for Yellowstone County Search and Rescue

Billings—Sheriff Candidate Mike Linder today unveiled his plan for the organization of a new Yellowstone County Search and Rescue program.

“As the most heavily populated county in the state, Yellowstone County needs a Search and Rescue program, working in conjunction with the Sheriff’s office, to prepare for the worst.” said Linder. “From Libby to Forsyth, Sheriff’s departments around the state have understood the importance of having an organized search and rescue program in their county. As the next Yellowstone County Sheriff, Yellowstone County voters can rest assured, knowing that I will start a search and rescue program here at home.”

Of the seven most populated counties in Montana, Yellowstone County remains the only one without an organized Search and Rescue program. State law mandates that the Sheriff is responsible for search and rescue efforts in a county. Historically, search and rescue organizations in Montana are initiated by and operate under control of a county sheriff. Flathead County, for example, started its search and rescue program in 1947 at the behest of Sheriff Dick Walsh.

“In over 20 years of law enforcement, I’ve been involved in more and more situations where a properly trained and resourced search and rescue program would have improved the chances of success and safety,” said Linder.

Mike Linder has been a member of the law enforcement community in Yellowstone County for over 20 years. His passion for search and rescue began in 1987 when he attempted to rescue a young boy who had fallen through the ice. As a certified scuba diver, Linder has been called upon to assist in numerous rescue and recovery operations. To find out more about Mike Linder for Sheriff, visit www.linderforsheriff.com.

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