

Theresa Williams Bio

Theresa Williams brings over 20 years of leadership in behavioral health, criminal justice, and housing, specializing in both direct service and system-level initiatives. A Licensed Clinical Social Worker with a Master's in Social Work from Portland State University and a Bachelor's of Social Work from the University of Montana, she has successfully led cross-sector programs aimed at improving outcomes for vulnerable community members.

As Program Manager for Missoula's Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Program at the Missoula Police Department, Theresa is working to bridge the gap between law enforcement, mental health services, and community organizations, driving measurable improvements for individuals experiencing behavioral health crises. She also serves as a board member for CIT Montana, with a special focus on developing CIT Programs in rural communities.

Additionally, Theresa directed Missoula's City-County Ten-Year Plan to End Homelessness, called Reaching Home, where she spearheaded the development and implementation of Missoula's Coordinated Entry System, a strategic framework designed to enhance and streamline housing access and stability.

Theresa's work is rooted in trauma-informed care and data-driven decision-making, underscoring her commitment to building coalitions and fostering collaboration across diverse sectors. Her approach consistently focuses on creating sustainable, equitable solutions that align with broader community goals.