

## **IN 2023 IT'S IMPORTANT FOR WE PATRIOTS TO 'DEAL WITH IT'. WE CAN'T SOLVE A PROBLEM WE DON'T ACKNOWLEDGE, AND WE HAVE SERIOUS PROBLEMS.**

### **HERE ARE TEN REALITIES WE MUST FACE RIGHT NOW ...**

1. No one in Washington is going to save us. Trump is not going to save us, neither is DeSantis. As Montanan's we have one politician on the side of the people, Matt Rosendale.
2. As Montanan's the great Super Majority the Republicans are so excited about is gaslighting at its finest. Why? Because the Republican Party is chock full of RINO's without the guts to do anything about it.
3. As Montanan's understand state government isn't going to save you. While AG Knutson has done some good things, neither he, nor the Secretary of State or the Governor will touch election fraud with a hundred-foot pole.
4. Our education system is no longer our friend. Yes, right here in Montana. Schools K-12 are drinking the Kool-Aid and passing it out. Our universities are hot beds of 'wokism and socialism' just like everywhere else.
5. Much like the story of our nation, Montana is ruled by its Leftist cities. Missoula leads the way, Bozeman has been lost and Helena, Butte, Billings are bent on making Montana like California. Only Kalispell still stands on the right.
6. Montana is one of the few states in America that could be self-sufficient. We have the resources, minerals, farming, ranching and water to sustain ourselves. Or I should say we did. The Left et al has destroyed our industries. And our two great Senators, Tester and Daines, along with our legislators have given our water to a third party, who is essentially the federal government. We as a State have been hung out to dry by the officials 'we the people' elected.
7. As a result of items 4, 5 & 6, Montana is nothing like it once was. Consider a few facts. Montana ranks #1 in revenue received from the federal government. We receive 47% of our revenue from the feds. We are a welfare state. SD and ID are half that. At the same time our citizens spend over \$130 M a year gambling. Montanan's spent \$750K in one day betting on last years Super Bowl. Now that we've entered the world of CA, Montanans are on course to spend over \$150M a year on weed.
8. With few local exceptions, you cannot trust either political party. In many cases it is hard to tell the difference. The Dems have sold out to the far left, mainstream Republicans still act like it's the Reagan years and have an inability to work together, and a large percentage of our population have tuned out.
9. Cities and Counties across Montana are being overwhelmed by the new reality. Crime is rising under the Big Sky, drugs are everywhere, jails are full, and nobody wants to fund law enforcement who is disgruntled by both the lack of real support and the courts (yes, in Montana) who don't support them.
10. The most important reality is that, as a result of 1-9 above, there is only one fight left. We the people have no impact at the national level, very little at the state level but together we can own the local, city county level.

We're all where I was 50+ years ago and the message is the same, 'deal with it'. There is an old Polish proverb that says, 'Pray for a good harvest but keep on hoeing'. If we are to have any hope of saving the American way of life for our kids and grandkids it is the fight looming at the local level.

We can't change Washington, but we can take back city hall. We can't change Helena, but we can take back our county. We can't change our universities, but we can change our local school boards, and replace all of them, not with a Republican or Democrat but with a proven, vetted patriot who stands for the Constitution.

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