

# Summertime Happenings

■ **Farmer's and Craft Markets** Missoula hosts three markets, where you can buy local produce, pastries, arts and crafts, and see everybody who's anybody in town:

● **Missoula Farmer's Market** Open May–October, Saturday 8:30 am - 12:00 pm and Tuesday (July and August) 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm. Located at Circle Square two blocks north of the ACA office. The best local, in-season produce to be found. Comes equipped with a variety of neighborhood coffee and pastry vendors.

● **Missoula Saturday Market** Open Saturday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm. Located on East Pine Street, in front of the ACA office. Check out this artists' market, and find the ACA office and restaurant vendors in the back.

● **Clark Fork River Market** Open Saturday 8:00 am - 1:00 pm. Located underneath Higgins Bridge four blocks south of the ACA office. This market combines local produce, meat, dairy, crafts, hot foods, and live music to boot!

■ **Out to Lunch at Caras Park** The best of downtown Missoula cuisine. Affordable, yummy eats and terrific music entertainment. Every Wednesday, June 1 through August 31 (11am - 2pm), Caras Riverfront Park is where Higgins Ave. crosses the Clark Fork River.

## ■ Downtown Tonight at Caras Park

Live music, food, and beer garden. An evening version of Out to Lunch. Thursdays from 5:30pm - 8:30pm. Runs from June 2 through August 25. 543-4238.

■ **Gallery Night** On the first Friday of every month, the Missoula art galleries stay open late and feature artist openings. Most of the galleries are downtown, and you can easily walk from one to the next. Check the Missoulian's weekly edition of the Entertainer for a list of galleries and locations.

■ **Baseball** Missoula's minor league baseball team, the Osprey, has 38 home games scheduled between June 22 and Sept. 8 at the new stadium just west of McCormick Park. Call 543-3300 for more information.

■ **Western Montana Fair** www.westernmontanafair.com. Soak up some local culture. Arts and crafts, the PRC rodeo, nightly fireworks, eats, and carnival rides. Western County Fairgrounds on South Avenue. The 2011 dates are August 9 - 14.

■ **www.missouladowntown.com** Go to this Missoula Downtown Association website for more complete information and additional activities.

## Attractions

■ **Adventure Cycling Headquarters** Drop in for a look at our office. Check your e-mail, browse through our selection of touring route maps, and take a look at our collection of old bikes. We're downtown at 150 E. Pine St., and open from 8am to 5pm weekdays and on Saturdays, June 18 to August 27, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm. 721-1776.

■ **The Smokejumper's Center** This is where the Forest Service trains smokejumpers. See the lookout tower, interesting videos, and exhibits that show how women and men have been protecting our forests. Open seven days a week from Memorial Day through Labor Day 8:30am to 5pm. Forty-five minute tours available on the hour at 10, 11, 1, 2, 3, & 4. 5765 US Hwy 10 West. Just west of the airport. 329-4934.

■ **Museum of Mountain Flying** After checking out the Smokejumpers Center, drop in at the Museum of Mountain Flying in their new 19,000 square foot hangar on the east side of the airport. Open seven days a week May 31 through Labor Day, weekends through October 1, 10 am - 4pm. Call 721-3644 or 207-3929 to arrange a group tour.

■ **Historical Museum at Fort Missoula** Features indoor galleries with changing exhibits and an outdoor area with various historical structures. Pow-wows and other events throughout the year. Bldg. 322, Ft. Missoula (South Ave. across from Big Sky High School). M–Sat. 10am - 5pm. Sun. 12 - 5pm. 728-3476.

■ **Rocky Mtn. Museum of Military History** You will find this museum just east of the historical Museum at Fort Missoula. The museum promotes the commemoration and study of the U.S. armed forces from the frontier days to the present with a display of military artifacts and documents. Open 7 days a week, noon to 5pm from June 1 through Labor Day.

■ **Missoula Public Library** With over 150,000 volumes on its shelves, and internet workstations, this is the place to relax with a good book. 301 East Main Street, Mon.–Thurs. 10am - 9pm; F–Sat. 10 am - 6pm; Sun. 1 - 5pm. 721-2665.

■ **Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation** Visit the Wildlife Visitor Center, which features exhibits on elk and other wildlife that this national environmental organization attempts to save. 5705 Grant Creek Rd. Open 8am - 6pm, M-F and 9am - 6pm on Sat. and Sun. 523-4545.

■ **Swimming Pools** Take a cool soak in one of Missoula's municipal swimming pools. The new McCormick Park Aquatics facility, 552-6260, is located just across the river. Splash Montana is located in Playfair Park and is open from mid June to late August. The indoor Grizzly Pool, 243-2763, on the University of Montana campus is open to the public all year, except August, on M, W, and F, 7:30am - 9pm. Call for more information.

■ **Downtown Missoula** Not only the home of Adventure Cycling, but also the place for specialty shops, stores, restaurants, antique stores, art galleries, great bars, and more.

■ **University of Montana** The 640-acre University of Montana campus features concerts, plays, an art gallery, and other attractions for a culture-starved cyclist. See a copy of the Independent (Missoula's weekly newspaper) for events. For a challenging hike, head up the scenic switchback trail that leads to the "M".

■ **Art Museum of Missoula** 345 N. Pattee St. (across the street from Adventure Cycling). Exhibits ranging from sculpture to paintings to photos, many with a Western flavor. Schedule includes lectures and openings. Free admission. 728-0447. Open Wed -Fri. 10am-5pm, and Sat.-Sun. 10pm - 3pm.

■ **Missoula Carousel** This 38-horse carousel, built through a tremendous community effort, is a must ride. It sports a 1918 frame and has the largest band organ in continuous use in the United States. Caras Park is one block west of the Higgins Ave. bridge. 549-8382. Summer (June–August). 11am - 7pm. www.carrousel.com.

## More Information

■ **Missoula Chamber of Commerce** The Chamber of Commerce office at 825 East Front Street (just north of river across from the University of Montana campus at the bike/pedestrian bridge) has lots of information about attractions and accommodations in and around Missoula. Hours are 11am - 7pm all week. 543-6623.

■ **Missoula Convention & Visitors Bureau** 1121 E. Broadway. Hours are 8am - 7pm, M–F and 10am - 2pm Sat–Sun. 532-3250.



## Missoula Services

**BIKE SHOPS** These are listed in order of their proximity to the Adventure Cycling office (closest first). They are all good bike shops.

**1 Hellgate Cyclery** 406-549-8785, www.hellgatecyclery.com. 316 North Higgins Ave. (A half block from Adventure Cycling). Full-service bike shop owned and operated by mechanics with more than 30 years experience. Dealer of used/consigned bikes, new and used parts, new accessories. 9am - 6pm M-F, 9am - 4pm Sat.

**2 Big Sky Bikes** 406-830-3195, www.bigskybike.com. 809 E. Front St. (A half mile from Adventure Cycling). Dealer for Specialized, Giant, Pivot, BH, Focus, Haro Bikes, and others. Service and repair of all brands. Large selection of cycling apparel and accessories. 10am - 6pm M-Sat. Closed Sunday.

**3 Missoula Bicycle Works** 406-721-6525, www.missoulabicycleworks.com. 708 S. Higgins Ave. (A half mile from Adventure Cycling). Dealer for Kona, Bianchi, Jamis, Seven, Orbea, and Cannondale. Selection of bicycling apparel and accessories. Bike rentals available. 9:30am - 6pm, M-F. 10m - 5pm, Sat., and 11am - 4pm Sun.

**4 The Bike Doctor** 406-721-5357, www.bikedoctormissoula.com. 1101 Toole Avenue. (Three quarters of a mile from Adventure Cycling). Dealer for Santa Cruz, Electra, Norco, and Transition. Accessories, experienced mechanics. 10am - 6pm, M–Sat. Closed Sunday.

**5 Open Road** 406-549-2453, openroad@pngusa.net. 517 S. Orange (One mile from Adventure Cycling). Dealer for Trek, Moots, and Surly. Wide selection of bicycling apparel and accessories. Bike rentals available. 9am - 6pm, M-F. 10pm - 5pm, Sat., and 11am - 3pm, Sun.

**6 Free Cycles Missoula** 406-541-7284, www.strans.org/freecycles.html. 732 S. 1st St. W. (One mile from Adventure Cycling). Nonprofit community bike shop. You can use tools, work space, and pick from a wide array of used bike parts. 2 - 6pm, M-Th. 11am - 3pm., Sat. Small donations are appreciated. (Call Evan at 406-529-6719 to open for emergency.)

**7 Bicycle Hangar** 406-728-9537, www.bicycle-hangar.com. 1801 Brooks St. (One and three quarters of a mile from Adventure Cycling). Emphasis on mountain biking. Dealer for Felt, Raleigh, WeThePeople, and Redline. Adjoins pizzeria where you can linger while your repair work is underway. 10am - 6pm, M–Sat. 11am - 5pm, Sun.

**8 Big Sky Bikes** 406-543-3331, www.bigskybike.com. 1110 South Ave. W. (Two miles from Adventure Cycling). Dealer for Specialized, Giant, Pivot, BH, Focus, Haro Bikes, and others. Service and repair of all brands. Large selection of apparel and accessories. 10am - 6pm, M-Sat. Closed Sunday.

**MOTELS** This is a short list of satisfactory motels located within one mile of our office. Feel free to use our phone book for a larger selection.

**9 Mountain Valley Inn** 406-728-4500, 420 W. Broadway. The bicycle tourist discount rate is \$60 plus tax.

**10 Bel-Air** 406-543-3183, 300 E. Broadway. The bicycle tourist discount rate is \$50 for one bed and \$55 for two beds, plus tax.

**11 Campus Inn** 406-549-5134, 744 E. Broadway. The bicycle tourist discount rate is \$72 - \$82 plus tax.

**12 Holiday Inn** 406-721-8550, 200 S. Pattee. The bicycle tourist discount rate is \$112.

**13 City Center Motel** 406-543-3193, 338 E. Broadway. \$49 - \$59 plus tax.

**14 Days Inn** 406-543-7221, 201 E. Main. Summer \$79 for one bed, \$89 for two beds, plus tax.



# Bicycle Tourist's Map of Missoula, Montana

## CAMPGROUND

**15 Missoula/El-Mar KOA** 406-549-0881. 3450 Tina Avenue. This is the only commercial campground for tenting. It is located about 5 miles from the downtown. \$28 - \$30 for tent site.

## HOSTEL

**16 Hutchins Hostel** 406-830-3266. 508 E. Broadway. Full kitchen, washer/dryer, secure bike storage, free wireless internet, events board, & lockers. Special 10% off summer rate for cyclists: \$27 per bunk. www.hutchinshostel.com.

## CAMPING EQUIPMENT

**17 The Trailhead** 406-543-6966, 221 E. Front St. (4 blocks away).

**18 Army Navy Economy Store** 406-721-1315, 322 N. Higgins (1 block away).

**19 REI** – Recreational Equipment Inc. 406-541-1938, rei.com/missoula, 3275 N. Reserve (4 miles from downtown). Sells and rents camping equipment, cycling components, and accessories. 10am - 9pm, M–F, 10am - 6pm, Sat., 11am - 6pm, Sun.

## HARDWARE

**20 ACE Hardware** 406-721-9690, 905 E. Broadway. A very complete store. In the Eastgate Shopping Center at the intersection of Broadway and Van Buren. Less than one mile from our office.

## POST OFFICES

**21, 22** There is a post office (21) one block from our office at Pattee St. and Broadway (Straight out of our office onto Pattee St.) However, general delivery mail or packages must be picked up from the main post office (22) located at 1100 W. Kent.

## LAUNDROMATS

Two options nearest downtown are:

**23 Sparkle Laundry** 406-721-5146, 812 S. Higgins.

**24 Green Hanger** 406-728-1919, 960 E. Broadway.

## GROCERIES

Two options nearest downtown are:

**25 Orange Street Food Farm** 701 S. Orange St.

**26 Safeway Food & Drug** 900 W. Broadway.

Best store for special diets, organic foods, and health foods:

**27 Good Food Store** 1600 S. Third Street W.

## BREWERIES

**28 Kettle House Brewery** 406-728-1660, 313 N. 1st St. 12pm - 9pm, M-Sat. Closed Sunday.

**29 Bayern Brewing Inc.** 406-721-1482, 1507 Montana St. 10am - 8pm, M-F. 12pm - 8pm, Sat.-Sun.

**30 Kettle House Brewery** 406-728-1660, 602 Myrtle St. 12pm - 9pm, M-Sat. Closed Sunday.

**Big Sky Brewing Co.** (Not shown on map, near Missoula airport) 406-549-2777, 5417 Trumpeter Way. 11am - 6:30pm, M-F. 11am - 6pm, Sat. Closed Sunday.

# Adventure Cycling Office

- BIKE SHOPS**  
 1 Heligate Cyclery  
 2 Big Sky Bikes  
 3 Missoula Bicycle Works  
 4 The Bike Doctor  
 5 Open Road  
 6 Free Cycles Missoula  
 7 Bicycle Hangar  
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- MOTELS**  
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 11 Campus Inn  
 12 Holiday Inn  
 13 City Center Motel  
 14 Days Inn

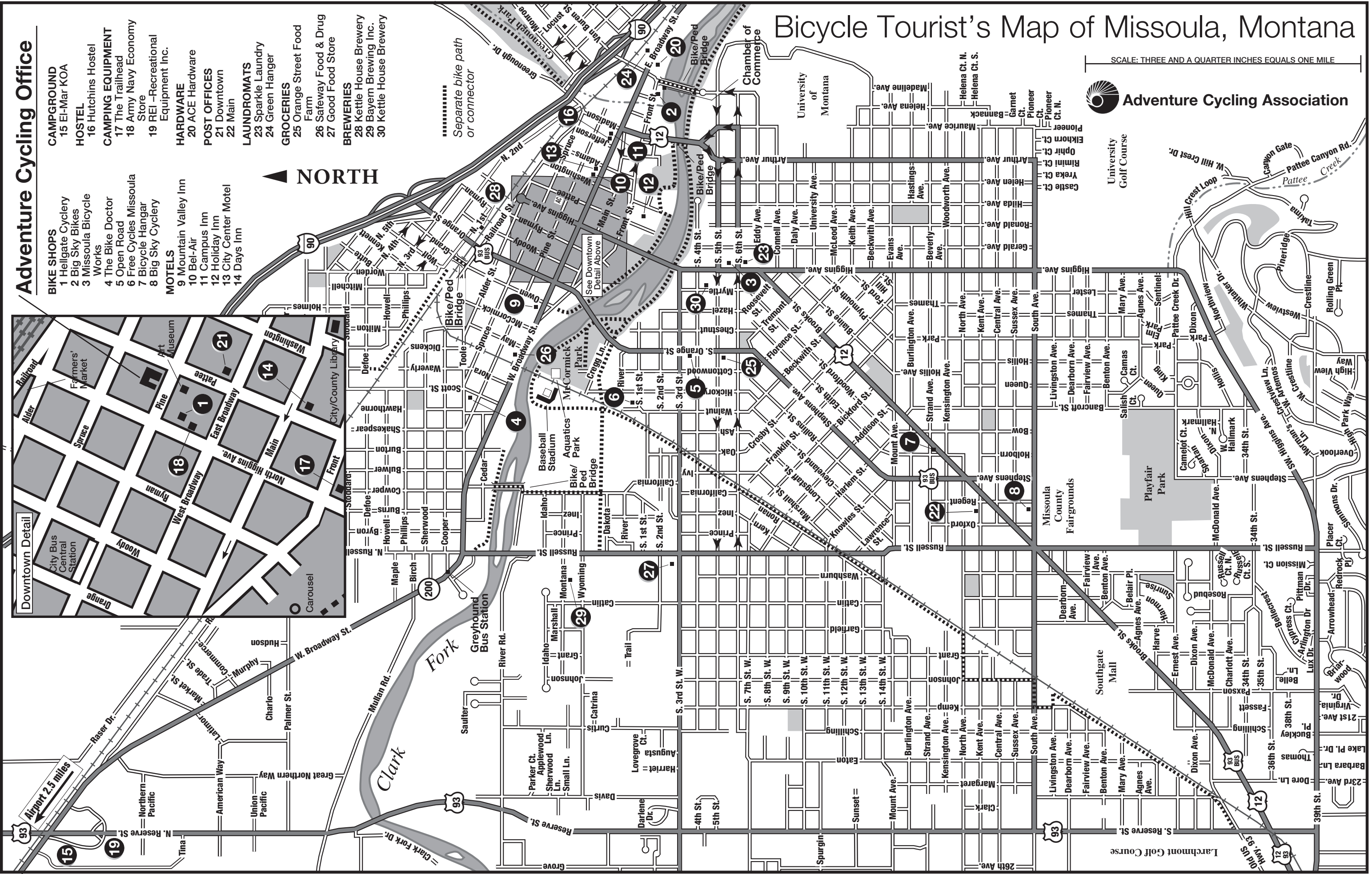
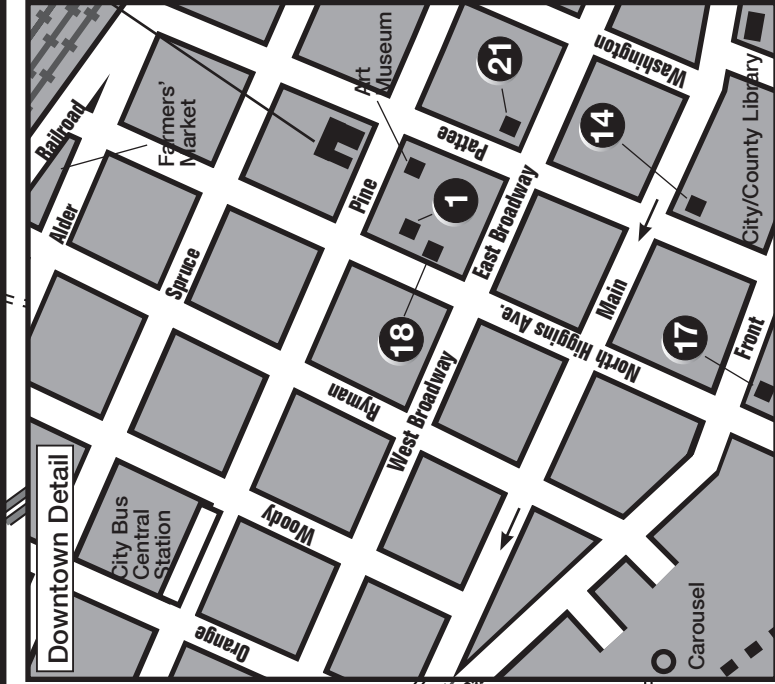
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SCALE: THREE AND A QUARTER INCHES EQUALS ONE MILE



Downtown Detail

University Golf Course

Missoula County Fairgrounds

Southgate Mall

Larchmont Golf Course

University of Montana

Chamber of Commerce

Baseball Stadium

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