

Tumbleweed & Human Rights Commission Trans Training

“This training is for you if you have questions about what it means to be transgender, what the “right” words are to use, how to ask appropriate gender questions and set up a safe and equitable environment for all people!”

(From their letter promoting this event.)

It has come to my attention that [Tumbleweed](#) of Billings and the Montana Human Rights Network Commission are joining hands to provide training on Transgenderism. The [BillingsWorks Big Sky Economic Development](#) group is helping with this effort. This training is to be done December 5th from 3:30 to 5:30 pm at the United Way of Yellowstone County. This information came to me from a City Council Elect person who received [a letter of information](#) about this effort.

The speaker? A 26 year old Trans person by the name of [Shawn Reagor](#) who works for the Human Rights Network and has been a community organizer and activist for LGBT+ rights in Montana fighting for things like Non Discrimination Ordinances. He was a player in defeating the Locker Room Initiative aimed at protecting our young woman. Apparently, he will be the lone speaker.

[This Trans 101 Training](#) is being offered for *Continuing Education Credits* for our school teachers. This is an obvious agenda by the three organizations mentioned to present one sided indoctrination on transgenderism. I could discover no professional Social Science credentials for Shawn that support his authority to speak on this issue. The Montana Office of Public Instruction is currently (as of 11/26/2019) investigating this accreditation situation to see if credits have been cleared by the Billings Public School System, the outline for the conference, and the credentials of the presenter(s). **If this is approved in Billings, it will likely be duplicated across Montana.**

Tumbleweed lists the following as [their goals](#). *Foster Care... Domestic Victims and Human Trafficking Care... Drop In Center... Transitional living*. Anyone who knows their director, Erika Willis, knows that she is a Progressive who has been the CEO of several organizations in Billings - with mixed reviews.

Some of the questions that need to be asked are as follows:

- Exactly what are goals that these three organizations are promoting? They would appear to be oriented toward LGBT Trans indoctrination? Anyone

familiar with the leadership of these organizations would fairly ask this question.

- Karen Miller, Director of BillingsWorks says in her letter to their Steering Committee:

*“As you know, one of our major efforts is building up community pride through our Better Off in Billings campaign. **We know talent wants to move to/stay in a place that is diverse, inclusive and invests in itself.** As such, I’m forwarding information on an upcoming training offered by Tumbleweed and the Montana Human Rights Network to bring forth **equity for all** community members. Below is more information.”* (Emphases mine)

- Who’s paying for all this and do you hear the NDO agenda craftily being promoted?
- Again, what are the Social Science credentials of Shawn Reagor that would qualify him as the only speaker for those receiving CEU’s? This is solely about Trans training from a 26 year old activist with at best a chemistry degree from Carroll College.
- Would Tumbleweed, the Human Rights Network, and Big Sky Economic Development be open to an alternative viewpoint from someone from an organization like Focus on the Family who really does have credentials and knows these issues well?
- Is there also going to be a discussion about the [harm](#) Trans transitions can cause? For anyone interested, you can find a number of articles warning about this agenda at bigskyworldview.org under Resources/Library.

I believe that the questions I have asked are fair and need to be asked of these organizations that presume to represent Montana and the Billings community.

Respectfully,

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