

Montana Veterans Employment Program

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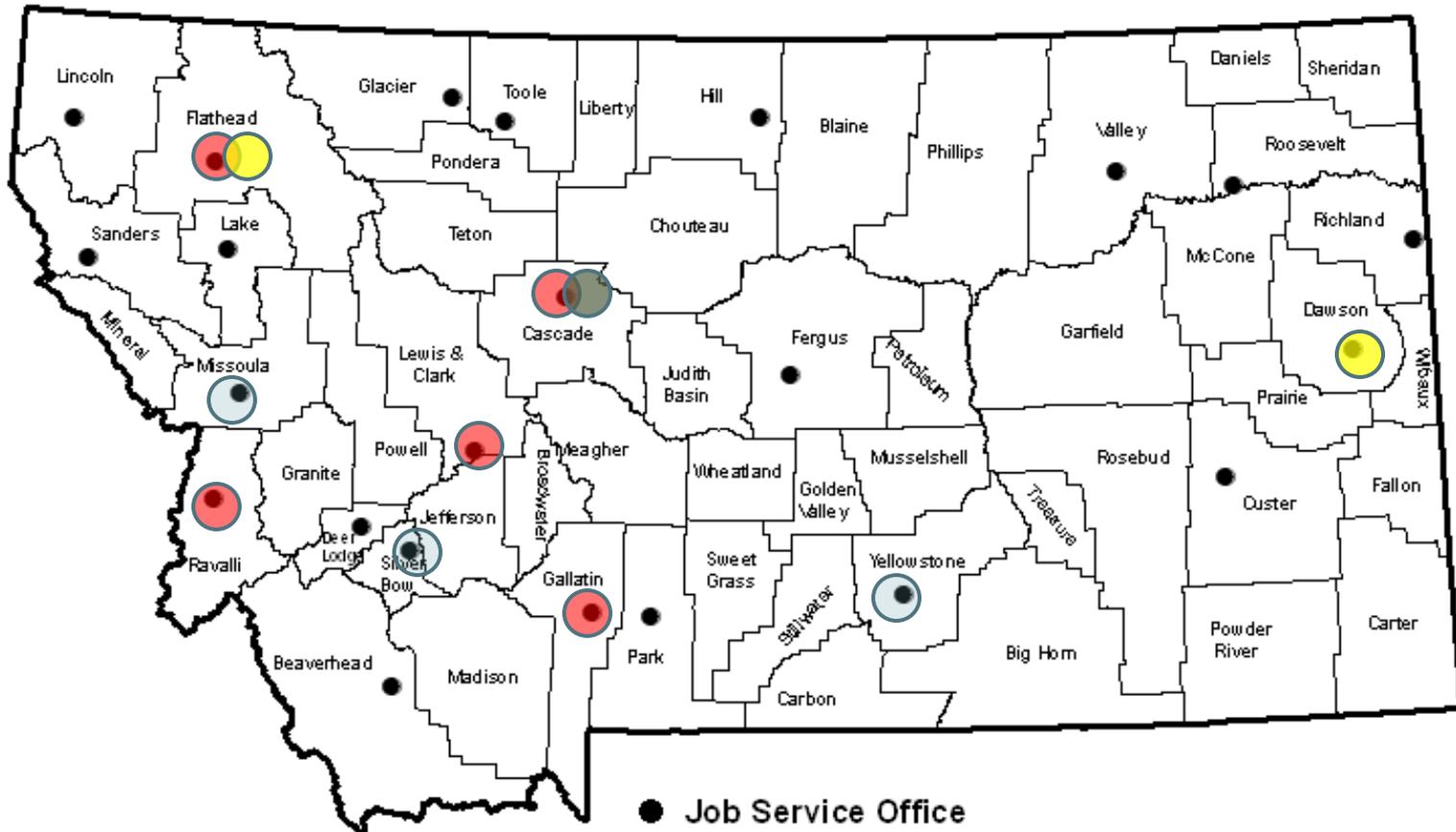


WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE DO

- ◎ **Jobs for Veterans State Grant**
- ◎ **Disabled Veterans' Outreach Program Specialists**
- ◎ **Local Veterans' Employment Representatives**

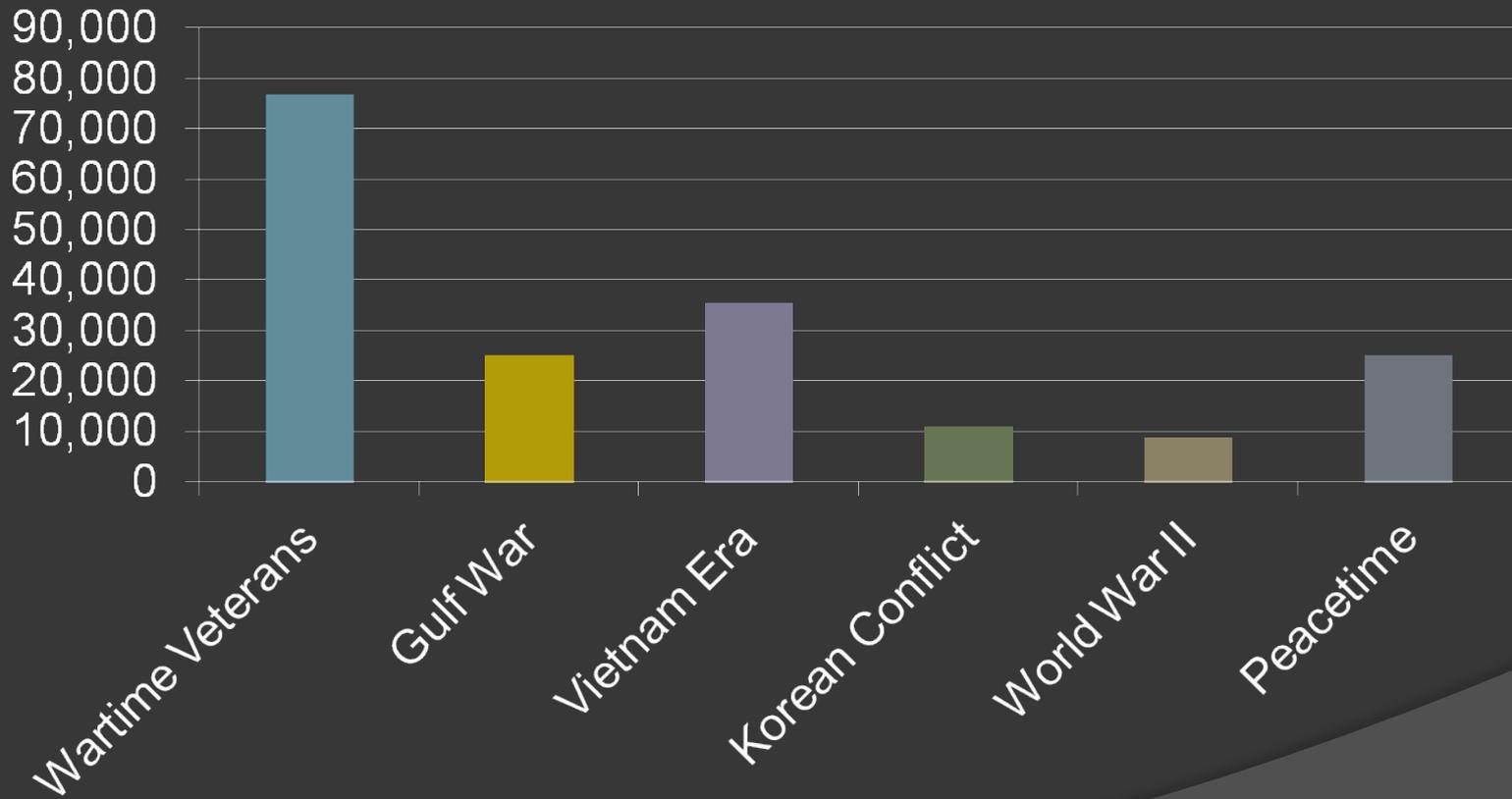
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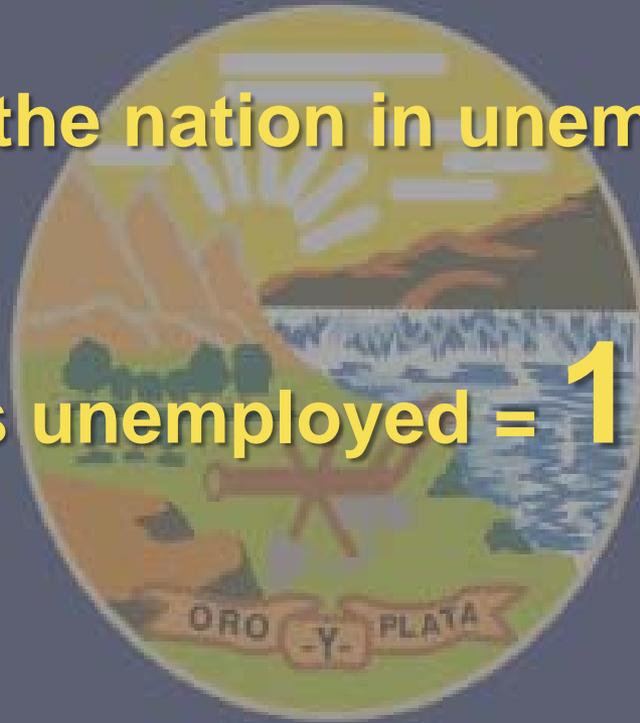
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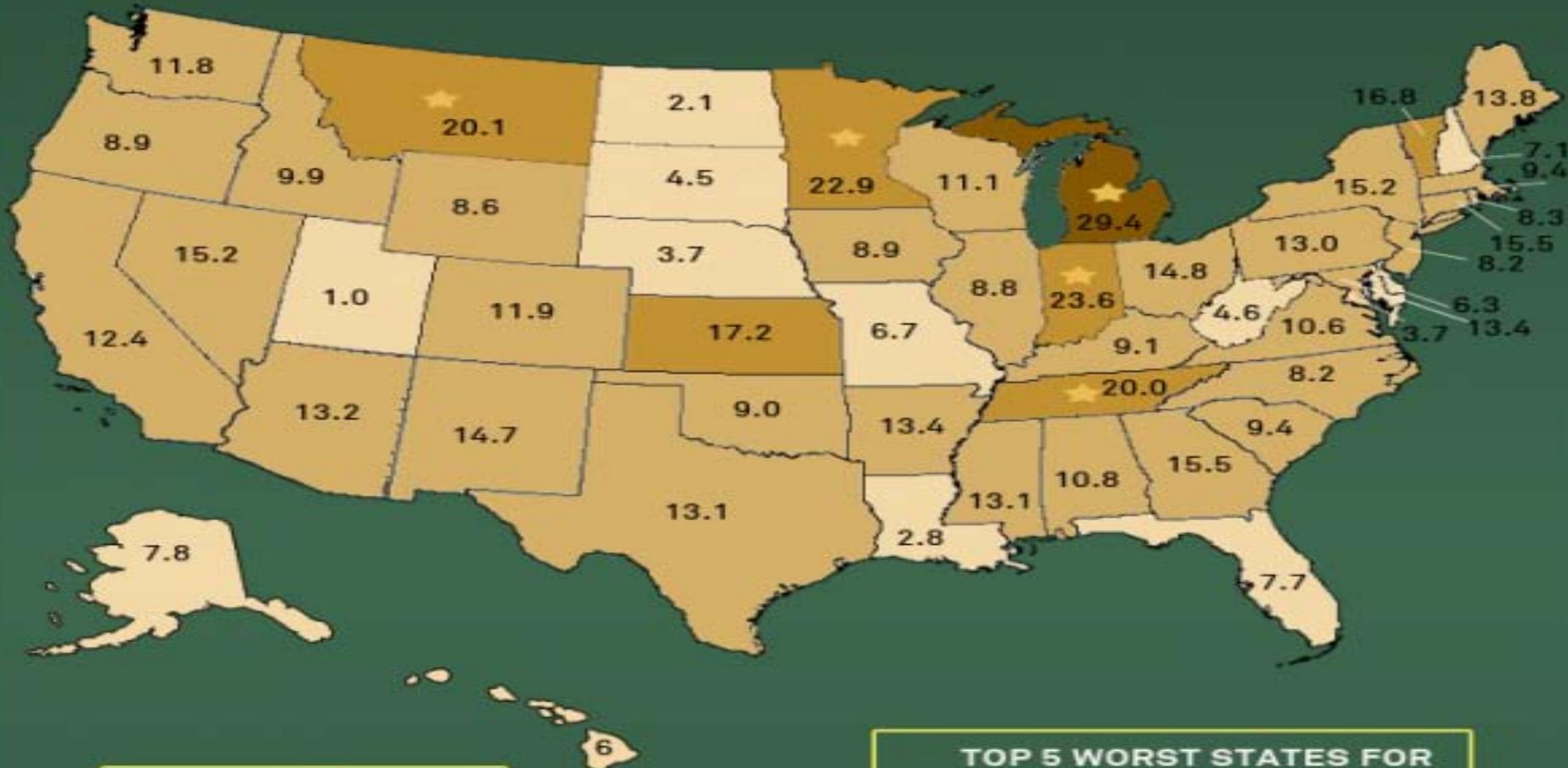
MONTANA'S VETERAN POPULATION

MONTANA

- ◎ 2nd in the nation in veterans per capita
- ◎ 4th worst in the nation in unemployment
- ◎ MT veterans unemployed = **1566**



NEW VETERAN UNEMPLOYMENT



LEGEND

- = 24-31.9%
- = 16-23.9%
- = 8-15.9%
- = 0-7.9%

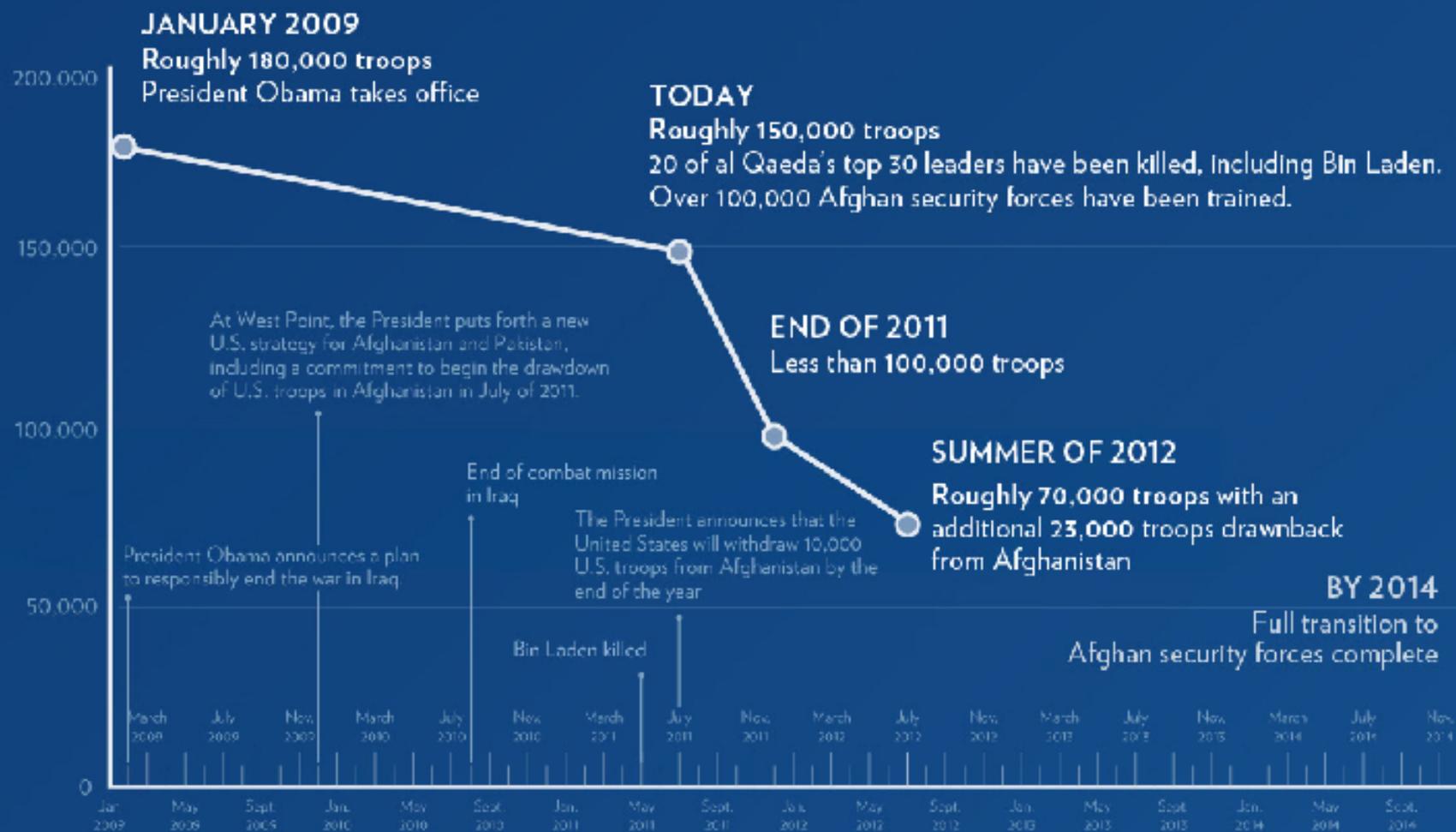
TOP 5 WORST STATES FOR VETERAN UNEMPLOYMENT

- ★ 1. MICHIGAN: 29.4%
- 2. INDIANA: 23.6%
- 3. MINNESOTA: 22.9%
- 4. MONTANA: 20.1%
- 5. TENNESSEE: 20.0%

SOURCE: *Understanding the Economy: State-by-State Snapshots*, US Congress Joint Economic Committee

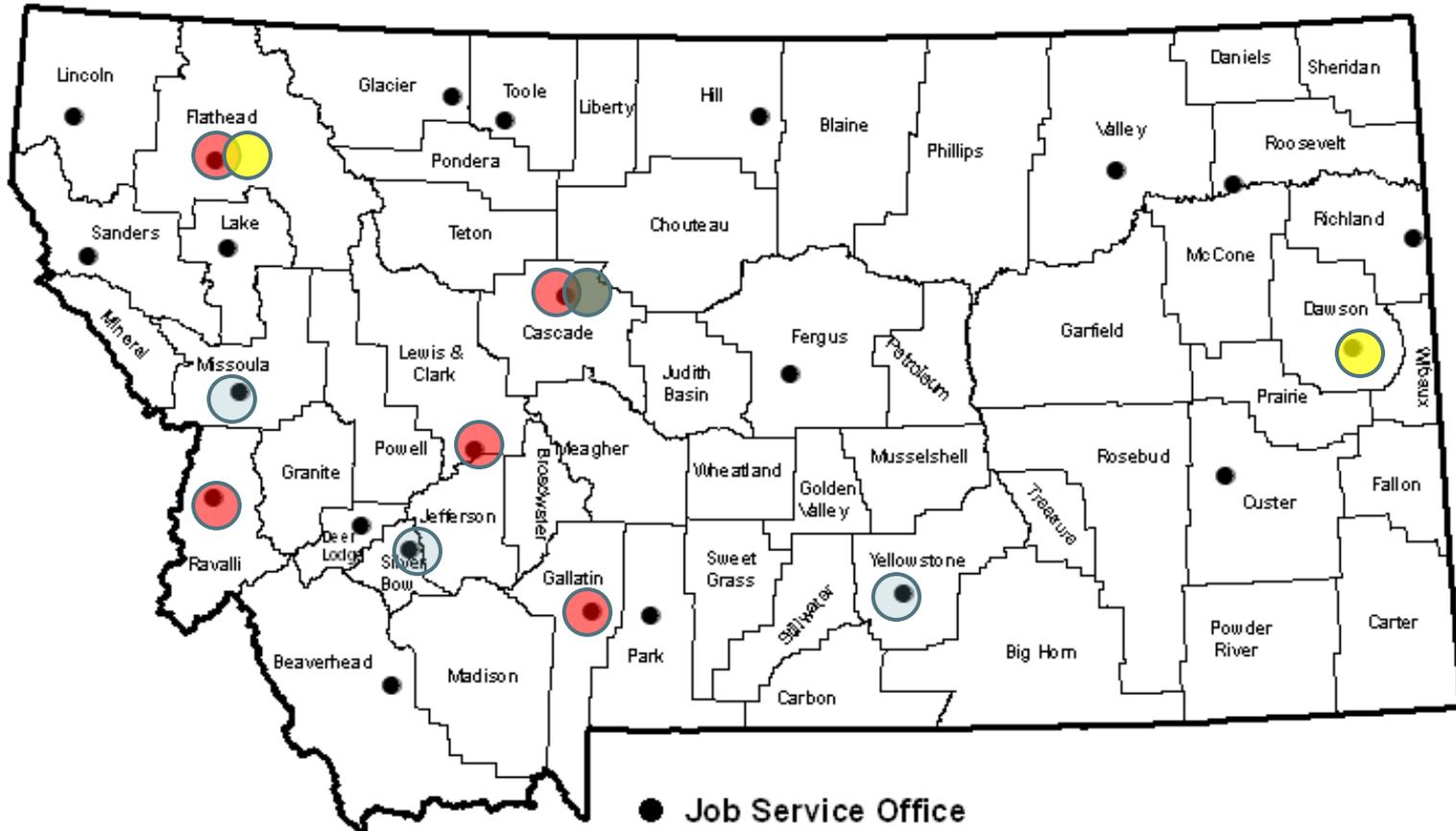


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WHAT CAN WE DO?

1. **We don't know who they are.**
2. **Businesses don't understand.**
3. **Veterans don't understand.**

BENEFITS FOR BUSINESS

- Leadership
- Reliability
- Maturity
- Integrity
- Project Management Skills
- Work Ethic
- Discipline
- Team Players
- Problem Solvers



BENEFITS FOR BUSINESS

- ◎ **OJT**
- ◎ **Special Employer Incentive Program**
- ◎ **Non-Paid Work Experience**

BENEFITS FOR BUSINESS

- ◎ Work Opportunity Tax Credit (WOTC)
 - Up to \$2,400 credit
 - Up to \$4,800 credit service disabled
- ◎ Returning Heroes Tax Credit
 - Short-term up to \$2,400
 - Long-term up to \$5,600
- ◎ Wounded Warrior Tax Credit
 - Maintain \$4,800 WOTC
 - Up to \$9,600 for long-term unemployed

VETERANS' WORKFORCE INVESTMENT

- ◎ Competitive grant
- ◎ Meet workforce investment needs of veterans
- ◎ Perform outreach and public information activities

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QUESTIONS