




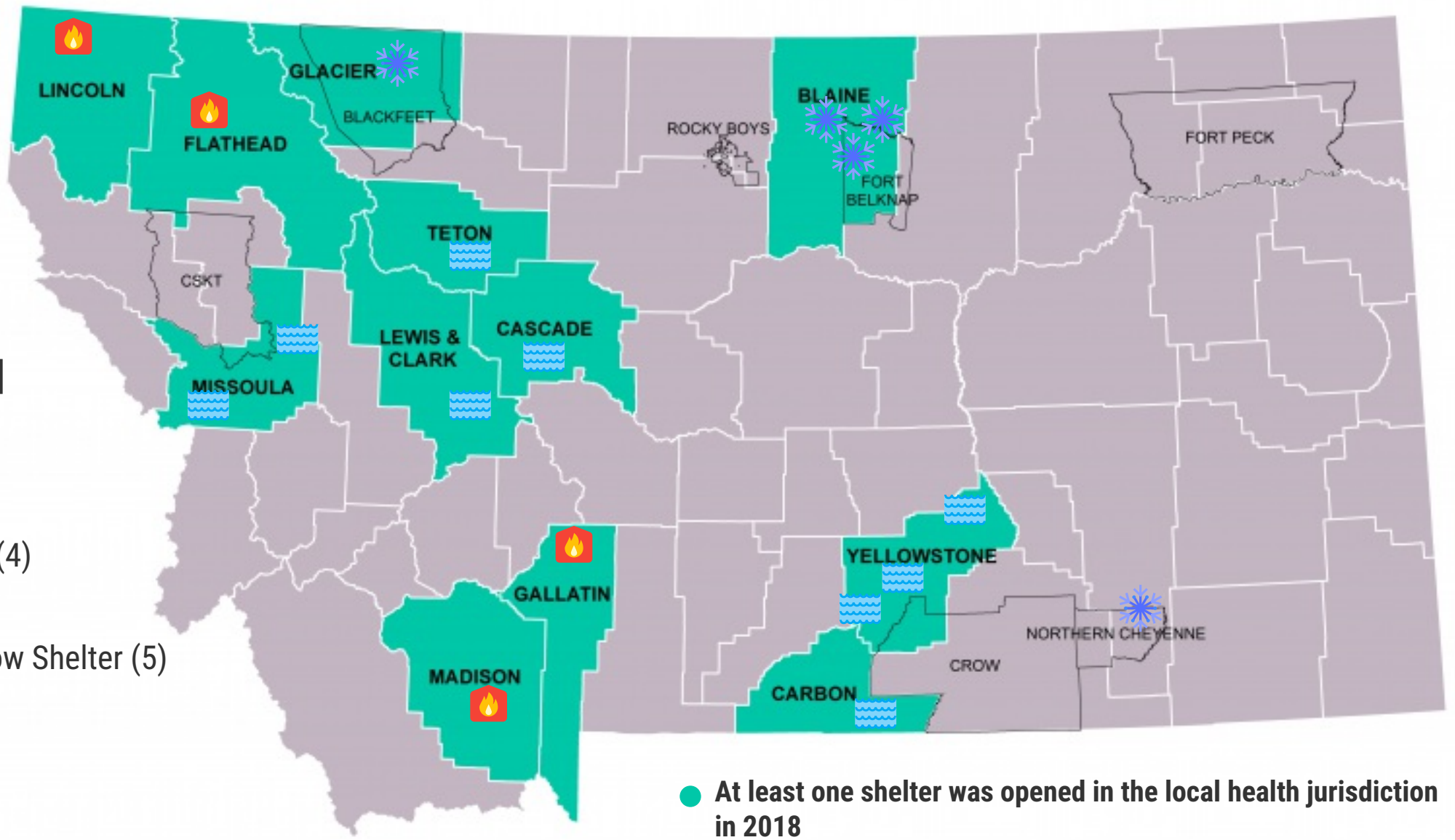
# DISASTER SHELTERS IN MONTANA

Taking appropriate shelter is critical in times of disaster. Sheltering is appropriate when conditions require that you seek protection in your home, place of employment or other location when disaster strikes. Sheltering outside the hazard area could include staying with friends and relatives, seeking commercial lodging or staying in a mass care facility operated by disaster relief groups. In Montana, we currently have over **500** shelters registered in the National Shelter System.

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Shelters opened during 2018

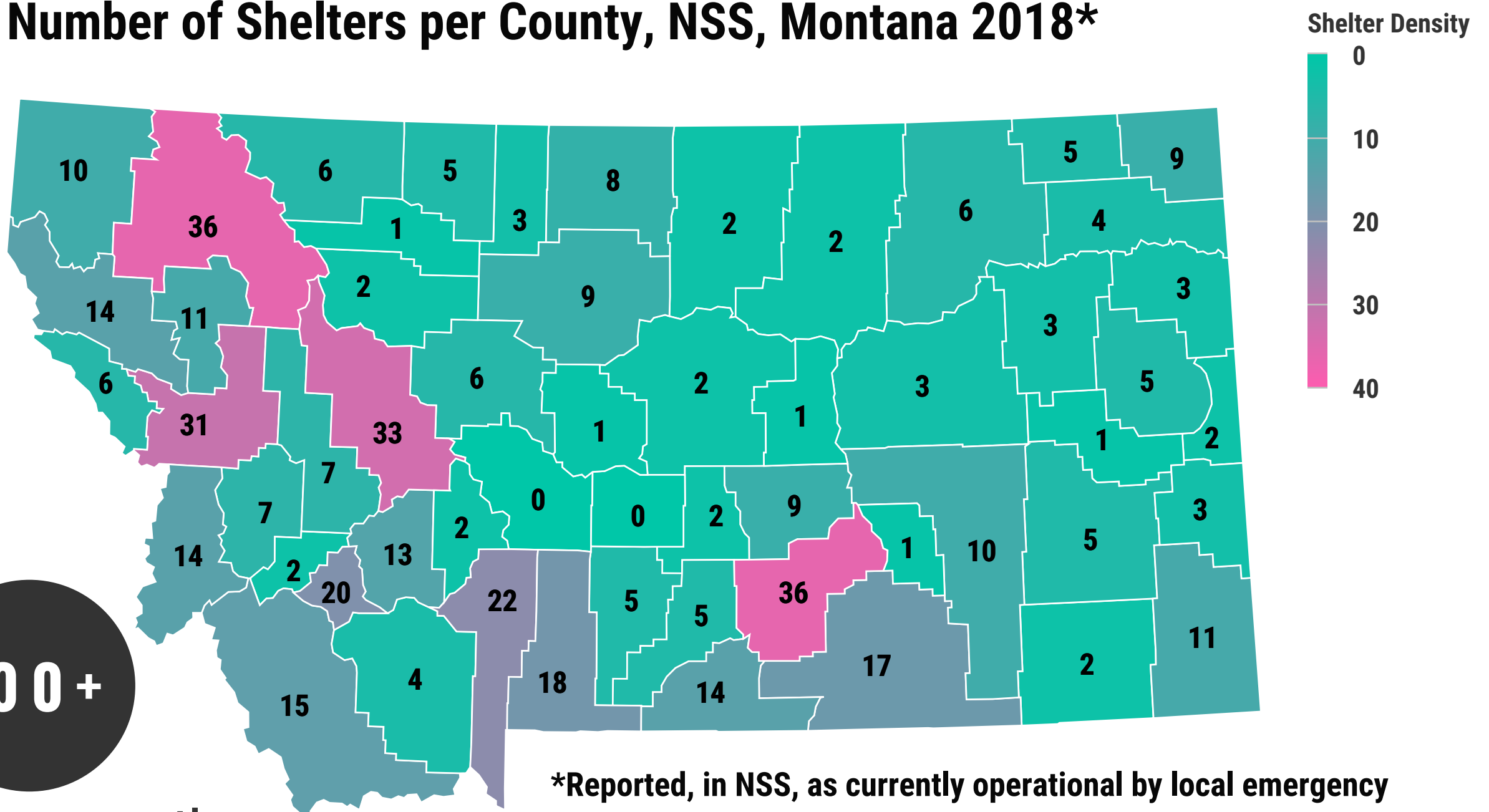
-  Fire/Smoke Shelter (4)
-  Flood Shelter (9)
-  Severe Weather/Snow Shelter (5)



## NATIONAL SHELTER SYSTEM (NSS)

The Red Cross National Shelter system contains information for over 56,000 potential shelter facilities and is used to track and report shelter information during disasters. This powerful tool enables emergency managers and disaster workers to identify the location, managing agency, capacity, current population, and other relevant information of all shelters operated in response to disasters.

Number of Shelters per County, NSS, Montana 2018\*



**500+**

Shelters currently registered

\*Reported, in NSS, as currently operational by local emergency managers.