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The Idaho Community Foundation to Host Celebration of Philanthropy in Lewiston, Honoring Bill and Lori McCann

LEWISTON, Idaho — The Idaho Community Foundation will host its Celebration of Philanthropy in Lewiston on Thursday, May 28, 2026, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at Ernie's Steakhouse in Lewiston. The community gathering will bring together nonprofit leaders, donors, business owners, and residents to celebrate local generosity, highlight nonprofit impact, and honor **Bill and Lori McCann** as this year's *Friend of the Foundation* recipients.

The Celebration of Philanthropy is a signature Idaho Community Foundation event that travels across the state to shine a light on the people, organizations, and partnerships strengthening local communities. In Lewiston, the evening will focus on the Lewis-Clark Valley and surrounding region, spotlighting nonprofit work, fostering connection, and reinforcing the role philanthropy plays in supporting community wellbeing, education, and opportunity for future generations.

Bill and Lori McCann are longtime Lewiston residents whose commitment to the community spans generations. Through their family's ranching, timber, and local business operations, the McCanns have helped sustain the economic and civic fabric of the Lewis-Clark Valley for decades. Beyond their professional lives, Bill and Lori have consistently invested time, leadership, and resources into the people and institutions that make this community strong, supporting organizations addressing education, community wellbeing, and opportunities for future generations.

"The Celebration of Philanthropy is about recognizing the quiet, consistent leadership that makes communities stronger over time," said **Steve Burns**, President & CEO of the Idaho Community Foundation. "Bill and Lori McCann embody what it means to

give back with intention and humility. Their long-standing commitment to Lewiston reflects the very best of community-centered philanthropy, and we are honored to recognize them while also celebrating the nonprofits and neighbors who make this region such a special place to call home."

Guests will enjoy heavy hors d'oeuvres, a complimentary beverage, and a program featuring local impact highlights, a panel discussion with community leaders, and the presentation of the Friend of the Foundation Award. The event offers attendees an opportunity to connect with others who care deeply about Lewiston and to learn more about how the Idaho Community Foundation partners with donors and nonprofits to strengthen Idaho communities.

Tickets are $55 per person and must be reserved by May 21, 2026. Tickets and additional event details are available online through Eventbrite.

Event Details

- What: Celebration of Philanthropy — Lewiston
- When: Thursday, May 28, 2026 | 4:00–6:00 p.m.
- Where: Ernie's Steakhouse, 2305 Nez Perce Drive, Lewiston, Idaho
- Cost: $55 per ticket
- Tickets: Available online at https://bit.ly/COPLewiston; RSVP by May 21

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About The Idaho Community Foundation

For nearly 40 years, the Idaho Community Foundation has helped generous Idahoans invest in the people, places, and causes they care about. Through our statewide programs, including Idaho Gives and The Nonprofit Center, we strengthen communities by growing philanthropy, elevating nonprofit impact, and connecting Idahoans to opportunities to give back. Learn more at idahocf.org or contact us at info@idahocf.org.