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## Idaho Community Foundation grants \$69K through Bistline Foundation Fund

The Idaho Community Foundation will support 13 projects in southeast Idaho totaling nearly \$69,000 through its F.M. and Anne G. and Beverly B. Bistline Foundation Fund. The Bistline Foundation Fund gives grants to schools and nonprofits for arts-focused projects in the region. Grantees are:

**American Falls School District #381** – \$6,000 to commission two new pieces of band music by Idaho composers and help provide band instruments for students in need.

**Bear Lake School District #33 Education Foundation** – \$5,028 to purchase equipment to teach printmaking at Bear Lake High School.

**Empower Humanity** – \$5,500 to support their annual summer children’s play in Pocatello.

**Grace Joint School District #148** – \$3,750 to purchase additional cameras for the photography class at Grace High School.

**Idaho Falls Arts Council, Inc.** – \$5,300 to provide transportation, staffing and supplies for field trips to ARTitorium on Broadway to schools in southeast Idaho that otherwise would not be able to visit.

**Idaho State University Foundation** – \$3,912 to offer specialized music instruction to junior and senior high school pianists and strings players.

**Idaho State University Foundation** – \$10,000 to bring in a guest artist for the mainstage production design of Marisol, to be produced the ISU Department of Theatre & Dance.

**Musicians West, Inc.** – \$3,000 toward a scholarship benefit concert featuring Grammy Award-winning soprano Jessica Jones.

**Nell J. Redfield Memorial Hospital/Oneida County Hospital** – \$1,500 to purchase display racks and easels for use at the Evening of the Arts fundraiser.

**North Gem Education Foundation** – \$1,755 to provide equipment and supplies for the Music & Literature and Art & Literature classes at the high school.

**Rockland School** – \$15,000 to provide a more suitable space for students and local residents to perform and display their talents.

**West Side School District #202 Education Foundation Inc** – \$3,000 toward expenses for bringing in the BYU Ballroom Dancers.

**Zoo Idaho Zoological Society** – \$5,000 to reduce upfront costs for Untamed Art events.

Since 2011, the Idaho Community Foundation has granted more than \$1.6 million in southeast Idaho through the Bistline Foundation Fund.

The Bistline Foundation Fund, which joined the Idaho Community Foundation in 2011, gives grants twice a year. Previously it was the F.M. and Anne G. and Beverly B. Bistline Foundation, a private foundation founded in 1999 by Pocatello philanthropist Beverly Bistline and named in honor of herself and her parents.

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