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***The Idaho Future Fund in The Idaho Community Foundation Announces
\$295,000 in Education-Focused Grants***

IDAHO – The Idaho Community Foundation (ICF) is proud to announce the latest round of grants from the **Idaho Future Fund** totaling **\$295,000** and **supporting 24 nonprofits and school districts** that are helping Idaho students learn, grow, and thrive.

Established by an anonymous couple in Blaine County, the Idaho Future Fund supports preschool access, public school and library programs, charter schools, and supplemental education initiatives for students from preschool through 12th grade. Grants are awarded annually through a competitive process, with recommendations made by regional ICF volunteers.

“These are the kinds of grants that build Idaho’s future,” said Steve Burns, President and CEO of The Idaho Community Foundation. “When we invest in learning, we invest in stronger families, a more stable workforce, and thriving communities.”

2025 Idaho Future Fund Grantees

East Region, receiving a total of \$73,000 in grant funds

- *Challis Public Library*: Sustains three children’s literacy and STEM programs.
- *Challis School District*: To support the Positive Behavior Support and Interventions (PBSI) and special education programs.



- *North Gem School District Education Foundation*: Purchases Chromebooks for elementary and middle school students.
- *Swan Valley School District*: Supports school library and preschool programs.
- *Teton Valley Collaborative for Early Learning*: Expands access to high-quality early learning for working families.
- *United Way of Southeastern Idaho*: Continues early learning scholarships for ALICE families in Power County.

North Region, receiving a total of \$82,000 in grant funds

- *Growing the STEM*: Provides after-school math/STEM programs to 800+ students in high-need Coeur d'Alene schools.
- *Memorial Community Center*: Expands preschool to four days/week and adds one hour/day for east Bonner County families.
- *Mullan School District*: Supports salaries/benefits of preschool program staff.
- *Priest Lake Community Education Foundation*: Provides free preschool and READY! for Kindergarten classes.
- *United Way of North Idaho*: Offers monthly childcare scholarships to ALICE families across five northern counties.
- *Upriver Youth Leadership Council*: Enhances afterschool programs for at-risk K–6 students.

South Central Region, receiving a total of \$48,000 in grant funds

- *Advocates for Survivors of Domestic Violence*: Provides preschool scholarships for children impacted by abuse.
- *Blaine County School District Education Foundation*: Supports library resources and summer access for 1,400 students.
- *Children's Museum of the Magic Valley*: Brings STEAM Family Nights to Magic Valley public schools.
- *United Way of Magic Valley*: Provides books to 600 children ages 0–5 to improve early literacy.

Southwest Region, receiving a total of \$92,000 in grant funds

- *Boys & Girls Club of Nampa*: Provides educational support to nearly 950 youth.



- *Breaking Chains Academy of Development*: Offers mentoring and education for at-risk youth.
- *Cascade School District*: Delivers Friday STEM/outdoor programs for 30 at-risk youth.
- *Children's Museum of Idaho*: Brings hands-on and planetarium experiences to rural schools.
- *Giraffe Laugh*: Supports scholarships and services for 100+ children and their families.
- *Meridian Library District Foundation*: Gives free summer reading access to underserved children.
- *Middleton School District*: To support the reimplementation of a reading intervention program and reading mentors/tutors for elementary students.
- *Payette Lakes Community Association*: Offers scholarships to 15+ students.

Philanthropy in Action: The \$200M Moment

These awards come at a time of celebration for The Idaho Community Foundation, which recently surpassed **\$200 million in grants and scholarships** to Idaho communities since 1988. To mark this milestone, ICF is inviting all Idahoans to be part of the **\$200M Moment: Make More Good Possible** campaign.

Now through **July 30**, residents age 18 and older can enter for a chance to award a minimum **\$5,000 grant** to a nonprofit doing good in their community. Participants can also contribute to the prize pool or donate to ICF's regional Forever Idaho Funds to extend the impact.

"This isn't just about recognizing what we've accomplished—it's about inviting every Idahoan to help write the next chapter," said Burns.

Learn more, enter to win, or donate at: idahocf.org/make-more-good-possible.php



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About The Idaho Community Foundation

For more than 36 years, The Idaho Community Foundation has been a trusted partner in philanthropy, helping generous Idahoans invest in the people, places, and causes they care about most. Now united with the Idaho Nonprofit Center, we're strengthening communities through philanthropy, elevating nonprofit impact, and connecting Idahoans to the heart of their communities. Our vision is simple: Idaho is a place of possibility where everyone contributes to thriving communities. Join the movement to build a culture of giving at www.idahocf.org or email us at info@idahocf.org.