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***Idaho Community Foundation to Host Celebration in Pocatello
Honoring \$200M Milestone and Local Grant Recipient***

Pocatello — The Idaho Community Foundation (ICF) is hitting the road to celebrate a milestone \$200 million granted to Idaho communities since 1988. One of its statewide celebration stops will be Pocatello, where Community Suicide Prevention was selected through ICF's "\$200M Moment" campaign to receive a \$10,000 grant.

The celebration will take place Friday, August 15, from 10–11:30 a.m. at Lookout Point in Historic Downtown Pocatello. The event is open to the public, no RSVP required, and will include refreshments, a short presentation, and opportunities to capture community stories on video.

"This is more than a grant—it's a celebration of the generosity that defines Idaho," said **Stephen Weeg**, East Region board member for ICF. "We're proud to recognize Community Suicide Prevention and the impact they have across the 16 eastern Idaho counties."

Community Suicide Prevention, serving Eastern and Southeastern Idaho, is a community-driven nonprofit working to reduce the number of suicides and suicide attempts through education, prevention, and compassionate intervention. They provide mental health first aid training, host community awareness events, and support individuals and families affected by suicide loss. Their efforts help break stigma and build a network of care across rural and underserved communities.



The grant was awarded through a public campaign that invited Idahoans to enter for a chance to direct a \$10,000 grant to a nonprofit in their community. More than 2,200 people participated, and winners from each of ICF's four regions were drawn at the Idaho State Capitol on July 31 with Governor Brad Little.

The East Region winner, **Jan Eastman of Bannock County**, selected Community Suicide Prevention, saying:

"Mental health is something every family deals with in one way or another. I picked Community Suicide Prevention because they're out there doing the work—showing up, listening, helping folks hang on. Sometimes all someone needs is a little hope to keep going. This group gives people that hope. To me, it's about remembering the love, celebrating the life, and sharing the journey. I'm proud to support them."

Event at a Glance

Who: Idaho Community Foundation & Community Suicide Prevention

What: \$200M Moment Celebration

When: Friday, August 15, 2025 | 10–11:30 a.m.

Where: Lookout Point in Historic Downtown Pocatello

Why: Celebrate \$200 million in statewide grantmaking and honor a local nonprofit's impact.

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About The Idaho Community Foundation

For nearly 40 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.