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Ifft Foundation in The Idaho Community Foundation Awards \$42,500 to 7 nonprofit organizations in East Idaho

East Idaho – The Ifft Foundation, a donor-advised fund at The Idaho Community Foundation, is pleased to announce its Fall 2024 grant recipients. A total of \$42,500 has been awarded to seven nonprofit organizations serving Eastern Idaho, supporting projects that enhance community beautification, public recreation, education, history, and the arts.

The Ifft Foundation was established in 1984 by Nicholas and Sara Ifft to give back to the communities that supported their family’s newspaper business for more than a century. In 2001, the Foundation became a fund within The Idaho Community Foundation, continuing the Ifft family’s legacy of improving the quality of life in East Idaho.

“We are proud to carry on the Ifft family’s commitment to strengthening our communities,” said Lisa Bearg, Senior Philanthropic Advisor with The Idaho Community Foundation. “These grants support projects that make Eastern Idaho a more beautiful, enriching, and welcoming place to live.”

Fall 2024 Ifft Foundation Grant Recipients:

- **Bancroft Cemetery District** (Caribou County):
Awarded \$9,000 to improve the aesthetics of the Historic Chesterfield Cemetery.
- **Blackfoot Public Library** (Bingham County):
Awarded \$1,500 to beautify the exterior of the library with a xeriscape garden and a literary-themed statue.

- **Family Services Alliance of Southeast Idaho, Inc.** (Bannock County):
Awarded \$10,000 to create warm and welcoming spaces at the main office for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and human trafficking.
- **Montpelier Community Foundation, Inc.** (Bear Lake County):
Awarded \$4,000 to install a white vinyl fence at Heritage Park to enhance its beauty and improve security.
- **New Day Products and Resources** (Bannock County):
Awarded \$5,000 to beautify a blighted downtown area with a gravel parking lot, trees, bushes, and flowers.
- **Portneuf Greenway Foundation, Inc.** (Bannock County):
Awarded \$8,000 to purchase and install a solar-powered Rapid Flashing Pedestrian Beacon on Monte Vista Drive to improve pedestrian safety.
- **Senior Activity Center** (Bannock County):
Awarded \$5,000 to provide a picnic table and bench for the outdoor area, creating a space for relaxation and socialization for seniors.

The Ifft Foundation awards grants twice a year to nonprofit organizations, government agencies, and educational institutions serving East Idaho. To learn more about the Foundation and its impact, visit IdahoCF.org.

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