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***The Idaho Community Foundation Introduces
Idaho Philanthropy Hall of Fame at the Inaugural Gem Ball***

BOISE – Tickets are now on sale for what promises to be one of Idaho’s most enduring and inspiring traditions — the **Gem Ball and Idaho Philanthropy Hall of Fame**, presented by The Idaho Community Foundation. The event will take place **Thursday, November 20, 2025, at Boise Centre East**, bringing together philanthropists, nonprofit leaders, and community changemakers from across the state to celebrate Idaho’s spirit of generosity.

As Idaho grows, so do the needs of its people. Nonprofits are stepping up to meet those needs — but with Idaho ranking near the bottom nationally in charitable giving, every Idahoan can play a role in building stronger, more connected communities.

The Gem Ball and Idaho Philanthropy Hall of Fame honor those who have paved the way and those who continue to shape Idaho’s philanthropic landscape.

This year’s **Idaho Philanthropy Hall of Fame Inductees** are:

- **Greg Carr**
- **Alice Hennessey**
- **Laura Moore Cunningham Foundation**

The event will also celebrate:

- **Carrie Getty Scheid**, *Governor Cecil D. Andrus Volunteer of the Year*
- **Tricia Swartling**, *Nonprofit Leader of the Year*

And it will introduce the inaugural class of **Founding Philanthropists** — the visionary Idahoans whose generosity created a tradition of giving that continues to define our state.



What to Expect

Guests will enjoy:

- A gourmet plated dinner and live entertainment
- Powerful storytelling honoring Idaho's most generous leaders
- A stunning setting for connection and celebration
- Opportunities to support nonprofit impact across the state

Dress to impress in cocktail attire with a touch of elegance — and a hint of blue to honor the Montana Sapphire Star Necklace, generously donated by Parlé Jewelry Designs for an evening raffle supporting professional development programs for Idaho's nonprofits. Whether it's a navy suit, sapphire jewelry, or a bold statement piece, wear blue in a way that reflects your style.

Join the Movement

Your presence supports a meaningful cause. Proceeds from the event will help The Idaho Community Foundation expand nonprofit training and capacity-building programs across Idaho, ensuring that local organizations have the tools and leadership they need to thrive.

Tickets and tables are available now at <https://www.idahocf.org/philanthropy.php>.

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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.