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Welcome Jeff Fox

Jeff Fox of Twin Falls is the newest member of the ICF Board.

He is President Emeritus of the College of Southern Idaho (CSI). He retired as President of CSI in 2020, a position he held for six years. He started at CSI as an assistant professor in 1987.

He and his wife Evin have been married for 40 years and have two sons and two grandchildren. His hobbies are spending time with family and friends, reading, golf and music.

*Retired in 2021

Greetings all, and happy 2022!

As longtime members of the Idaho Community Foundation Board of Directors, it is our pleasure to share this 2021 Impact Report with you.

As you'll see in the stories we've shared here, 2021 was an impactful year. We are proud that the Idaho Community Foundation is one of Idaho's leading charitable organizations with a long history of helping people reach their philanthropic goals, while serving communities across the state.

We are thrilled to introduce our new President and CEO **Steve Burns**, whom some of you will remember from his many years leading Zoo Boise, one of the Treasure Valley's most beloved community organizations. Steve's leadership skills, passion and innate sense of urgency will help take ICF to the next level. If he hasn't already visited your community this year, he'll be there soon.

Thank you very much for your support of the Idaho Community Foundation in 2021. Together with our generous donors, top-notch community organizations and regional volunteers sharing their local knowledge of the needs throughout the state, we are making a positive impact in Idaho.

Other things we are excited about this year include:

- Updating 2018's Community Conversations by hosting events and opportunities for input throughout the state. It's your chance to tell us what the pressing issues are in your region and how ICF can help.
- Expanding Project Neighborly to communities in north Idaho and east Idaho. We piloted this hyperlocal grant program in southwest Idaho in 2021, and the impact of the community-driven grants was incredible. You can read more in this report.
- Hosting the first-ever summit for women's giving circles in Idaho. As you'll read, a new women's giving circle has debuted in south central Idaho. Women's giving circles are a powerful embodiment of collective giving. We are excited to gather all participants together for shared learning and to build community.

Best wishes to all!

Candi Allphin

Candi Allphin
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P.S. If you're wondering why this report doesn't include information about ICF's financials, rest assured they're coming! Our Financial Stewardship Report will be published later this spring.

Introducing Steve Burns

The Idaho Community Foundation welcomed **Steve Burns** as its eighth President and CEO in January. Steve said he decided many years ago to build his career around causes about which he is passionate.

He led Zoo Boise for 20 years, and left Idaho in 2017 to lead Utah's Hogle Zoo. As a zoo director, he heard many stories about how people's lives were affected by visits to the zoo – first dates that became long marriages, family traditions that spanned generations and lifetime friendships blooming from school field trips.

He sees parallels between the work of community organizations like a zoo and that of community foundations.

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The Idaho Community Foundation helps to build thriving communities, and I am thrilled to help build places and programs that will create a bright future for generations.

Steve Burns

President and CEO, Idaho Community Foundation

Steve kicked off his tenure at ICF by traveling throughout the state to meet fundholders, grantees, the Board of Directors, Regional Councils and community leaders to learn more about the issues facing Idaho and what role ICF can play in addressing them.

“Idaho is special because there is a spirit of wanting to get things done. When there is an opportunity to improve the quality of life, Idahoans reach for new heights,” he said. “ICF is a champion for philanthropy, and we are working to make Idaho one of the most charitable states in the country.”

Outside of work, Steve loves the outdoors. He has a goal to climb the tallest mountain in every state and has accomplished 39 so far. Some are more challenging than others, he notes. Idaho's Mt. Borah has an elevation of 12,662 feet, but Florida's Britton Hill sits at 345 feet.

He also wants to visit each of the National Parks and has been to 43 of 63. “Having these goals has taken me to interesting places I would otherwise never visit,” he said. “It's a reminder of how wonderful our country is.”

Steve is married to native Idahoan **Ann Burns** and has a son, stepson and stepdaughter.



New Funds in 2021



Boise Baroque Orchestra String Quartet Endowment

Created by the Orchestra and key supporters to preserve the longevity, sustainability and quality of the Orchestra and the String Quartet.

Boys & Girls Club of Kootenai County

Created to support its mission to enable all young people to reach their full potential as productive, caring and responsible citizens.



Connie Saylor Johnson Wilderness Education Fund

Created by the Selway Bitterroot Frank Church Foundation in memory of Connie Saylor Johnson, to support its mission of providing education to help steward the Selway-Bitterroot and Frank Church-River of No Return wilderness areas across Idaho and Montana.

Donald and Joann Cissel Forever Idaho Fund

Created through their estate plans to support nonprofit organizations in east Idaho.

Feed the Gap Charitable Fund

Created to permanently support hungry children and reduce food insecurity among children in Idaho.



Francis W. and Mary Ann Meyers Fund

Created by the estate of Mary Ann Meyers to forever support the Friends of Idaho Public Television, the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center and Father Flanagan's Boy's Town.



Friends of the Scotchman Peaks Wilderness Fund

Created to protect Scotchman Peaks for future generations through wilderness designation, ongoing stewardship and education.

Galli Family Fund

Created by Melissa and Chris Galli and family of Boise to support local charities and causes.



Getts-Yonker Charitable Fund

Established by Clem Yonker and Lori Getts of Sandpoint to support charitable organizations in Bonner County and statewide that focus on environmental and natural resource protection, wildlife habitat conservation, historical preservation, education and the arts.

Idaho Heritage Trust Fund

Created by the Idaho Heritage Trust to support its mission of serving all Idahoans by preserving cultural legacy.

John B. & Delores Fery Helping Hand Fund

Created by the Union Pacific Corporation's Board of Directors to recognize the service of John B. Fery. Distributions will "provide a helping hand that will make a difference in a person's life."



Julie Shaw Scholarship Fund

Created by the Shaw Family of Emmett in memory of their daughter Julie to provide scholarship assistance to graduates of Emmett High School.

Latah Recovery Center Endowment Fund

Created by the Latah Recovery Community Center, Inc., to support its mission to enter and engage people in recovery from addictions and behavioral health disorders.

Magic Valley Music Education Fund

Created to permanently support and enhance music education programs in Twin Falls and Jerome counties.



Margaret A. Plastino Memorial Scholarship for Idaho Nurses

Created by the family of Margaret A. Plastino to honor her memory and recognize her dedication to and impact on the nursing profession in Idaho.

McGee Family Fund

Created by Hal and Peg McGee through their estate plans to support organizations and programs serving disadvantaged children in the Treasure Valley.

New Funds in 2021

McGee Family Fund for the Blind and Visually Impaired

Created by Hal and Peg McGee through their estate plans to support the Idaho Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired.



Mitch and Linda Watkins Family Foundation

Created by Mitch and Linda Watkins of Twin Falls to support local charities and causes.

Modie Park Conservancy Endowment

Established by Philip A. Shinn of Lewiston to support the Modie Park Conservancy and its work for nature and conservation education in Ruth Rowell Modie Wildlife Park.

Peggy Elliott Goldwyn Advised Fund

Created by Peggy Elliott Goldwyn of Sun Valley to support local charities and causes.



Ponderosa Center Fund

Created to support the Ponderosa Center building

and sustain an all-season venue for the West Central Mountains.

Preston and Franklin County High School Alumni Fund

Created by alumni to provide financial aid to graduates pursuing a degree at an accredited college, tech school or university.

Ronald N. Graves and Diane Plastino Graves Charitable Fund

Created by Ronald N. Graves and Diane Plastino Graves of Boise to support local charities and causes.



Shelley Community Church Fund

Created by the church to support the newly-formed Heart 2 Hand Bingham Food Pantry in Shelley.

Stephanie Bender-Kitz & Karan Tucker Professional Development Fund

Created to recognize the contributions made to Jannus, Inc., by Stephanie and Karan and to provide professional development support to employees, board members and volunteers.

The Grace Fund

Created by Eric Grace of Boise to support local charities and causes.

The Nielsen Family Charitable Fund

Created by Toni and Steve Nielsen of Boise to support charities and causes close to their hearts.



The Townsend Family Scholarship Fund

Created by L. Wayne Townsend to support graduates of Sandpoint High School pursuing a post-secondary education.



William Tews Memorial Fund

Created by Ella Ruth and John Griffith of CULDESAC in honor of Ruth's father Williams Tews, a longtime farmer in the Shoshone area, to support Shoshone High School graduates with scholarships.

Williams Family Fund

Created by Bert Williams of Boise to support local charities and causes.

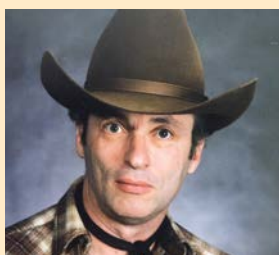
Women's Giving Connection of Southern Idaho Endowment Fund

Created from contributions made by the members of the giving circle to support nonprofits in Cassia, Minidoka, Jerome and Twin Falls counties.

Legacy Society

Members of ICF's Legacy Society are generous donors who will continue to support Idaho communities after they've passed. We sincerely thank them for their trust in ICF to serve as steward of their charitable vision.

New Legacy Society members in 2021



David Bohart (Nampa)



Sherryl E. and William K. Fulton (Sagle)



Bron Roberts and Jeremy Gray (Boise)



Nancy Benter White (Challis)

Anonymous (3)

William Severson (Caldwell)

L. Wayne Townsend (Sandpoint)

Rachel Winer and Tim Breuer (Boise)

All Legacy Society members, living and deceased

Anonymous (48)

Dorothy Adler*, Kootenai

Candi and Randy Allphin, Boise

Kay Alspaugh, Boise

Donald and Trudy Anderson, Boise

Don and Judy Atkinson, Hailey

Robert A. "Spike"* and Judith D. Baker, Boise

Mike and Kathy Beard, Sandpoint

Bill Berg, Sagle

H. LaRue* and Bernice* Bevington, Meridian

Lucile S. Bickett*, Gooding

Memory L. Blodgett, Buckeye, AZ

Carl G. Bontrager and Kathleen K. Lynn, Ketchum

Barbara Botsch, Sandpoint

Ernest and Carla Bratley, Sandpoint

Mary D. Butterfield*, Sun Valley

Larry* and Pamela Cardinale, Garden City

Richard and Heather Carosone, Idaho Falls

Barbara and JP Carver, Sandpoint

Pete* and Freda Cenarrusa, Boise

Annie Chalfant, Boise

John S. Chapman*, Boise

Larry and Shirley Chetwood, Boise

Donald W.* and Joann C.* Cissel, Idaho Falls

Trent L. and Rebecca L. Clark, Soda Springs

Tim and Kate Coiner, Twin Falls

Lee and Lori Cullen, Vista, CA

Leroy and Barbara Custer, Boise

Dennis Dahl, Eagle

Pat Dailey, Gooding

Robert* and Barbara* Dargatz, Hailey

James M. David and R. Kay* Snyder, Ammon

Thelma Dean, Bonners Ferry

Jack and Janice DeBaun, Dover

Curtis H. Eaton, Boise

Karen Ferguson, Boise

John B.* and Delores L. Fery, Boise

Richard C.* and Shirley I.* Fields, Boise

Donald* and Gretchen* Fraser, Sun Valley

Bill and Gay Fruehling, Ketchum

Gregory Garlick and Marcia Wing, Boise

Marilyn J. George, Sandpoint

Lesley Goffinet*, Sagle

Linda Grable-Curtis, Meridian

Ron Graves and Diane Plastino Graves, Boise

Steve and Donna Guerber, Eagle

All Legacy Society members, living and deceased, continued

William B. "Brack" Hale*, Ketchum	Bill and Lisa Mirams, Ketchum	Dorothy Snowball, Boise
Tim and Sue Hamilton, Ketchum	Thomas Morgan, Boise	Richard L. Sorensen, McMinnville, OR
Bob and Anne Hay, Boise	Mark and Holly Motes, Boise	Ray and Linda Stark, Boise
Guy H. Hearon, Sandpoint	Tricia L. Nance, Boise	Charles F. Story*, Boise
Gretchen Albrecht Hellar*, Sandpoint	Mona Noble, Mountain Home	Charles Sundby and Gloria Beattie, Meridian
Alice E. Hennessey, Boise	Charlotte S. Oslund*, Boise	Tricia Swartling, Ketchum
Leslee and Bob Hoover, Buckeye, AZ	Max L. Owen*, Sandpoint	Ben and Lauren Tassos, Boise
Pamela K. Howard, Lewiston	Genevieve M. Paroni*, Post Falls	Marty Telford and Carol Eklund, Eagle
Kenneth R.* and Betty J.* Huff, Boise	Dick* and Susan Parrish, Meridian	Sue and Tom Thilo, Hayden Lake
Ron and Mary Hughes, Boise	Carolyn Patrick, Emmett	Jim and Karin Thompson, Medford, OR
Richard* and Donna Hutter, Sandpoint	Alan Pennay, Sun Valley	Jim and Melissa Thomssen, Nampa
Nick* and Sara* Ifft, Spokane, WA	Thomas D. and Vickie A. Pfeifer, Cocolalla	Allyson and Scott Unzen, Sandpoint
Tom and Ann Jacobs, Eagle	Doug Porter, Idaho Falls	Bobbette F. Viker, Boise
Joseph M.* and Ella M.* Marty Family Trust, Yuba City, CA	Robert P. and Suzanne C. Rainville, Boise	Keith and Jan Walker, St. Anthony
Kurt* and Genola* Kandler, Ashton	Madelyn D. Rawlinson, Seattle, WA	Jeneal F. Wattenbarger*, Shelley
Dawn and Ken Kees, Lewiston	Eric Remais and Joyce Gordon, Hailey	L. Dean Welch*, Emmett
Kevin and Lisa King, Idaho Falls	Harlan and Barbara Renner, Dalton Gardens	Thomas* and Margaret Williams, Redding, CA
Donald and Nancy Bowen Longwith, Idaho Falls	Steven P. and Denise D. Roberge, Dalton Gardens	Jack and Mary Pat Winderl, Eagle
Mack and Cheryl Lopez, Nampa	Harold E. Rumsey, Boise	Raymond and Janice Wolfe, Caldwell
Clark and Gracie Lusk, Hayden	Thomas and Susan Saldin, Boise	Bill Woolley, Boise
Todd L. Maddock, Spokane, WA	Ron J. Sali, Eagle	Price Worrell, Columbia, SC
Eugene H. Magleby*, Idaho Falls	Ann McCutchan Sandven, Boise	Clem Yonker and Lori Getts, Sandpoint
Joe* and Patty Marshall, Meridian	Brenda and Terry Sanford, Heyburn	Helen K. Yuditsky, Coeur d'Alene
Bev Martin, Ola	Marcia C. Selig*, Phoenix, AZ	
Mike and Jan McBride, Twin Falls	Judith and James Seydel, Idaho Falls	*Deceased
John and Mary* McGown, Boise	Jay and Sue Shelledy, Sagle	
Pat and Lisa McMurray, Boise	Jim and Glena Sherman, Juliaetta	
Rhonda Millick, Eagle	Walt and Kristin Sinclair, McCall	

We sincerely apologize if there are errors or omissions in this list and encourage you to contact **Boone Kizer** at boone@idahocf.org to correct them for future publications.

In Memoriam



Harvey T. "Harv" Bickett

ICF's Friend of the Foundation honoree in 2015 and a Regional Council member (then called Regional Grant Panels), Harv passed away in June 2021. He and his wife Myrna established an ICF charitable giving fund in 2006 that benefits community organizations in the Magic Valley, particularly Lincoln and Gooding counties where Harv grew up.

Dean Buffington

A longtime Treasure Valley investment advisor, Dean played several important roles for the Idaho Community Foundation, including helping his client **Gladys Langroise** create ICF's largest Donor Advised Fund in 2000. He served as an advisor to the Langroise fund for more than 15 years and received ICF's Friend of the Foundation award in 2018. Dean passed away in December 2020.



Shirley Fields

An ICF fundholder and Legacy Society member, Shirley passed away in April 2021 at the age of 90. Born in Japan, Shirley was an English language interpreter at the Miho Air Force Base in Japan when she met Boise native **Dick Fields**. They married in 1957 and moved to the United States.

Duane B. Hagadone

A private but devoted family man and an icon of publishing, real estate and hospitality in north Idaho, Duane died in April 2021, at his home in Palm Desert, Calif., at the age of 88. He helped the Idaho Community Foundation establish its North Idaho Annual Luncheons and he and his wife **Lola Hagadone** have an ICF charitable giving fund.



Shirley "Sus" Helpenstell

A former ICF Board Director, Sus passed away in December 2021 at the age of 91. She was a longtime community leader in Canyon County who helped establish the Boys & Girls Club of Nampa.



Tim Hopkins

One of the nation's top attorneys and one of Idaho Falls' most civic-minded residents, Tim died in April 2021 at the age of 85. He served on the ICF Board of Directors from 2013-2015.



Richard F. Hutter

Richard, 82, passed away in April 2021, in Sandpoint. He was active in the investment community and philanthropic community in Sandpoint and Bonner County. Richard served on the ICF Board of Directors, Leadership Council and Investment Subcommittee. Together, Richard and his wife **Donna Hutter** received the ICF Friend of the Foundation award in 2011.



Jannus Inc. - Economic Opportunity clients receive support from the Chobani Community Impact Fund in ICE.

Community Leadership

The Idaho Community Foundation is a philanthropic catalyst, bringing together generous donors, community knowledge and strategic vision to make a positive impact where we live.

We accomplish this work in many ways, as you'll see in these stories. ICF supports collective giving through giving circles, like the newly formed Women's Giving Connection. We help preserve Idaho's natural beauty for future generations through the Pacific Northwest Resilient Landscapes Initiative. We partner with Chobani, one of Idaho's largest employers, and help them find entrepreneurs with big ideas who need a boost to make it a reality.

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I believe that as an entrepreneur, when you share success, it grows.

Hamdi Ulukaya, Founder and CEO of Chobani

Women's Giving Connection of Southern Idaho

What started as a conversation between friends has grown into south central Idaho's first women's giving circle. The Women's Giving Connection of Southern Idaho was founded by **Linda Watkins** of Twin Falls with help from **Sami Ashenbrener, Kathy MacMillan** and **Lori Ward**.

The concept of women's giving circles is simple, but powerful. Each woman in the group pays an annual membership fee, and the fees are pooled together. The group gathers to decide which organizations in their community should receive grants. As more members join, the grants grow larger.

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A giving circle is a great example of women helping women become better leaders and philanthropists in our communities. Now, more than ever, we need each other as we navigate out of a very isolating time in our world.

Linda Watkins

Longtime ICF board director and former executive director of the Twin Falls Education Foundation



Sami, who is in her early 30s with young children, said she had been looking for a way to make her charitable giving more impactful in the Magic Valley and the collective giving aspect really appealed to her.

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We get to positively impact the community for the better while connecting with an amazing group of inspiring women. I think my generation can really grow and learn by connecting with the more experienced generations.

Sami Ashenbrener

Women's Giving Connection co-founder

Linda relied on the expertise of leaders from the Women's Gift Alliance in Kootenai County, Wood River Women's Fund in Blaine County and the Idaho Women's Charitable Foundation in the Treasure Valley to get her organization established.

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Knowing we had other Idaho groups to lean on with our questions was a huge support for us moving forward. They have been invaluable mentors who genuinely want us to succeed, and I'm sure they will continue to be as our giving circle grows.

Linda Watkins

Other women's giving circles in Idaho

Idaho Women's Charitable Foundation: Founded in 2001; has awarded more than \$2.6 million in southwest Idaho.

iwcfboise.org

Women's Gift Alliance: Founded in 2005; has awarded more than \$1.4 million in Kootenai County.

womensgiftalliance.org

Wood River Women's Foundation: Founded in 2005; has awarded more than \$3.2 million in the Wood River Valley.

woodriverwomensfoundation.org

The Idaho Community Foundation assists with the work of the Women's Gift Alliance, the Wood River Women's Foundation and the Women's Giving Connection by collecting members' dues, investing endowed funds and distributing grants.

This year, ICF will host the first-ever summit for Idaho women's giving circles. We look forward to the opportunity for shared learning and community building.

To learn more: womensgivingconnection-southernidaho.org.

Pacific Northwest Resilient Landscapes Initiative

After three years, the Idaho Community Foundation and our community foundation partners have completed our commitment in the Pacific Northwest Resilient Landscapes Initiative, which resulted in:

- 20 landscape preservation projects
- \$9 million granted across Idaho, Oregon and Washington
- 18,000 acres being preserved in the Pacific Northwest

We sincerely thank all of you who donated toward the effort, participated in virtual education sessions, and shared information in your communities. The Initiative may continue as a long-term project of the Land Trust Alliance.

Four Idaho projects were selected for inclusion:

• **Lemhi Regional Land Trust: Lone Pine Ranch**

The Lone Pine Ranch is a nearly 2,000 acre working ranch on the upper Pahsimeroi River, a tributary of the Salmon River. Now protected by a conservation easement, the land includes prime farmland soils and provides critical habitat for fish and a link between seasonal habitats for big game.

• **The Conservation Fund: Maytag Forest** –

The Maytag Forest was a privately owned 900-acre parcel surrounded by the Caribou-Targhee National Forest. It was purchased by The Conservation Fund and transferred to the U.S. Forest Service for permanent protection, preserving critical wildlife habitat. It also enhances recreational access for hikers, hunters, anglers, mountain bikers and snow sport enthusiasts.

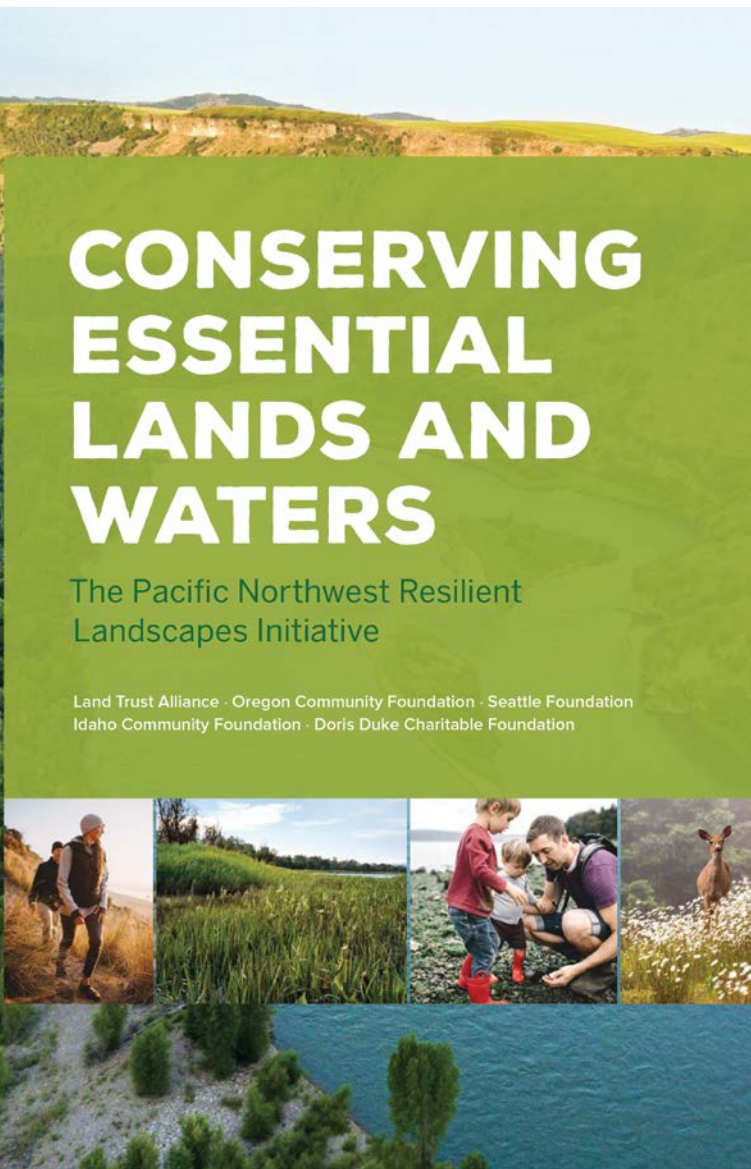
• **Vital Ground Foundation: Kootenai Valley Project** –

More than 1,000 acres of the Hubbard Family Farm have been placed in a conservation easement, preserving critical wildlife linkage habitat in north Idaho between the Selkirk and Cabinet-Yaak grizzly bear recovery areas. It also protects prime agricultural soils and maintains the rural character of the Kootenai Valley.

• **Wood River Land Trust: Croy Canyon** –

This project will significantly expand the Hailey Greenway by adding 118 acres in Croy Canyon adjacent to Lions Park. It will protect emergent wetlands, riparian and sagebrush habitats, facilitate migration for wildlife and protect cold-water habitat for fish.

In addition, five Idaho land trusts received capacity-building grants to strengthen their organizations. The Land Trust Alliance, Oregon Community Foundation and Seattle Foundation all partnered on this effort, which was funded in part by the Doris Duke Charitable Foundation.



ICF and Chobani grant \$200K in Magic Valley

Now in its fourth year, the Chobani Community Impact Fund has awarded \$1.4 million in grants to 30 organizations in Idaho and its other home community in New York. Chobani partners with the Idaho Community Foundation and Central New York Community Foundation to facilitate its grantmaking and community impact.

The Chobani Community Impact Fund is designed to fuel innovation, expand economic opportunity, and promote entrepreneurship, diversity and inclusion in the Magic Valley.



Chobani Community Impact Fund grantee Latinos in Action.

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We know what it's like for an entrepreneur to have a big dream but need a little financial boost to make it a reality. This is exactly how Chobani was founded. Our goal is to pay it forward to others in our home communities by supporting entrepreneurs, development organizations and small business, all of whom help to create jobs and strengthen our local economies.

Peter McGuinness

Chobani President and Chief Operating Officer

In 2021, \$200,000 in grants were awarded to five Magic Valley organizations chosen by Chobani's employee selection committee. They were:

Lincoln County Youth Commission – \$50,000 to teach young people in Lincoln County how to create their own businesses and to provide microloans for small, agriculture-based businesses.

Jannus Inc. – Economic Opportunity – \$50,000 to help underserved and vulnerable people achieve financial health and resiliency by offering microloans, credit education and more.

Latinos in Action – \$45,000 to fund a program expansion that supports culturally responsive social and emotional learning, college and career readiness, and leadership development.

Recovery in Motion – \$30,000 to train and support peer support specialists/recovery coaches to help clients recuperating from mental health and/or substance abuse disorders reintegrate in their communities and increase their employability.

Magic Valley Kid Market – \$25,000 to allow 1,000 children to participate in financial and business literacy classes and create paths for career exploration and business development.

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We are proud of our strong partnership with Chobani these past four years to boost entrepreneurs and catalyze economic opportunity in the Magic Valley.

Cara Nielsen

ICF Vice President, Philanthropy and Impact



HAPI Trails Horse Adoption Program, Inc.
in Driggs is a Forever Idaho grantee.



Community-Driven Philanthropy

We support Idaho's greatest needs as identified by people who live in local communities. Our Forever Idaho Funds are pooled, so donors can make a greater impact than by giving alone. Community organizations receive flexible funding, and we lead initiatives like Project Neighborly and statewide COVID grantmaking in 2020 and 2021.

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We truly do not know what the greatest needs in our community will be from day to day, which is why flexible funding is such a need and so very appreciated.

Kimber Janes, Upper Valley Child Advocacy Center in Rigby

Project Neighborly-Idaho

We launched **Project Neighborly-Idaho** in spring 2020 in the Treasure Valley as a pilot program to foster inclusion and inspire neighborliness at the hyperlocal level. Our first grantees received \$2,000-\$4,500 for projects ranging from hosting a summer farmer's market at Bogus Basin to creating a story walk along the Kuna greenbelt.

It was so popular that we are expanding to communities in north Idaho and east Idaho in 2022, with help from our community partners Battelle Energy Alliance, manager and operator of Idaho National Laboratory; Blue Cross of Idaho Foundation for Health, Idaho Central Credit Union and Innovia Foundation.

Additional partners include CDA2030, Civic Engagement Alliance, Coeur d'Alene Chamber of Commerce and United Way North Idaho.

Mujeres Unidas de Idaho, which brings Idaho's Latinas together to promote health, education, empowerment and leadership in communities, was a 2021 grantee.

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The grant helped us connect with our community members and reach even more people. We increased the number of engaged women, we cultivated a sense of community belonging and we made a difference.

Mariza Munoz

Mujeres Unidas de Idaho Board Member

photo by Chelsea Harada/Story Story Night





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These projects bring people together in new ways that are both meaningful and fun.

Lisa Bearg

ICF Senior Philanthropic Advisor and leader of the Project Neighborly-Idaho program

Story Story Night used its Project Neighborly grant to create “Porch Night” at JUMP in Boise. Porch Night was a collaboration with a local photographer, musicians and storytellers all working together to create a community mood and experience for attendees.

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Support from ICF helped us create the sense of a literal porch built in an outdoor amphitheater in downtown Boise – the ultimate gathering place.

Jodi Eichelberger

Story Story Night Artistic Director

2021 Project Neighborly awardees

Bogus Basin Recreational Association :

To host Global Gardens farmers at “Market on the Mountain.”

Borah High School: For “Kindness Blooms,” an initiative by Borah students to make flowerpots and deliver them to neighbors.

Inclusive Idaho: To launch a family friendly event that fosters inclusion for minoritized community members.

Kuna Library: For a community story walk along the greenbelt.

Mujeres Unidas de Idaho: To provide information about community resources and cultural activities to Latinas in Ada and Canyon counties.

Story Story Night: To produce Story Story Porch Night.

Treasure Valley Community Garden Co-Op:

To help establish small gardens in Latinx and communities of color.

Forever Idaho in 2021

Nearly \$900,000 in Forever Idaho grants were awarded to 156 community organizations of all sizes in counties throughout Idaho. Forever Idaho grants are focused on family homelessness and basic needs, educational opportunities, mental and physical health, and access to services.

Based on lessons learned during 2020's record-breaking COVID-19 grantmaking, the Idaho Community Foundation increased the cap on Forever Idaho grants to \$25,000, made the grants more flexible and removed end-of-grant reporting requirements.

Funding for Forever Idaho grants comes from the power of collective giving. Hundreds of donors over

the years have made gifts of all sizes to the Forever Idaho Fund in their region. All donations stay in the region designated by the donor.

To learn more: www.idahocf.org/current-future-donors/donate-now/forever-idaho



Advocates Against Family Violence in Caldwell received a grant for its preschool program, which exclusively serves families affected by domestic abuse.

Regional Councils

The Regional Councils are volunteer leaders with in-depth knowledge of their region, experience working with community organizations and a commitment to review and recommend grant applications for ICF's Forever Idaho grants and other funding programs.

North Idaho

Heidi Rogers, Chair
Peg Carver
Linda Davidson
Brinnon Garrett Mandell
Sharon Harris
Mary Jahn
Suzanne Johnson
Lori McCann
Ray Mosman
Sue Thilo

East Idaho

Catherine Smith, Chair
Misty Benjamin
Kevin King
Hailey Lusk
David Marotz
Laura Pickard
Kathy Ray
Tammy Stringham
Mary Vagner

South Central Idaho

Brenda Sanford, Chair
Armand Eckert
Ranie Evans
Carla Flores
Tammy Jones
Gary Klett
Julia Oxarango-Ingram
Trish Searle
Tricia Swartling
Jennifer Traugher
Linda Watkins

Southwest Idaho

Sandy Fery, Chair
Trudy Anderson
Sheila Hennessey
Andrew Mentzer
Lynn Murdoch
Frances Nagashima
David Shaw
LeAnn Simmons
Lauren Tassos

North Idaho

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This will continue the momentum of our childcare, so families can keep moving forward in their jobs and lives.

Mark Tucker

United Way of North Idaho in Coeur d'Alene

North Idaho

East Idaho

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We can fill in gaps, whether it's purchasing diapers, meeting needs in our emergency shelter or other issues.

Scott Smith

Bingham Crisis Center in Blackfoot

East Idaho

Southwest Idaho

South Central Idaho

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This will pay rent for 13 families living paycheck-to-paycheck who have an unanticipated event that leads them to Jesse Tree.

Ali Rabe

Jesse Tree in Boise

South Central Idaho

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This allows us to keep giving the gift of home to elderly, disabled and chronically ill individuals in the Magic Valley.

Jeanette Roe

Interlink Volunteer Caregivers



Shelley Community Church Fund

Nearly 30 years ago, members of the Shelley Community United Methodist Church saw a need for a local food pantry for elderly residents and families who couldn't travel to foodbanks in the larger communities of Idaho Falls and Blackfoot.

The North Bingham County Community Foodbank started in a church classroom, serving three to four families each week. By 2017, it had grown into a full-scale operation serving up to 50-70 families each week with a thrift store, backpack program with weekend meals for schoolchildren, bicycle distribution, English as a Second Language classes, and Senior Health Insurance Benefits Advisor Program.

Unfortunately, a series of cascading events forced the church to close its doors last year. Church membership declined as people moved to larger surrounding communities or passed away. The pastor they shared with other eastern Idaho churches passed away. Then the pandemic hit.

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2020 began as any other year. Although we were still mourning the passing of Pastor Davey, we carried on with the foodbank each week.

Beverly Peeler

Lifelong church member

They held their spring craft fair fundraiser in early March. “It was the last activity we would do for the foreseeable future,” Beverly said. The church closed temporarily due to COVID-19 the following week.

The foodbank continued as a drive-up and even expanded to distribute diapers, but the church did not recover. In June 2021, it officially closed after 119 years of serving the community and the foodbank closed with it.

But residents of Shelley knew the foodbank was still needed. A small group banded together and renamed it the Heart 2 Hand Bingham Food Pantry and secured its nonprofit status as a standalone organization. The Shelley Community Church Fund was established at the Idaho Community Foundation to support Heart 2 Hand with proceeds from the closure of the church.



Shelley Community United Methodist Church

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We have so many individuals in our community that need this, who have no other place to turn. We hope to continue serving just like North Bingham County Community Foodbank did for so many years.

Jen Worlton

Director, Heart 2 Hand Bingham Food Pantry

2021 COVID grants

Nearly

\$2.2

Million

AWARDED IN 2020-21

As Idaho emerged from the initial wave of COVID-19, the Idaho Community Foundation was here to assist with the recovery process by focusing on community needs. In 2021, about \$300,000 from the COVID-19 Response and Recovery Fund for Idaho was awarded.

\$7,500

Childcare/Early Education

\$86,000

Community Resiliency

\$132,000

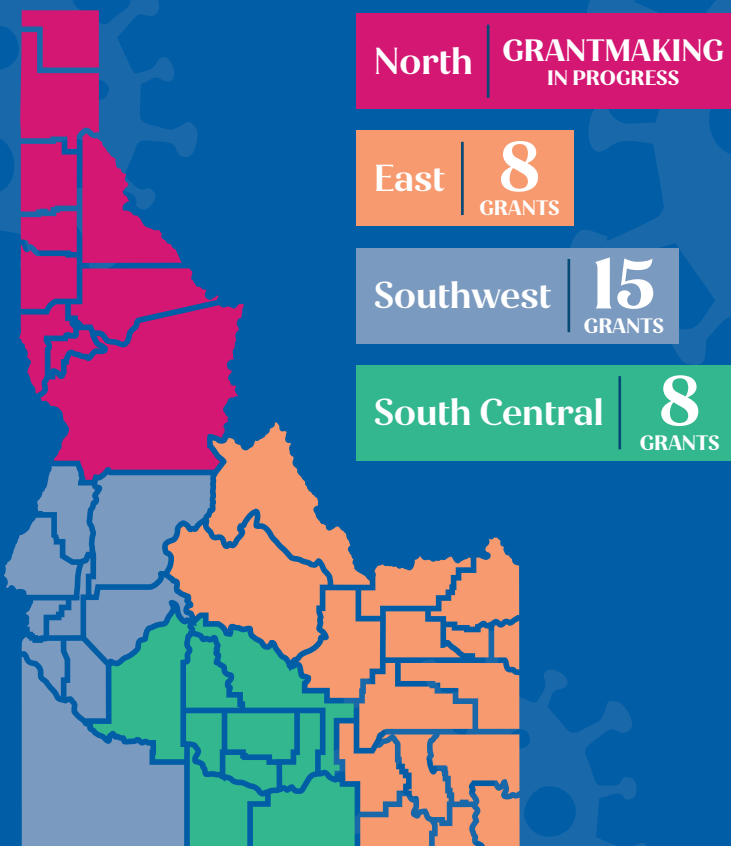
Domestic Abuse/Housing Services

\$17,500

Food & Basic Needs

\$57,500

Mental and Physical Health





Family Philanthropy

When you join the Idaho Community Foundation, you become part of something bigger than any one individual – you join a family of people who care deeply about Idaho and are committed to doing great things together for their community.

Through our hyperlocal network, we understand the issues facing Idaho and can help you give to community organizations making an impactful difference.

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We have gotten so much support over the years when we really needed it and that allowed us to push through some hard times. We've never gotten too far away to forget it and it drives us to pay it forward and share that gift with our kids.

Melissa Galli, ICF Donor Advised Fundholder, Boise



The Galli family at home

Family Philanthropy

The Gallis and the Kings

When **Kay McMillan** of Butte, Mont., passed away five years ago, her brother created a charitable giving fund at the Montana Community Foundation to honor her decades of service as a nurse.

Her niece, **Melissa Galli** of Boise, is an advisor on the fund, and helps decide which community organizations should receive grants. The experience has been powerful.

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My aunt never had much money while she was alive. She gave of herself through her job as a nurse. This fund has been responsible for making significant ongoing contributions to her community and the causes that were important to her.

Melissa Galli

ICF Donor Advised Fundholder

That purposeful philanthropy showed Melissa a way that she and her husband **Chris Galli** could instill lifelong values of kindness and generosity in their daughters Bella, 13, and Eliana, 11.

Chris, a software developer and musician, and Melissa, a Realtor, have been active volunteers in the community and donated to the charitable organizations that were meaningful to them personally or professionally.

They've recently established the Galli Family Fund at ICF, an endowed Donor Advised Fund, and every member of the family will participate in grantmaking decisions.

Charitable giving funds can be created with estate gifts as well. ICF Board Director **Kevin King** and his wife **Lisa King** of Idaho Falls will give a bequest to ICF to create two funds after they pass away.

The first will support their favorite religious, arts, education and outdoor organizations. The second is a Donor Advised Fund that names their daughters as advisors – same as Melissa Galli's role with her aunt's fund.

Lisa and Kevin King



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Having the Donor Advised Fund has helped us become more intentional about the family legacy we want to create today and that which we will leave behind.

Melissa Galli

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We hope it will teach them to be charitably minded with their own funds, provide a fun bonding experience, and give them an excuse to get together at least once a year.

Kevin King

ICF Board Director

If you'd like to learn more about how ICF can help you develop a philanthropic plan for your family, contact us at info@idahocf.org.

The Tradition Continues

The John B. and Delores Fery Helping Hand Fund

The John B. and Delores Fery Helping Hand Fund was created at the Idaho Community Foundation this year by Union Pacific Railroad to thank the Fery Family for John's service on Union Pacific's Board of Directors in the early 1980s.

John Fery, who passed away in 2017, was the founder of the Idaho Community Foundation and its lead champion. He assembled a Steering Committee of Idahoans who helped him create an organization that would benefit the entire state, and he served as ICF's first Board Chair.

Together with his wife **Dee Fery**, the family became a force in Idaho philanthropy that continues today. Grants from the Fery Helping Hand Fund will go to community organizations in southwest and south central Idaho that make a difference in people's lives. John and Dee's sons and their wives will decide which organizations will receive grants, with help from Dee.

Sandy Fery is the current chair of ICF's Southwest Regional Council and a past ICF Board Chair who served 12 years on the Board of Directors. She said philanthropy and charitable giving is deeply ingrained in all members of the family.

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John and Dee inspired their sons and their son's families to volunteer and support the organizations that they feel really strongly about. When we talk to younger family members, we encourage them to pick the causes that are meaningful to them and to share those passions as a family.

Sandy Fery

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The family has grown to about 20 people now, including kids, grandkids and spouses, and everyone has their own charitable interests. Between us, we are passionate about a wide variety of nonprofits.

Sandy Fery

John and Dee Fery's daughter-in-law





The Sanchez kids



Kurt Schimkowitsch

Trail Stewardship

For Kids and by Kids

Adapted from a story by Phil Hough, Executive Director at Friends of Scotchman Peaks Wilderness

Friends of Scotchman Peaks Wilderness (FSPW) are calling 2021 the “Year of the Kids.” Not just because three adorable mountain goat kids were born into the mountain’s herd but also because some of the organization’s most outstanding trail volunteers were young people.

“If you want to get trail work done while on a hike, ask an 11-year-old,” laughed **Phil Hough**, Executive Director for FSPW. “Their enthusiasm for pruning is unparalleled.”

Friends of Scotchman Peaks Wilderness created a charitable giving fund at the Idaho Community Foundation in 2021 to meet their needs now and in the future through wilderness designation, ongoing stewardship and education.

Trail volunteer **Kurt Schimkowitsch** shares a passion for the Scotchmans that has been passed down for generations. It began with his grandmother, longtime FSPW board member **Carol Jenkins**, who – in her words – made sure her grandson grew up “wild.”

While bounding past other hikers to tackle overgrown bush with his loppers, Kurt always reminds them to “Leave the goats alone!” when they get to the top.

The Sanchez kids – **Jaslyne**, **Emmanuel** and **Annalyse** – also like to get in a little trail work during

homeschool adventures with their mother, **Rebecca Sanchez**. Their classroom is the Scotchman Peaks, and their lesson plans often include 13-mile days in the backcountry and night hikes in the depths of winter. What they lack in height, they make up for in enthusiasm and exceptional endurance for walking uphill.

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Our goals as an organization include keeping the goats wild and the Scotchman trails open for these children to explore as adults. Decades down the road, we want to ensure there is still a rugged and undeveloped landscape in north Idaho for them to call home.

Phil Hough

*Executive Director,
Friends of Scotchman Peaks Wilderness*

New Staff in 2021

We were pleased to welcome new staff in 2021. Our growth reinforces our commitment as a philanthropic leader with a strategic vision to make a positive impact in Idaho.



Rich Ballou, Philanthropic Advisor, East

Rich works with individuals, families, companies and organizations in east Idaho to help them accomplish their philanthropic goals.

Rich has a background in both development and journalism. He most recently served as a director of development at Idaho State University. He enjoys mountain biking, hiking, skiing and running. He plays the French horn in various community groups and loves classic rock.

Emily Graybill, Office and Events Coordinator

Emily is responsible for administrative support to all areas of ICF, in addition to constituent relations and event management.

Before coming to ICF, Emily worked with a foster youth resource center, a record label and a public relations firm. She enjoys attending live music events, exploring local bookstores and other small businesses, and spending time outdoors, especially at a lake or in the mountains.



Boone Kizer, Database and Portfolio Administrator

Boone supports the Philanthropy and Impact Team by enhancing quality control measures for ICF's database. He also researches and implements best practices for partner engagement.

Boone has more than 10 years' experience in the nonprofit sector, most recently at the Treasure Valley Family YMCA. He enjoys running, hiking, backpacking and travel, especially to learn about Spanish-language cultures.

Mary Stewart, Board and Executive Coordinator

Mary serves as the administrative liaison to the Board of Directors, Board Committees and Regional Councils.

Her diverse professional background includes jobs in marketing, education and administration. Mary enjoys being outdoors, coloring and she is learning to sew.



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