In Memory of
John Fery
Idaho Community Foundation Founder
1930–2017
2017 In Review

- 24 New Charitable Funds
- 580 Total Charitable Funds
- 9 New Legacy Society Members
- 180 Total Legacy Society Members
- 646 Members Supporting Our Work

Grants to Communities Totaling Nearly $8.6 million

Scholarships to Students Totaling more than $460,000

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$181.3 million Total Assets

$134.1 million Total Endowment

$8.5 million in Gifts

19% Investment Return on Endowed Funds
This year marks the 30th Anniversary of the Idaho Community Foundation and we are thrilled to be able to share this milestone with you. We are celebrating our past and we invite you to help us shape our future!

Even though this is a year of celebration, it is also a time to honor the memory of our founder, John Fery, who passed away in 2017. With his large presence and charismatic personality, John was a born leader who was CEO of Boise Cascade for more than 20 years.

But there was more to John than corporate success. He was equally dedicated to and passionate about philanthropy and the importance of thriving communities. John crisscrossed the state with members of ICF’s Steering Committee to build support for the Idaho Community Foundation. In 1991, we distributed our first grants – 31 of them totaling $164,000.

We are proud to say that we’ve now distributed nearly $114 million in grants to communities of all sizes throughout Idaho! In 2017 alone, we distributed $8.6 million in grants to communities, and we distributed more than $460,000 in scholarships.

The Idaho Community Foundation is a public foundation with a mission to enrich the quality of life throughout Idaho. Promoting collective giving and making a positive impact in communities is at the heart of what we do.

One of the ways we do that is through our Forever Idaho Funds. Forever Idaho Funds offer all donors a way to support their communities. A Forever Idaho gift can be any size and is pooled with others for maximum charitable impact.

Grants from Forever Idaho Funds flow through our Regional Grant Cycles. The Regional Grant Cycles ensure that local voices are heard because they include one or more volunteers from every county in Idaho. All communities are represented – from Idaho’s Panhandle to the Snake River Plain.

The Grants Panels meet once a year to discuss requests and make recommendations about where the grant money will have the most impact on their communities. There are always more requests for funding than there are available dollars and the discussions can be lively.

That’s where you come in. We’ve set a goal to increase contributions to Forever Idaho Funds in honor of our 30th Anniversary, and you can help by supporting the Forever Idaho Fund for your region. Your gift will stay in your region and benefit your local nonprofits. Or you can contribute to the Forever Idaho Statewide Fund and support the Idaho Community Foundation’s initiatives.

- For East Idaho (Bannock, Bear Lake, Bingham, Bonneville, Butte, Caribou, Clark, Custer, Franklin, Fremont, Jefferson, Lemhi, Madison, Oneida, Power and Teton counties): www.idcomfdn.org/funds/ForeverIdahoEast

- For North Idaho (Benewah, Bonner, Boundary, Clearwater, Idaho, Kootenai, Latah, Lewis, Nez Perce and Shoshone counties): www.idcomfdn.org/funds/ForeverIdahoNorth


- For Statewide: www.idcomfdn.org/funds/ForeverIdahoStatewide

We thank you for your support. In closing, we hope you will Save the Date and plan to join us for our 30th Anniversary Celebration on Wednesday, November 14 at JUMP in Boise. During this special cocktail party, we will unveil our new logo, new website and include a few other surprises. More details to come!

Thank you very much for all you do to help the Idaho Community Foundation enrich the quality of life throughout Idaho. Whether you’ve been a supporter for 30 years or 30 days, we appreciate you!

Best wishes,

Sue Thier 
Board Chair

Karl Bisher 
President & CEO
Members of the ICF Legacy Society are generous donors who will continue to support Idaho communities after they’ve passed. We sincerely thank them for enriching the quality of life throughout Idaho.

**New Legacy Society members in 2017**

Anonymous (3)
Tim and Kate Coiner, Twin Falls
Bev Martin, Ola
Rhonda Millick, Eagle
Harlan and Barbara Renner, Dalton Gardens
Steven and Denise Roberge, Dalton Gardens

**All other Legacy Society members, living and deceased**

We sincerely apologize if there are errors or omissions in this list and encourage you to contact Annual Report editor Jennifer Oxley at joxley@idcomfn.org to correct them for future publications.

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Arthur D. Adams*, Rathdrum
Dorothy Adler*, Kootenai
Kay Alspaugh, Boise
Don and Trudy Anderson, Boise
Don and Judy Atkinson, Hailey
Robert A. ‘Spike’* and Judith D. Baker, Emmett
Mike and Kathy Beard, Sandpoint
Bill Berg, Sagle
H. LaRue and Bernice* Bevington, Meridian
Lucile Stevens Bickett*, Gooding
Memory L. Blodgett, Meridian
Barbara A. Botsch, Sandpoint
Ernest and Carla Bratley, Sandpoint

Mary D. Butterfield*, Sun Valley
Larry* and Pamela Cardinale, Wilder
Barbara and JP Carver, Sandpoint
Pete* and Freda Cenarrusa, Boise
Annie Chalfant, Boise

John S. Chapman*, Boise
Donald W.* and Joann C. Cissel, Idaho Falls
Trent L. and Rebecca L. Clark, Soda Springs
Lee and Lori Cullen, Hayden Lake
LeRoy and Barbara Custer, Boise
Dennis Dahl, Eagle
Robert* and Barbara Dargatz, Hailey
James M. David and R. Kay Snyder*, Ammon
Thelma Dean, Bonners Ferry
Jack and Janice DeBaun, Sandpoint
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
William B. (Brack) Hale, Ketchum
Guy H. Hearon, Sandpoint
Gretchen Albrecht Hellar*, Sandpoint
Alice E. Hennessey, Boise
Leslee and Bob Hoover, Coeur d’Alene
Pamela K. Howard, Lewiston
Ron and Mary Hughes, Boise
Richard and Donna Hutter, Sandpoint
Nick* and Sara Ifft*, Pocatello
Tom and Ann Jacobs, Eagle
Kurt* and Genola Kandler*, Ashton
Dawn and Ken Kees, Lewiston
Denise and Kent Keller, Ponderay
Christina Kowrach, O.D., Kendrick
Donald and Nancy Bowen Longwith, Idaho Falls
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Todd L. Maddock, Spokane
Eugene H. Magleby*, Idaho Falls
Joe* and Patty Marshall, Meridian
Mike and Jan McBride, Twin Falls
John and Mary McGown, Boise
Pat and Lisa McMurray, Boise
Rhonda Millick, Eagle
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Robert and Suzanne Rainville, Boise
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Thomas and Susan Saldin, Boise
Ron J. Sali, Eagle
Ann McCutchan Sandven, Boise
Marcia C. Selig, Phoenix, AZ
Judith and James Seydel, Idaho Falls
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Allyson and Scott Unzen, Sage
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Jack and Mary Pat Winderl, Eagle
Raymond and Janice Wolfe, Caldwell
Bill and Gini Woolley, Boise
Price Worrell, Pocatello
Clem Yonker and Lori Getts, Sandpoint
Helen K. Yuditsky, Coeur d’Alene

*Deceased
Bill “Action” Jackson and Jackie Jackson

Bill “Action” and Jackie Jackson at Pacific Steel & Recycling. The Jacksons recycle scrap metal and deposit the proceeds into their ICF funds for grantmaking. Their funds have granted more than $1 million since 2000.
Bill “Action” Jackson says being raised in Boston in the 1950s meant being resourceful. He started scrapping as a 7-year-old – collecting newspapers, rags and soda bottles and exchanging them for money.

As he got older, he sold newspapers and worked at a carwash, always on the lookout to sell more than yesterday or collect the largest tips. When he entered Boston University a decade later, he had saved enough for almost two years of college tuition. He and his wife Jackie Jackson did the same thing for their two sons’ college educations, saving $10,000 from recycling.

So it made sense to turn to scrapping as a way to raise money for the funds that Action and Jackie established at the Idaho Community Foundation to honor the memory of their son John William Jackson, who died at age 24 in a climbing accident in central Asia in 2000.

Thanks to money received from scrapping, as well as generous donations, the Jackson’s funds have now given away $1 million in grants and scholarships to students and nonprofit organizations throughout Idaho.

“We did not have the slightest idea that the funds would grow to this level,” Action said. “We established them because we wanted to respond immediately with actions that would keep John’s memory alive.”

Grants and scholarships from the John William Jackson Funds are for young people to attend arts performances, experience outdoor sports and receive academic scholarships. In addition to being an avid rock climber, John was a competitive soccer player and gifted musician who earned excellent grades. He graduated from Georgetown University with a degree in psychology and was conducting research at the University of Montana when he passed away.

Neither Action nor Jackie grew up in philanthropic families. Jackie was raised in Saigon, Vietnam and said philanthropy wasn’t part of Vietnamese culture at the time. “Families just took care of each other,” she said.

Action said he was first exposed to philanthropy when he received a college scholarship from a wealthy benefactor. “Something changed in me when I received that scholarship,” Action said. “I knew how it benefited me and now I’m multiplying that.”

Action and Jackie met in Saigon in 1965, when Action served in the Army during the Vietnam War. Jackie’s family was strict and their dates had to be chaperoned by the Saigon USO director. They were married on Valentine’s Day 1968 and celebrated their 50th anniversary this year.

After they moved to Idaho, the Jackson’s were inspired by Boise philanthropists Joe Albertson, Velma Morrison, Esther Simplot and others. “Seeing their accomplishments made an impression on us,” Action said.

It was Velma Morrison who acquainted Action with the family foundation established in memory of her husband Harry. Realizing they didn’t have the resources to start a private foundation, Action and Jackie turned to the Idaho Community Foundation and then-President and CEO Alice Hennessey, who helped them structure their first fund to ensure it would provide the grants and scholarships they wanted.

“We call Alice the mother of the John William Jackson Fund,” Action said.

Today, both Action and Jackie are mostly retired, though Action spends the majority of his time traveling to construction sites and coordinating scrap metal recycling. Jackie volunteers once a week at St. Luke’s and enjoys cooking and watching basketball. They hope to find a volunteer president to lead the John William Jackson Fund so they can fully retire.

“We have devoted our lives to this effort and we want to find someone who will continue the legacy,” Action said.

For more information about the John William Jackson Fund in the Idaho Community Foundation, visit johnwilliamjacksonfund.org.
**HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE FROM IDAHO AND BEYOND BELIEVE IN THE IMPORTANT WORK OF THE IDAHO COMMUNITY FOUNDATION AND PARTICIPATE IN OUR ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM TO SUPPORT OUR OPERATIONS, WHICH ALLOWS US TO FOCUS ON OUR COMMUNITY IMPACT THROUGHOUT THE STATE.**

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Dwight and Leann Wicks, Kooskia
Neil and Ann Wimberley, Hope
David and Shannon Wimer, Grangeville
Jack and Mary Pat Winderl, Eagle
H. Norman and Kathryn Wright, American Falls
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Mark and Holly Motes, Boise
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Leonard Parenteau, Priest River
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Junior Achievement of Washington, Spokane
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A Forever Legacy: Herbert D. McAvoy

Gizmo-CdA founder Barb Mueller with Gizmo students. Gizmo-CdA is a nonprofit makerspace that provides summer camps, workshops and programs in robotics, game design, jewelry making and more to youth and adults in North Idaho.
Herbert D. McAvoy was a cattle rancher who farmed on land south of Coeur d’Alene. He never married or had children and he lived most of his life in Kootenai County. When he passed away in 1995 at age 74, he left a legacy that will forever benefit students in the area.

This year as the Idaho Community Foundation celebrates our 30th Anniversary, the Herbert D. McAvoy Fund – which was created by McAvoy through a bequest – will become one of our Exemplary Funds. Exemplary Funds demonstrate the power of endowment by giving more in grants than the amount used to establish them. The McAvoy Fund has provided more than $750,000 to support education in Kootenai County.

Nearly a quarter of a century ago, Herbert probably couldn’t have imagined some of the projects his fund would support, including Gizmo-CdA, a nonprofit makerspace in Coeur d’Alene.

Recent grants from the McAvoy Fund have supported Gizmo’s Girl Revolution in Technology (GRIT) Program. GRIT provides equipment and creates programs for girls to create technology, collaborate, use critical thinking and share what they have learned with each other.

“We say ‘From confidence comes competence,’ and failure is a first attempt at learning,” said Gizmo-CdA founder Barb Mueller. “If we only reward success then people are less willing to try.”

Gizmo’s programs and activities include building an electric guitar, learning 3D modeling and animation, and partnering with Idaho DEQ to build underwater drones to capture data from North Idaho lakes. Gizmo also supports 11 robotics teams, Girls Who Code activities and year-round camps and workshops for students and adults.

“It’s not about the tools, it’s about giving people a safe space to play and take risks,” Mueller said.

Grants from the McAvoy Fund have also supported the Human Rights Education Institute (HREI) in Coeur d’Alene.

Jeanette Laster, programs and development manager for HREI said grants from the McAvoy Fund have allowed them to offer programs and exhibits for K-12 students in Kootenai County that wouldn’t have been possible otherwise.

“We want to provide exposure to the outside world that our students haven’t necessarily seen, but they’ve heard about,” Laster said. “When people are educated about issues, it can transform the way they think.”

HREI is widening its focus to examine current events issues around human rights such as Black Lives Matter, gender identification and refugees. In the past, it focused largely on historical human rights issues such as the civil rights movement and the Aryan Nations.

“HREI wouldn’t be here if there wasn’t a need,” Laster said. “People are starved for this kind of education and we are thankful to be able to provide it to them with help from the McAvoy Fund.”
New ICF Funds

Anonymous Fund 14 (Donor Advised) – Created to support charities and causes in Idaho and Oregon.

Anonymous Fund 15 (Non-Endowed Donor Advised) – Created to support local charities and causes.

Bingham County Mayors Scholarship Fund (Designated) – Created by mayors of the cities of Aberdeen, Blackfoot, Firth, Shelley and the Chairman of the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes to support scholarships for students graduating from the seven Bingham County high schools who have enrolled in post-secondary educational programs.

Blaine County Education Foundation Fund (Agency) – Created by the Blaine County Education Foundation to support its mission to focus on community resources and raise funds for the Blaine County School District and promote excellence, equitable education and a healthy and sustainable student environment.

Community Cancer Services (Agency) – Created to forever support the mission of Community Cancer Services, Inc., to benefit the citizens of Bonner and Boundary counties by helping improve comfort and quality of life through information, emotional support and financial support to those diagnosed with cancer.

Diamond W. Scholarship Fund (Scholarship) – Created by an anonymous couple to provide financial aid to graduates of Snake River High School pursuing a degree at an accredited U.S. college or university.

EAC Fund (Non-Endowed Donor Advised) – Created in memory of Celestine “Tineey” Leubert to support a wide variety of causes.

Egyptian Theater Organ Fund (Special Project) – Created by Dr. Paul Collins and friends to renovate and maintain the 90-year-old Morgan Organ, located in the historic Egyptian Theater in downtown Boise.

EAC Fund (Non-Endowed Donor Advised) – Created in memory of Celestine “Tineey” Leubert to support a wide variety of causes.

Forever Idaho Endowment Fund for Statewide Initiatives (Field of Interest) – Created to receive gifts from anyone interested in helping to build permanent endowment funds for ICF’s statewide initiatives.

Guy E. and Mary D. Butterfield Fund (Field of Interest) – Created by Guy E. and Mary D. Butterfield to support the Wood River Valley, with preference given to the charitable activities of the following organizations: The Nature Conservancy, Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Church, Sun Valley Center for the Arts & Humanities, Hospice of the Wood River Valley and Animal Shelter of the Wood River Valley.

Hailey Rotary Foundation - Bud Purdy Agriculture Scholarship Fund (Designated) – Created by the Hailey Rotary Foundation of Bellevue to forever support the Bud Purdy Agriculture Scholarship Fund.

Harlan and Barbara Renner Fund (Designated) – Created by Harlan and Barbara Renner of Dalton Gardens to forever support the North Idaho Fair and Rodeo Foundation and area students attending the University of Idaho College of Agricultural and Life Sciences.

Heidi Rogers Family Foundation (Non-Endowed Donor Advised) – Created by Heidi Pracht Rogers of Coeur d’Alene to invest in her favorite charitable organizations in Coeur d’Alene and the great state of Oklahoma.

Idaho FFA Foundation Pete and Freda Cenarrusa Endowment Fund (Agency) – Created by the Idaho FFA Foundation and the Cenarrusa family to honor Pete and Freda Cenarrusa and their contributions to Idaho FFA and agricultural education and to forever provide general fund support to further the mission of the Idaho FFA Foundation.
Max and Wilma Owen Memorial Fund (Field of Interest) – Created by the Max L. Owen and Wilma L. Owen Revocable Trust to forever support Boundary County.

Michael and Anne-Marie Merlo Family Charitable Fund (Non-Endowed Donor Advised) – Created by Michael and Anne-Marie Merlo to support organizations that positively impact the communities and values they believe in and that have formed them as individuals.

Orson Bowler Fund (Designated) – Dr. Orson Bowler served as Superintendent for the Preston School District #201 in Preston for 26 years. During his tenure, he created a fund to support programs at Preston School District. He lived the principles that he taught and was a man of honor and respect.

Ririe Spirit Fund (Designated) – Created by Jerry Cook and Justin Wheeler, Ririe High School alumni, to provide financial aid to graduates of Ririe High School pursuing a degree in higher education.

The Cancer Connection of Idaho Fund (Non-Endowed Donor Advised) – Created by the board of directors of The Cancer Connection Idaho, Inc. The Cancer Connection Idaho is an organization built on the need for support during an experience with cancer. The founders intended to create a community that provided education, support and resources to anyone touched by cancer, including family and friends.

The Giving Home Fund (Non-Endowed Donor Advised) – Created to provide support for families in need in the Treasure Valley. The fund was created as a conduit for the local real estate community, clients, associates and friends to give back to the community where we live and work to help create “Bigger Lives for All.”

Thomssen Family Fund (Non-Endowed Donor Advised) – Created by James “Jim” and Melissa Thomssen of Nampa to enhance the cultural, recreational and educational opportunities in southwest Idaho.

Treasure Valley Family YMCA Barbara and Vern Emery Fund (Agency) – Created by the Treasure Valley Family YMCA and its supporters to forever honor Barbara and Vern Emery for their tireless efforts and years of service to the organization and Treasure Valley community.

Treasure Valley Family YMCA Horsethief Camp Fund (Agency) – Created by the Treasure Valley Family YMCA and Duane and Lori Steuckle to forever support the Horsethief Reservoir YMCA Camp.

Wise Family Fund (Non-Endowed Donor Advised) – Created by Tyson and Janelle Wise of Boise to provide their children with the opportunity to support local charities and causes.
Eugene Hussey: A generous and silent philanthropist

Grants from the Eugene Hussey Fund in ICF mean the Salmon High School Theater Department can stage high-quality productions like last year’s performance of “Into The Woods.”
Eugene Hussey was well-known in the small eastern Idaho town of Salmon. He was a longtime resident of this 3,100-person Lemhi County community and owned the Iron Creek Ranch on the outskirts of town. Hussey never married and didn’t have children, but he attended nearly every Salmon High School sporting event and arts performance, usually arriving in an old pickup truck.

“He said that the youth were the foundation and the future of our community,” recalls John Anderson, who has taught band, choir and theater at Salmon High School since 2005. “He donated to our programs while he was alive, but we didn’t know what he had planned.”

What Hussey had planned was a large gift through the Idaho Community Foundation to create an endowed fund to forever support Salmon High School’s music, theater and wrestling programs and the town’s hockey league.

The Eugene Hussey Fund in ICF distributes about $54,000 each year, of which 50% goes to the music and theater department, and 25% each goes to wrestling and hockey. The fund has distributed about $282,000 and because it’s endowed, those grants will continue forever.

“That money ensures our survival and means we can afford to travel to competitions with the students,” said Anderson. He said Salmon’s remote location means longer, more costly bus rides and more overnight stays in hotels.

The Salmon Hockey Association completed a two-story warming hut and snack bar at the town’s outdoor ice rink just in time for the beginning of hockey season, a welcome addition since temperatures often dip below zero.

“We appreciate the Hussey money because it gives us a good and dependable base and we don’t feel like we’re going out on limb to build something like this,” said Jared Bragg, the hockey association president.

Jason Bruce, Salmon High School wrestling coach and graduate of the school, said he uses the Hussey money for student travel and to purchase new equipment and offer scholarships for wrestling camps.

“When I started here in 2008, they were wrestling on the same mats I had used in high school. Having the money gives our kids the opportunity to have the same equipment and training as kids at larger schools.”

Bruce said Hussey, who could be gruff, was a “silent philanthropist,” who would slip an envelope full of cash under the door of a family who was struggling. When Hussey created his ICF fund in 2000, he requested anonymity until he passed away, which happened in 2009.

“He was the nicest, most caring, grumpy old Elmer Fudd you could ever know,” Bruce said.
SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
As of December 31, 2017

Assets
- Cash and investments $152,252,020
- Receivables 27,956,390
- Property and other assets 1,039,961

Total Assets $181,248,371

Liabilities and Net Assets
- Funds held as agency endowments $26,613,743
- Payables 348,119
- Net assets 154,286,509

Total Liabilities and Net Assets $181,248,371

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
For the year ended December 31, 2017

Revenues
- Contributions $6,536,568
- Membership and event revenue 117,314
- Cash and investment earnings 19,124,758

Total Revenues 25,778,640

Expenses and Transfers in
- Grants and community improvements 7,981,136
- Operating expenses 1,467,250
- Transfers in (120,942)

Total Expenses and Transfers in 9,327,444

Net Increase in Net Assets 16,451,196

Net Assets, Beginning of Year 137,835,313

Net Assets, End of Year $154,286,509

Complete consolidated financial statements, with accompanying footnotes, have been audited by Eide Bailly, LLP and given an unqualified opinion. These statements, as well as Internal Revenue Service Form 990, are available on our website on our Financial Data page or by request. Data presented for years prior to 2016 do not include the accounts of the supporting organization.

ANNUAL RATE OF RETURN ON ENDOWED INVESTMENTS

2017 AGENCY ENDOWMENTS CHANGE (IN MILLIONS)

TOTAL ASSETS (IN MILLIONS)

TOTAL GRANT MAKING (IN MILLIONS)
Message from the CFAO

We are excited to share our strong financial results for the year with you. The snapshots shown here highlight our collective impact throughout Idaho as a result of generous giving and prudent investing.

We take great pride in demonstrating our financial health to you, as well as our commitment to responsible stewardship, transparency and public accountability.

Over this last year, our assets grew over $20 million, due to the steady support from contributions of more than $8.5 million, including gifts to our agency endowments. Additionally, our sound investment policy allowed us to achieve a 19% return on our endowed investments for the year. Our five-year average return of 10.9% continues to rank us at the top of our peers.

Our grantmaking, including scholarships and agency grants, was higher than the prior year once again at over $8 million. We also contributed more than $1 million toward community improvement projects.

It is inspiring to see the daily impact of our grants to hardworking nonprofits, promising students and amazing community projects throughout the state. Thank you for joining us as we build an endowment to permanently support our communities – Forever Idaho.

Judith K. Ramos, MSAT, CPA
Chief Financial and Administrative Officer
Forever Idaho Funds: The Essence of Collective Giving

Kathleen Morgan (left) and Peggy Croft of Heyburn met through Interlink Volunteer Caregivers. Kathleen helps Peggy, who is visually impaired, by driving her to appointments, taking her grocery shopping and more, which allows Peggy to remain independent.
Edie Schab, executive director of Interlink Volunteer Caregivers in Twin Falls, knows that sometimes simple gestures can have the most meaning. Her organization matches senior citizens with volunteers who can give them rides to doctor’s appointments, help them run errands and more.

“You can make such an impact on people’s lives doing the simplest things,” Edie said. “Going to the grocery store, taking someone to the cancer center, holding their hand during treatment, it’s all so meaningful.”

For 71-year-old Peggy Croft of Heyburn, Interlink Volunteer Caregivers means she doesn’t have to rely solely on her son and daughter-in-law, who have full-time jobs. Peggy is visually impaired and can no longer drive.

“The biggest thing for a person who has lost vision is the loss of independence,” she said. “With Interlink, it means my family doesn’t have to be my 24/7 caregivers.”

Kathleen Morgan of Heyburn is an Interlink volunteer who helps Peggy and others in the Magic Valley. She said the work is meaningful and she loves hearing people’s stories.

“Most of the people I meet through Interlink are elderly, live alone and are pretty isolated,” Kathleen said. “They need someone to visit with who will have a listening ear for them.”

Interlink Volunteer Caregivers has received several grants from the Idaho Community Foundation over the years through our Regional Grant Cycles, which are funded by our Forever Idaho Funds.

Forever Idaho Funds are the Idaho Community Foundation’s most flexible funds. Donors who contribute to a Forever Idaho Fund are giving grants to many diverse organizations in their region. And because the funds are endowed, gifts to them will last forever.

“Forever Idaho Funds are really the essence of collective giving,” said ICF President and CEO Karen Bilowith. “We pool the funds together so the philanthropic impact is far greater than if each donor gave on their own.”

The Blaine County School District in the Wood River Valley, where 42 percent of students are considered low income, has also received many grants from Forever Idaho Funds.

Kristy Heitzman, director of the Blaine County Education Foundation, said support from the Idaho Community Foundation helps the education foundation provide after-school programs, study skills clubs and more. It also provides grants for classroom projects, purchases school supplies and helps pay for school-related activities and sports.

“Sadly, poverty is not something that will disappear overnight,” Kristy said. “We support our students to ensure they can break the cycle of poverty with an education. That is what we are here to help provide for our students – an opportunity.”

To support the Forever Idaho Fund in your region:

• **East Idaho** (Bannock, Bear Lake, Bingham, Bonneville, Butte, Caribou, Clark, Custer, Franklin, Fremont, Jefferson, Lemhi, Madison, Oneida, Power and Teton counties): [www.idcomfdn.org/funds/ForeverIdahoEast](http://www.idcomfdn.org/funds/ForeverIdahoEast)

• **North Idaho** (Benewah, Bonner, Boundary, Clearwater, Idaho, Kootenai, Latah, Lewis, Nez Perce and Shoshone counties): [www.idcomfdn.org/funds/ForeverIdahoNorth](http://www.idcomfdn.org/funds/ForeverIdahoNorth)

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• **Statewide** (supports ICF’s initiatives): [www.idcomfdn.org/funds/ForeverIdahoStatewide](http://www.idcomfdn.org/funds/ForeverIdahoStatewide)
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We sincerely thank our all-volunteer Board of Directors for their dedication to enriching the quality of life throughout Idaho.

*Retiring in 2018
Thank You

We sincerely thank our volunteers and partners for their support.

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Nick Purdy and Vicki Riedel (Picabo)
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