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& THE TREASURE VALLEY



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Born and raised in Silicon Valley (Saratoga) CA, I moved to Boise after college to experience the “outdoor” life in 1992. The family building company in CA relocated to Boise the next year. I also worked in Sales Management for a Fortune 500 Company, which quickly turned into selling real estate full time. We built homes for several years before I eventually received my real estate license in 1999 and started working full time as an agent.

My husband and I have 3 great kids! My daughter is graduating from Boise State University, my son plays college baseball in WA and our youngest is still in elementary school. I like to play tennis, snow ski, go boating at lucky peak, run, and spend time with friends; preferably outdoors. Real Estate has enabled me to meet some very interesting people who have become some of my closest friends. I will work for you to find the right house, at the right price, and WE will work together to make it a home you will live in for years to come. Or we can find an investment property, which will enable us to work as a team to ALWAYS get the right price.

I will listen to you and your needs!

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BEST PLACES TO RAISE A FAMILY

Life is good for many families in the Pacific Northwest's third largest city, with lower costs and less crime than the region's two biggest metros, Seattle and Portland. And there's the local powerhouse football team, the Boise State Broncos.



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THE TREASURE VALLEY

"Best Rocky Mountain Secret"

- Outside Magazine, July 2017

Backed by beautiful hills and mountains, blessed with sunny weather, the Boise Treasure Valley is earning national acclaim like no other mid-sized city in America.

We're strategically located in the Mountain Time Zone and Southwestern Idaho, providing easy non-stop access to all major cities on the West Coast, the Pacific Northwest and Intermountain West. The Boise area is home to 691,423 people (U.S. Census Bureau 2016) and a workforce of 330,000 within a 45-minute draw of Boise. The average commute time within the valley is 18 minutes. The only thing we're missing is you and your family.

Our incredible quality of life has attracted a thriving mix of high tech, agribusiness and manufacturing businesses along with a young, educated workforce to serve them. Our quality of life will blow you away. We have short average commute times. The schools are good. The streets are safe. Cultural institutions like the Treefort Music Festival and Idaho Shakespeare Festival draw huge crowds. And outdoor recreation is everywhere – and we mean, EVERYWHERE: at certain times of the year you can literally ski, play golf, go fishing, and enjoy fine dining all in the same day.

BIG & FRIENDLY

What some people don't realize is that we're bigger than some think. With 690,000+ residents and a 3.4% annual in-migration rate, the Boise Valley has a large and thriving population, but thankfully still retains a friendly, small-town feel. So when folks say, "Hello!" to you – say, "hi!" back!

EDUCATED

We're an educated bunch. A full 40% of our workforce has earned college degrees. This area is also home to more than 14 institutions of higher education with a cumulative enrollment of 50,000. Together we receive more patents per capita than any city in America!

TALENTED

Our workforce is young, talented and growing. With stalwarts like HP, Micron, Simplot, and Albertsons, the Boise Valley has an infrastructure of talent and expertise from a legacy of large corporate headquarters. Collectively our workforce is three years younger than the national average.

AFFORDABLE

You can actually afford to live here. Our total cost of living is only 92% of the national average. Housing is even more reasonable (only 80% of the national average). As much as we love Seattle, Portland and the Bay Area (all just a short nonstop flight away), it makes a lot more sense to live here.

Put simply, the Boise Valley is a great place to live and work. It has everything you need to build a business, a career, and a family—without the big commute, the huge house payment and punishing taxes. But don't just take our word for it – come experience a better way of life for yourself, come explore the Treasure Valley area.

NATIONAL ACCOLADES

#12, 2017 Best 100 Places to Live
- U.S. News & World Report, 2017

Best Run City
in America
Nampa #1 &
Boise #3
- WalletHub
July 2017

Lowest Business Costs in Pacific
U.S. KPMG's Competitive
Alternatives, 2012, 2014, & 2016
- Published every 2 years

11 Satellite
Cities Poised
to Thrive
Kiplinger
April 2017

Top 10 Best Cities
for Veterans
WalletHub, November 2017

Top 20 Best
Cities for
Young
Professionals
Forbes, May 2017

#1 Top
Performing
Economy
Bloomberg, August 2017



Eagle



EAGLE BY THE NUMBERS

POPULATION: 24,785 AVE HOUSEHOLD INCOME: \$82,264 MEDIAN RENT: \$1,850
AVE HOME LISTING PRICE: \$430,226 AVE HOME SELLING PRICE: \$424,348
YEAR INCORPORATED: 1971 COMMUTE: 0:17 PERSONS PER HOUSEHOLD: 2.80
DRIVING DISTANCE TO BOISE: 8 - 10 Miles



UPSCALE SMALL TOWN LIVING

Eagle is one of the more desirable areas in the Boise metro area. This upscale community with a small town feel boasts some of the Treasure Valley's most luxurious and beautiful homes for sale with breathtaking views.

Recreational activities include walking and biking the Greenbelt along the Boise River, fishing, and riding horseback in the foothills. Eagle Island State Park provides swimming and picnicking. The Eagle Sports Complex provides BMX and Cross Country tracks, snow activities, skateboarding, rollerskating, and a beautiful firewise garden. Enjoy any of the beautiful city parks or play a round of golf on one of the championship courses. These are just a few of the recreational activities enjoyed by residents & visitors alike.

The community of Eagle is designed with a western architectural theme that incorporates appealing and consistent design standards with ample open space. Old style street lights and tree-lined drives all contribute to a city that confers an attractive allure to visitors, as well as those who are pleased to call Eagle "home."

Strategically placed between the foothills and the Boise River, the City of Eagle has much to offer. Eagle's climate ensures year round recreational opportunities for all. The Chamber of Commerce partners with the City of Eagle to provide many family oriented events in the community, such as Eagle Fun Days, Gazebo Concert Series, Eagle Food & Wine Festival, and the traditional Eagle Country Christmas.

HISTORY OF EAGLE

City of Eagle grew from a sleepy village of 350 in 1970 to today's bustling community of well over 20,000. Eagle's

early history was set in motion when gold was discovered in the Boise Basin in 1862. Many chose to seek their fortune mining, but a select few came to understand that the mining towns desperately needed the agricultural products that were fast becoming the mainstay of Boise and its river valley to the west, and they centered their efforts on those needs.



Truman C. Catlin was one of those farsighted settlers who quickly realized that his real gold was to be found in farming and claimed 160 acres on Eagle Island. Originally naming his island home after his native state, Catlin was soon persuaded to rename the island to reflect the large number of bald eagles that made the island their home as well.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

The Eagle Saturday Market is a community market located in the heart of downtown Eagle, Idaho in Heritage Park. Managed by the City of Eagle Parks and Recreation Department, one will find an array of arts and crafts along with local produce, herbs and flowers, woodwork, specialty food items and freshly prepared food. Every Saturday the park comes alive with the melodious sounds of local musicians and community members coming together to support local micro-producers. There will also be additional Special Events throughout the year in which market vendors will participate, including Eagle Fun Days, Harvest Fest, Eagle Country Christmas and Gazebo Concert Series.

- Eagle Fun Days
- Gazebo Concert Series
- Harvest Fest
- Eagle Country Christmas



IMPORTANT NUMBERS

BUSINESS INFORMATION

Eagle Chamber of Commerce	(208) 939-4222
Better Business Bureau Northwest	(208) 342-4649
Boise Valley Economic Partnership	(208) 472-5229
Social Security – Boise Office	(208) 321-2900

CITY OF EAGLE

Building Permits	(208) 939-4462
City Hall	(208) 939-6813
City Clerk	(208) 939-6813
Mayor’s Office	(208) 489-8790
City Council	(208) 939-6813
Ada County Courthouse	(208) 287-7080
Public Works	(208) 939-6813

EAGLE COMMUNITY

Eagle Public Library	(208) 939-6814
Eagle Parks & Recreation Department	(208) 489-8763
Eagle Post Office	(208) 939-7982
West Ada School District	(208) 855-4500
Eagle High School	(208) 350-4235
Eagle Middle School	(208) 350-4255
Ada County Dept. of Motor Vehicles	(208) 577-3100
Ada County Highway (City Streets)	(208) 687-6100

FIRE & POLICE DEPARTMENTS

All Emergencies	911
Eagle Fire Department – Non Emergency	(208) 939-6463
Eagle Police – Non Emergency	(208) 938-2260
Ada County Sheriff – Non Emergency	(208) 577-3000

MEDICAL REFERENCE

St. Luke’s Eagle Medical Plaza	(208) 473-3000
Treasure Valley Hospital	(208) 373-5000
Intermountain Hospital	(208) 377-8400
Boise Behavioral Health Hospital	(208) 327-0504
Veterans Medical Center	(208) 422-1000
Alcoholics Anonymous	(208) 344-6611
Poison Control	(800) 860-0620

PETS

Idaho Humane Society	(208) 342 - 3508
Animal Control	(208) 343 - 3166

TELEPHONE SERVICE

Cable One	(208) 375 - 8288
CenturyLink	(208) 378 - 1809
Frontier	(208) 867 - 7316
360 Wireless	(208) 384 - 0091

ELECTRICITY & GAS

Idaho Power	(208) 388 - 2323
Intermountain Gas	(208) 377 - 6840
Suburban Propane	(208) 375 - 4254

TRASH, WATER & SEWER

Eagle Sewer District	(208) 939-0132
Republic Trash & Recycling Collection	(208) 345-1265
City of Eagle Water	(208) 489-8777
Eagle Water Company	(208) 939-0242



Red Chair Lavender Farm
Eagle, Idaho



Boise

BOISE BY THE NUMBERS

POPULATION: 223,154 AVE HOUSEHOLD INCOME: \$50,323 MEDIAN RENT: \$1,350
AVE HOME LISTING PRICE: \$285,496 AVE HOME SELLING PRICE: \$283,496
YEAR INCORPORATED: 1863 COMMUTE: 0:17 PERSONS PER HOUSEHOLD: 2.40
DRIVING DISTANCE TO BOISE: **



BOISE IS MANY THINGS

Urban and outdoorsy. Wild and relaxing. The Boise area is a great place to live, work and visit! Whether it's the vibrant cultural and recreational opportunities, the friendly people or the mild climate, Boise and the surrounding communities afford a quality of life second to none. Good jobs, affordable housing and a safe, clean and vibrant downtown all add up to a great place to live.

Nestled in the Treasure Valley against the majestic foothills, Boise is part of a thriving metropolitan area of over 550,000 people. Boise is the largest metropolitan area in Idaho, and also the most remote metropolitan area in the United States, fostering a "unique sense of community."

Situated where the high desert meets the western edge of the Rocky Mountains, Boise is the gateway to exceptional recreational opportunities including: world famous white-water rafting, Nordic and Alpine skiing, snowboarding, hunting, fishing, backpacking and camping. Hiking, biking and fishing are popular activities right in the metro area, accessed by miles of greenbelt along the Boise River. The foothills provide trails for hikers and bikers of all abilities.

Boise occupies a large area — 64 square miles according to the United States Census Bureau. Like all major cities, it is composed of several distinct neighborhoods.

DOWNTOWN BOISE

Downtown Boise is the cultural center of the city and home to many small businesses as well as a few mid-rises. A variety of local restaurants abound featuring locally grown products, craft beverages, and seasonal menus. Community events such as the Saturday Farmer's Market, First Thursday,

and Alive-After-Five outdoor concert series on the Grove bring large crowds to the area. The 8th Street Marketplace provides a quaint pedestrian zone lined with boutiques, local restaurants, and bars. Downtown Boise's popular attractions include Julia Davis, Ann Morrison & Catherine Albertson parks, the Idaho State Capitol, the classic Egyptian Theatre, the Boise Art Museum, and the Basque Block.

BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY

To the south of downtown is Boise State University, surrounded by residential neighborhoods & businesses catering to the student population. The area is dominated by residential neighborhoods and businesses catering to the student population. The unique blue playing field at the 37,000-seat Albertsons Stadium on the BSU campus, home to the Boise State Broncos football team, is a major city landmark. The university campus is home to the Taco Bell Arena, which hosts a variety of concert and sporting events, as well as the Morrison Center, which hosts the Idaho Ballet, Broadway shows and many other cultural performances.



THE NORTH END

The North End, generally defined as the part of Boise north of State Street, contains many of the city's older homes. It is known for its tree-lined drives such as Harrison Boulevard, and for its quiet neighborhoods near the downtown area. Bicyclists and pedestrians populate the shaded streets of the North End. Boutiques and popular eateries draw many to 13th Streets' Historic Hyde Park, situated below the outdoor enthusiast's much loved Camel's Back Park.

SOUTHWEST BOISE

Southwest Boise contains sparsely populated neighborhoods built from the 1960s to the early 1980s. Many include acre-

BOISE NEIGHBORHOODS

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sized plots and the occasional farmhouse and pasture. In the 1980s, growth in the area was stunted to prevent urban sprawl. Since this has been lifted, there has been widespread growth of new homes and neighborhoods. The area lies near Interstate 84, theaters, shopping, the airport, golf and the Boise Bench area.

NORTHWEST BOISE

Northwest Boise lies against the Boise Foothills to the north, State Street to the south, the city of Eagle to the west, and downtown Boise to the east. It contains a mix of old and new neighborhoods, including Lakeharbor, which features the private Silver Lake, a reclaimed quarry. Northwest Boise has some pockets of older homes with a similar aesthetic to the North End. Downtown is minutes away, as is Veteran's Memorial Park and easy access to the Boise Greenbelt. Across the river sits the Boise Bench and to the west are the bedroom communities of Eagle, Star, and Middleton.

WARM SPRINGS AND EAST END

Warm Springs is centered on the tree-lined Warm Springs Avenue and contains some of Boise's largest and most expensive homes (many of which were erected by wealthy miners and businessmen around the turn of the 20th century; Victorian styles feature prominently). The area gets its name from the natural hot springs that flow from Boise's fault line and warm many of the homes in the area. The Natatorium public swim center is located here.



EAST BOISE AND HARRIS RANCH

The far-east end of Warm Springs was once known as Barber Town, featuring a hotel with hot springs nestled into the

foothills. It now has some new residential developments, with easy access to Highway 21, which leads to the south-central Idaho mountains, the Boise River, the Boise Foothills, and the Idaho Shakespeare Festival.

SOUTHEAST BOISE

Southeast Boise spans from Boise State University to Micron Technology – all areas between Federal Way and the Boise River. The older area just south of the University can be described as a cross between the North End and the Boise Bench. The rest of Southeast Boise was developed in the last thirty years with suburban-style homes. Columbia Village subdivision and the older Oregon Trail Heights were the first major planned communities in Southeast Boise with an elementary and middle school all within walking distance from all homes. The subdivision is located at the intersections of Interstate 84, Idaho 21, and Federal Way (former U.S. Highway), which are all major arteries to get anywhere in Boise. The subdivision, a baseball complex, and swimming pools were developed around the Simplot Sports complex. The fields are built over an old landfill and dump, and the fields and gravel parking lot allow radon gases to escape through the ground.

BOISE BENCH

The Bench, generally bounded by Federal Way to the east, Cole Road to the west and Garden City to the north, sits on an elevation approximately 60 feet higher than downtown Boise to its northeast. Orchard Street is a major north-south thoroughfare in the neighborhood. The Bench is so named because of this sudden rise, giving the appearance of a step, or bench. The Bench (or Benches, there are three actual benches in the Boise Valley) was created as an ancient shoreline to the old river channel. The Bench is home to the Boise Union Pacific Depot and older residential neighborhoods similar to those in the North End. Due south of the Bench is the Boise Airport.

WEST BOISE

West Boise is home to Boise Towne Square Mall, the largest in the state, as well as numerous restaurants, strip malls, and residential developments ranging from new subdivisions to

apartment complexes. The Ada County jail and Hewlett Packard's printing division are also located here. It is relatively the flattest section of Boise, with sweeping views of the Boise Front. West Boise also borders the city of Meridian, Idaho.



IMPORTANT NUMBERS

BUSINESS INFORMATION

Better Business Bureau	(208) 342 - 4649
Chamber of Commerce	(208) 472 - 5200
Boise Valley Econ Partnership	(208) 472 - 5229
Social Security	(208) 321 - 2900

CITY OF BOISE

Building Permits	(208) 384 - 3802
City Hall	(208) 384 - 4422
City Attorney	(208) 384 - 3870
City Clerk	(208) 384 - 3710
City Council	(208) 384 - 4410
Courts	(208) 287 - 7080
Human Resources	(208) 384 - 3850
Job Services	(208) 332 - 3575
Mayor	(208) 384 - 4404
Public Works Department	(208) 384 - 3901

DRIVER'S LICENSE

All driver license and identification card holders should report any change of address to DMV within 10 days.

Motor Vehicle Division	(208) 577 - 3100
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FIRE & POLICE DEPARTMENTS

All Emergencies	911
Fire Department - Non Emerg.	(208) 570 - 6500
Police Department - Non Emerg.	(208) 377 - 6790
Sheriff - Non Emergency	(208) 577 - 3000

MEDICAL REFERENCE

St. Luke's Boise Medical Center	(208) 381 - 2222
Treasure Valley Hospital	(208) 373 - 5000
Intermountain Hospital	(208) 377 - 8400
Boise Behavioral Health Hospital	(208) 327 - 0504
Veterans Medical Center	(208) 422 - 1000
Alcoholics Anonymous	(208) 344 - 6611
Poison Control	(800) 860 - 0620

PETS

Idaho Humane Society	(208) 342 - 3508
Animal Control	(208) 343 - 3166

TELEPHONE SERVICE

Cable One	(208) 375 - 8288
CenturyLink	(208) 378 - 1809
Frontier	(208) 867 - 7316
360 Wireless	(208) 384 - 0091

ELECTRICITY & GAS

Idaho Power	(208) 388 - 2323
Intermountain Gas	(208) 377 - 6840
Suburban Propane	(208) 375 - 4254

TRASH, WATER & SEWER

Sewer Complaints	(208) 608 - 7200
Trash & Recycling Collection	(208) 345 - 1266
Water	(208) 287 - 4800



Meridian

MERIDIAN BY THE NUMBERS

POPULATION: 95,623 AVE HOUSEHOLD INCOME: \$63,023 MEDIAN RENT: \$1,450

AVE HOME LISTING PRICE: \$299,223 AVE HOME SELLING PRICE: \$298,207

YEAR INCORPORATED: 1903 COMMUTE: 0:21 PERSONS PER HOUSEHOLD: 2.80

DRIVING DISTANCE TO BOISE: 9 - 11 Miles



THIS BOISE SUBURB IS BOOMING

Meridian is located in Ada County, west of Boise. It is the 2nd largest city in the state of Idaho. The corporate headquarters of one of the area's major employers, Scentsy, is located in Meridian as well as Blue Cross of Idaho, Idaho State Police, and the state police academy.

Family entertainment overflows at the local water park, Roaring Springs. Sitting right next door is Wahooz, offering year-round go carts, bumper boats, miniature golf, batting cages, laser tag, bowling, an arcade and grill. The Meridian Speedway is another fun summer attraction for the city.

The Village at Meridian is an outdoor shopping mall featuring specialty retail stores, restaurants, an upscale movie theater with private seating, a fitness center, arcade/bowling, and an outdoor ice rink (winter). Relax in the ample outdoor seating, run through the playground or gather around the fountain showcasing water displays every hour with lights and music. Throughout the city lies 17 public parks including Settlers Park, which hosts free outdoor movies during the summer months.

The Meridian Youth Farmers Market is held at the city hall plaza on Saturdays, 9am-12pm, from the end of June – end of September. The market offers locally grown produce, homemade goodies and handmade arts and crafts.

HISTORY OF MERIDIAN

Meridian's earliest settlers lived along Five Mile Creek where there was running water most of the year. The first school opened in 1885. The U.S. Postal Service soon established a mail drop along the railroad line, which was named "Hunter" after its superintendent. The center of activity

began to move closer to the railroad as the trading center. In 1893, an Order of Odd Fellows chapter was established and adopted the name "Meridian" for its lodge, in recognition of Idaho's principle surveyor's meridian, which runs along Meridian Road as it passes through town.

Established in 1893, Meridian was incorporated as a village in 1903 with a population of approximately 200 and a bustling business center. A creamery was built in 1897, and other dairy-related businesses followed, as Meridian established itself as a dairy center for the state. This part of the community's history is still celebrated annually during Meridian Dairy Days celebrated annually in June. Dairy Days has been observed in one form or another since 1929.

Many of the early settlers planted large fruit orchards, and through the 1940's Meridian was the home of a large fruit growing, packing and shipping industry. Local apiaries were among the largest in the nation, as bees were necessary to the fruit growing industry. These and other early agricultural industries were later joined by businesses connected with the timber and housing industries.

The Interurban electric railway connected Meridian with other Treasure Valley towns in 1908 and provided convenient public transportation, as well as a means for shipping milk to the creameries and hauling fruit to market. This convenience lasted until 1928.



MERIDIAN TODAY

Meridian has been the fastest growing city in Idaho since 1994, with the population tripling between 1990 and 2000, and more than doubling between 2000 and 2007. It has

MERIDIAN, IDAHO

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become a center of retail and commercial development in southwest Idaho. The City's convenient access to I-84, Highway 55, and the railroad combine to make it an ideal location for new businesses of many types. It truly is the "Center of the Treasure Valley".

Meridian retains its small town friendliness and style of living, offering many recreational and community amenities. It is a thriving, growing community with hundreds of retail merchants, professional services, and clean industries that truly make it a community that's "Built for Business, Designed for Living."

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

BUSINESS INFORMATION

Meridan Chamber of Commerce	(208) 888-2817
Better Business Bureau Northwest	(208) 342-4649
Boise Valley Economic Partnership	(208) 472-5229
Social Security – Boise Office	(208) 321-2900

CITY OF MERIDIAN

City of Meridian	(208) 888-4439
Building Permits	(208) 887-2211
City Hall	(208) 888-4433
City Clerk	(208) 888-4433
Mayor's Office	(208) 489-0529
City Council	(208) 888-4433
Human Resources	(208) 898-5503
Public Works	(208) 887-1155
Ada County Courthouse	(208) 287-7080

MERIDIAN COMMUNITY

Meridian Public Library – Cherry Lane	(208) 888-4451
Meridian Public Library – Silverstone	(208) 884-2616
Meridian Parks & Rec Department	(208) 888-3579
Meridian Post Office	(208) 887-1620
West Ada School District	(208) 855-4500
Meridian High School	(208) 350-4160
Meridian Middle School	(208) 855-4225
Ada County Dept. of Motor Vehicles	(208) 577-3100
Ada County Highway (City Streets)	(208) 687-6100

FIRE & POLICE DEPARTMENTS

All Emergencies	911
Fire Department – Non Emergency	(208) 888-1234

Police Department – Non Emergency	(208) 888-6678
Ada County Sheriff – Non Emergency	(208) 577-3000

MEDICAL REFERENCE

St. Luke's Meridian Medical Center	(208) 706-5000
Treasure Valley Hospital	(208) 373-5000
Intermountain Hospital	(208) 377-8400
Boise Behavioral Health Hospital	(208) 327-0504
Veterans Medical Center	(208) 422-1000
Alcoholics Anonymous	(208) 344-6611
Poison Control	(800) 860-0620

PETS

Idaho Humane Society	(208) 342 - 3508
Animal Control	(208) 343 - 3166

TELEPHONE SERVICE

Cable One	(208) 375 - 8288
CenturyLink	(208) 378 - 1809
Frontier	(208) 867 - 7316
360 Wireless	(208) 384 - 0091

ELECTRICITY & GAS

Idaho Power	(208) 388 - 2323
Intermountain Gas	(208) 377 - 6840
Suburban Propane	(208) 375 - 4254

TRASH, WATER & SEWER

Meridian Utility Department	(208) 888-4439
Meridian Waste Water Plant	(208) 888-2191
Republic Trash & Recycling Collection	(208) 345-1265
City of Meridian Water	(208) 888-5242



Nampa

NAMPA BY THE NUMBERS

POPULATION: 91,299 AVE HOUSEHOLD INCOME: \$40,060 MEDIAN RENT: \$1,195
AVE HOME LISTING PRICE: \$200,207 AVE HOME SELLING PRICE: \$198,485
YEAR INCORPORATED: 1890 COMMUTE: 0:22 PERSONS PER HOUSEHOLD: 2.90
DRIVING DISTANCE TO BOISE: 19 - 22 Miles



EXPLORE NAMPA LIVING

Nampa is the 3rd largest city in the state of Idaho and is part of Idaho's largest metropolitan area. The city is located about 20 miles west of Boise along interstate 84 and 6 miles west of Meridian. The city's amenities enhance the excitement of a culturally rich urban core and translate into a dynamic market.

Nampa offers an environment rich in endless natural beauty, local history and culture, and economic well-being. The city has a long history of providing a business friendly atmosphere, low operating costs, skilled employees and a great quality of life. Nampa's food processing and manufacturing continues to flourish while industries such as agribusiness, high tech, shared services, and bio sciences are on the rise.

Historic Downtown Nampa has it all. Anchored by Library Square, this walkable, preserved historic area is home to the Nampa Train Depot Museum, Wall Street Plaza, Lloyd's Square Park, Nampa Public Library, the Nampa Farmer's Market, restaurants, art galleries, one-of-a-kind shops, live entertainment venues, residential and more.

NAMPA THEN & NOW

Nampa began its life in the early 1880s when the Oregon Short Line Railroad built a line from Granger, Wyoming, to Huntington, Oregon, which passed through Nampa. More railroad lines sprang up running through Nampa, making it a very important railroad town. Alexander and Hannah Duffes established one of the town's first homesteads, eventually forming the Nampa Land and Improvement Company with the help of their friend and co-founder, James McGee. In spite of the name, many of the first settlers

referred to the town as "New Jerusalem" because of the strong religious focus of its citizens. After only a year the town had grown from 15 homes to 50. As new amenities were added to the town, Nampa continued its growth and was incorporated in 1890.

Unlike most towns in that historic era with streets running true north and south, Nampa's historic roads run perpendicular to the railroad tracks that travel northwest to southeast through the town. Thus, the northside is really the northeast side of the tracks, and the southside is really the southwest side of the railroad tracks. Founder Alexander Duffes laid out Nampa's streets this way to prevent an accident like one that occurred earlier in a town he had platted near Toronto, Canada. In that town, a woman and her two children were killed by a train when they started across the railroad tracks in a buggy and the wheel got stuck. As the Oregon Short Line railroad originally bypassed Boise, Nampa has the fanciest of many railroad depots built in the area.

The first elementary school was built in the 1890s. Lakeview School was located on a hill on 6th Street and 12th Avenue North, with a view of Lake Ethel. Just after the school's centennial celebration, it was condemned as a school and sold to the First Mennonite Church. In 2008 the building was refurbished, and is now being used by the Idaho Arts Charter School.



Deer Flat Reservoir, an offstream irrigation storage reservoir, was constructed by the United States Bureau of Reclamation between 1906 and 1911. Known locally as Lake Lowell, it is surrounded by the Deer Flat National Wildlife Refuge, which was established in 1909 by President Theodore Roosevelt. The refuge is administered by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Lake Lowell is filled by the concrete New York Canal; the water is diverted from the

Boise River a few miles below Lucky Peak Dam.

A local congregation of the Church of the Nazarene built a small elementary school in 1913, later growing to Northwest Nazarene College in 1915 and finally to Northwest Nazarene University. The university currently has a student body of 2,500 undergraduate and graduate students.

Nampa is growing fast, with new homes, new shopping centers and new roads. Treasure Valley Marketplace north of the Karcher Interchange has a number of retailers

including Costco, Target, Best Buy, Cost Plus World Market, Olive Garden, Michael's, DressBarn, Old Navy, Bed Bath & Beyond, Petco and Kohl's. Across from Treasure Valley Marketplace is located a second shopping center containing a McDonald's. The Nampa Gateway Center is a shopping center under development near the Idaho Center off the Garrity Boulevard Exit of Interstate 84. J.C. Penney, the Sports Authority, Macy's, the Idaho Athletic Club, and Edwards Cinema are located in the Nampa Gateway Center. Wal-Mart is also in the same area.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

BUSINESS INFORMATION

Nampa Chamber of Commerce	(208) 466-4641
Nampa Office of Economic Dev	(208) 468-5430
Better Business Bureau Northwest	(208) 342-4649
Social Security – Nampa/Caldwell Office	(208) 455-1002

CITY OF NAMPA

Building Department	(208) 468-5435
Planning & Zoning	(208) 468-5484
City Hall	(208) 465-2270
City Clerk	(208) 468-5415
Mayor's Office	(208) 468-5401
Human Resources	(208) 468-4412
Public Works	(208) 468-5420
Canyon County Courthouse	(208) 454-7300

NAMPA COMMUNITY

Nampa Public Library	(208) 468-5800
Nampa Parks Department	(208) 468-5890
Nampa Recreation Center	(208) 468-5777
Nampa Post Office	(208) 461-0379
Nampa School District	(208) 468-4600
Nampa Christian Schools	(208) 466-8451
Canyon County Dept. of Motor Vehicles	(208) 455-6020

FIRE & POLICE DEPARTMENTS

All Emergencies	911
Fire Department –Non Emergency	(208) 465-2240
Police Department –Non Emergency	(208) 465-2257
Canyon County Sheriff –Non Emergency	(208) 454-7510

MEDICAL REFERENCE

Saint Alphonsus Medical Center Hospital	(208) 463-5000
St. Luke's Nampa Medical Center	(208) 505-2000
Terry Reilly Health Services	(208) 467-4431
All Seasons Mental Health	(208) 461-2838
Veterans Medical Center	(208) 454-4820
Alcoholics Anonymous Boise	(208) 344-6611
Poison Control	(800) 860-0620

PETS

Pet Haven Humane Society	(208) 466-1298
West Valley Humane Society	(208) 455-5920
Animal Control - Boise	(208) 343-3166

TELEPHONE SERVICE

Cable One	(208) 455-5555
CenturyLink	(208) 917-8086
360 Wireless	(208) 949-9234

ELECTRICITY & GAS

Idaho Power	(208) 388 - 2323
Intermountain Gas	(208) 377 - 6840
Valley Wide Coop Propane and Fuel	(208) 466-7841
Suburban Propane	(208) 375 - 4254

TRASH, WATER & SEWER

Nampa Utility Department	(208) 468-5711
Nampa Waste Water Plant	(208) 468-5840
Republic Trash & Recycling Collection	(208) 345-1265



Lake Lowell Park
Nampa, Idaho

Caldwell



CALDWELL BY THE NUMBERS

POPULATION: 53,942 AVE HOUSEHOLD INCOME: \$41,048 MEDIAN RENT: \$1,150
AVE HOME LISTING PRICE: \$188,663 AVE HOME SELLING PRICE: \$185,881
YEAR INCORPORATED: 1883 COMMUTE: 0:20 PERSONS PER HOUSEHOLD: 3.00
DRIVING DISTANCE TO BOISE: 24 - 26 Miles



SMALL TOWN; BIG IMPROVEMENTS

Sitting below the surrounding Owyhee, Weiser and Boise mountain ranges is the City of Caldwell. Recreational activities are a highlight of Idaho and the Caldwell area provides access to a variety of enthusiasts from rock hounds to river rafters, skiers to hot springs lovers, trail riders to hikers and much, much more.

Caldwell, 25 miles west of Boise, is the second largest city in Canyon County. The premier event in Caldwell is the Caldwell Night Rodeo, “Where the Cowboys are the Stars,” a western tradition that is held in August.

Caldwell has been recognized as “the heart of Idaho wine country” with a variety of wineries to tour located in the nearby countryside. Many enjoy the summer concert series hosted each year by Ste. Chapelle Winery.

Caldwell hosts a variety of events through the year. Take part in the biggest Cinco de Mayo celebration in the Treasure Valley, peruse the Wednesday evening Farmers Market from May – October and join in the Indian Creek Festival, a two-day community event chock-full of activities from the Fireman’s Breakfast to the kayak race to the Wagons Ho Chuck Wagon experience and more! Residents and visitors alike also appreciate great golf at the Purple Sage or Fairview Golf courses.

CALDWELL THEN & NOW

Nestled in the Treasure Valley, surrounded by the Owyhee, Weiser and Boise mountain ranges, the present-day City of Caldwell is located along a natural passageway to the Inland and Pacific Northwest. Indian tribes from the west

coast, northern Idaho and as far away as Colorado would come to the banks of the Boise River for annual trading fairs. European and Hawaiian explorers soon followed the paths left by Indians, and hopeful emigrants later forged the Oregon Trail to seek a better life in the Oregon Territory. Pioneers of the Trail traveled along the Boise River to Canyon Hill and forded the river close to the “Silver Bridge” on present-day Plymouth Street.

During the Civil War the discovery of gold in Idaho’s mountains brought a variety of new settlers into the area. Many never made it to the mines, choosing instead to settle along the Boise River and run ferries, stage stations and freighting businesses. These early entrepreneurs created small ranches and farms in the river valleys.

Caldwell’s inception largely occurred as a result of the construction of the Oregon Short Line Railroad, which connected Wyoming to Oregon through Idaho. Robert E. Strahorn came to the Boise River Valley in 1883 to select a route for the railroad, and rejected the grade into Boise City as too steep, therefore choosing a site 30 miles to the west. He drove a stake into an alkali flat of sagebrush and the City of Caldwell was platted. Caldwell was named after one of Strahorn’s business partners, Alexander Caldwell, a former Senator from Kansas.

When Caldwell was platted in August 1883, its founder, the Idaho and Oregon Land Improvement Company, started persuading settlers and businessmen to move to the area. Within four months, Caldwell had 600 residents living in 150 dwellings, 40 businesses in operation, a school, a telephone exchange and two newspapers. On January 15, 1890, the Board of Commissioners of Ada County issued a handwritten order incorporating the City of Caldwell. The College of Idaho was founded in Caldwell in 1891 and is still in existence today. In 1892, Canyon County was established from a portion of Ada County; Caldwell was named the county seat.

Irrigation canals and waterways were constructed throughout Canyon County, and these facilities provided the foundation for an agricultural-based economy in Caldwell. The Oregon Short Line Railroad became part of the larger Union Pacific Railroad network and in 1906 the Caldwell freight and passenger depot was constructed. Caldwell



experienced moderate growth as an agricultural processing, commercial retail and educational center during the twentieth century.

Today, Caldwell offers something for everyone. Recreational enthusiasts can access a variety of rocks, rivers, hot springs and hiking/biking/riding trails from the city's core. Wine enthusiasts can head out from Caldwell to the nearby Sunny Slope Wine Trail, and foodies can delight in farm-to-table plates from one of many award-winning restaurants. Caldwell is a pleasant mix of old and new, come see for yourself!

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

BUSINESS INFORMATION

Caldwell Chamber of Commerce	(208) 459-7493
Caldwell Economic Development	(208) 615-6135
Better Business Bureau Northwest	(208) 342-4649
Social Security – Nampa/Caldwell Office	(208) 455-1002

CITY OF CALDWELL

Building Department	(208) 455.3024
Planning & Zoning	(208) 455-3021
City Hall	(208) 455-3000
City Clerk	(208) 455-4656
Mayor's Office	(208) 455-3000
Human Resources	(208) 455-4656
Canyon County Human Resources	(208) 454-6610
Public Works	(208) 455-4734
City Streets	(208) 455-3072
Canyon County Courthouse	(208) 454-7300

CALDWELL COMMUNITY

Caldwell Public Library	(208) 459-3242
Caldwell Parks Department	(208) 455-3060
Caldwell Recreation Center	(208) 455-3060
Caldwell Public Pool	(208) 459-4369
Caldwell Post Office	(208) 454-5560
Caldwell School District	(208) 455-3300
Canyon County Dept. of Motor Vehicles	(208) 455-6020

FIRE & POLICE DEPARTMENTS

All Emergencies	911
Fire Department – Non Emergency	(208) 455-3032

Police Department – Non Emergency	(208) 455-3115
Canyon County Sheriff –Non Emergency	(208) 454-7510

MEDICAL REFERENCE

West Valley Medical Center - Caldwell	(208) 459-4641
St. Luke's Nampa Medical Center	(208) 505-2000
Terry Reilly Health Services - Nampa	(208) 467-4431
All Seasons Mental Health - Nampa	(208) 461-2838
Veterans Medical Center - Nampa	(208) 454-4820
Alcoholics Anonymous Boise	(208) 344-6611
Poison Control	(800) 860-0620

PETS

Pet Haven Humane Society	(208) 466-1298
West Valley Humane Society	(208) 455-5920
Animal Control - Boise	(208) 343-3166

TELEPHONE SERVICE

Cable One	(208) 455-5555
360 Wireless	(208) 949-9234

ELECTRICITY & GAS

Idaho Power	(208) 388 - 2323
Intermountain Gas	(208) 377 - 6840
Valley Wide Coop Propane and Fuel	(208) 466-7841

TRASH, WATER & SEWER

Caldwell Water Department	(208) 455-3000
Caldwell Sewer Treatment Plant	(208) 455-3041
Republic Trash & Recycling Collection	(208) 345-1265



Ste. Chapelle Winery
Caldwell, Idaho

Star



STAR BY THE NUMBERS

POPULATION: 8,551 AVE HOUSEHOLD INCOME: \$55,942 MEDIAN RENT: \$1,335
AVE HOME LISTING PRICE: \$298,636 AVE HOME SELLING PRICE: \$297,966
YEAR INCORPORATED: 1905 COMMUTE: 0:24 PERSONS PER HOUSEHOLD: 2.98
DRIVING DISTANCE TO BOISE: 17 - 23 Miles



BEAUTIFUL OPEN SPACE

Beautiful open spaces, new subdivisions, and equestrian properties dot the Star landscape. Located between Eagle and Middleton, Star delivers the perfect combination of nearby opulence with rural sensibility. Some have referred to Star as the next Eagle with plenty of undeveloped land, active agriculture, and rolling hills – it very much is reminiscent of Eagle just a few decades ago.

Star is conveniently located near everything you may want or need. Less than half-an-hour from downtown Boise and about 15 minutes from Costco located in Nampa. Star delivers an authentic small town life with friendly neighbors, traditional festivals, and the absolute best 4th of July fireworks show in the Valley!

HISTORY OF STAR

The community of Star was one of the earliest in the Boise Valley. The Pioneer ditch was started in 1863 by M.B. Palmer and later extended to the Middleton Mill. This irrigation ditch and its supply of water allowed the country between Star and Middleton to be settled early. One of the first settlers was Ben F. Swalley who in 1863 drove his ox team and wagon onto 300 acres of land along the Boise River, a mile south of the present town. Others followed, homesteading the good farm land along the Boise River. The surrounding farms often catered to the needs of early travelers and miners providing them with food and lodging in Star, on their way to and from Boise and the mines in the Boise Basin. One of Idaho's oldest Christian church's was organized in Star about 1869. As early as 1864 the first meeting of the Church of Christ were held at the home of David Fouch, a Christian minister, who was farming in the locality and later served as Star's second postmaster. Another of the church's early leaders was Shepp Gray, the first postmaster of Star. The Church of Christ built a church east of Star in 1881 on land donated by Mrs. Sam McDowell

and later moved the church to its present location in 1906. Another area church was the Star Chapel belonging to the Methodists. The first location of the village of Star was one mile to the east of present Star, about halfway between the present town of Star and Star-Emmett junction. The first schoolhouse was built there in the 1870's on land donated by B.F. Swalley. When the settlers finished building the schoolhouse, they couldn't decide on a name for the building. One of the men sawed out a star and nailed it to the front door, pounding nails all around the edge of the star. This became an important landmark for miles around, and was a guide for travelers and miners. When they came to the schoolhouse with the star on the door, they could travel west one mile and find board and lodging for the night. So in time, the town became known as Star. The village of Star began to grow, providing services to travelers and serving as a rural center for neighboring farmers and ranchers. In 1880, a post office was established in Star with Shepp Gray the first postmaster and proprietor of the general store. The early settlement also had two blacksmith shops for "iron work" as well as the district school house, two churches, and half a score of residences. The first hotel was opened in 1888.



STAR INCORPORATED

In 1905, Star incorporated and established city limits reaching four miles in all directions. During the early part of the century the town flourished with places growing rapidly and merchants doing good business. The town had a mayor, marshal, constable, and justice of the peace. The jail was a frame building located just east of the Odd fellows Lodge Hall. By the time the new interurban arrived, at least twenty new buildings had been erected in Star. The Farmers Bank was chartered in 1907, with W.E. Pierce, the Boise real estate dealer, as the bank's president. The bank continued longer than most small town banks. The farmer and merchant



patrons experienced hard times in the twenties and thirties, closing in 1934 with depositors receiving their money in full. Other business in 1907 included the Star Creamery, Conway Hotel, and El Dorado Lumber Company, which handled farm and orchard products. Star was a bustling village with a population of over 500 people, making it the largest community in the Boise Valley after Boise. That same year, a contract was let to lay a ten-foot long, cement sidewalk for half a mile on the north side of Valley street, where the electric line was located.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

BUSINESS INFORMATION

Star Chamber of Commerce	(208) 908-5476
Star Economic Development Committee	(208) 286-7247
Better Business Bureau Northwest	(208) 342-4649
Social Security – Boise Office	(208) 321-2900

CITY OF STAR

Building Permits	(208) 286-0074
City Hall	(208) 286-7247
City Clerk	(208) 286-7247
Mayor's Office	(208) 286-7247
City Council	(208) 286-7247
Public Works	(208) 286-7388
Planning & Zoning	(208) 286-7247
Ada County Courthouse	(208) 287-7080

STAR COMMUNITY

Public Library	(208) 286-9755
Parks & Recreation Department	(208) 286-7247
Post Office	(208) 286-7304
West Ada School District	(208) 855-4500
Ada County Dept. of Motor Vehicles	(208) 577-3135
Ada County Highway (City Streets)	(208) 687-6100

FIRE & POLICE DEPARTMENTS

All Emergencies	911
Fire Department – Non Emergency	(208) 286-7772
Police Department – Non Emergency	(208) 286-7247
Ada County Sheriff – Non Emergency	(208) 577-3000

MEDICAL REFERENCE

St. Luke's Meridian Medical Center	(208) 706-5000
St. Luke's Eagle Medical Center	(208) 473-3000
West Valley Medical Center Caldwell	(208) 459-4641
Boise Behavioral Health Hospital	(208) 327-0504
Veterans Medical Center	(208) 422-1000
Alcoholics Anonymous	(208) 344-6611
Poison Control	(800) 860-0620

PETS

Idaho Humane Society	(208) 342-3508
Animal Control	(208) 343-3166

TELEPHONE SERVICE

Cable One	(208) 375-8288
CenturyLink	(208) 378-1809
Frontier	(208) 867-7316
360 Wireless	(208) 384-0091

ELECTRICITY & GAS

Idaho Power	(208) 388-2323
Intermountain Gas	(208) 377-6840
Suburban Propane	(208) 375-4254

TRASH, WATER & SEWER

Star Sewer & Water District	(208) 286-7388
Star Utilities	(208) 888-2191
Republic Trash & Recycling Collection	(208) 345-1265



W. Band Drive
Star, Idaho

Middleton

MIDDLETON BY THE NUMBERS

POPULATION: 7,368 AVE HOUSEHOLD INCOME: \$45,283 MEDIAN RENT: \$1,125
AVE HOME LISTING PRICE: \$236,827 AVE HOME SELLING PRICE: \$235,110
YEAR INCORPORATED: 1910 COMMUTE: 0:29 PERSONS PER HOUSEHOLD: 3.03
DRIVING DISTANCE TO BOISE: 28 - 32 Miles



SMALL TOWN CHARM

People choose Middleton for its small town charm and affordability. Only half-an-hour removed from the hustle and bustle of downtown Boise; if we didn't tell you Boise was so close you might not believe it. Middleton has a small town culture where horses and farmland are the norm and getting directions to the best old fashion ice cream shake seems like a natural conversation.

And while Middleton hasn't escaped the urban growth the Treasure Valley has seen through the years, finding affordable acreage remains a popular draw to the area. Overall, Middleton remains one of the most affordable communities in the Treasure Valley.

MIDDLETON THEN & NOW

Middleton was named for its location between the old fort Boise and Keeney's Ferry; it being the midpoint between the two. It served as a rest stop for those heading for Keeney's Ferry. It had a stage station in the early days of the Oregon Trail, a post office in 1866 and a water powered grist mill in 1871.

Middleton is the oldest settlement in Canyon County, with the land being parceled out in 1863 by William N. Montgomery. The Boise River flooded in 1872 and cut a new channel, isolating the town on an island; as a result, the town moved to a new location in the years after 1880. The town incorporated as a city in 1910, although the certificate was not issued until 1971.

On February 1, 2007, 78% of Middleton High School burned down, caused by the overheating of a fan above the

weight room. The 42-year-old building was built when fire codes required sprinklers to be installed, but there was no provision for their functionality. To save money during the construction of the school in the 1960s, the sprinklers were installed but were never connected to a water source.

A TOWN IN TRANSITION BY KRISTIN RODINE

Horses graze in pasture two blocks from Middleton City Hall. Residents say their town has retained much of its rural feel even as its population mushroomed. The most recent official population estimate is over 7,000.

"It used to be you'd go downtown and you knew everybody," said O'Meara, who remembers when the town's population sign proclaimed 541 residents. "But so many new people have moved in, you kind of lose that knowing-your-neighbor feel."

But she said Middleton still has "that home feeling. You feel safe and secure."

Transportation has always been a key part of Middleton's identity. While the Oregon Trail passed on the other side of the Boise River, an alternate route followed Middleton's side of the stream. The Interurban streetcar ran from Middleton to Boise and Caldwell between 1907 and 1928. Now, Idaho 44 doubles as the city's busy Main Street, connecting to Interstate 84 west of town.

The Middleton School District is the town's biggest employer, officials said, with Ridley's Family Market the biggest business employer.

Although Middleton has collected new businesses as well as subdivisions, most residents still head out each morning to jobs in Boise, Caldwell and Nampa. Easy commuter routes to Boise and Caldwell are among the city's key attractions to homebuyers.

Shedding the bedroom-community label is "a dream of ours," Smith said. "One of the city's goals is to be able to sustain some beautiful business and industry and have more jobs for our citizens."



IMPORTANT NUMBERS

BUSINESS INFORMATION

Middleton Chamber of Commerce (208) 713-5662
Better Business Bureau Northwest (208) 342-4649
Social Security – Nampa/Caldwell Office (208) 455-1002

CITY OF MIDDLETON

Building Department (208) 789-3953
Planning & Zoning (208) 585-3133
City Hall 208-585-3133
Mayor's Office (208) 585-3133
City Attorney (208) 861-3332
Public Works (208) 585-3133
Canyon County Human Resources (208) 454-6610
Canyon County Courthouse (208) 454-7300

MIDDLETON COMMUNITY

Public Library (208) 585-3931
Parks & Rec Department (208) 585-3461
Post Office (208) 585-2219
School District (208) 585-3027
Canyon County Dept. of Motor Vehicles (208) 455-6020

FIRE & POLICE DEPARTMENTS

All Emergencies 911
Fire Department – Non Emergency (208) 585-6650
Police Department – Non Emergency (208) 585-0008
Canyon County Sheriff– Non Emergency (208) 454-7510

MEDICAL REFERENCE

West Valley Medical Center - Caldwell (208) 459-4641
St. Luke's Nampa Medical Center (208) 505-2000
Terry Reilly Health Services - Nampa (208) 467-4431
Southwest District Health Department (208) 455-5300
Veterans Medical Center - Nampa (208) 454-4820
Alcoholics Anonymous Boise (208) 344-6611
Poison Control (800) 860-0620

PETS

Pet Haven Humane Society (208) 466-1298
West Valley Humane Society (208) 455-5920
Animal Control - Boise (208) 343-3166

TELEPHONE SERVICE

Cable One (208) 455-5555
360 Wireless (208) 949-9234

ELECTRICITY & GAS

Idaho Power (208) 388-2323
Intermountain Gas (208) 377-6840
Valley Wide Co-op Propane and Fuel (208) 466-7841

TRASH, WATER & SEWER

Middleton Utility Department (208) 585-3133
Republic Trash & Recycling Collection (208) 345-1265



Kuna

KUNA BY THE NUMBERS

POPULATION: 18,179 AVE HOUSEHOLD INCOME: \$63,674 MEDIAN RENT: \$1,325
AVE HOME LISTING PRICE: \$234,926 AVE HOME SELLING PRICE: \$233,493
YEAR INCORPORATED: 1864 COMMUTE: 0:24 PERSONS PER HOUSEHOLD: 3.19
DRIVING DISTANCE TO BOISE: 18 - 22 Miles



THE SECRET IS OUT

Written By: *Jace Stolfo*

Between the years of 2000 and 2010, the number of people living in this rural Idaho community has almost tripled. Nowadays, the population of this small Idaho town rests at around 18,000, and the character of the town now retains the best of the past and the present.

While it still feels like the kind of town where people take an evening stroll after dinner or chat with their neighbors at the local post office when they're dropping off mail, its proximity to the larger Boise Metropolitan area make this area very attractive to home owners. With friendly neighborhoods and close access to the amenities of Kuna, Boise and Meridian, living here allows people to keep things simple while still participating in the world-at-large.

Kuna in the 21st century lies about 18 miles from Idaho's capital city, Boise. Conflicting reports exist about the meaning of the town's name. While information on the Chamber of Commerce website cite "the end of the trail" as the name's meaning, other sources say that Kuna, Idaho actually means "green leaf, good to smoke" in the Shoshone language.

Regardless, in terms of people's interest in the city's trivia, both names take a backseat to the Kuna Caves. The area's geology -- more specifically, the volcanic activity in Kuna -- is said to have caused the caves to form. At one time, it was said that ancient Native Americans used the caves as an underground passageway to gain access to the Snake River, but so far, this has not been verified. But no matter. Like the meaning of the town's name, the town's citizens have morphed the caves' mythology to suit their own ends. The

famous underground volcanic tube even inspired Kuna High School to call its mascots the "Kavemen," giving a nod to the "K" in Kuna.

A BRIEF HISTORY - BY DANIELLE WILEY

The early settlement of Kuna was short. After the branch line from Nampa to Boise was completed in 1887, the need for a depot at Kuna was over. The settlement closed down and Kuna became just another railroad siding. Years after the original settlement, all that remains is a signboard with the name Kuna and a graveyard containing the victims of the diphtheria epidemic, now known as Pioneer Cemetery.

But the promise of water would change the dynamic of the entire valley. When the U.S. Reclamation Service was established in 1902, their planned project sites included the Boise Valley. Major reservoir development began on the Boise Project, including expansion of the New York Canal system. Eventually it ran south of Boise to the Kuna area, and extended onto Deer Flat Reservoir near Nampa.

Kuna was incorporated on Sept. 13, 1915, in the middle of a prosperous decade of land development brought on by the opening of the New York Canal. At that time, the town site covered some 540 acres, had a population of 227, and an assessed valuation of \$268,744.

In 1918, and for the next five or six summers, Kuna hosted the Chautauqua Program, a traveling variety show from the town of Chautauqua in upstate New York with singers, lecturers and other performers.

By 1919, Main Street included the Kuna Herald building, the Kuna State Bank building, the Kuna Lumber and Coal company, a building called George's Place that hosted the Kuna Barber Shop and the Kuna Confectionary, the Kuna Post Office, the Kuna Mercantile company, the Kuna Livery Feed and Stable, and the Kuna Hardware Company. Other businesses included two blacksmith shops, a garage, restaurant, print shop, two lumberyards, an artificial ice plant, barber shop, pool hall, produce store, theatre, drugstore, planing mill, carpenter shop, milling and elevator company, butcher shop, a creamery and a millinery shop.

The Church of Christ and the Nazarene Church were formed in 1923. The Kuna school burned down in 1925 and was rebuilt. Kuna High School was built in 1924.



The construction of the gymnasium in 1947 marked the greatest major improvement in the physical plant of Kuna High School since the building of the auditorium more than 10 years earlier. The gymnasium, located on Fourth Street, is still in use today.

Kuna continued as an agricultural community after World War II and grew slowly, as it was considered to be far away in the country.

As recently as the 1970s, some major roads in Kuna were still dirt. The building of Interstate 84 in the 1960s and 1970s brought more people to Kuna, as did the widening of Highway 69 in the late 1990s. That, combined with rising land and home prices in the rest of Ada County, began bringing even more people to Kuna, fueling its rapid growth. In 1990, Kuna had 1,955 people and grew to 5,222 by 1999, 8,839 by 2003 and more than 15,000 by 2010.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

BUSINESS INFORMATION

Kuna Chamber of Commerce	(208) 922-9254
Better Business Bureau Northwest	(208) 342-4649
Social Security – Boise Office	(208) 321-2900

CITY OF KUNA

Building Permits & Inspections	(208) 922-5274
City Hall	(208) 922-5546
City Clerk	(208) 922-5546
Mayor's Office	(208) 922-5546
Public Works	(208) 287-1728
Planning & Zoning	(208) 922-5274
Ada County Courthouse	(208) 287-7080

KUNA COMMUNITY

Public Library	(208) 922-1025
Parks & Recreation Department	(208) 922-5546
Post Office	(208) 922-4530
Kuna School District	(208) 922-1000
Meridian Motor Vehicles	(208) 577-4700

FIRE & POLICE DEPARTMENTS

All Emergencies	911
Fire Department – Non Emergency	(208) 286-7772
Police Department – Non Emergency	(208) 577-3860
Ada County Sheriff – Non Emergency	(208) 577-3000

MEDICAL REFERENCE

St. Luke's Meridian Medical Center	(208) 706-5000
St. Alphonsus Medical Kuna Clinic	(208) 302-6500
Boise Behavioral Health Hospital	(208) 327-0504
Veterans Medical Center	(208) 422-1000
Alcoholics Anonymous	(208) 344-6611
Poison Control	(800) 860-0620

PETS

Idaho Humane Society	(208) 342-3508
Animal Control	(208) 343-3166

TELEPHONE SERVICE

Cable One	(208) 375-8288
CenturyLink	(208) 378-1809
Frontier	(208) 867-7316
360 Wireless	(208) 384-0091

ELECTRICITY & GAS

Idaho Power	(208) 388-2323
Intermountain Gas	(208) 377-6840
Suburban Propane	(208) 375-4254

TRASH, WATER & SEWER

Kuna North Wastewater	(208) 287-1722
Republic Trash & Recycling Collection	(208) 345-1265





Emmett

EMMETT BY THE NUMBERS

POPULATION: 6,765 AVE HOUSEHOLD INCOME: \$27,722 MEDIAN RENT: \$900
AVE HOME LISTING PRICE: \$286,172 AVE HOME SELLING PRICE: \$244,900
YEAR INCORPORATED: 1900 COMMUTE: 0:25 PERSONS PER HOUSEHOLD: 2.48
DRIVING DISTANCE TO BOISE: 24 - 26 Miles



LIVING IN EMMETT

Just over the foothills north of the Treasure Valley lies beautiful Emmett, Idaho. At the base of Squaw Butte with the Payette River flowing through it, Emmett has abundant recreational opportunities year-round and yet is a throwback to simpler times. It is an unabashedly small town with everything you need tucked within the valley. There are good restaurants, a great hospital, good schools and most of all, friendly people.

Living in Emmett allows your children the freedom of walking and biking to schools and parks. It is a safe and ideal place for raising kids. The weather is mild and shopping or entertainment is within a 20-minute drive.

GEM COUNTY

Nestled in the southeastern corner of the beautiful state of Idaho, Gem County is a diverse region with many unique attributes. Since its establishment on March 15, 1915, Gem County has evolved to become a vibrant area home to significant economic, cultural, and tourist activity. From sprawling fields rich with the bounty of the land to quaint communities like Emmett, Letha, and Ola, Gem County has plenty to offer its visitors and residents.

A YEAR-ROUND COMMUNITY

Numerous events throughout the year celebrate the inherent beauty of our local area, with the Emmett Cherry Festival and Harvest Festival and Street Fair serving to highlight the agricultural activity that occurs across Gem County. The small town feel of our local communities resonates throughout the businesses and residents who make Gem

County truly special. Don't let our small size fool you, however. Our close proximity to Boise and convenient position on the banks of the Payette River has helped make Gem County a veritable agricultural powerhouse at the very heart of Idaho.

From fruit orchards to manufacturing facilities, business developments continue to grow and succeed in Gem County. The impact of these businesses can be felt near and wide, with our local producers exporting their products across the nation. We're also proud to serve as home to countless small businesses and entrepreneurs. Service-based businesses, retailers and niche boutiques, and nonprofits number among the many organizations who have chosen to do business in this part of the state.

EMMETT THEN & NOW

Rising some 5,906 feet (1,800 m) above sea level, Squaw Butte, named by Native Americans who used this area as their winter resort, stands at the north end of the valley. The Payette River was named after Francois Payette, a fur trader from Quebec who was put in charge of old Fort Boise in 1818 and traveled through the area. Permanent settlement began in the early 1860s, after gold discoveries in the Boise Basin brought people over the established stage and pack train routes. Two of these trails joined at the Payette River north of the present river bridge in Emmett.

Originally called "Emmettville," it was primarily a post office named after Emmett Cahalan, the son of Tom Cahalan, an early settler of the area. The post office was later moved but retained the name. A few years later the "ville" was dropped and the post office and town became simply Emmett. In 1883 James Wardwell had the town platted, and in 1900 the town was incorporated as Emmett. Later, in March 1902, the Idaho Northern railroad came to the valley.

After the closing of the mines in 1906, the power lines were extended to Emmett. A series of irrigation projects made it possible for more rapid expansion of the town as the major service center for a farming and fruit-growing valley. In the early 1900s fruit packers adopted the label of "Gem of Plenty" because of the fertility of the valley. During the mining era the valley was known as the "garden" for the mining regions.



IMPORTANT NUMBERS

BUSINESS INFORMATION

Gem County Chamber of Commerce	(208) 365-3485
Gem County Development Department	(208) 365-5144
Better Business Bureau Northwest	(208) 342-4649
Social Security – Boise Office	(208) 321-2900

CITY OF EMMETT

Building Permits	(208) 365-9569
City Hall	(208) 365-6050
City Clerk	(208) 365-6050
Mayor’s Office	(208) 365-6050
Idaho Dept. of Labor - Emmett	(208) 364-7780
Public Works	(208) 365-9569
Gem County Courthouse	(208) 365-4221

EMMETT COMMUNITY

Emmett Public Library	(208) 365-6057
Gem County Recreation District	(208) 365-5748
Emmett Post Office	(208) 365-2181
Emmett School District	(208) 365-6301
Gem County Dept. of Motor Vehicles	(208) 365-3524

FIRE & POLICE DEPARTMENTS

All Emergencies	911
Fire Department – Non Emergency	(208) 398-8042
Police Department – Non Emergency	(208) 365-6055
Gem County Sheriff – Non Emergency	(208) 365-3521

MEDICAL REFERENCE

Valor Health - Emmett	(208) 365-3561
St. Luke’s Meridian Medical Center	(208) 706-5000
Treasure Valley Hospital	(208) 373-5000
Intermountain Hospital	(208) 377-8400
Boise Behavioral Health Hospital	(208) 327-0504
Veterans Medical Center	(208) 422-1000
Alcoholics Anonymous	(208) 344-6611
Poison Control	(800) 860-0620

PETS

Pet Adoption League	(208) 365-1359
Idaho Humane Society	(208) 342-3508
Animal Control	(208) 343-3166

TELEPHONE SERVICE

Cable One	(208) 375-8288
CenturyLink	(208) 893-6101

ELECTRICITY & GAS

Idaho Power	(208) 388-2323
Intermountain Gas	(208) 377-6840
Valley Wide Co-op Propane & Fuel	(208) 466-7841

TRASH, WATER & SEWER

Emmett Water Department	(208) 365-6054
Emmett Public Works	(208) 365-9569
Emmett Sanitation Trash Service	(208) 365-6103





FAMILY time



WHAT WE LOVE: *Family Fun Activities*



JULIA DAVIS PARK

The city's oldest park, Julia Davis Park was created thanks to a generous donation of 43 acres of land in 1907 by Thomas Davis as a memorial to his beloved wife, Julia. It is one of the riverside parks in the "Ribbon of Jewels" named for prominent local women.

Julia Davis Park is the cultural and historic heart of the city. The 89.4-acre park is the home of Zoo Boise, Boise Art Museum, Idaho State Historical Museum, Discovery Center of Idaho and Idaho Black History Museum.



ZOO BOISE

Zoo Boise's mission is to connect visitors with animals to inspire and involve the local community in the conservation of wildlife worldwide. Their programs strive to fulfill the zoo's mission by providing unique, fun and engaging nature-focused experiences that foster appreciation for animals and their environments as well as raise awareness of conservation issues and possible solutions. Zoo program activities include up-close animal encounters, zoo tours, nature walks, ecology games and simulations, science-based investigations & explorations, zookeeper presentations and some interesting Zoo Boise history.

Zoo Boise is a service of the City of Boise and is supported by the Friends of Zoo Boise, a 501(c)(3) membership organization that supports Zoo Boise in the area of animal acquisition, capital improvement projects, education programs, volunteer opportunities, and special events. For information call (208) 608-7760.



DISCOVERY CENTER OF IDAHO

Discovery Center of Idaho is Idaho's only hands-on science center. We provide fun, interactive STEM learning by bringing the community over 150 hands on exhibits, non-traditional educational programming for all ages, and a safe space for all to explore. Located in the heart of Boise's downtown, we've been inspiring lifelong interest and learning in science, technology, engineering, and math since 1988. For more information call (208) 343-9895

MORE OF WHAT WE LOVE: *More Family Fun Activities*



AQUARIUM OF BOISE

Their 10,000 square foot facility houses over 35,000 gallons of saltwater and over 250 different species of animals and marine life. Their collection includes animals that do not live in the ocean, but have come from local donations from the community. These animals include iguanas, freshwater turtles and fish, snakes and lizards. They do accept animals, but only within the guidelines and rules of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

The Aquarium is in the process of expanding, adding another 5,000 square feet to our existing space. Their expansion plans include the addition of an added space for our Shark and Ray exhibit, North Pacific Touch Tanks, Coral Propagation Lab, Marine Science Quarantine Lab and Octopus Exhibit.



ROARING SPRINGS

A great way to spend a hot, summer Boise day. Visit Roaring Springs Water Park! Roaring Springs is the Northwest's largest waterpark and features attractions for every member of the family, including a wave pool, float river, two family raft ride, bowl slide, racing slide, tube slides, kiddie play area, and a 6-story speed slide! Roaring Springs also has four restaurants and a gift shop (no outside food or drinks).

And in keeping with things in Boise winning accolades, Roaring Springs was recently rated the 8th Best Waterpark in the US! Roaring Springs is located five miles west of Boise, at I-84, exit 44, Meridian.

IDAHO BOTANICAL GARDEN

The Garden provides enriching garden experiences through educational programs, botanical collections, a variety of entertainment, cultural and community events. It is also a refreshing and inspiring year-round outdoor destination for local residents and out-of-town visitors.

Nestled at the base of the Boise Foothills, the Idaho Botanical Garden offers a beautiful location to host weddings, celebrate birthdays and hold private events. Each year, the Garden invites the community to a variety of events that highlight the Garden through music, art, and seasonal celebrations.

Visit www.idahobotanicalgarden.org to learn more.

FLOAT THE *Boise River*



BARBER PARK
4049 S. ECKERT RD.
BOISE, IDAHO 83716

ANN MORRISON PARK
1000 S AMERICANA BLVD.
BOISE, ID 83706



Whitewater Park Boise

Surf, Kayak, Play...



adventure
AWAITS



Camel's Back Reserve

Mountain Bike, Run, Hike...

MORE OF WHAT WE LOVE: *More Family Fun Activities*



BIRDS OF PREY

Explore the amazing world of raptors eye to eye! The Velma Morrison Interpretive Center is The Peregrine Fund's one-of-a-kind indoor/outdoor education center where you'll meet eagles, owls, vultures, hawks, and falcons from around the world.

Live raptor presentations throughout the day.

Discovery Room to engage young visitors with hands-on eggs, feathers, puzzles, and costumes.

Wild raptors visible from a 1/4-mile trail winding through restored habitat areas to overlook Boise.

Condor Cliffs, a Grand Canyon-inspired habitat for California Condors. The world's largest captive flock is housed in nearby breeding chambers to raise young for release to the wild.

Indoor exhibits show raptor adaptations, diet, migration, and breeding. Find out why birds of prey are threatened, and how The Peregrine Fund saves species from extinction.

The Archives of Falconry displays the world's most comprehensive English-language falconry library, plus artifacts from ancient and modern falconry traditions.

For more information call (208) 362-8687

5668 W Flying Hawk Ln
Boise, ID 83709-7289



BOGUS BASIN MOUNTAIN

Bogus Basin Mountain Recreation Area is located 16.5 miles north of Boise, ID and operates with a special use permit on the Boise National Forest under the USDA.

In the winter Bogus Basin is open for full winter operation. Typically the season runs early December through mid-April. Early and late season hours can change, so please check the Conditions & Webcams page or call 208-342-2100 for daily reports.

During the non-winter season, Bogus Basin is open for outdoor recreation. The base area is home to several new activities, such as rock climbing, bungee trampoline, summer tubing, and gold panning. Deer Point chair lift operates for mountain biking service, and scenic chair rides. The hiking trails, biking trails, and bike skills park are open to the general public for free. Please pack in/pack out garbage and waste.



Living here will make you the envy of your friends and family. Do the right thing and convince them to move here too. And don't forget to tell them to call Donna Nightengale with Amherst Madison @ 208.703.5779 for their relocation and real estate questions.



CAMPING

With over 150 campgrounds within a two hour drive you'll have no problems finding someplace to pitch a tent. Some campgrounds are more developed than others with a range of paved roads, pressurized water systems, and more modern restrooms. Others are more primitive with dirt or gravel roads, hand pumped water or no water. Fees vary based on services provided. Many campgrounds and picnic areas are wheelchair accessible.



FISHING

Folks in the Treasure Valley love their fishing! You'll find stocked fishing ponds within city limits and with the Boise river nearby you'll have few excuses for not getting your hook wet. If you're looking to get away from the sounds of the city you won't have to travel far to find yourself in one of several nearby lakes or more remote rivers. Plus, fishing around here is so easy you'll have a lifetime of fishing tales to share with your out-of-state friends in no time at all.



HUNTING

Hunting in Idaho runs the spectrum from plentiful upland game to highly coveted trophy species. Seasons in Idaho are generally structured to provide a wide variety of hunting experiences with a strong emphasis on opportunity. Be sure to check in with Idaho Fish & Game for season dates, licensing, and other important information regarding hunting and fishing rules.



ADVENTURE IS OUT THERE

RAFTING

The Boise area can get a little warm in the summer and the perfect way to escape the heat is to come enjoy the amazing whitewater of the Payette River. For a couple hours come and challenge yourself with thrilling class III whitewater, swim in the refreshing water of the pools between rapids and enjoy a delicious snack in the middle of the trip. If you need a quick summer escape, kayaking or rafting the Payette River is the trip you have been looking for.



MOUNTAIN BIKING

Single-track enthusiasts don't have to go far to enjoy more than 190 miles of trails right out Boise's doorstep. The Boise Foothills provide routes for beginners to advanced riders and depending on the weather, riding can go on year round. Stop at any of Treasure Valley's mountain biking shops for more information regarding places to ride.

HIKING

It would take a few lifetimes to tackle all the hiking trails available to you around the Treasure Valley. You'll find all sorts of different terrains, environments, challenges, and natural wildlife. From well-maintained walking paths to remote rugged wildness, you'll find every type of trail that might interest you - from the casual lunch stroll walk to the challenging, sanity-questioning wilderness explorations.

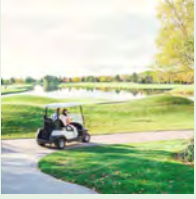


Golf



THE TREASURE VALLEY BOASTS NEARLY 30 GOLF COURSES ALL
WITHIN A 30 MINUTE DRIVE FROM EACH OTHER.

ENJOY CHALLENGING & Scenic Golf



Banbury Golf Club
2626 S Marypost Place
Eagle, Idaho 83616
(208) 939-3600
www.banburygolf.com

HOLES & PAR: 18 / 71
YARDAGE: 6,890
SLOPE & RATING: 132 / 73.3

“This course is one of the best courses in all of Idaho. I always have a great time even when the course wins!”



Boise Ranch Golf Course
6501 S Cloverdale Road
Boise, Idaho 83709
(208) 362-6501
www.boiseranchgc.com

HOLES & PAR: 18 / 71
YARDAGE: 6,611
SLOPE & RATING: 121 / 70.3

“They have a punch card pass that makes it super affordable but even at full cost it is a great course for the money.”



Centennial Golf Course
2600 Centennial Drive
Nampa, Idaho 83651
(208) 468-5889
www.centennialgolf.net

HOLES & PAR: 18 / 72
YARDAGE: 6,655
SLOPE & RATING: 116 / 69.8

“Centennial uses numerous angles, if even somewhat slight, and a considerable amount of water to keep players honest.”



Ridgecrest Golf Course
3730 Ridgecrest Drive
Nampa, Idaho 83687
(208) 465-7854
www.ridgecrestgolf.com

HOLES & PAR: 18 / 72
YARDAGE: 6,918
SLOPE & RATING: 134 / 73.1

“While Boise has a host of nice course there are not a lot you can play with a rating of 73+ and slope of 135, even from the back. Ridgecrest give you just that.”



Crane Creek Country Club
500 W Curling Drive
Boise, Idaho 83702
(208) 514-4359
cranecreekcountryclub.com

HOLES & PAR: 18 / 71
YARDAGE: 6,734
SLOPE & RATING: 131 / 71.7

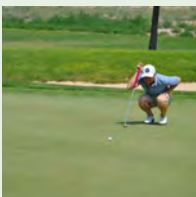
“Surrounded by the quiet challenge of its canyon ravines and sweeping vistas, Crane Creek’s physical setting epitomizes everything a private country club should be.”



Eagle Hills Golf Course
605 N Edgewood Lane
Eagle, Idaho 83616
(208) 939-0402
www.eaglehillsgolfcourse.com

HOLES & PAR: 18 / 72
YARDAGE: 6,410
SLOPE & RATING: 124 / 70.3

“Overall the course has a nice layout, easily managed from the white tees, but with enough distance and variety to challenge from the blues or blacks.”

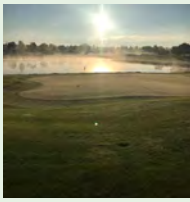


Fairview Golf Course
816 Grant Street
Caldwell, Idaho 83605
(208) 455-3090
www.cityofcaldwell.com

HOLES & PAR: 9 / 35
YARDAGE: 2,572
SLOPE & RATING: 99 / 31.6

“This is a fun course to play and easy to get on. No reservations.”

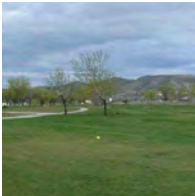
MORE Golf



Falcon Crest Golf Club
 11102 S Cloverdale Road
 Kuna, Idaho 83634
 (208) 362-8897
www.falconcrestgolf.com

HOLES & PAR: 18 / 72
YARDAGE: 7,089
SLOPE & RATING: 132 / 73.3

“Fast greens! Water hazards. Bunkers. Tree trouble. Love it. Play it straight. Hit the driver.”



Gem County Golf Course
 2102 W Sales Yard Road
 Emmett, Idaho 83617
 (208) 365-2675
www.emmettcitygolf.com

HOLES & PAR: 9 / 36
YARDAGE: 3,099
SLOPE & RATING: 111 / 33.73

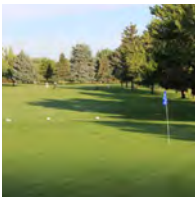
“Watch out for approaching aircraft as visitors come and go right through the golf course on the FAA runway!”



Quail Hollow Golf Club
 4520 N 36th Street
 Boise, Idaho 83703
 (208) 344-7807
www.quailhollowgolfclub.com

HOLES & PAR: 18 / 70
YARDAGE: 6,325
SLOPE & RATING: 129 / 70.7

“Beautiful condition in mid June. Difficult but open enough to be a crinkle to a wide range of skills. Love this track.”



Warm Springs Golf Course
 2495 Warm Springs Avenue
 Boise, Idaho 83712
 (208) 343-5661
www.warmspringsgolfcourse.com

HOLES & PAR: 18 / 72
YARDAGE: 6,961
SLOPE & RATING: 117 / 70.9

“Being on the river Warm Springs enjoys considerably more trees than many of it’s sister courses in Boise.”



Plantation Golf Club
 6515 W State Street
 Boise, Idaho 83703
 (208) 853-4440
www.plantationcc.com

HOLES & PAR: 18 / 71
YARDAGE: 6,357
SLOPE & RATING: 125 / 69.6

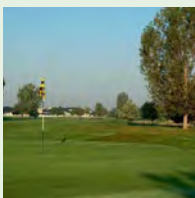
“Plantation CC is always in great shape. The fairways are nice, but the greens are better. Some of the best in the Treasure Valley.”



The Club at SpurWing
 6800 N SpurWing Way
 Meridian, Idaho 83642
 (208) 884-4445
www.theclubatspurwing.com

HOLES & PAR: 18 / 72
YARDAGE: 7,305
SLOPE & RATING: 136 / 75

“Greens are challenging and hold well. Water is in play on some holes and tempts you to go for quick rewards. The club house and the food are a must see and try”



Lakeview Golf Club
 4200 W Talamore Blvd,
 Meridian, Idaho 83646
 (208) 888-4080
www.golflakeviewgc.com

HOLES & PAR: 18 / 72
YARDAGE: 6,521
SLOPE & RATING: 125 / 70

“Fast greens. Great condition. Not too long, but gotta keep it inbounds. I like it.”

TREASURE VALLEY BY THE *season*

If you like sunshine, you'll love the Treasure Valley. With an average of 220 sunny days, low humidity and just 12.1 inches of precipitation, the climate here is ideal for spending time outside. Weather in the Treasure Valley is influenced by Pacific weather patterns, which helps moderate temperature extremes.



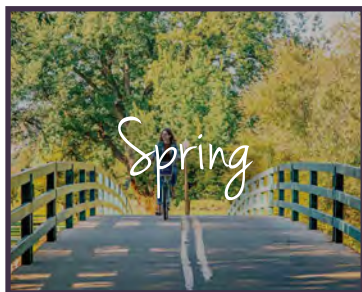
November 18 - February 21

Average High: 47°F

Average Low: 27°F

Seasonal Rainfall: 5.14"

Even though the weather gets chilly, there's no reason to stay indoors. Walk, run or ride on the Boise River Greenbelt or head up to Bogus Basin for the day with a variety of runs for all different abilities.



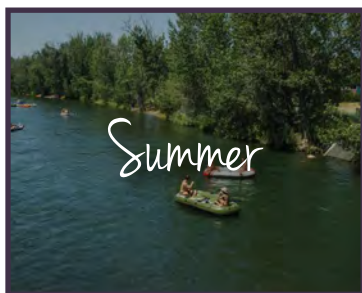
February 22 - June 14

Average High: 63°F

Average Low: 36°F

Seasonal Rainfall: 5.73"

Spring gives way to warmer afternoons with cool early mornings and evenings. As the days slowly get longer you'll have more time to enjoy the best of the Treasure Valley from camping to downtown entertainment.



June 15 - September 11

Average High: 85°F

Average Low: 56°F

Seasonal Rainfall: 1.84"

Nothing quite compares to a Treasure Valley summer. Float the Boise river, plan BBQ's with friends, or relax outdoors on the patio of family friendly local restaurants. And don't forget about the natural beauty of Idaho - Get outside!



September 12 - November 17

Average High: 64°F

Average Low: 41°F

Seasonal Rainfall: 2.68"

You'll love the vibrant colors of a Treasure Valley fall. The local hills are packed with mountain bikers and hikers taking advantage of perfect cooler temperatures shared with abundant wildlife preparing for winter.




You'll be pleased with all the educational options available to your children. The Treasure Valley has a wide variety of public, private, and homeschooling options available allowing you to choose what is best for you and your children.

Once you arrive, you'll want to contact the school district nearest your home regarding enrollment requirements and start date.

Education






BOISE SCHOOL DISTRICT

-  8169 W Victory Rd. Boise, ID 83709
-  (208) 854 - 4000
-  www.boiseschools.org




- BY THE NUMBERS**
- 34 Elementary Schools
 - 8 Junior High Schools
 - 5 High Schools

WEST ADA SCHOOL DISTRICT

-  1303 East Central Dr., Meridian, ID 83642
-  (208) 855 - 4500
-  <https://www.westada.org/>




- BY THE NUMBERS**
- 32 Elementary Schools
 - 10 Junior High Schools
 - 9 High Schools

NAMPA SCHOOL DISTRICT

-  619 South Canyon, Nampa, ID 83686
-  (208) 465 - 2700
-  www.nsd131.org




- BY THE NUMBERS**
- 14 Elementary Schools
 - 3 Junior High Schools
 - 3 High Schools

CALDWELL SCHOOL DISTRICT

-  1101 E Caldwell Blvd., Caldwell, ID 83605
-  (208) 455 - 3300
-  www.caldwellschools.org




- BY THE NUMBERS**
- 6 Elementary Schools
 - 2 Junior High Schools
 - 2 High Schools

VALLIVUE SCHOOL DISTRICT

-  5207 S. Montana, Caldwell, ID 83607
-  (208) 454 - 0445
-  www.vallivue.org




- BY THE NUMBERS**
- 7 Elementary Schools
 - 3 Junior High Schools
 - 3 High Schools

MIDDLETON SCHOOL DISTRICT

-  5 South Viking Ave., Middleton, ID 83644
-  (208) 585 - 3027
-  www.msdl34.org

- BY THE NUMBERS**
- 3 Elementary Schools
 - 1 Junior High Schools
 - 1 High Schools

KUNA SCHOOL DISTRICT

-  1450 Boise Street, Kuna, ID 83634
-  (208) 922 - 1000
-  www.kunaschools.org

- BY THE NUMBERS**
- 5 Elementary Schools
 - 1 Junior High Schools
 - 1 High Schools








Private Schools

The major advantage of private schooling is choice. Rather than sending your child to a public school that is required based on geography, now you have opened up a selection of several schools that may have very different educational styles and emphases, simply because you are deciding on private education. Every private school has a unique personality, and with a little research, certain schools will emerge from the pool as having more features than that will benefit your child.

Photo Credit: Nampa Christian Schools

TREASURE VALLEY PRIVATE SCHOOLS



-  **BISHOP KELLY HIGH SCHOOL**
-  7009 Franklin Road, Boise, ID 83709
-  (208) 375-6010  Grades: 9 - 12
-  www.bk.org

Bishop Kelly High School's mission as a Catholic, Christian educational community is to develop the total student—spirit, mind and body. Through a diverse and comprehensive education in the Catholic tradition, students prepare themselves to serve God and others in the world community.



-  **BOISE VALLEY ADVENTIST SCHOOL**
-  925 N. Cloverdale Rd., Boise, ID 83713
-  (208) 376-7141  Grades: PreK - 8
-  www.bvas.org






Boise Valley Adventist School stands out in so many ways, including its highly educated teachers, beautiful facility, convenient location, competitive tuition rates, and much more. But, topping the list of reasons that parents remain loyal to BVAS are its vibrant spiritual nurture and academic excellence.



-  **CALDWELL ADVENTIST ELEMENTARY**
-  2317 Wisconsin Ave., Caldwell, ID 83605
-  (208) 459-4313  Grades: Infant - 8
-  caldwelladventistelementary.netadvent.org

Caldwell Adventist Elementary School is a Christian private school that provides a higher standard of learning, faith, and citizenship. They offer music education, choir, and band for all students as they believe music is an important part of every student's development.



-  **COLE VALLEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS**
-  8775 Ustick Road, Boise, ID 83704
-  (208) 947-1212  Grades: PreK - 12
-  www.colevalleychristian.org

Cole Valley Christian is in partnership with parents to provide an education that aligns with the Christ-centered values that you instill at home, and that are taught at church.



-  **EAGLE ADVENTIST CHRISTIAN**
-  538 W State St., Eagle, ID 83616
-  (208) 938-0093  Grades: Pre - 8
-  ani830.adventistschoolconnect.org

The mission of the Eagle Adventist Christian School is to provide an environment for social, scholastic, and spiritual growth for children in preschool through eighth grade, by providing individualized instruction in multi-grade settings, to prepare them to make positive moral choices as productive Christian citizens.





-  **FOOTHILLS SCHOOL OF ARTS**
-  618 S. Eighth St., Boise, ID 83702
-  (208) 331-9260  Grades: PreK - 9
-  www.foothillsschool.org


As a progressive school, they believe that students need excellent preparation both for school and for life. Through a focus on dispositions and skills like curiosity, creativity, critical thinking, and confidence, they provide students with the capacities they need not just for school, but to play an active role in a democratic society.

TREASURE VALLEY PRIVATE SCHOOLS - CONTINUED -



 **NAMPA CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS**

 505 W. Orchard Ave., Nampa, ID 83651

 (208) 466-8451  Grades: Infant - 12

www.nampachristianschools.com

Nampa Christian Schools exists for the purpose of providing a Christ-centered academic experience for Christian families in the Treasure Valley. Their goal is to develop Christian character and leadership through purposeful work, earnest scholarship, vital participation, and Christ-centered living.



 **RIVERSTONE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL**


 5521 Warm Springs Ave., Boise, ID 83716


 (208) 424-5000  Grades: PreK - 12



 www.riverstoneschool.org


Providing the best education and preparation for their students long after they leave their doors is always at the forefront of their thoughts and actions. Riverstone International School inspires courageous journeys of academic and personal exploration that enable their students to lead purposeful lives.



 **SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL**


 3901 Cassia St., Boise, ID 83705


 (208) 344-9738  Grades: PreK - 8



 www.sacredheartboise.com


Their campus can accommodate 250 students in grades pre-K through 8. They follow the State of Idaho guidelines and offer a comprehensive religious education program. Sacred Heart Catholic School has ten classroom teachers, and specialists in art, music and physical education.



 **ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL**


 825 W. Fort St., Boise, ID 83702


 (208) 342-4909  Grades: K - 8



 www.stjoes.com


For 115 years, St. Joseph's Catholic School has provided an excellent Catholic education to countless area students. Educating over 400 students annually in grades kindergarten through eighth, St. Joseph's is the cathedral school of the diocese, affiliated with The Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist.



 **SAINT MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL**


 2620 W State St., Boise, ID 83702


 (208) 342-7476  Grades: K - 8



 www.stmarys-boise.org


Founded in 1948, St. Mary's School is one of the oldest, most successful traditional Catholic schools in the valley. With 68 years of experience in helping students achieve their personal best, they are proud to say they challenge all their students to reach their full potential while developing values and a rich faith life.



 **THE AMBROSE SCHOOL**

 6100 N. Locust Grove Rd., Meridian, ID 83646

 (208) 323-3888  Grades: K - 12

 theambroseschool.org

The Ambrose School is dedicated to the idea that true education requires more than imparting knowledge, or training skills, or even teaching students to think (though all of these are involved). They are cultivating in students what the ancient Greeks and Christians called paideia.

HOMESCHOOLING

INFO & RESOURCES

Home Schooling is education directed by the parent/guardian. Since Idaho does not regulate or monitor home school education, it is up to the parent/guardian to select the curriculum they wish to use. There is no registration or sign up procedure required and the state of Idaho does not have a set curriculum to be followed for home school education. All costs associated with home schooling are the responsibility of the parent/guardian.

TREASURE VALLEY HOMESCHOOL ORGANIZATIONS

CHOIS – Christian Homeschoolers of Idaho State – quarterly magazine, lots of resources, produces a convention in Idaho each year in May/June

ICHE – The purpose of the Idaho Coalition of Home Educators is to protect the right to home educate within the State of Idaho.

SELAH – A homeschool support organization.

CHEER – Homeschool support and co-op.

You may also want to explore:

- Catholic Home Educators Of The Treasure Valley
- LDS Desert Homeschool Association

HOMESCHOOL DAYS

Boise Foothills Learning Center – free classes a couple of times a year, hands on nature learning.

Homeschool Board Game Bunch –

This Boise, Idaho group is for all ages! They play quality strategy games once per month at All About Games on Overland in Boise.

Idaho Iceworld Boise – every Friday is homeschool discount day

Jump Time – Tue & Thurs, 10 – 3pm

Nampa Rollerdrome – 10a.m. – 12p.m – third Wednesday of every month – \$4 to skate, \$2 skate/blade rental or you can bring your own.

Nerfed – homeschool days on the first and third Tuesday. \$5 from 1-4.

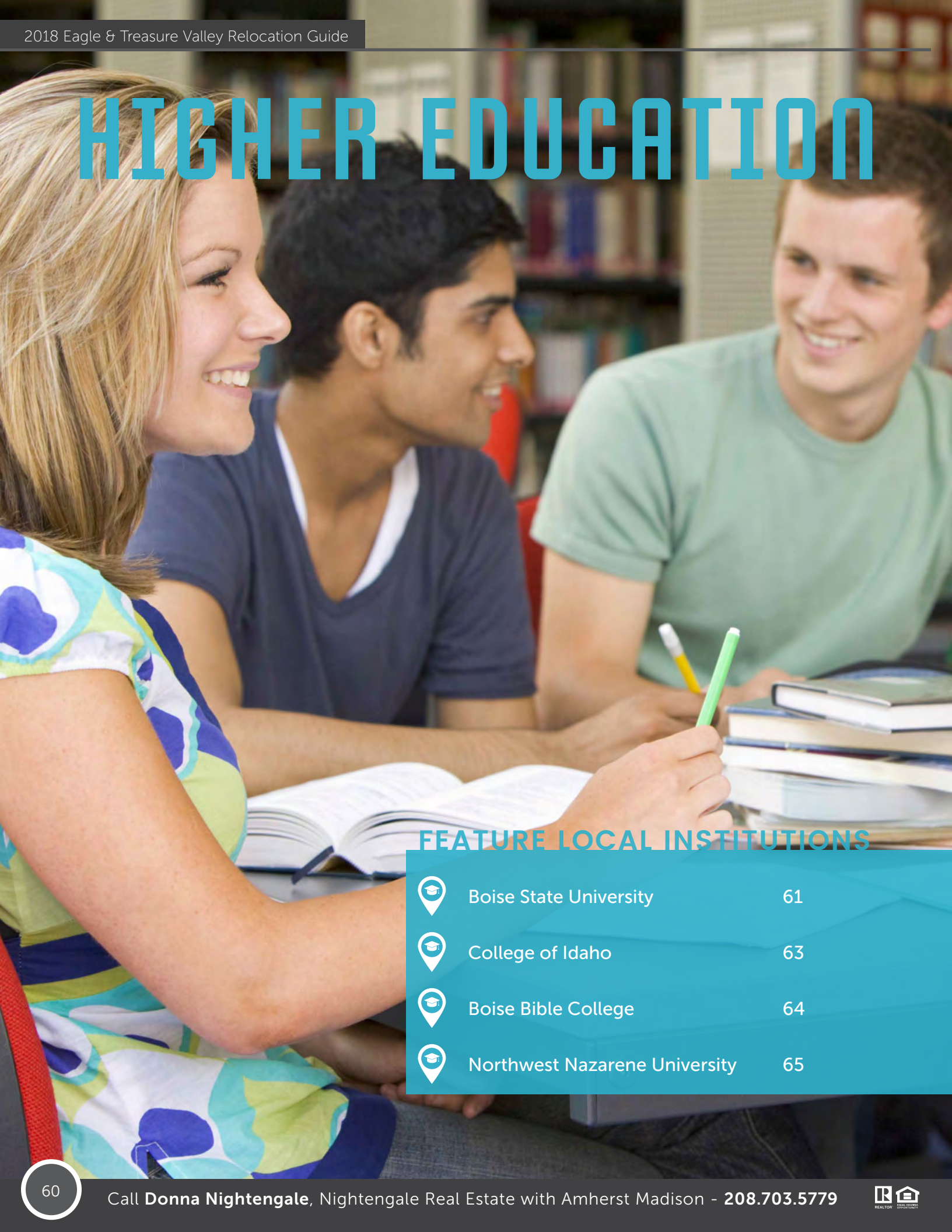
HOMESCHOOL CO-OPS & CLASSES:

- Gem State Adventist Academy (GSAA) – They offer Choir, Band, and Advanced/Beginner Handbells. Contact Cecilia at: csimmons@gemstate.org
- Arrow Homeschool Co-op
- Common Ground Homeschooling
- Treasure Valley Commonwealth
- Vineyard Christian Homeschool Co-op

- SweetPea Knitting – Beginner Knitting, Beginner Lace and Cables, Intermediate: Baby Sweaters, Advanced: Toe-up Socks (Magic Loop).
- Boise Urban Garden School – The Boise Urban Garden School (BUGS) is a specialized, inquiry-based education organization that utilizes an organic garden setting as the foundation for our unique learning environment. They know that a student that is able to dig in the soil, plant a seed, and watch it grow is excited to eat the fruits of their labor, and will understand the science behind a sprouting seed or photosynthesis.
- Canyon County Stars Square and Round Dance Club – Lessons Start Wed, Sept 2nd, 7pm – 8:15pm. Caldwell Senior Center – 1009 Everett St, Caldwell.



HIGHER EDUCATION



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BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY

DISCOVER BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY

The students, faculty and staff at Boise State University are known for their grit and ambition. While we may be most famous for our iconic Blue Turf, we have built a metropolitan research university of distinction in the Northwest, with our faculty and student researchers working to answer some of the most intriguing questions facing us today.

FUTURE LEADERS

Students stand with us in the lab, in the field, as part of the learning and discovery process. You see, Boise State's faculty and staff are guided by one simple but powerful conviction: our students are the future leaders, thinkers and innovators of the American West, and that future begins in the classrooms of our campus, situated in the heart of Boise, Idaho, across the river from downtown, at the intersection of the region's centers of government, technology, business and the arts.

CULTURAL EXPERIENCES

On campus, we prime students to jump into Boise's rapidly growing professional and cultural scene, not only by their proximity to our state's capitol and bustling downtown core, but by the superior education they receive at Boise State. Recently we've significantly revamped our undergraduate experience to make students more career ready.

As Idaho's largest university and its fastest-growing research enterprise, Boise State recently joined a consortium of research universities including Purdue, Rice, Georgia Tech, University of Michigan and Texas A&M in a \$5 million foundation-funded effort to create longterm, hands-on applied research projects that will ensure undergraduate and graduate students get unprecedented experience tackling real-life problems in real time.

We've redesigned core classes to maintain a steady focus on building the skills students need to succeed, including problem-solving, communication, innovation, teamwork,





BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY

ethics and diversity. The world is taking notice: In less than a decade, we've more than doubled our out-of-state student enrollment and boosted the number of bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees awarded each year by 52 percent.

In a decade of expansion, Boise State invested \$70 million in athletics facilities that have become the envy of our peers, at the same time spending another \$200 million on academic, residential and other student-centered projects across campus.



WHAT MAKES OUR UNIVERSITY SPECIAL?

From our Distinguished Lecture Series, the world-class entertainment found at The Morrison Center and Taco Bell Arena, and a commitment to a healthy campus, we want you to consider Boise State a home away from home as much as an esteemed place of learning. We want you to question, to critique, to have fun and most importantly, to succeed.

Whether you aspire to devote your life to helping medical patients breathe with ease or plan to jump app-first into Boise's explosive tech scene, you'll find all of the elements to thrive on campus: knowledgeable faculty and staff, a diverse body of peers eager to learn and grow with you, and hundreds of student groups and extracurricular activities ready to inject you with a healthy dose of Bronco pride.

Speaking of pride, the overlap between Bronco pride and Boise pride is strong. Thousands of Boise residents made the pilgrimage to Arizona to cheer us on to three Fiesta Bowl wins in recent years. Conversely, when music-loving residents founded Treefort, a five-day DIY music festival, Boise State jumped in to sponsor a complementary technology-themed conference called Hackfort that even caught the attention of the President of the United States.



Boise State University

1910 University Dr., Boise, ID 83725

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Total Enrollment: 23,886

Full Time: 12,350 / Part Time: 3,703 / Online: 7,380

Highest Enrollment Programs

Health Science Studies, BS

Biology, BS

Communication, BA

Nursing, BS

Psychology, BA BS

Computer Science, BS

General Business, BA BBA BS

THE COLLEGE of IDAHO



The College of Idaho

2112 Cleveland Blvd., Caldwell, ID 83605

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Founded in 1891, The College of Idaho is the state's first private liberal arts college. We're a close-knit community of 1,000 scholars, athletes, artists and critical thinkers who aim to push ourselves — and each other — to new heights.



PEOPLE

- Enrollment of approximately 925 students.
- Students come from 28 different states.
- More than one-third of students compete for 20 varsity sports teams.
- C of I student athletes have captured 68 individual and team national championships, including 27 since 2011.
- 11:1 student-to-faculty ratio and high student-faculty interaction.
- Through our innovative PEAK curriculum, students earn a major and three minors in four years across the four academic peaks. This empowers students to pursue their passions while developing the breadth and depth of knowledge necessary for lifelong success.
- The First Year Experience creates a sense of community and prepares students for lifelong learning. It includes a community-building retreat in McCall, a first-year theme and book, first-year seminars, and first-year living communities and mentors.
- Numerous off-campus and study abroad programs are available, including regular trips to London, Paris, China, Australia and Idaho's Sawtooth Mountains.

ACADEMICS

- The C of I offers 26 majors and 58 minors in the fine arts and humanities, natural sciences and mathematics, social sciences and history, and professional fields.
- C of I graduates include seven Rhodes Scholars, 14 Marshall, Truman and Goldwater Scholars, three governors, a Pulitzer Prize-winning historian, an Academy Award-winning composer, four NFL players, the co-discoverer of B12, and the co-founder of Patagonia Outerwear.
- The College is home to four Carnegie Foundation Idaho Professors of the Year.



Boise Bible College

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ABOUT BOISE BIBLE COLLEGE

Boise Bible College develops well-equipped leaders for the Lord's church who maintain a servant's heart, live with integrity, and hold a Biblical worldview as they serve the church.

We excel in preparing Christian leaders for all levels of church ministry and are an extension ministry of the local church as we equip individuals for a lifetime of Christian service. Our goal is for our students to remain free from debt so they can be free to serve. Your partnership, prayers and gifts help us accomplish this mission. Please consider making BBC a part of your monthly budget. Our Development staff is ready to assist and support you in any way possible. Please contact us if we can be of any assistance.

BBC is located on a 16-acre campus at the Northwest edge of Boise, just south of the Boise River and only minutes from numerous opportunities for recreation, amusement, shopping and employment. The BBC campus is not only in a great location, it is continually being developed to accommodate a growing student body. How big will we get? That is in God's hands, but we believe we will be blessed with over 500 students in the not too distant future.

Boise Bible College began in 1945, with just a few students as a ministry of the First Church of Christ in Boise as a training school for ministers in the Pacific Northwest. After 65 years of service, BBC's primary mission remains the same -- to prepare Christians for a life of full-time ministry and leadership for the church in America and throughout the world.

The traditional goal of a college education was to provide a basic understanding of our complex world and the



tools with which to respond creatively to life's challenges. Students at BBC learn to read, write, think, speak, and do research through studies in literature, language, history, the sciences, philosophy, and theology. Our students are given the experiences to help mature them into leaders capable of serving on any team with integrity, loyalty and discipline. They make a strong asset to any community or organization.

We offer Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, and Associate of Science degrees. Students may also pursue one-year Bible certificates or take advantage of one of the cooperative transfer agreements BBC has with other colleges and universities. The College is accredited by the Association for Biblical Higher Education (ABHE) a CHEA recognized accrediting organization.





NORTHWEST NAZARENE UNIVERSITY

ABOUT NORTHWEST NAZARENE UNIVERSITY

Northwest Nazarene University, a nonprofit comprehensive Christian university of the liberal arts, offers over 60 areas of study, master's degree programs in seven disciplines, accelerated degree programs, concurrent credit for high school students and a variety of continuing education credits. In addition to its 90 acre campus located in Nampa, Idaho, the University also offers programs in Idaho Falls and in cooperation with programs in 35 countries. Founded in 1913, the University now serves over 2,000 undergraduate and graduate students, more than 6,000 continuing education students and 2,300 high school students through the concurrent credit program. Our mission is to encourage a habit of mind that enables each student to become God's creative and redemptive agent in today's world. We believe that the education obtained from NNU prepares graduates to be global Christians through academic excellence, social responsiveness and creative engagement. NNU is accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities and has been rated by U.S. News and World Report as one of the top masters-level universities in the West. In addition NNU is often featured in the Princeton Review's Book The Best Western Colleges.

STUDENT BODY

Over 10,000 students. This year we have 1,323 undergraduate students, 712 graduate students, and

Northwest Nazarene University

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more than 6,000 taking courses online or for Continuing Education. A majority of our students come from all over the Northwest and parts of California. However, we do have international students from Papua New Guinea, Cameroon, Kenya, Ethiopia, South Africa, and many other countries.

AFFILIATION

NNU is affiliated with The Church of the Nazarene. Approximately 45% of NNU students have claimed "Nazarene" as their church background and the other 55% belong to a variety of different denominations

STUDENT TO FACULTY RATIO

15:1

ACADEMIC AND SUPPORT UNITS

College of Arts and Sciences
College of Adult and Graduate Studies
Academic Services
School of Business
School of Theology and Christian Ministries

DEGREES

AA, BA, BS, BSN, MA, MBA, MDiv, MEd, MS, MSN, MSW, EdS, EdD, PhD



Treasure Valley
Health
care



SAINT ALPHONSUS REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Saint Alphonsus Health System has the region's only Level II Trauma Center, which recognizes our dedication to providing the highest quality, most optimal care for all critically ill and injured patients. This distinction ensures we maintain the highest standards for chest pain, stroke, orthopedic and general surgery and emergency care. It also creates a foundation of medical excellence, innovation and collaboration that makes the overall care all our patients receive – throughout the region - that much better.

CANCER

Saint Alphonsus Cancer Care Center offers access to advanced diagnostic tools like 3D imaging and mobile mammography to help detect cancer at its earliest and most treatable stage. Our integrative approach to healing enhances the quality of life for patients and their families including genetic counseling and education, nutrition counseling, CLIMB child and family support, rehabilitation services, music, art, yoga and exercise therapy. Our team of experts use the latest treatment options such as precision radiation therapies, access to the region's largest number of clinical trials and personal care navigators that guide you every step of the way.

As Idaho's only Brachytherapy Center of Excellence we are reducing radiation treatment from six weeks to five days for partial breast cancer. Learn more about this life-saving care.

CARDIOVASCULAR

Saint Alphonsus Heart Institute is focused on providing high quality heart care when and where you need it most, so you can live a full life. We offer heart specialists with the most advanced training and experience to treat even the most complex heart conditions. We also travel around the region and see patients in 13 different communities, so it's easy to access care and make your heart health a priority. Our expertise combined with state-of-the-art technology, like the region's only Stereotaxis robotic treatment for heart rhythm disorders, ensures all patients have access to comprehensive care options, so they can feel better faster. Find a Saint Alphonsus Heart Institute near you.

EMERGENCY

In an emergency, quick access to care is critical. That is why Saint Alphonsus offers easy access to six emergency departments around the region in Boise, Eagle, two in Nampa, Ontario and Baker City. All Saint Alphonsus emergency departments are staffed by board-certified emergency physicians and nurses, and backed by a team of trauma, chest pain and stroke specialists. With the region's only Level II Trauma Center and Time Sensitive Emergency certified center for Trauma, Stroke and Heart Attack, you can have peace of mind knowing any Saint Alphonsus Emergency Department is right for you. Find a location near you.

SAINT ALPHONSUS REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER - CONTINUED -

NEUROSCIENCE

Saint Alphonsus is the leading provider of advanced, innovative and interdisciplinary neurological services, and was the region's first Joint Commission Accredited Advanced Primary Stroke Center. Saint Alphonsus neurologists and neurosurgeons have the advanced training and experience to provide care for patients with complex neurologic conditions. Our collaborative team approach includes neurosurgeons, neuroradiologists, vascular surgeons, neurologists, neuropathologists, physiatrists, oncologists and neurooptometrists focused on delivering the best options and outcomes to patients.

With a stroke, time is of the essence. Our team provides remote care and consults to stroke patients, through telemedicine services, at nearly all emergency departments throughout the region. We also excel in utilizing the latest technology to attack strokes such as biplane angiography, MRI/MRA, CT/CTA, CT perfusion, 4-vessel angiography, and interventional stroke and aneurysm procedures. Learn more about the region's most advanced neuroscience program.

ORTHOPEDICS

Whether you are recovering from an injury or need surgery we know the importance of advanced orthopedic care. Whether it's pain in your shoulder, elbows, hips, knees or ankles we have both non-surgical and surgical specialists standing by to make sure you receive the best care as quickly as possible. We've invested in leading, state-of-the-art technology like Makoplasty for knee and hip replacement surgery, STAR ankle replacement and artificial disc replacement for spine injuries so you can recover quicker and feel better faster. Find an orthopedic specialist near you.

SURGERY

Saint Alphonsus is focused on delivering surgical excellence and has established the region's premiere surgical program. The foundation of surgical expertise is our Level II Trauma Center, which is continuously ready to care for any severe injuries and provide the most advanced care available within 500 miles. Supported by new Cardiovascular operating suites that are continuously ready for cardiac

emergencies and spacious orthopedic and neurosurgical surgical suites outfitted with the latest imaging and technologies, we're ready for any surgery 24/7. We are also the first Health System in the region to introduce the da Vinci Surgical System, a minimally invasive robot assisted surgical platform that allows patients smaller incisions and the ability to recover quicker, with less pain and scarring. All five of our hospitals are staffed with skilled surgeons providing surgical specialties such as bariatrics, pediatrics, orthopedics, breast surgery and reconstruction, cardiothoracic and gastrointestinal surgical care. Learn more about our surgical specialties.

WOMEN'S SERVICES

At Saint Alphonsus we offer specialized care for women of all ages. From personalized maternity care and comprehensive breast care to the region's only women's heart program, our medical experts guide you through every stage of life and are dedicated to being part of your life-long journey. You can count on our team to provide supportive, state-of-the-art care that helps you stay healthy and active every step of the way. Learn more about our specialized women's care.





ST. LUKE'S BOISE MEDICAL CENTER

St. Luke's has cared for the people of the Treasure Valley since our founding in 1902. And as Boise has grown, we've grown, too. But one thing will never change: our commitment to your best health. We're here to help you stay as healthy and strong as possible so you can enjoy our beautiful scenery, exciting recreation, vibrant city, and wonderful quality of life for many years to come.

St. Luke's Boise is Idaho's largest health care provider and the flagship hospital of St. Luke's Health System, providing you access to highly skilled specialists, nurses, and staff within a friendly campus designed for healing. Known for clinical excellence, St. Luke's Boise is nationally recognized for quality and patient safety, and proud to be designated a Magnet hospital, the gold standard for nursing care. Among our many services, we're home to:

- St. Luke's Children's Hospital, the only children's hospital in Idaho
- St. Luke's Heart
- St. Luke's Mountain States Tumor Institute's largest clinic
- St. Luke's Center for Minimally Invasive Surgery

ST. LUKE'S CHILDREN'S

Children have very different healthcare needs than adults. That's why St. Luke's Children's has created a network of medical experts that specialize in caring for kids—from birth all the way to adulthood.

We're home to Idaho's only children's hospital and, our wide range of specialty outpatient clinics—in areas such as pediatric cardiology, neurosurgery, oncology, gastroenterology, and many more—offer your family the greatest depth, breadth, and concentration of children's health resources in Idaho.

We also regularly bring additional visiting specialists to Idaho and host clinics throughout the state to bring you the very best in children's care, close to home.

HEART AND VASCULAR CARE

St. Luke's performs more heart and vascular procedures than any other hospital in Idaho. Our state-of-the-art facilities include echocardiography, cardiac catheterization, vascular diagnostic, and electrophysiology labs; and both St. Luke's Boise and Meridian are home to Idaho's first accredited Chest Pain Centers.

Our physicians, nurses, and staff—experts in cardiovascular

ST. LUKE'S BOISE MEDICAL CENTER - CONTINUED -

disease, interventional cardiology, electrophysiology, and heart health and rehabilitation—are deeply committed to supporting your best quality of life. We'll coordinate all aspects of your heart and vascular health, from diagnosis, intervention, disease management, and rehabilitation to counseling, tobacco treatment, anti-coagulation services, access to research clinical trials, and more.

WOMEN'S SERVICES

Every woman is unique, and so are her healthcare needs. Your needs change with every age and stage of life. So whether you're a young woman just starting out in your career or a recent retiree, a first-time mom or a veteran of raising teenagers, you need to stay healthy and strong for yourself and for those you love. St. Luke's is here to help, every step of the way.

CANCER CARE AT ST. LUKE'S MOUNTAIN STATES TUMOR INSTITUTE (MSTI)

Patients and their families have trusted St. Luke's Mountain States Tumor Institute (MSTI) for advanced, compassionate cancer care for more than 40 years. St. Luke's MSTI is the region's largest provider of cancer care and a leader in cancer research. We're also home to Idaho's only cancer treatment center for children, only federally sponsored center for hemophilia, and only blood and marrow transplant program.

Because cancer touches nearly every aspect of your life, we focus on every aspect of your care. From the multidisciplinary team of expert physicians dedicated to your individual treatment, to the skilled caregivers working to reduce or alleviate symptoms and side effects, to the counselors serving your social and spiritual needs—we'll be with you every step of the way.

INTERNAL MEDICINE

A partnership with an internal medicine provider, a type of primary care provider, helps you live your healthiest life. The experienced medical professionals at St. Luke's can help you navigate any health issues you face, whether it involves routine and preventive health checks, diagnosis

and treatment of an acute medical problem, or ongoing management of a chronic illness.

As internists, we keep the whole patient in mind, rather than merely focusing on a single disease or organ system. We're prepared to handle severe chronic illnesses and situations where many illnesses occur at the same time. Our comprehensive care covers a wide range of conditions such as heart disease and hypertension, kidney disease, gastrointestinal problems, arthritis and other joint problems, allergies, lung problems, infections, nutritional problems, skin disease, diabetes, and more. When your condition requires the attention of additional specialists, we'll coordinate your care.

OBSTETRICS AND GYNECOLOGY

Our team helps women stay healthy at all stages of life. Whether you're expecting a baby, scheduled for surgery, or navigating menopause, our experienced staff and expert providers deliver high quality, compassionate care. We offer annual gynecological wellness exams, care during pregnancy and childbirth, treatment and surgery for problems with the reproductive system, treatment for infertility, bone-density testing, and more.





ST. LUKE'S BOISE MEDICAL CENTER - CONTINUED -

PEDIATRICS

Pediatricians are trained to care for children of all ages, from infancy through adolescence. We provide wellness care, treat illness and injury, and also strive to understand and listen carefully your child's emotional and social development and needs. We're committed to building a relationship with your child and your family and supporting your child's best health over the years.

REHABILITATION

St. Luke's Rehabilitation is proud to continue the tradition of compassionate care established by the Idaho Elks decades ago. Our goal is to help you live your best life, whether you're returning to work or play after an injury, working to maintain independence with a disability, or recovering after an illness.

Our inpatient and outpatient programs serve all ages and cover both orthopedic and neurologic rehabilitation. Whatever your situation and condition, we're dedicated to providing you with a comprehensive plan of care to support your best possible health and quality of life.

ORTHOPEDICS

A condition or injury impacting your bones, muscles, or related tissue can dramatically impact your quality of life.

The team of experts at St. Luke's Orthopedics supports adult and pediatric musculoskeletal health with a wide range of services, from management of conditions such as osteoporosis, scoliosis, and bone fractures, to surgery of all major joints and comprehensive care for recreational and professional athletes.

NEUROLOGY

Neurological conditions often require consistent, long-term care. Our experts offer you the skill and support you need, close to home. Our team specializes in the diagnosis and treatment of conditions such as epilepsy, stroke, multiple sclerosis, Parkinson's, and other neuromuscular diseases and will work in partnership with your primary care provider.

UROLOGY

St. Luke's offers the most advanced and comprehensive urologic care available in the region for adults and children with genitourinary problems. Whatever your condition or concern, we will treat you with compassion in a private and confidential setting. Our urologists are board certified through the American Board of Urology and many are the only physicians in Idaho with fellowship training in specialty areas such as reconstructive urology, male voiding dysfunction, urologic oncology, andrology (men's sexual health), and laparoscopic and endoscopic urology.



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St. Luke's Parkcenter Draw Station
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Local Veteran Resources



BOISE VA MEDICAL CENTER

Boise VA Medical Center Emergency Room is open 24/7.

Boise VA Medical Center's primary service area has a radius of approximately 160 miles with an estimated veteran population of 100,000. The Boise VAMC, within VISN 20, provides highly sophisticated primary, secondary, and specialty care to roughly 28,000 veterans each year. The Boise VA Medical Center delivers care in its main facility in Boise, Idaho and also operates Outpatient Clinics in Twin Falls, Caldwell, Mountain Home and Salmon, Idaho; as well as in Burns, Oregon.



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quality and accessibility of the care they provide. They also train future healthcare professionals, conduct research and support our nation in times of emergency. In all of these activities, their employees will respect and support your rights as a patient.

LIST OF SERVICES

Chronic Pain Management

Pain Management Services

Extended Care & Rehabilitation

The extended care and rehabilitation program provides physical medicine and rehabilitation, transitional care, as well as home and community care.

Medical Foster Home Program

Medical Foster Home Program MFH is a voluntary program that offers safe, long-term care in a home like setting.

Mental Health

Our mental health program provides consultation, evaluation, and treatment for a variety of issues that can impact

emotional well-being.

Non-VA Care

Non-VA Care is medical care provided to eligible Veterans outside of the VA when VA facilities are not available, often known as Fee Basis.

Pharmacy

Providing our veterans the exemplary pharmaceutical care they have earned.

Primary Care

Our primary care program offers an extensive range of treatments with an emphasis on health care prevention.

Research

Our research and development

program enhances our ability to provide state-of-the-art medical techniques and treatments to veterans.

Social Work

Social work is an integral part of health care. Our social work program assists veterans with counseling and community services.

Specialty Care

Our specialty care program offers all surgical specialties as well as neurology, radiation, oncology, and audiology.

Surgery

Surgery Service



Come in
we are
OPEN
COME IN WE ARE OPEN

Being friendly is one of Idaho's best qualities. And being business-friendly—well, we top the charts for that, too. Why? We make it easier here.

In Idaho, we keep our costs and taxes low, and we remove the burdensome regulations that get in the way of success. We like to work hard and smart, and our infrastructure is efficient and reliable.

It's no wonder Idaho's entrepreneurial spirit is soaring. Take a look—and imagine building a future where you can shape your success, your way.

ECONOMIC OVERVIEW

Backed by mountains, blessed with sunny weather, the Boise Valley is earning national acclaim like no other mid-sized city in America. Our incredible quality of life has attracted a thriving mix of high tech, agribusiness and manufacturing businesses along with a young, educated workforce to serve them.

Our quality of life will blow you away. The average commute is 18 minutes. The schools are good. The streets are safe. Cultural institutions like the Treefort Music Festival and Idaho Shakespeare Festival draw huge crowds. And outdoor recreation is everywhere: at certain times of year you can literally ski, play golf and go fishing all in the same day.



It's bigger than you think. With 690,000+ residents and a 3.4% annual in-migration rate, the Boise Valley has a large and growing population, but thankfully still retains a friendly, small-town feel.

We're an educated bunch. A full 40% of our workforce has earned college degrees. This area is also home to more than 14 institutions of higher education with a cumulative enrollment of 50,000. Together we receive more patents per capita than any city in America.

Our workforce is young, talented and growing. With stalwarts like HP, Micron, Simplot, Albertsons, the Boise Valley has an infrastructure of talent and expertise from a legacy of large corporate headquarters. Collectively our workforce is three years younger than the national average.

You can actually afford to live here. Our total cost of living is only 92% of the national average. Housing is even more reasonable (only 80% of national average). As much as we love Seattle, Portland and the Bay Area (all just a short nonstop flight away), it makes a lot more sense to live here.

Put simply, the Boise Valley is a great place to live and work. It has everything you need to build a business, a career or a family—without the big commute, the huge house payment and punishing taxes. But don't just take our word for it.

QUICK FACTS

GROWING POPULATION

- Comprised of the following communities: Boise, Meridian, Nampa, Kuna, Eagle, Star, Emmett, Garden City, Caldwell and Mountain Home
- Total population within a 45-minute draw area: 689,013 (Applied Geographic Solutions Estimate 2016)
- Idaho is among the top five fastest growing states in the nation (National Census Bureau)

LOW COSTS FOR BUSINESS AND LIVING

- The overall cost of doing business is nearly a third lower than California and Washington
- The cost of living is 91.5 % of the national average (Accra Cost of Living Index 2016)
- The average cost of a home is 81.7% of the national average (Accra Cost of Living Index 2016)
- No tax on services

ECONOMIC OVERVIEW

- CONTINUED -

TRAINED AND PRODUCTIVE WORKFORCE

- Workforce within a 45-minute draw area: 330,000
- Average age: 33.1 years
- More patents are generated per capita in the Boise Metro than any other region in the country
- Of the Boise Metro's 330,000-person workforce, nearly 110,000 are degreed workers

HIGH QUALITY OF LIFE

- The Boise-Nampa area is ranked as one of the most secure large metropolitan areas in the U.S. out of 114 regions nationally with populations of over 500,000 (Farmers Insurance Group)
- Average commute time is only 18 minutes
- Four seasons of world-class outdoor recreation at your doorstep: skiing, hiking, cycling, fishing, rock climbing, rafting and more
- A full complement of cultural amenities including the nationally recognized Idaho Shakespeare Festival, TreeFort, LED, Boise Philharmonic, Opera Idaho and others
- Excellent K-12 schools and post-secondary educational opportunities

DIVERSITY

- Over 90 different languages are spoken in the Boise School District
- Home to the second-largest Basque population in North America
- Home to one of the oldest synagogues in the western United States
- More than two dozen language courses available through local universities and community education programs
- Annual diversity events and resources include the Soul Food Extravaganza, PRIDE activities, Hispanic Cultural Center and Black History Museum

ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORTATION

- Bisected by Interstate 84 and Interstate 184
- Boise Airport serves more than 3,000,000 people a year and is less than five miles from downtown Boise
- ValleyRide provides public bus transportation throughout the Boise Valley
- Idaho Northern & Pacific Railroad (INPR) provides freight service over four branch lines in southwestern Idaho and northeastern Oregon

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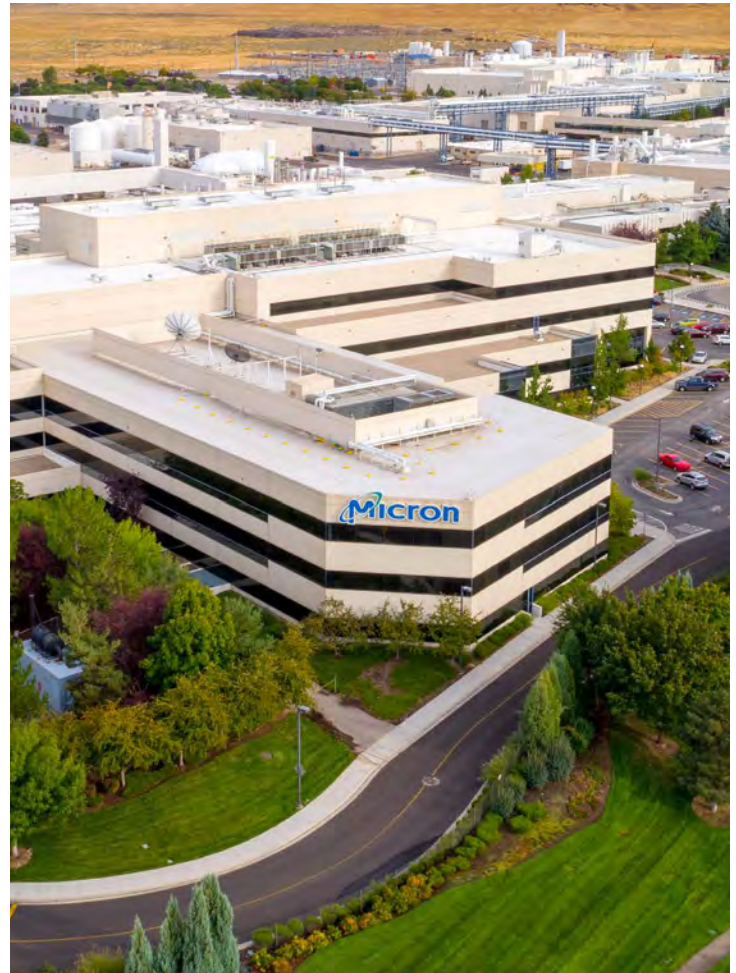
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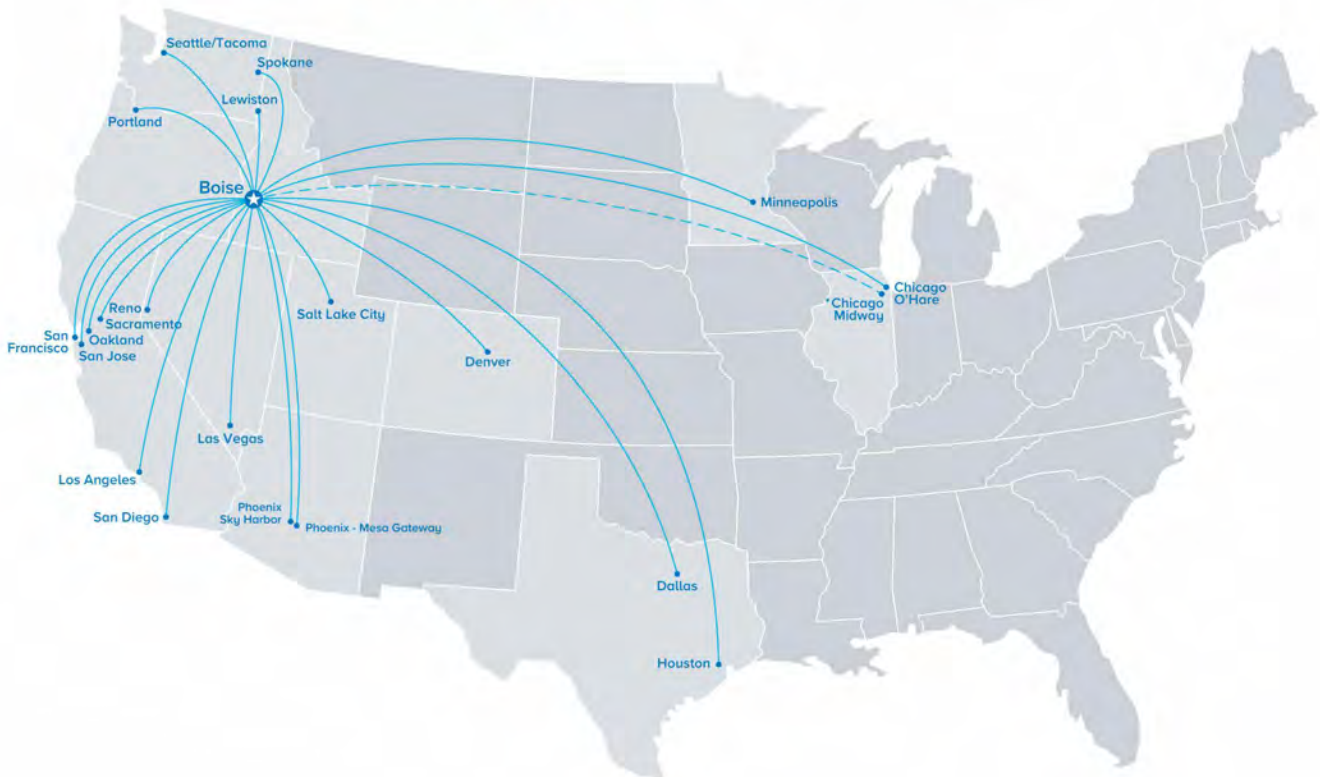
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WHAT'S NEARBY - Go Explore!



McCall

Distance: 108 Miles

Located two hours north of Boise, McCall is a vibrant resort town nestled between forested mountains and the shores of Payette Lake. During Winter Carnival, craftsmen come from far and wide to showcase stunning snow sculptures and skiers and boarders ply the slopes at Brundage Mountain Resort. In the summer, McCall buzzes with activity as visitors enjoy the water sports, hiking, biking, dining, and the sunshine McCall is known for.

When you head back to Boise, take a different route following Hwy. 95 from New Meadows through an agricultural region and the small towns of Weiser and Payette before intersecting Interstate 84. Weiser has a charming small downtown and some interesting historical gems including the Galloway House Bed & Breakfast, Pythian Castle, and the Weiser Museum and Snake River Heritage Center. Stop in Weiser Classic Candy's deli for lunch or delicious shakes, sundaes and candy, then head over to Union Pacific Railroad Train Depot to savor your sweet treats. Weiser is also home to the annual National Old Time Fiddlers Contest and Festival, held the third full week of June. If you enjoy fiddle music, this is the place to be. If you want to take in a few days of the festival, plan very early. There is limited lodging and campsites fill up well in advance.



Sawtooth Mountains

Distance: 157 Miles

The Sawtooth Range is a mountain range of the Rocky Mountains in central Idaho reaching a maximum elevation of 10,751 feet at the summit of Thompson Peak. It encompasses an area of 678 square miles. There are 57 peaks with an elevation over 10,000 feet in the Sawtooth Range, all between 10,000 to 10,751 feet in elevation.

The Sawtooth Range and Wilderness are home to nearly 400 lakes created by receding alpine glaciers. Not surprisingly, this striking mountain landscape was a favorite playground of Ernest Hemingway, who is buried in the Ketchum area.

The Sawtooth National Recreation Area consists of 756,000 acres of scenic mountain country and includes over 700 miles of trails, 40 peaks rising over 10,000 feet and more than 300 high mountain lakes that add to the spectacular scenery and vistas. Outdoor recreational pursuits include camping, hiking, backpacking, fishing, boating and canoeing, rafting, observing nature, photography and bicycling.

POPULAR ACTIVITIES

World class fishing, hiking, mountain climbing, nature trails, wildlife viewing, mountain biking, birdwatching, canoeing, kayaking, and whitewater boating.

WHAT'S NEARBY - *Go Explore!*



Craters of the Moon

Distance: 176 Miles

Over the past 30 million years, this region has experienced extensive stretching. A recent example of these on-going forces was the 1983 Mount Borah earthquake. During that event the highest point in Idaho, Mount Borah, got a bit higher when a magnitude 6.9 earthquake occurred across the base of the Lost River Range. Mount Borah rose about 1 foot and the Lost River Valley in that vicinity dropped about 8 feet. On the Eastern Snake River Plain, rather than producing mountain ranges, these tensional forces have triggered volcanic activity. The stretching of the crust releases pressure on the hot rocks below causing them to melt. The magma can then travel to the surface along planes of weakness like the Great Rift. The time between eruptive periods in the Craters of the Moon Lava Field averages 2,000 years and it has been more than 2,000 years since the last eruption.

FUTURE

The volume of past eruptive events suggests that slightly over one cubic mile of lava will be erupted during the next event. The next eruptive period is expected to begin along the central portion of the Great Rift in the Craters of the Moon Lava Field, but may well propagate to the northern part of the monument in the proximity of the loop road.



Hells Canyon

Distance: 192 Miles

Hells Canyon, North America's deepest river gorge, encompasses a vast and remote region in Idaho and Oregon and features dramatic changes in elevation, terrain, climate and vegetation. This national showcase contains acres of beauty and adventure, where one's senses can run as wild as the landscape. The recreation area offers scenic vistas, world-class whitewater boating, fishing, spectacular mountain peaks and vast reaches of remote wilderness.

THINGS TO KNOW

- Recreation season in the lower section of the wilderness usually begins in early spring and runs through late November.
- Winter storms and summer thunderstorms are common along the canyonlands and mountain ridges.
- The trail system mostly follows old Forest Service access routes to fires and stock trails used by ranchers to move livestock to remote salting areas and watering holes.
- Many trails follow ridges and traverse moderate slopes and benchlands with ease while others track steep slopes.

LOCAL FACEBOOK PAGES TO JOIN

These LOCAL Facebook groups are local favorites - from recreational groups, to individuals selling items, and even a place to post found or lost pets. The Treasure Valley really embraces social media.



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THE “BIRTH” OF AMHERST MADISON

The “Birth” of Amherst Madison was focused on two ideals: the creation of a distinguished brand, and making a difference in the lives of others. It was apparent to the founders that there was a void in the real estate world. A void that needed to be filled with a brokerage that would solve the “problems” existing in the current models.



Amherst Madison was created to provide meaningful solutions to the issues faced by real estate agents.

As exciting as this new way of doing business was to the founders, and as much as they saw its potential for success, they understood that business cannot exist for the sake of business alone. It is important to make a difference in the world and serve others. For the founders, the opportunity to make a difference has been magnified by events surrounding their lives and the deadly disease, cancer. They, like so many of us, have lost several family members to this deadly illness. They share a passion for helping those in need and doing their part to help limit the effects of cancer, specifically in children. In college, one of the founders had a life-changing experience while volunteering for a children's cancer organization. He was introduced to two children, a boy and girl, battling Leukemia. The founder became a part of their lives & was blessed enough to watch them beat cancer (after years of struggle). It is truly a life changing experience to watch an innocent person grapple

with something they do not understand.

It was during one of the many long, conversations about building a company that would "make a difference" that the founders casually discussed this story of bravery. The tale resonated and it was decided that Amherst Madison would, thereafter, donate a portion of its annual proceeds to various charity groups that support the less fortunate. Additionally, the founders vowed to create a brokerage culture which tirelessly sought opportunities to volunteer for meaningful causes and those who are less fortunate in our communities.

So, how did they arrive at the name Amherst Madison? That was an easy decision. The boy who survived cancer was named Amherst; while the little girl's name was Madison.

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An aerial photograph of the Amherst Madison campus. The foreground shows a parking lot with yellow markings and a blue wheelchair symbol. A paved road curves through the middle ground, lined with green trees. In the background, a dense urban area with various buildings is visible, set against a backdrop of rolling mountains under a clear blue sky. On the right side, a portion of a white building with a red-tiled roof and a bell tower is visible.

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