



IDAHO FALLS AREA HUMANITARIAN CENTER

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VOLUNTEER --- DONATE --- SERVE

WE ARE A NON-PROFIT, NON-DENOMINATIONAL ORGANIZATION 501 (C)(3)

DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE



Don & Mozelle Neville

I can't believe it was 16 years ago that Don and I were asked to start the Idaho Falls Area Humanitarian Center. What a fantastic 16 years this has been! We have seen so many miracles happen that we know this Center was definitely a part of the Lord's plan. We were asked to accomplish two things: 1. Make and distribute items to help the poor and the needy, and 2. Provide a place for people to come and experience the true joy of service.

What a blessing it is to be able to serve so many wonderful people and not expect anything in return (except blessings). Thanks to all of you who come and serve each week. You are the ones that make this Center what it is today. Last year there were 178,000 service hours donated here. That is incredible! Just think how many people you have helped!

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VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

Meet our friend, Elder Noah Beattie! Elder Beattie is a service missionary and works in Small Projects. He learned how to hand-sew and make curly hair for the burrito babies that are made here. He is an expert burrito baby maker!

Elder Beattie was born in Idaho Falls. As a young teen, his family moved to Shelley, where he attended high school and graduated in 2025. He swam as a "utility swimmer" for the swim team – which means he can do any stroke needed to help the team (he loves the breaststroke!). He is the middle child of three with two sisters – which helped him learn a lot of patience and forgiveness. He is kind and gentle, and a great worker; always willing to do whatever is asked of him. Before his mission, he worked for his father (who owns a paint business) doing the prep work. He has also worked in lawncare.

Elder Beattie loves sports, hunting and fishing – anything outdoors. Family and friends are extremely important to Elder Beattie. He's passionate about history, science, and reading. Better yet, he has an excellent memory!

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Service is what life is all about.

~*Marian Wright Edelman*



Director's Message: Don & Mozelle Neville (cont)

I have had so many people come in and say, "There is a special spirit here." I tell them that we are just a great big family that loves and cares about each other.

We serve non-profit organizations from Star Valley to Salmon and Island Park to Montpelier; and all the areas in between. As our delivery drivers deliver items to these organizations, they are so thankful for the help we give them and tell us that without our support they would not be able to help half as many people as they do. You should all be so proud of what you do!

After we had been going for a year or two, we were asked to become a non-denominational 501(C)(3) non-profit organization and become self-sufficient. We have fulfilled all these requests.

Some of the other things we do is to have two evenings a month that youth come and serve at the Center. Also, one evening a month is set aside for adults to serve. These programs have become very popular.

We are ALL volunteers - no one here is paid. We don't sell anything. And we don't receive any state or federal monies. We survive on individual donations, grants, and community support. This community we live in is such a giving community!

As you can tell, we love this Center, we love the programs developed over the years that serve those in need, and we love all the people that make it all possible.

Thank you all, so much, for a wonderful 16 years and many more to come! Remember, "Unless we lose ourselves in service to others, there is little purpose to our own lives."

Last Month's Impact

Center Activity:

Total Volunteers.....1,211

First-time volunteers.....0

Service Hours:

Total Hours.....12,082

Total On Site Hours.....4,280

Total Off-Site Hours7,802

Items Donated2,121

Items Produced.....2,792

Total Items Delivered3,827

WAYS TO DONATE

ifareahumanitariancenter.org/donate

In person or by mail
1415 Northgate Mile
Idaho Falls, ID 83401



<https://IFAREAHUMANITARIANCENTER.ORG/DONATE>

Evening Volunteer Opportunities:

Youth Groups: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays from 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Adults Only: 2nd Thursday of each month, from 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Reservations required: Contact Frannie 208-227-4229

The Center's Hours: Tuesday & Wednesday 10 am – 3 pm

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO SHARE THIS NEWSLETTER WITH YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS

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*Our service is a choice, an offering to God, and a blessing.
~ Patrick Kearon*



Derrick Emery & Mike Carlson

Cornerstone Wellness & Recovery, Recovery Launch Pads

- With Derrick's experience, he is passionate about helping those in our community overcome this challenge in their own lives.
- He is an "unapologetic" Christian and attributes his recovery and success to Christ, who helped him rebuild his life.
- His passion led him to making a career of helping others overcome addiction and the challenges resulting from addiction.
- Derrick believes: recovery is possible using an individualized treatment plan, assistance with housing bridges the gap to assimilation, there must be checks & balances, and long-term support.
- Mike works with housing. Our friends need a safe place to focus on recovery, change, and progress.
- Philosophy: We believe recovery takes root through daily action, personal responsibility, and a supportive environment.
- Budget cuts are a reality. Community support makes it possible for us to continue our mission.

TAKE AWAYS:

- As we succeed and become more affluent, let's consider making bigger tables (over bigger homes) to include more at our table.
- There are so many needs right here, in OUR community. Let's help and grow where we are planted. To learn more, go to: <https://recoverylaunchpad.com/>

Upcoming Events:

June 2	7:00-8:30 pm Youth Night (By reservation only)
June 10	8 am Executive Meeting
June 11	7:00-8:30 pm Adult Night (By reservation only)
June 16	7:00-8:30 pm Youth Night (By reservation only)
June 18	5:00 pm Board Meeting
June 30 - July 20	Center Closed for cleaning
July 21	Center Opens!

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**Volunteer Spotlight - Elder Noah Beattie
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Elder Beattie served as a full-time missionary in the Rome, Italy Mission for one transfer. Unfortunately, health challenges prevented him from continuing his service. He returned home to recover. His Service Mission Advisers recommended the Center and in September 2025 he began working here. The Small Projects team loves him! He willingly steps in to any role asked to fill. This is the perfect place for Elder Beattie to serve while he takes care of his body and becomes healthy again.

How important is the Center to Elder Beattie? "I love working here. I wish it was open more days!" Thank you, Elder Beattie, for your dedicated service and your fantastic attitude. We are grateful you are here with us!

The CHC Foundation has provided a grant to the Center. We are receiving \$5,469 that will be used to support our work throughout the Center. Thank you, CHC Foundation, for your generosity and support!



*“Give your hands to serve,
and your hearts
to love.”
~ Mother Teresa*

AMERICA 250



BOISE, Idaho (KIFI) — In a massive wave of community action ahead of the nation’s 250th birthday, Idahoans have officially dominated the America250 in Idaho Service Challenge. The event organizers announced Tuesday that Idaho volunteers have cleared the 250,000-act milestone, touting a historic showing from the Idaho Falls community, which contributed nearly 100,000 acts of service alone.

The initiative, launched by the America 250 in Idaho Ambassadors, challenged residents across the Gem State to give back to their communities and log their impact at IdahoKindness.com. Since January, volunteers of all ages have mobilized to launch food drives, school projects, neighborhood cleanups, and veteran support networks.

Jessica Cooper Whiting, Co-Chair of the State Service Committee stated, "When we look past the numbers, we see a movement that strengthened communities across Idaho and created a legacy of service that will outlast this celebration."

The massive effort to meet the goal spanned the entire state. More than 45 statewide organizations, across 166 Idaho cities, partnered in the effort.

“This was never just about reaching a number,” said Idaho State Treasurer Julie Ellsworth. “It was about bringing Idahoans together, inspiring future generations, and showing the country what’s possible when kindness becomes a movement.”

While the goal has been met, organizers emphasize that the work isn't stopping. The America 250 in Idaho “Year of Volunteerism” will continue pushing forward.

Our efforts, alone, contributed 76,816 hours to this milestone! Great work everyone! We are so blessed to have you serving with us!
