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\$501,439 Raised for 40 Idaho Nonprofits Serving the Homeless Avenues for Hope Housing Challenge Surpasses Fundraising Goal

BOISE, Idaho – Idaho Housing and Finance Association and its Home Partnership Foundation are pleased to announce that a total of \$501,439 was raised for 40 Idaho nonprofits in its sixth annual Avenues for Hope Housing Challenge that ended December 31. The annual event enables businesses and individuals to support nonprofits providing housing and critical services for the homeless across the state.

The campaign received 2,232 donations this year, for a total of \$292,739, plus grant prizes and matching funds of \$208,700 supported by 29 generous sponsors. The campaign continues to grow every year, with a 55% increase in the number of donations from the public and a 70% increase in total funds raised this year over 2015.

“The response has been inspiring and we thank all our generous donors for their gifts, which will help many of the state’s homeless during these cold winter months,” said Gerald M. Hunter, president of Idaho Housing. “It’s been an exciting campaign for us and we’re happy to be able to help so many nonprofits and the communities they serve.”

More than \$1,472,640 has been raised in the last six years, since Avenues for Hope was introduced in 2011. While the 2016 campaign has concluded, donations may still be made to participating nonprofits on the website (www.avenuesforhope.org) or via a text-to-give \$10 option (text HOUSING to 50555).

Home Partnership Foundation, the 501(c)(3) nonprofit foundation of Idaho Housing, organizes the Avenues for Hope Housing Challenge every year to enhance funding for housing nonprofits throughout the state. Nonprofits, businesses, and individuals interested in participating in next year’s campaign should contact Deanna Ward, Development Director of Home Partnership Foundation, at 208-331-4756 for more information.

A detailed table follows with the total amount raised by each of the nonprofits that participated in this year’s campaign, including individual donations, campaign prizes and matching funds.



Campaign dates: December 8-31, 2016
Campaign video: <https://youtu.be/dcJV5amI1js>
Campaign logos/graphics: <https://avenuesforhope.org/#npo-resources>

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Participating Nonprofit	City	Total Dollars Raised
NORTH IDAHO		
Bonner County Homeless Task Force/Bonner Homeless Transitions	Sandpoint	\$76,977
Family Promise of Lewis Clark Valley	Lewiston	\$10,000
Family Promise of North Idaho	Coeur d'Alene	\$14,668
Family Promise of the Palouse	Moscow	\$19,607
Lewiston-Clarkston Partners Habitat for Humanity	Clarkston, WA	\$933
Moscow Affordable Housing Trust, Inc	Moscow	\$864
The Salvation Army Lewiston	Lewiston	\$10,138
Sojourners' Alliance	Moscow	\$42,029
St. Vincent de Paul North Idaho	Coeur d'Alene	\$173
The Women's Center, Inc.	Coeur d'Alene	\$10,761
Union Gospel Mission Association of Spokane	Coeur d'Alene	\$13,178
SOUTHEAST IDAHO		
Aid For Friends, Inc.	Pocatello	\$3,684
CLUB, Inc.	Idaho Falls	\$346
Family Services Alliance	Pocatello	\$138
Idaho Falls Rescue Mission	Idaho Falls	\$10,450
Lemhi County Crisis Intervention/The Mahoney House	Salmon	\$2,314
NeighborWorks Pocatello	Pocatello	\$35,686
Pocatello Habitat for Humanity	Pocatello	\$35
South Central Community Action Partnership	Twin Falls	\$1,387
Southeastern Idaho Community Action Agency	Pocatello	\$3,562
Volunteers Against Violence	Twin Falls	\$35
SOUTHWEST IDAHO		
Advocates Against Family Violence	Caldwell	\$1,280
Boise Housing First	Boise	\$104
CATCH, Inc. (Charitable Assistance to Community's Homeless)	Boise	\$51,223
The Community Builder	Nampa	\$10,242
Concordia University	Boise	\$450
Corpus Christi House, Inc	Boise	\$57,504
First Story	Bend, OR	\$13,281
Good Samaritan Home	Boise	\$29,705
Home Partnership Foundation	Boise	\$2,045
Hope House, Inc.	Marsing	\$35
Idaho Youth Ranch, Inc.	Boise	\$25,016
Interfaith Sanctuary Housing Services	Boise	\$826
International Rescue Committee	Boise	\$277
The Jesse Tree of Idaho	Boise	\$14,200
NeighborWorks Boise	Boise	\$11,771
The Salvation Army	Nampa	\$346
Shepherd's Home, Inc.	McCall	\$4,841
St. Vincent de Paul of SW Idaho	Boise	\$20,360
Women's & Children's Alliance	Boise	\$968
TOTAL		\$501,439

About the Avenues for Hope Housing Challenge

The Avenues for Hope Housing Challenge is designed to rally support for 44 participating nonprofits who manage the day-to-day work of serving the more than 4,000 homeless Idahoans. 2016 is the sixth year for Avenues for Hope, which has awarded more than \$1,472,640 to nonprofits statewide since it began in 2011.

Organized by Idaho Housing and Finance Association and its foundation, the Home Partnership Foundation, the campaign helps both the chronically and temporarily homeless, including domestic violence victims, veterans, people with disabilities, vulnerable youth, seniors, and low-income Idaho residents. Donations support emergency shelters, homelessness prevention services, and affordable housing programs throughout the state.

Avenues for Hope sponsors include Academy Mortgage, Bank of Commerce, Bank of Idaho, Bank of the Cascades, Barclays, Boise Housing Corporation, Citizens Community Bank, Eide Bailly, Evergreen Home Loans, Fairway Independent Mortgage Corporation, Federal Home Loan Bank of Des Moines, First Mortgage Company, George K. Baum & Company, Guild Mortgage Company, Idaho Housing and Finance Association, Idaho Independent Bank, Idaho Potato Drop, Idaho Power, KeyBank, Mountain West Bank, New Beginnings Housing, Northwest Integrity Housing, P1FCU, The Pacific Companies, Skinner Fawcett LLP, Stifel, Thomas Development Co., Wells Fargo, and Zions Bank Corporate Trust.

About the Home Partnership Foundation

The Home Partnership Foundation is an independent 501(c)(3) organization created by Idaho Housing and Finance Association 11 years ago with a mission to help people build a strong foundation for their lives through stable, safe, and affordable housing.

The foundation strengthens communities across Idaho by encouraging tax-deductible charitable gifts to support shelters and shelter services for the homeless and disadvantaged, help avoid eviction actions to stabilize households and prevent homelessness, encourage asset-building and education to achieve economic independence, build equity-sharing funds to make workforce housing attainable, and facilitate tax-advantaged land donations for affordable housing purposes.

Website: www.homepartnershipfoundation.org

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About Idaho Housing and Finance Association

Idaho Housing and Finance Association is a financial services and housing business organization. IHFA's mission is to improve lives and strengthen Idaho communities by expanding housing opportunities, building self-sufficiency, and fostering economic development.

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