

RELOCATION GUIDE

TO BOISE & THE TREASURE VALLEY



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Our Vision

A real estate brokerage whose primary function is to serve as a pillar of ideas, professionalism, and community. A group of people who deal in humanity, not in transactions or tools.

Professionals with a heart. A company built to last by people who care. Impassioned with the vitality and spirit of everything that encompasses the word "home".

Our Mission

To show people that a real estate brokerage can be more. More than the status quo. Instead, we can be connectors and creators; mavens; trusted advisors. Diligent and sincere members of a community who are more interested in building trust through lifelong relationships than in the dollar figure attached to their next sale. People... this is a business about people and their stories. We are here to learn those stories and who knows, maybe we can even share a few of our own along the way.

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10 Reasons To Live In The

TREASURE VALLEY

1. MORE FAMILY TIME

With less time commuting and an abundance of family-friendly activities, there are more opportunities to spend time with your family and make memories to last a lifetime.

2. FREEDOM

Freedom means a lot of different things to different people—in Idaho, it means less local government regulation than in neighboring states.

3. FOUR BEAUTIFUL SEASONS

Spring, summer, winter, and fall - every season in Idaho is a reason to celebrate. Each season brings about the excitement of getting outside and enjoying the outdoors.

4. ECONOMY & OPPORTUNITY

Diverse and evolving economic landscape, the Treasure Valley provides opportunities for startup companies, young talent, and experienced entrepreneurs, building on a well-laid foundation paved by long-standing, local corporations.

5. SAFE

Idaho has the third-lowest crime rate in the nation and Meridian and Middleton are among the top ten safest cities in Idaho.





6. THE GREAT OUTDOORS

Camping, fishing, hunting, hiking, mountain biking, river rafting, hot springs, skiing, golfing, off-roading, and much more — all within minutes to a couple of hours away.

ARTS AND CULTURE

Boise has first-class shopping, theater, live music, sporting events, festivals, dining, microbrew beer, wine tasting, and more.

8 HIGHER EDUCATION

Idaho boasts several top-ranking colleges and universities that compete at the highest levels in their dedicated fields of study.

9. SUMMER LIFE

Farmers markets, outdoor music festivals, floating the Boise River, camping—There are endless options for summer activities in Idaho—it even stays light until after 10 pm!

10. WINTER SPORTS

Skiing in Idaho is among the best in the country. The breathtaking scenery is the perfect complement for snowmobiling, cross-country skiing and snowshoeing.



THE TREASURE VALLEY

The Boise-Nampa metropolitan area is known as the Treasure Valley. In addition to Boise and Nampa, the Treasure Valley includes Garden City, Meridian, Eagle, Caldwell, Star, Middleton, and Kuna. Situated between the Boise foothills to the north and the Owyhee Mountain Range to the southwest, the valley provides abundant recreational activities within minutes of your home. In wintertime, these snow covered ranges are breathtakingly beautiful.

The area was coined the "Treasure Valley" in 1959 by the Chamber of Commerce because it recognized the abundance of resources and opportunities available, and the name stuck.

Please keep reading to discover why it is such a genuine treasure today. Surrounded by beauty, a thriving economy, reduced commutes, and a wide variety of recreational options, you'll find living in the Treasure Valley an opportunity you won't want to miss.



LIFE IS BETTER HERE

Living in the Treasure Valley provides an unparalleled quality of life not found anywhere else in the nation. There is more family time, cultural entertainment, and adventure opportunities.

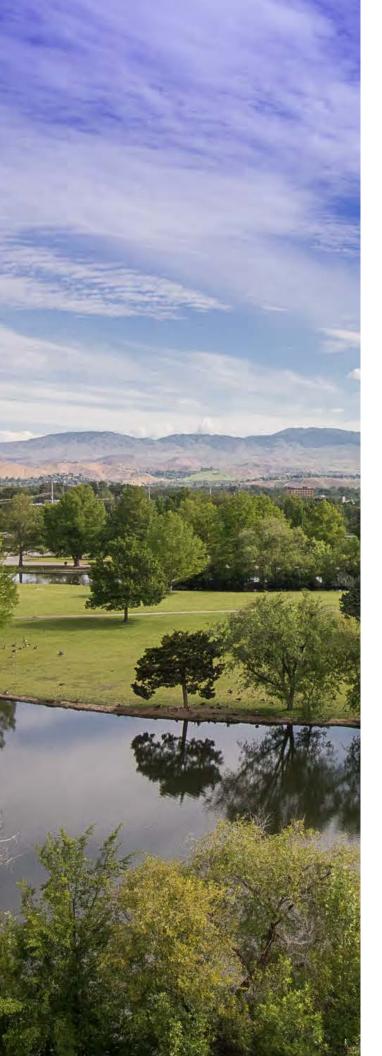
Commutes are significantly shorter than larger cities, which means less time on the road and more time enjoying life.

You will quickly discover an abundance of activities for people of all ages and interests. There is easy access to open spaces such as rivers, lakes, and trails. A vibrant downtown with upscale dining and entertainment. Plenty of family-friendly indoor activities are also available year-round, including indoor rock climbing, ice skating, trampoline parks, and more.

The Treasure Valley has so much going for it. A vibrant urban/metropolitan economic and educational base.

An affordable cost-of-living and a tremendous business-friendly environment. There are four mild and distinct seasons and plenty of wilderness that allows a lifetime of weekend adventures.





GEOGRAPHY & CLIMATE

The Treasure Valley is a large area located in Idaho's southwest region extending into southeast Oregon. For our purposes, we're focused exclusively on the Boise metropolitan area. Concentrating on the Boise area, this part is a wide valley, considered to be at the foot of the distant Rocky Mountains.

The valley floor is carved by streams and rivers, the largest remaining being the Boise River that joins the Snake River about 40 miles to the north.

The location of the Boise metro area lends itself to four distinct seasons. In the summer, temperatures range from the upper nineties to the lower sixties. Summers are dry and especially delightful in the early evenings into the late mornings.



BOISE & SURROUNDING 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 help moderate temperature extremes.

NOV 18 - FEB 21

AVERAGE HIGH: 47°F AVERAGE LOW: 27°F

SEASONAL RAINFALL: 5.14"

WINTER

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 various runs for all different abilities.

FEB 22 - JUN 14

AVERAGE HIGH: 63°F AVERAGE LOW: 36°F

SEASONAL RAINFALL: 5.73"

SPRING

Spring gives way to warmer afternoons with chilly 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.

JUN 15 - SEP 11

AVERAGE HIGH: 85°F AVERAGE LOW: 56°F

SEASONAL RAINFALL: 1.84"

SUMMER

Nothing quite compares to a Treasure Valley summer. Float the Boise River, plan BBQs with friends, or relax outdoors on the patio of family friendly local restaurants.

SEP 12 - NOV 17

AVERAGE HIGH: 64°F AVERAGE LOW: 41°F

SEASONAL RAINFALL: 2.68"

FALL

You'll love the vibrant colors of a Treasure Valley fall. Mountain bikers and hikers pack the local hills to take advantage of perfect cooler temperatures, shared with abundant wildlife preparing for winter.



10 CITIES OF THE TREASURE VALLEY

BOISE

CALDWELL

EAGLE

EMMETT

GARDEN CITY

KUNA

NAMPA

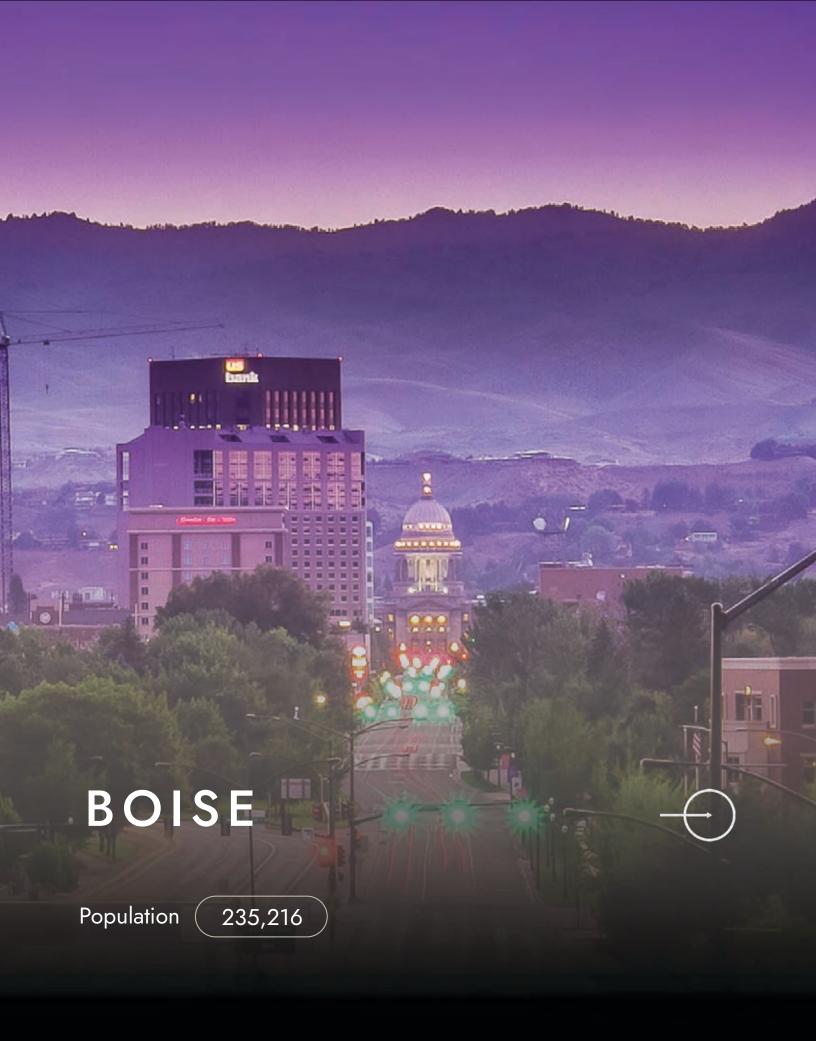
MERIDIAN

MIDDLETON

STAR









BOISE, IDAHO - Where wilderness and adventure are only minutes from a lively downtown; where the people are friendly and laid back; where friends meet on the way home for burgers and brews after a day of skiing or tubing at Bogus Basin Mountain Recreation Area.

Boise is a vibrant city with gourmet and trendy restaurants, funky local shops, craft breweries galore, and a strong community spirit. Boise is a thriving city, where a river runs through it, dirt trails are out your front door, and live theater performances are an Uber ride away. This flourishing city is the state capital of Idaho, with a population of nearly 240,000.

Boise is ideal because it's large enough to have everything you could want at your fingertips, yet small enough to be friendly and easy to navigate. It's no wonder it is one of the fastest-growing cities in the nation. Outdoor recreation is a way of life in Boise, no matter the season. But don't worry, if the outdoors isn't your cup of tea, you'll find plenty of other ways to fill your event calendar, from jazz and music festivals, live theater, and art exhibits to the largest Basque community in the United States.

Sports fans are crazy about the beloved blue and orange Boise State Broncos football team and the Idaho Steelheads ice hockey team. Like all major cities, several distinct neighborhoods comprise Boise. Continue reading for a synopsis of each community.





BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY

On the other side of the river from downtown are Boise State University and the Boise State Broncos football team's unique blue-turf field - a significant city landmark.

SOUTHEAST BOISE

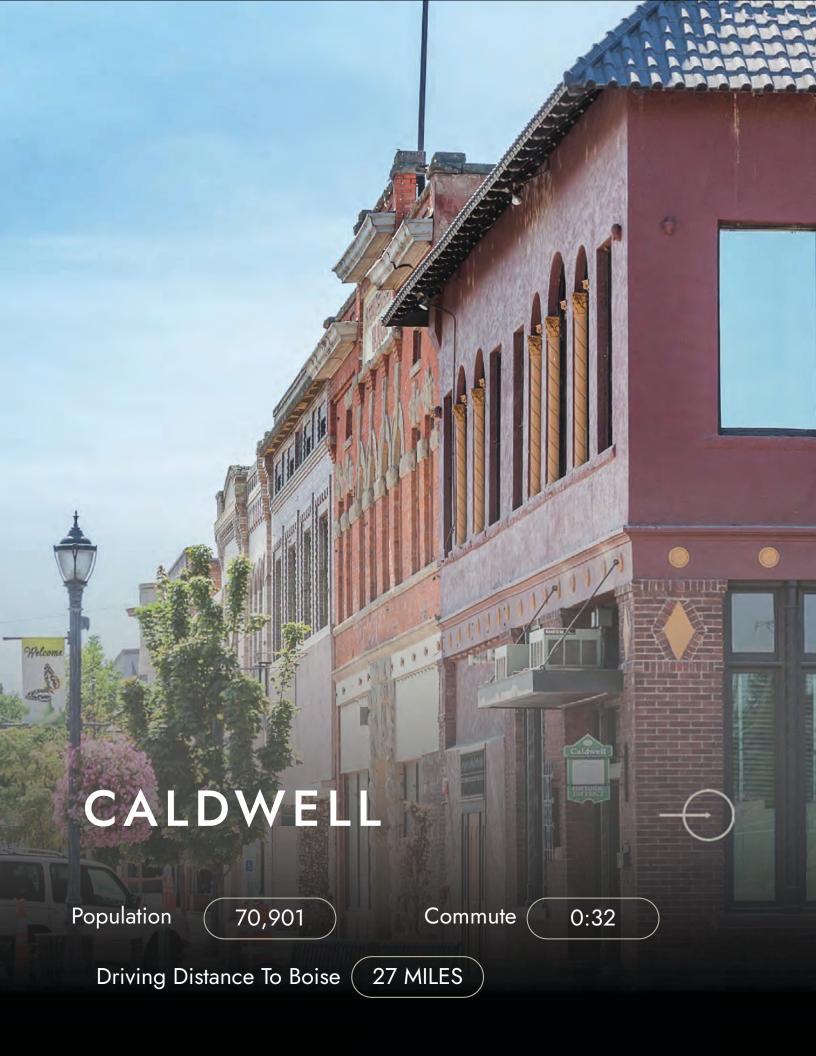
Southeast Boise covers a large area from Boise State University to the city's edge. Developed over the last 30 years, you'll find many suburban-style homes in this part.

SOUTHWEST BOISE

Southwest Boise is a mix of residential and commercial areas and is conveniently located close to the Boise Airport, downtown Boise, and Interstate 84.

WEST BOISE

West Boise is home to Boise Towne Square Mall and many restaurants, strip malls, and residential developments, ranging from new subdivisions to apartment complexes.





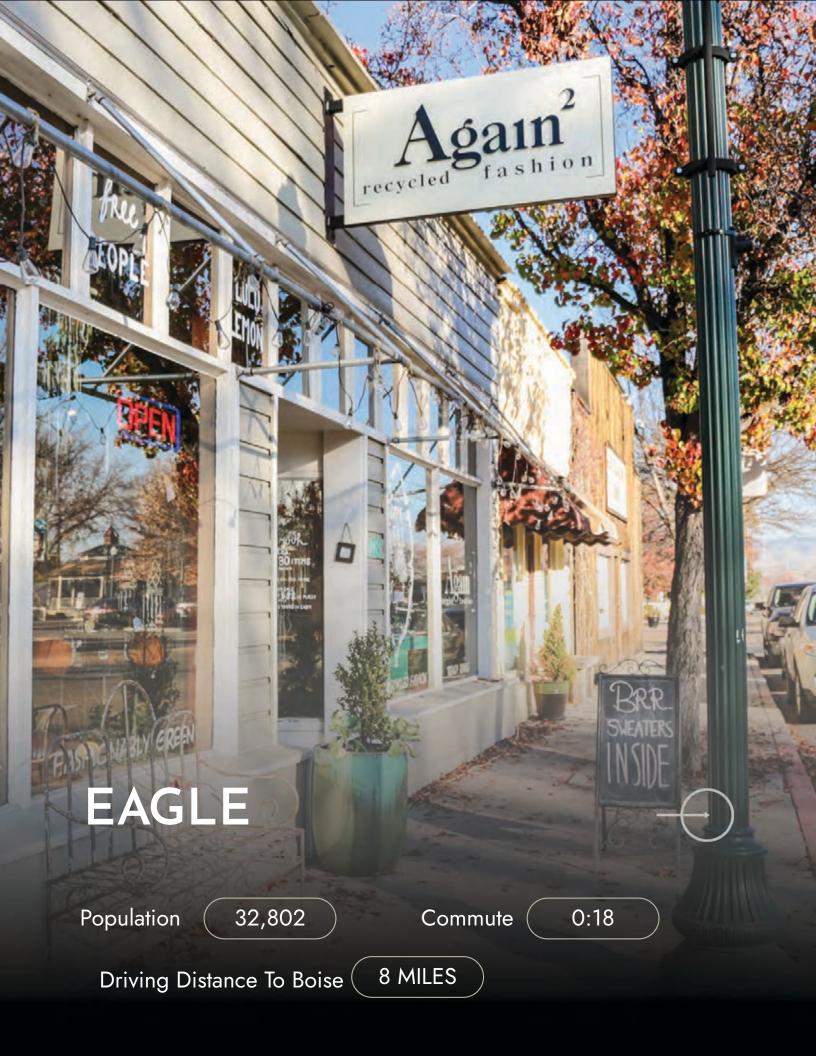
CALDWELL, IDAHO - Caldwell encompasses iconic country living with glorious sunsets, neighborly spirit, vibrant community events, and western charm. Located 25 miles west of Boise and a half-hour from the Oregon state line, life in Caldwell is a little more down-home.

Downtown Caldwell is experiencing a rebirth. The, revitalization of Indian Creek Plaza has brought new life and vigor to this quiet town. The plaza offers an outdoor venue and hosts wine and art festivals, music events, and more, providing a central gathering place for more than 250 days of activity throughout the year.

Trendy new restaurants and retail boutiques are popping up with a new state-of-the-art movie theater. The area transforms into a magical festival of lights with ice skating on the outdoor ice ribbon in wintertime. It has become a winter destination for anyone living within the Treasure Valley.

Rodeo's and county fairs are a pretty big deal in this little section of the valley. The Caldwell Night Rodeo is the largest and longest-running annual event in Canyon County, attracting more than 45,000 engaging fans to this 5-night extravaganza. The Canyon County Fair is the largest summer attraction in Canyon County.

Caldwell is the perfect mix of old and new, with enough room for residents to spread out and enjoy their surroundings. It's where overalls and cowboy boots mix with designer jeans and high heels, where farm-to-table experiences take place in Grandma's kitchen or at the latest restaurant downtown.





EAGLE, IDAHO - Tucked away in the Treasure Valley corner, nestled between the foothills and the Boise River, you'll find the charming town of Eagle, Idaho. It's a city notable for its high-end subdivisions, horse properties, spas, and scenery. The Boise River, with its expanse of towering trees and pedestrian paths known as the Greenbelt, runs through the heart of town.

Eagle is in a class by itself regarding character, recreation, and charm with its quaint downtown area, various local events, and a strong sense of community pride.

Eagle's most significant appeal is the old-town feel—especially in the historic downtown area where vintage-style street lights line the main corridor.

Whether your type of recreation is on two wheels or two legs, you'll find it within Eagle city limits in the foothills, on the golf course, or along the Greenbelt Eagle Island State Park is a beautiful 545-acre state park with a waterslide, sandy beaches, a picnic area, and more than five miles of trails where outdoor enthusiasts can ride horses, walk their dogs, and play disc golf.

The park also offers paddleboard rentals plus a 6-line zip line course and is home to Gateway Snow Park, which features multiple snow tubing runs in wintertime.

From May through early October, stop by the Eagle Saturday Market at Heritage Park in the heart of downtown Eagle. Browse a variety of vendors selling specialty foods, locally grown produce, and handmade arts and crafts while listening to the sounds of local musicians.





EMMETT, IDAHO - Just north of the Treasure Valley lies beautiful Emmett, Idaho. Descending into the Emmett Valley offers stunning views of this fertile valley. Located 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 found within the city limits.

A variety of delicious restaurants, a great hospital, good schools, and friendly people make Emmett the perfect place for those who genuinely appreciate quiet, small-town living.

Although Emmett has grown slowly over this past decade, it remains a community of just over 7,500. Tucked away in its scenic valley, it is only a 40-minute drive to Boise.

Nowhere in the Treasure Valley can one find the kind of rugged beauty that surrounds Emmett. Jutting nearly 5,900 feet above sea level, Squaw Butte lies at the Emmett Valley's north end, rewarding hikers and mountain climbers with a breathtaking view of the fruitful valley below.

Emmett is a fantastic place that residents enjoy and love to call home, blessed with the grandeur of nature, a friendly hometown spirit, and a wide variety of community events.





GARDEN CITY, IDAHO - This small town of just over 12,000 is nestled along the Boise River and surrounded by Boise on three sides and Eagle, Idaho on the west, but retains a separate municipal government. Most people don't even recognize when they're crossing from one city to another. But where Garden City is small in geography, it is vast in culture and entertainment.

The Surel Mitchell Live-Work-Create District attracts artists of every kind to Garden City, growing tremendously over the past few years. There are more breweries, wineries, and cideries per square mile in Garden City than anywhere else in the entire state of Idaho!

Garden City is also home to the Western Idaho Fair, the largest fair in Idaho! Families from around the state look forward to the time-honored fair events, big-name concerts, and adrenaline pumping carnival rides each August.

Living in Garden City is the best of all worlds. There are restaurants, breweries, and wineries within walking distance of just about anywhere you live. The Greenbelt makes commuting a breeze. Access to everything Boise is just two miles away, yet small-town government means your voice is heard when spoken.





KUNA, IDAHO - The small country town of Kuna is growing at an accelerated pace for good reasons — affordability and location. And that's not all. Despite the rapid growth, Kuna maintains a country setting and rural roots where the simple life still exists. The country landscape inspires families to enjoy the outdoors, explore local nature paths, and visit neighborhood parks.

There's a greenbelt to walk on, a river to wade in, and the desert foothills to hike. The area's ambiance invites folks to be friendlier here—families hold the door open for others, look people in the eye, and say hello to strangers.

The beauty of living in a small, growing town is that you are part of the old and the new. Experience the old-fashioned fun of a country carnival at Kuna Days. This two-day summer festival celebrates the history of Kuna and takes place at Bernie Fisher Park downtown.

The festivities close each night with a spectacular fireworks display. The entire community seemingly shows up for this special annual event.

In winter, residents come out in droves and stand shoulder-to-shoulder, embracing the cold to enjoy the Down-Home Country Christmas parade on Main Street.

Revitalization in Kuna's downtown area makes it a destination for locals and visitors. In the heart of town, alongside Indian Creek, is the Kuna Greenbelt. The greenbelt is replete with place to splash in the water or picnic under mature, green trees.





MERIDIAN, IDAHO - If you want to be in the center of it all, look no further than Meridian, Idaho. Silhouetted by the gorgeous Boise foothills, people flock to Meridian for its family-oriented infrastructure, affordable housing prices, city planning, business opportunities, a wide variety of shopping venues, and proximity to neighboring cities.

Meridian residents have a strong community spirit and a kind of helpfulness found in small towns; locals are kind, friendly, and welcoming.

The City of Meridian boasts its own cosmopolitan shopping experience. The Village at Meridian has emerged as the center of upscale shopping, dining, and more. Beautifully designed, this outdoor shopping mall is an enclave of specialty retail stores, restaurants, a luxury movie theater with private seating, a fitness center, plus a bowling alley and arcade.

On Main Street downtown is the Meridian Speedway, a popular summer attraction for young and old NASCAR fans who feel the need for speed. Meridian is the hub for family fun, from water slides to go-cart racing, laser tag, and rock climbing.

Rated #3 by Money Magazine for Best Places to Live in the United States and #3 for Fastest-growing in the country by WalletHub, Meridian is quickly emerging as a vibrant and growing hub for shopping family fun, and quality living in the Treasure Valley.





MIDDLETON, IDAHO - Middleton is an authentic Idaho farm town, only 45-minutes removed from the hustle and bustle of downtown Boise. Middleton has a small-town culture where horses and farmland are the norms, and getting directions to the best old-fashioned ice cream shake seems like a natural conversation. (It's the Burger Den on Main Street, if you were wondering.)

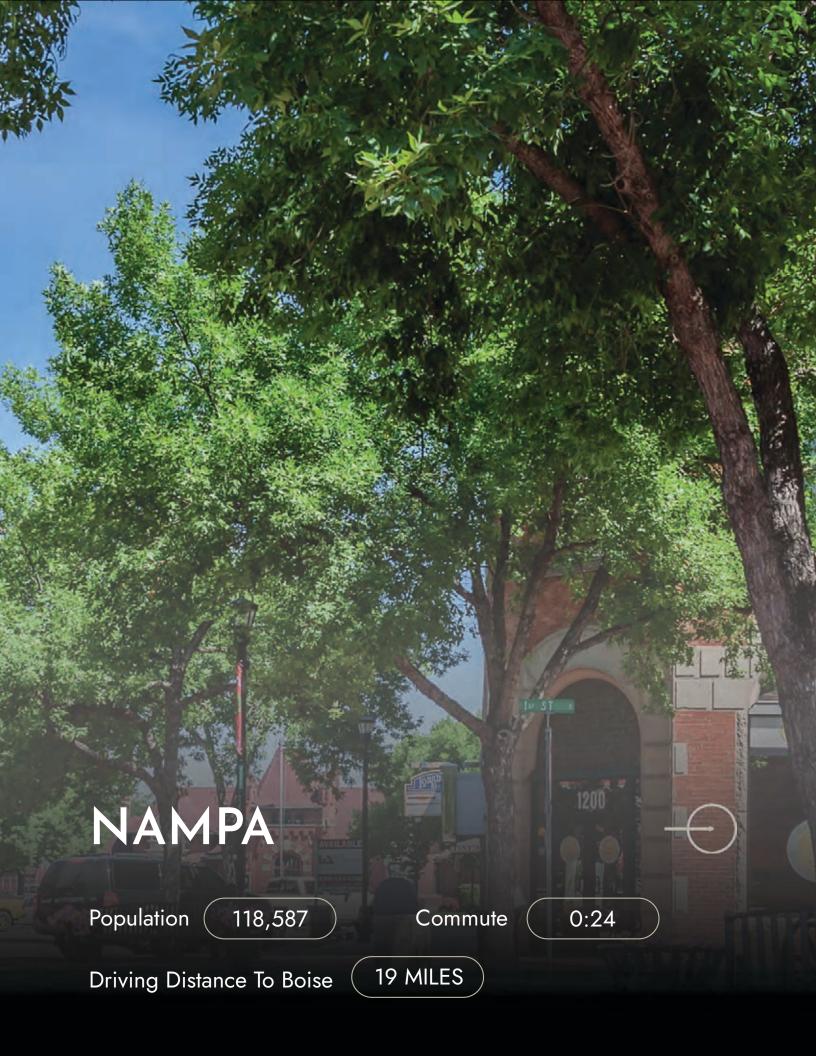
People choose Middleton for its charm and reasonably priced property. Buying acreage is more affordable, and many older homes in Middleton come with land, barns, and outbuildings.

Family is a big deal in Middleton, so the school district is one of the best in the valley. Showing their commitment to the future of Middleton and its children, the city built a new high school that is one of the most elite in the state of Idaho concerning technology and safety.

The City of Middleton owns four beautiful parks: Piccadilly Park is the largest park.

Throughout the summer, it hosts a farmer's market, offers an interactive splash pad, and features a new, progressive Grindline Skatepark, attracting locals and visitors to this top-of-the-line skatepark.

Middleton may be the most modest small-town city in the Treasure Valley area, but it's big on heart, family, and community. And that is just how the locals want to keep it.





NAMPA, IDAHO - Nampa is a remarkable example of Idaho's character and charm—friendly, affordable, outdoorsy, and convenient.

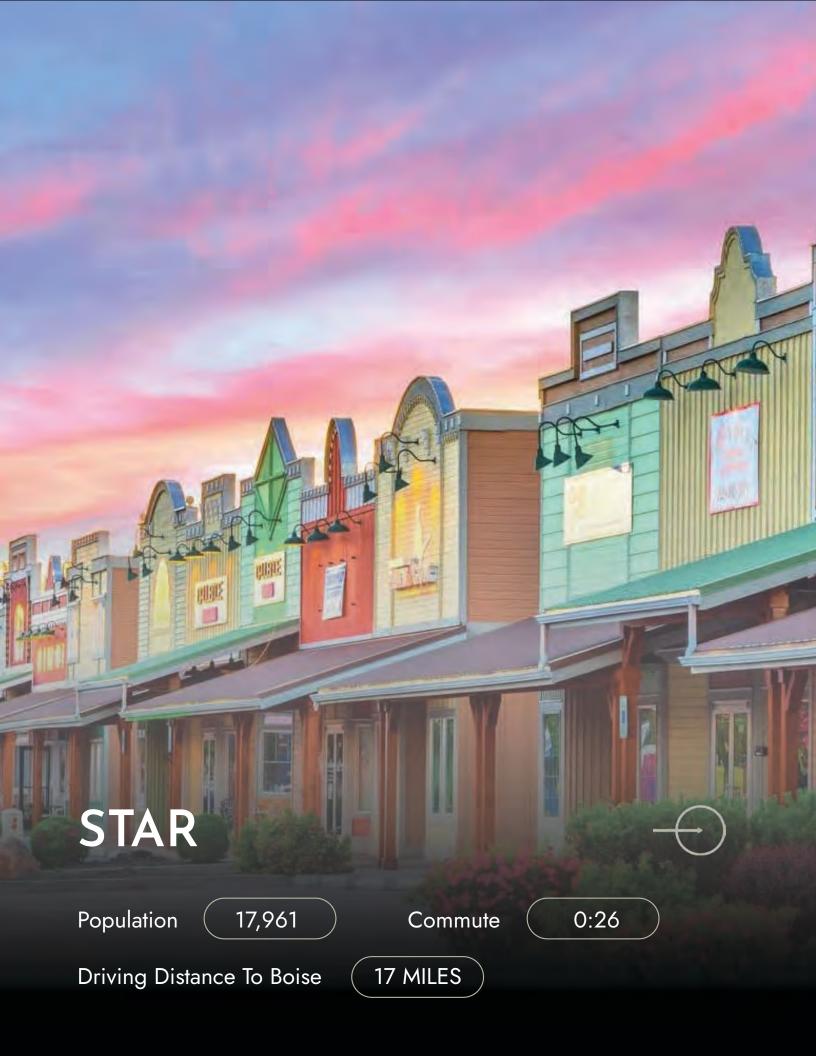
Although Nampa is the state's third-largest city, it is still an idyllic small town with more than 118,000 residents. Nampa is the perfect-sized city to experience what Idaho is best known for—its neighborly, laid-back lifestyle.

Those who call Nampa home can find all the conveniences of shopping, dining, and outdoor recreation without leaving the city limits. Whether it's a newer subdivision near Costco, older home in the historic downtown area, or acreage on the outskirts of town with a view of the Owyhee Mountains, you'll find what you're looking for in Nampa.

Nampa has a lot to offer for family entertainment and fun for a town of its size.

People from southwest Idaho come to the massive Ford Idaho Center to enjoy the best live outdoor concerts, watch adrenaline pumping rodeos, shop seasonal trade shows, and many other family friendly events.

The friendly people who live and work in Nampa round out the quality of life here. Nampa is a solid choice for those who want to retain a small-town feel while living in a vibrant and growing community.





STAR, IDAHO - Beautiful open spaces, new subdivisions, and equestrian properties dot the pastoral landscape in Star, Idaho's small, growing city. Star delivers the perfect combination of nearby opulence with rural sensibility. With plenty of undeveloped lands, active agriculture, and rolling hills, Star has untapped potential for its future.

The city has experienced substantial growth over the last 20 years, from residential homes to highway infrastructure. This rural town of over 17,000 is now more accessible and centrally located in the valley than just two decades ago when it was isolated from surrounding cities by vast farmlands. Even with the unprecedented growth Star has experienced, it remains a small town.

Star's friendly hometown atmosphere and country setting make it an ideal place to live and raise a family. The strong community participation and local events create opportunities for new residents to become involved.

Star is a growing community with many wide-ranging developments. Residents enjoy stunning views of the surrounding mountain ranges—Squaw Butte to the north, the Boise Foothills to the east, and the Owyhee Mountain Range to the south.

Get Out And Explore Idaho

MCCALL

This resort town, located on the southern shores of Payette Lake, just two hours north of Boise, is a family favorite destination year-round. Surrounded by lush forests, visitors enjoy water sports, hiking, golfing, and mountain biking in the spring and summer to skiing, snowmobiling, and the annual Winter Festival.



Bogus Basin is located just 16 miles from Boise and provides opportunities for you to affordably recreate on 10 lifts serving 88 runs, across 2,600 acres of terrain, with 1,800 vertical feet of continuous descent.

SHOSHONE FALLS

Just two hours southeast of Boise, at the edge of Twin Falls, Idaho, is Shoshone Falls. This breathtaking natural attraction stands at 212 feet, 45 feet higher than Niagara Falls. Visitors are treated to a spectacular display of thundering water as it makes its way down the Snake River Canyon.

SUN VALLEY

Sun Valley, considered "America's original winter playground," and the "Hollywood of Idaho" is just two hours southeast of the Treasure Valley. From November through April, the glistening slopes of Bald and Dollar Mountains call, offering a week or weekend get-away an outdoor lover can only dream of.

BRUNEAU SAND DUNES

Bruneau Dunes State Park boasts the tallest single-structured sand dune in North America. Explore the dunes by foot or sandboard. You can also fish in the lakes at the foot of the dunes, enjoy a hike or horseback ride; camp, plan a group picnic or visit the Bruneau Dunes Observatory and gaze at the night sky through the Observatory's collection of telescopes.











Idaho Adventures







CAMPING FISHING GOLFING







HIKING HOT SPRINGS HUNTING





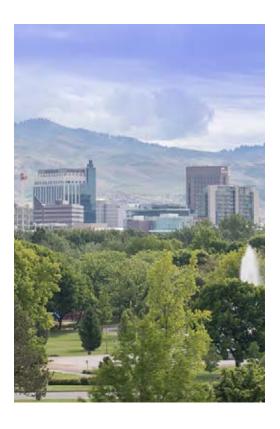


BACKCOUNTRY EXPLORING



WHITEWATER RAFTING

— Family Fun



PARKS

There are small neighborhood parks in nearly every community, parks along the Greenbelt, and Boise's signature park, Ann Morrison Park in Downtown Boise. This vast 153-acre park hosts many events, including the Spirit of Boise Balloon Classic.





BOISE WHITEWATER PARK

The Boise Whitewater Park, combined with Quinn's Pond and Esther Simplot Park, makes up one of the largest urban boating and boarding centers in North America — just a few minutes away from Boise's desired North End and Downtown.



FLOAT THE BOISE RIVER

The float includes three splashy "drops" from Barber Park to Ann Morrison Park, and because it is a natural river with tree limbs and debris that can pose hazards, visitors should always wear life jackets and use caution.

BOISE RIVER GREENBELT

The Boise River Greenbelt is one of Boise's most notable features. This 25-mile pathway beginning at Lucky Peak Dam and ending in Eagle connects several outlying communities and parks along the Boise River to the city's heart.



HULLS GULCH RESERVE

The Hulls Gulch Reserve is the heart of recreation in the Boise Foothills. Home to two significant trail heads, The Grove and Lower Hulls Gulch, it is the starting point for nearly 190 miles of the Ridge to Rivers trail system throughout the foothills.





MK NATURE CENTER

The Morrison-Knudsen Nature Center is home to nearly five acres of wildlife habitat along the Boise River. This free, hidden gem sits right along the Greenbelt in downtown Boise.



ZOO BOISE

Enjoy a day at the Zoo. Zoo Boise is located in Downtown Boise and is a favorite family destination where families make memories and children explore year-round.

SPIRIT OF BOISE BALLOON CLASSIC

The Spirit of Boise Balloon Classic is a not-to-be-missed event. More than 40 colorful balloons descend upon Ann Morrison Park for this 5-day extravaganza.



AQUARIUM OF BOISE

The Aquarium of Boise may be small (only 10,000 square feet), but it allows for many interactive touch tanks. There are 250 species of animals, including a blacktip reef shark, bat rays, stingrays, and many more.



BIRDS OF PREY

On a hilltop overlooking Boise, just south of the Boise Airport, is the World Center for Birds of Prey, known worldwide for conservation and recovery efforts of rare and endangered raptors.





THE BASQUE BLOCK

The vibrant Basque Block is a compact Downtown district home to the Basque Museum and Cultural Center, which highlights Basque communities in the American West through oral history exhibits, artifacts, and photographs. The Basque Center stages traditional dance and music performances, and homey restaurants and bars serve pintxos (Basque tapas), paella, and Spanish wines.



WINERIES

The four-season climate, rich soil, and ample water supply make Idaho an ideal place to grow grapes and wine. There are more than 60 wineries throughout Idaho, with most of them right here in the Treasure Valley.

IDAHO SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

The Idaho Shakespeare Festival has been bringing exceptional theater to life under Boise's stars for over four decades. Five plays (not all Shakespeare) in rotating repertory from May through October occur in a world-class state-of-the-art outdoor amphitheater.



EDUCATION



PUBLIC SCHOOLS



BOISE SCHOOL DISTRICT

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

- 34 Elementary Schools
- 8 Junior High Schools
- 5 High Schools



WEST ADA SCHOOL DISTRICT

- 🤊 1303 East Central Dr., Meridian, ID 83642
- **(208) 855-4500**
- westada.org

- 32 Elementary Schools
- 10 Junior High Schools
- 9 High Schools



NAMPA SCHOOL DISTRICT

- 🤈 619 South Canyon, Nampa, ID 83686
- **(208) 465-2700**
- msd131.org

- 14 Elementary Schools
- 3 Junior High Schools
- 3 High Schools



CALDWELL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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

- 6 Elementary Schools
- 2 Junior High Schools
- 2 High Schools



VALLIVUE SCHOOL DISTRICT

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

- 7 Elementary Schools
- 3 Junior High Schools
- 3 High Schools



MIDDLETON SCHOOL DISTRICT

- South Viking Ave., Middleton, ID 83644
- **(208)** 585-3027
- msd134.org

- 3 Elementary Schools
- 1 Junior High Schools
- 1 High School



KUNA SCHOOL DISTRICT

- 9 1450 Boise Street, Kuna, ID 83634
- (208) 922-1000
- kunaschools.org

- 5 Elementary Schools
- 1 Junior High Schools
- 1 High School

PRIVATE SCHOOLS



BISHOP KELLY HIGH SCHOOL

- 7009 Franklin Road, Boise, ID 83709
- (208) 375-6010 Grades: 9 12
- bk.org



BOISE VALLEY ADVENTIST SCHOOL

- 925 N. Cloverdale Rd., Boise, ID 83713
- (208) 376-7141 Grades: Pre-K 8
- bvas.org



CALDWELL ADVENTIST ELEMENTARY

- 2317 Wisconsin Ave., Caldwell, ID 83605
- (208) 459-4313 Grades: Infant 8
- aldwelladventistelementary.netadvent.org



COLE VALLEY CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS

- 8775 Ustick Road, Boise, ID 83704
- (208) 375-6651 Grades: Pre-K 8
- stmarksboise.com



EAGLE ADVENTIST CHRISTIAN

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



NAMPA CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS

- 505 W. Orchard Ave., Nampa, ID 83651
- (208) 466-8451 Grades: Infant 12
- nampachristianschools.com



SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL

- 3901 Cassia St., Boise, ID 83705
- (208) 344-9738 Grades: Pre-K 8
- sacredheartboise.com



ST. IGNATIUS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

- 9 6180 N Meridian Rd., Meridian, ID 83646
- (208) 888-4759 Grades: Pre-K 8
- stignatiusmeridian.org



ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

- 9 825 W. Fort St., Boise, ID 83702
- (208) 342-4909 Grades: K 8
- stjoes.com



ST. MARK'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

- 7503 W Northview St., Boise, ID 83704
- (208) 375-6651 Grades: Pre-K 8
- stmarksboise.com



SAINT MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

- 2620 W State St., Boise, ID 83702
- (208) 342-7476 Grades: K 8
- stmarys-boise.org



THE AMBROSE SCHOOL

- 9 6100 N. Locust Grove Rd., Meridian, ID 83646
- (208) 323-3888 Grades: K 12
- theambroseschool.org

TREASURE VALLEY HOMESCHOOL RESOURCES

HOMESCHOOLING IN IDAHO

Homeschooling is becoming more widely popular and accepted throughout the country, and no state offers more homeschool freedoms than Idaho. It's easy to start homeschooling here. The state does not require any registration or sign-up procedure, nor does Idaho regulate or monitor homeschool education. The lax regulations and registrations allow the parent to choose the curriculum they wish to use.

REQUIREMENTS

Idaho requires that children receive instruction from ages seven to 16 and that home-schooled students learn subjects commonly taught in Idaho public schools. These subjects include (but are not limited to) mathematics, language arts, science, and social studies. Parents are not required to have any specific qualifications to teach, nor is it necessary to maintain school records or obtain approval from your school district. There are no minimum requirements for days or hours of instruction, no questionnaires to complete about your teaching, and no standardized test requirements.

TESTING & RECORDS

Although it is not required for children to take standardized tests in Idaho, it can be reassuring to confirm your child's educational progress. Online resources are available that provide standardized testing from the comfort of your own home. (See homeschoolidaho.org/testing for more details.)



RESOURCES

The best resources available to you as a homeschool parent are other homeschool families. The Treasure Valley is home to various groups, organizations, churches, Co-ops, and playgroups to help make those connections. The Homeschool Idaho Convention is a two day event held annually at Northwest Nazarene University in Nampa, Idaho. Hundreds of homeschool families attend the convention for its workshops, the opportunity to purchase and peruse curriculum from countless vendors and curriculum representatives, and to listen to inspiring speakers for expert homeschool guidance.

ADVOCACY & SUPPORT

For nearly three decades, the Idaho Coalition of Home Educators and the Christian Homeschoolers of Idaho have been fighting for and protecting the rights of parents to homeschool their children. In 2018, these two organizations merged into one—HomeschoolIdaho. HomeschoolIdaho.org provides a plethora of information on everything you need to know about homeschooling, from how to get started to high school graduation in Idaho. HSLDA (Homeschool Legal Defense Association) is a national organization that provides detailed homeschool laws for each state. Their website (HSLDA.org) offers up-to-date information and expert advice for homeschoolers nationwide. The HSLDA began in 1983 to provide affordable, legal advocacy for homeschool families. Today, the HSLDA represents thousands of families across the country, guaranteeing homeschool freedom without having to face legal threats alone. (Select the state of Idaho on their website to read more about Idaho homeschooling laws.) SELAHIdaho.com is a place to connect or Supporting & Encouraging Local Area Homeschoolers in the Treasure Valley.

OTHER INFO

Because of the abundance of choices regarding curriculum, extracurricular activities, Co-ops, homeschool hybrids, and charter schools—it can be overwhelming. While many resources are available online, your best help is advice from veteran homeschool families. Join a group, attend a play date, go on a field trip—get to know other homeschool families, and find out what works best for them. Then do your research to find what is right for your family. Remember that no two families are the same, and no one knows your child as you do. The beauty of educating your children at home is you get to choose how, when, and what works best for you and your family.





HIGHER EDUCATION





BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY

The Boise State University campus runs along the Boise River banks, just a quick walk from the heart of Idaho's most populated city. The largest college campus in Idaho, Boise State University offers about 200 areas of study — including the nation's only master's degree in raptor biology and 11 doctoral programs.



UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO BOISE

Strategically located in Boise, the University of Idaho Boise supports teaching, learning, and outreach with diverse education and research programs in the Treasure Valley.



IDAHO STATE UNIVERSITY- MERIDIAN

They offer high-quality education in more than 250 programs and the state's designated lead institution in health professions. The ISU Meridian Health Science Center offers over 30 undergraduate and graduate programs, including online degrees, and serves approximately 1,000 students and working professionals in the Treasure Valley.



NORTHWEST NAZARENE UNIVERSITY

Northwest Nazarene University, a nonprofit comprehensive Christian university of the liberal arts, presently offers over 80 areas of study, 18 master's degrees in seven different disciplines, and two doctoral degrees



THE COLLEGE OF IDAHO

The College of Idaho, a private, residential liberal arts college in Caldwell, Idaho, is known for its outstanding academic programs, winning athletics tradition, and producing successful graduates.



IDAHO COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE

The Idaho College of Osteopathic Medicine mission is to train osteopathic physicians prepared for caring for persons in Idaho, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wyoming, and beyond.



BOISE BIBLE COLLEGE

Boise Bible College is minutes from hiking, biking, and other outdoor activities. BBC is leading the charge on incorporating Biblical truths with relevant and innovative academics.



COLLEGE OF WESTERN IDAHO

College of Western Idaho (CWI) is a comprehensive community college providing higher education programs to Western Idaho residents. They offer a full range of academic and career-technical courses leading to an Associate of Arts or Science degree, Associate of Applied Science degrees, continuing education, and certificates.



HEALTH CARE







SAINT ALPHONSUS REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Saint Alphonsus Health System has the region's only Level II Trauma Center, which recognizes its dedication to providing the highest quality, most optimal care for critically ill and injured patients. St. Al's, as the locals call it, maintains the highest standards for chest pain, stroke, orthopedic and general surgery, and emergency care.

ST. LUKE'S BOISE MEDICAL CENTER

St. Luke's Boise is Idaho's largest health care provider and the flagship hospital of St. Luke's Health System. St. Luke's provides access to highly skilled specialists, nurses, and staff within a friendly campus designed for healing.

TREASURE VALLEY HOSPITAL

Treasure Valley Hospital is a physician-owned, non-emergency hospital associated with Surgical Care Affiliates (SCA). TVH focuses on certain types of surgery: orthopedic, neuro, ENT, and sports medicine and continues to add specialties as needed.

BOISE VA MEDICAL CENTER

Boise VA Medical Center's primary service area has a radius of approximately 160 miles with an estimated veteran population of 100,000. Boise's main facility is committed to veteran's health care providing highly sophisticated primary, secondary, and specialty care to roughly 28,000 veterans each year.



TELECOMMUTING

Working from home or telecommuting is on the rise. While this has been the case over the past decade, there has been a dramatic increase since 2020. As Americans consider moving to less densely populated areas to have a better work-life balance, the need for high-speed internet, affordability, and direct flight access is necessary. Boise and the Treasure Valley exceed expectations when it comes to the needs of the modern remote worker.

High-speed internet is readily available in Boise and most of the surrounding cities with download speed up to 1000Mbps, which is on par with any big city. Centrally located in Boise, the Boise Airport is easily accessible to I-84. It's a friendly airport that is simple to navigate and quick to get through security.

Several direct flights across the country make it convenient to attend the quarterly office meeting or annual Christmas party.

ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT

The Treasure 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.

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: 750,000

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 92.5 % of the national average

The average cost of a home is 88% of the national average

No tax on services

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





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 22 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

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Boise Valley Economic Partnership 250 S. 5th Street, Suite 300 Boise, ID 83702 (208) 472 - 5229 www.bvep.org

NATIONAL ACCOLADES

"Boise's residents may spend their days enjoying nature, but they fill their evenings dining on locally sourced cuisine, enjoying an opera performance and sipping delicious cocktails."

-U.S. News & World Report

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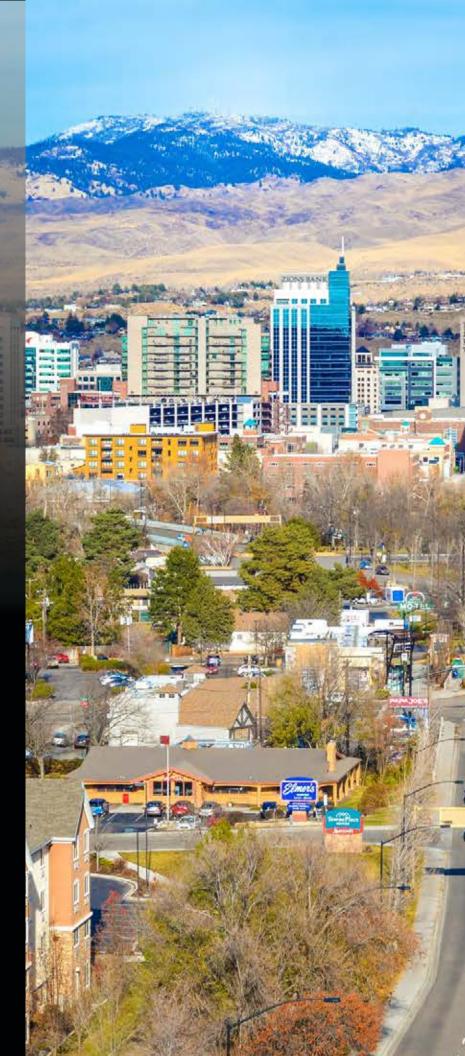
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