



Press Release

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Local Charities Benefit from 8th Annual Alternate Giving Fair

The 8th Annual Holiday Alternate Giving Fair raised approximately \$27,000 for local charities. The fair was held November 9 and 10 at the Idaho Falls Elks Lodge. Since its start in 2006, the giving fair has grown each year and has raised more than \$150,000 for Idaho Falls charities.

The giving fair is organized each year by the Idaho Falls Community Outreach Center. According to Outreach Center president, Cher Stone, “Many of our local charities are feeling the impact of the current economic climate while being asked to accomplish even more. And our generous community continues to step up to support the local charitable organizations and their important missions. We truly appreciate all their support.”

One hundred percent of the proceeds from the fair stay in the local area and support the participating charitable organizations in accomplishing their missions. This year’s organizations included Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southeast Idaho, Breaking Boundaries, Club Inc., Community Outreach Center, Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Center, Emergency Housing Exchange, FAITH, Friends in Service Here (FISH), Foster Grandparents of Southeast Idaho, FreeMed, Girl Scouts Silver Sage, Habitat for Humanity, Help Inc., Hospice of Eastern Idaho, Idaho Falls Community Food Bank, Idaho Falls Rescue Mission, Museum of Idaho Education Programs, Senior Citizens Community Center, Shepherd’s Inn, Snake River Animal Shelter, St. Vincent de Paul Christian Ministries, and the Soup Kitchen.

The Community Outreach Center is a local 501c3 charitable organization dedicated to assisting those in need in our community. The Center provides space for several social service agencies, which allows them to dedicate their funds entirely to helping those in need. The Center also organizes the annual alternate giving fair to highlight local charities and all the great outreach efforts in this community.

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