



Kim Dixon



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Idaho Power Employees Donate Time, Talents as Volunteer Family Advocates

When they're not working hard at their day jobs, Idaho Power Customer Service Operations Support Leader Kim Dixon and Lead Counsel Lisa Nordstrom volunteer with Family Advocates — an organization that has worked for more than 40 years to strengthen families and keep kids safe in the Treasure Valley. Although both women donate their time to the family-centric organization, they serve in different roles to advocate for the best interest of abandoned, neglected and abused children in our community.

Dixon is a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) volunteer. CASAs are appointed by the family court judge and advocate for the best interest of neglected children. She spends more than 10 hours each month interviewing children and family members, consulting with the children's service providers, reviewing sensitive records and attending court hearings on behalf of children. It is her job to make recommendations to the judge about the children's custody and placement.

Dixon's husband works with women nearing the end of their prison sentences. He inspired her to look for ways to help struggling mothers and children who need extra support. Dixon likes that Family Advocates offers so many ways to get involved and allows volunteers to work at their own pace. She also loves interacting with "my kiddos," as she calls them.

"I do better with kids than adults," Dixon says with a laugh. She loves getting to know them and having them get to know her.

Nordstrom is one of Family Advocates' 100 court-appointed attorneys who represent more than 180 CASA volunteers like Dixon. She works pro-bono — Latin for "for the public good" — without being paid.

After starting her career as a Canyon County prosecutor where she was responsible for child protection cases, Nordstrom knew volunteering with Family Advocates' CASA Program would be a good way to continue putting her expertise to work for Idaho's children.

Nordstrom has represented CASAs for more than 50 children during her 13 years as a Family Advocates volunteer. Child welfare has been a recurring theme in her life; Nordstrom testified as a witness in a California child abuse case when she was only 10 years old.

"This topic has always resonated with me. People talk about frustration with government and how they want to fix things. This is something I can do to fix some things. This is something we can do as a community, and we can make a huge impact. The work is heartbreaking and hard. It takes so much effort, but it's so gratifying to give these kids a chance for a better life."

**~ Lisa Nordstrom,
Idaho Power Lead Counsel**

While they are supporting vulnerable families, these Idaho Power volunteers — and countless others — are strengthening the communities where they live and work. To learn more about Idaho Power's volunteerism and community efforts, visit idahopower.com/community.

Helping Hands Provide Pandemic Relief

Idaho Power has stepped up its community giving efforts during the pandemic, with support going toward meals, educational resources, protective equipment and other essential needs. Here are a few examples:



Making a Difference for Treasure Valley Seniors

Over the holidays, Idaho Power gave a helping hand to seniors in need. Energy Advisor Russ Weedon delivered \$1,500 to Metro Meals on Wheels (pictured) to provide 400 curbside meals for seniors, while Energy Advisor Michelle Glaze dropped off \$1,000 to the Meridian Senior Center to purchase masks and protective equipment.



Feeding Families in the Magic Valley

Regional Manager Joe Kendall joined energy advisors Chris Bell and Angela Miller in delivering donations to several worthy causes in the Magic Valley, including Community Helping Hands in Hagerman (pictured), East End Providers in Kimberly and The Salvation Army in Twin Falls. All three organizations provide food and other essential resources for families in need.



Supporting Life-saving Work in the Idaho Wilderness

Safety is a core value at Idaho Power — and it's one that extends to our customers and the community. Regional Manager Brent Lulloff delivered a donation to the Boise-based Idaho Mountain Search and Rescue Unit (IMSARU), a group of volunteers who are dispatched when someone goes missing in the Idaho wilderness. The donation made a big impact for IMSARU, which had its annual fundraising event cancelled because of COVID-19.



Stocking Food Pantries in Pocatello

Regional Customer Relations Manager Dave Spillett and Energy Advisor Patricia Boyd delivered a \$4,000 check to support food pantries at the Pocatello School District. The donation will buy hundreds of meals for schoolchildren and families in need. Idaho Power also donates to food banks across eastern Idaho. Donations come from IDACORP shareowners and/or employee community funds and do not impact customer rates. To learn more about our community work, visit idahopower.com/community.



Idaho Power Donation Benefits Wassmuth Center in Boise

Idaho Power recently donated \$15,000 to the Wassmuth Center for Human Rights, home of the Anne Frank Memorial in Boise. The donation is earmarked for an electronic kiosk in the new human rights education center, intended to better serve Idaho's classrooms and communities and to support the center's mission: to promote respect for human dignity and diversity through education and to foster individual responsibility to work for justice and peace.

"Idaho Power is proud to support the Wassmuth Center for Human Rights. Their mission aligns with our commitment to an inclusive environment where we are all valued, respected and given equal consideration for our contributions."

~ Sarah Griffin, Idaho Power
Vice President of Human Resources

Griffin delivered Idaho Power's donation to Dan Prinzing, Executive Director of the Wassmuth Center for Human Rights, at the Anne Frank Memorial. To learn more about Idaho Power's commitment to an inclusive professional environment, visit idahopower.com/careers.

From the Energy Efficient Kitchen

Orange-Glazed Carrots

2 lbs. carrots, thickly sliced 2 tbsp orange juice
½ cup water 2 tbsp honey
2 tbsp orange marmalade

Place carrots and water in a large saucepan. Cover and bring to boil over medium heat, cooking until tender (about 10 minutes). In a small bowl, stir together marmalade, orange juice and honey. Pour over carrots. Cook until the liquid has evaporated and carrots are glazed. Makes 8 half-cup servings.

Recipe selected from Idaho Power's Centennial Celebration Cookbook.

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Side Dish

