Connections



Idaho Power Embraces the Season of Giving

The holiday season is a wonderful time across Idaho Power's service area. Our communities come together to celebrate the season with light displays, goodies, charitable giving and more — and our company is proud to take part in the festivities. Here are some of Idaho Power's favorite holiday traditions.



Christmas Shopping for Children in Need

Each year, Idaho Power's Employee Community Funds members fulfill Christmas wishes for hundreds of children across our service area by partnering with schools and other organizations. Employee and retiree donations are used to purchase winter clothing and gifts that are wrapped and delivered to families in need.



Here Comes Sonny Claus

For more than two decades, Idaho Power Environmental Analyst Sonny Cabbage has been giving a special holiday surprise to Treasure Valley children. Cabbage, who is deaf, volunteers his time as Santa on behalf of Idaho Educational Services for the Deaf and Blind. He visits with local deaf and hard-of-hearing children at schools and other venues, taking note of their Christmas wishes via sign language.



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need to power their holiday décor. From the one million-light Winter Wonderland festivities in Caldwell to Pocatello's Christmas Night Lights Parade and thousands of home and business is thrilled to play a role in bringing the holidays to life.



Being a Light in Western Idaho

Our company is a sponsor of the Caldwell Night Rodeo (CNR), and after being challenged to perform an act of kindness through CNR's Be a Light campaign last year, Idaho Power employees identified a group of customers they knew could use some extra love during the pandemic seniors in a local care facility. Our group provided socially distanced holiday cheer by delivering goody bags, letters from employees and putting up festive decorations.

Ringing the Bells for **The Salvation Army**

Idaho Power employees regularly volunteer as bell ringers for The Salvation Army's holiday fundraising drive. It's just one of the ways we partner with The Salvation Army to help local families in need (read more on the back page of this Connections). Watch for bell ringers in your community this holiday season!





Idaho Power Donation Supports New Salvation Army Facility in Boise

For more than 150 years, The Salvation Army has assisted Idahoans in need by providing educational opportunities, meals and other social services, with a special focus on young mothers and their children. The Salvation Army's worldwide mission to meet human need without discrimination helps more than 23 million Americans annually and extends to 130 countries around the globe.

Locally, The Salvation Army's work has been enhanced by a brand-new facility in Boise the product of a decade's worth of fundraising, planning and preparation. Idaho Power was a lead donor on the project, contributing \$50,000 to the capital campaign that purchased the land and built the facility.

"We're so thankful to Idaho Power and other great donors who helped make this facility possible — it really belongs to our whole community, because we couldn't have done it without them," said Boise

Corps Officer Major Tom Stambaugh. "We want to provide a place where people in need can find their identity and selfworth. Anyone is welcome here."

The new building features a food pantry, a chapel, a state-of-the-art gymnasium, administrative offices and the campus of The Salvation Army's Booth School, which provides educational services for pregnant and parenting Treasure Valley teens.

"The Salvation Army's contributions to our community are many, ranging from feeding those in need to providing high-school education for those who may otherwise be at risk of being sidelined," said Idaho Power Senior Vice President and General Counsel Brian Buckham. "We're pleased our company was one of the first to recognize the need for this impressive facility and make a meaningful contribution to it becoming a reality for our community."

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Dessert

'Tis the Season for Giving

As you look to give back this holiday season, consider helping your neighbors in need by donating to Project Share.

Project Share is a year-round, bill-pay assistance program started by Idaho Power in 1982 and managed through The Salvation Army. One hundred percent of Idaho Power customer donations go to Project Share recipients. The assistance is available to supplement energy needs and can be applied to bills for electricity and gas. The program can also help pay for heating materials like wood, propane, oil and coal.

You can donate to Project Share by:

- Setting an amount to add to each month's bill
- Rounding up and donating the difference between your monthly amount due and the nearest dollar
- Donating a set amount *plus* rounding up to the nearest dollar each month

To donate, visit idahopower.com/ **projectshare** and fill out the form. Donations are tax-deductible and conveniently itemized on your monthly Idaho Power bill.

From the Energy Efficient Kitchen

Slow Cooker Bread Pudding

8 cups of cubed bread ½ cup raisins

5 cups skim milk 2 tsp vanilla extract 4 eggs 1 tsp ground cinnamon ½ cup sugar ½ tsp ground nutmeg

Spray the inside of a slow cooker with non-stick cooking spray. Place bread cubes and raisins in the slow cooker. In a medium bowl, stir together sugar, nutmeg and cinnamon. Add milk, eggs and vanilla to the sugar mixture and beat until smooth. Pour mixture over bread cubes and raisins and gently stir. Cover and cook on low for four hours. Makes eight servings.

Recipe selected from Idaho Power's Centennial Celebration Cookbook.



