



From Trucks to Pups: Helping Keep Our Communities Safe

Cars for Causes

As an integral part of the communities where we live, work, and play, we believe Idaho Power has a responsibility to care for our customers' safety beyond providing electricity. That's why we're always looking for opportunities to donate our retired fleet vehicles to communities that need them. Recently, that need has come in the shape of emergency fire response, snowplowing, and towing of EMS trailers.

- The Murphy Reynolds Wilson Fire District, which covers a large rural area in southwest Idaho, got a boost with the addition of one of our retired trucks. The volunteer fire group will use the vehicle to tow the department's UTV and EMS trailers.
- The Dietrich Fire Department in southern Idaho will also be using one of our recently donated trucks to help protect its residents from wildfires. It will serve as their brush fire truck, adding an important resource for responding to fires in the surrounding desert terrain.
- The small community of Halfway, Oregon, received a retired pickup from Idaho Power last winter (pictured above). City officials are using the truck as their

new snowplowing vehicle and for other public needs throughout the year.

- The Power County Hospital in eastern Idaho has one of our donated passenger vehicles for their nurses and other staff members to use while traveling to serve community needs.

We know our communities would be less safe without the support of these emergency services, and we're happy to do our part to support their operations.

Medical Supplies

Many small towns in our communities don't have hospitals nearby, and emergency response times can be long. That's why we've donated several life-saving AEDs to these rural areas. We've also taken the opportunity to restock pediatric equipment in ambulances of some of our rural mountain communities.

And to help train the next generation, we've been contributing CPR kits to schools, where they provide life-saving training and education tools for students and staff. We've also donated AEDs to rural schools and senior centers. In many cases, these CPR kit and AED donations provide an invaluable rural resource for the entire town.

Pups with a Purpose

Idaho Power partners with law enforcement agencies in various ways to help keep our communities safe. This past year, we were fortunate to support canine police efforts across multiple counties. In Baker County, we helped fund the addition of a new K-9 search and rescue officer (pictured below). And for the Nampa Police Department, we donated an energy efficiency gift basket for a raffle to benefit their K-9 Foundation that raises money for dog training, medical needs, and retirement. Thanks for the great work, officers (human and canine alike)!



Winter Weather Safety Tips



Each year, icy roads and distracted driving cause hundreds of collisions between vehicles and power poles. We want all our customers to stay safe — and avoid paying damages — so please be extra cautious when driving this winter by reducing speeds and limiting distractions.

Heavy snow can also weigh down power lines, causing them to droop or fall. If you encounter a fallen power line on the ground, stay as far from it as you can — at least 100 feet. Immediately call 911 or Idaho Power at 208-388-2323 in the Treasure Valley or 1-800-488-6151.

Wintry weather can also cause power outages. While Idaho Power keeps the lights on more than 99.9% of the time, weather-related outages can last longer.

Prepare now by gathering a home emergency outage kit with water and other essentials and planning for any unique medical needs. For a list of items

to include in your kit, visit idahopower.com/outagetips.

If your power goes out:

- Check our live outage map at idahopower.com/outage. If you don't see your outage, call 1-800-488-6151 to report it. You can also view outage information specific to your home or business in the Idaho Power mobile app.

- To protect your appliances, turn off any that were in use when the power went out — especially electric ranges and space heaters — to prevent the possibility of a fire if you're away when power is restored.
- If you're using a portable generator, operate it in open, well-ventilated areas and follow the manufacturer's instructions.

For more safety information, visit idahopower.com/safety.

From the Electric Kitchen Pepper Steak

- 1 lb beef round steak
- 2 green peppers, cut into ½-inch strips
- 1 (16-oz) can tomatoes, cut in chunks
- 8 oz egg noodles, cooked
- ½ medium onion, thinly sliced
- 1 small garlic clove, minced
- 1 tsp Worcestershire sauce
- ¼ tsp salt
- ¼ tsp black pepper

Cut meat into 2½-inch strips. In a skillet, brown meat and drain off fat. Drain tomatoes and reserve liquid. Add tomato liquid, onion slices, garlic, Worcestershire sauce, salt and pepper to meat strips. Cover and simmer over low heat for 50 minutes. Stir in green pepper strips and tomato chunks. Cook until peppers are tender, about 6 minutes. Serve over hot noodles. Makes four servings.



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Dinner

Recipe selected from Idaho Power's Centennial Celebration Cookbook.

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Want to Dive Deeper into Electrical Safety?

As part of our commitment to keep communities safe and enrich the lives of our neighbors, we offer free presentations for adults, civic groups, and schoolchildren.

We offer presentations on the following safety topics. For a full list or to schedule a presentation, view our **Community Education Guide** at idahopower.com/learn.

Power Outage Prep, and Keeping the Grid Safe and Reliable

Learn how you can be ready for any outage, short or long. The discussion includes outage causes, preparedness, notification options, and safety precautions. We also share some of the ways we work to keep our system reliable and continually enhance our grid.

Safety in Our Communities

When using electricity, whether at home, on the farm, or at work, safety should always come first. Learn about behaviors of electricity, how it works, and safety tips to protect yourself and others. Additional safety topics — including CPR, AED and first aid — are offered, subject to availability.



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