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Giving Circle Grants \$35K in Magic Valley

Twin Falls, Idaho – The Women's Giving Connection of Southern Idaho (WGC), a giving circle within The Idaho Community Foundation, is proud to announce the awarding of \$35,000 to seven Magic Valley nonprofit organizations during their third grant-making session. This milestone represents the largest granting cycle in the group's history, reflecting significant progress since its establishment in 2021.

"This is our 3rd grant cycle, and our biggest amount awarded to date! Through the collective giving of our 67 members, we were able to help 7 deserving nonprofits! Good things are happening in the Magic Valley!" said Linda Watkins, President of the Women's Giving Connection.

The nonprofits receiving awards include:

- City of Hollister for the Hollister Pantry program
- Idaho Playground Project
- Magic Valley Pediatric Cancer Coalition
- Twin Falls Optimist Foundation
- Twin Falls School District 411 Educational Foundation Inc. for their No One Eats Alone program
- United Way of South Central Idaho for their Gemstone Adaptive Climbing program
- Valley Housing Coalition for their Warming Station program

The Women's Giving Connection of Southern Idaho is an inclusive and diverse group of women dedicated to creating pooled giving opportunities and building a collective giving endowment. Since its inception, the group has made significant strides in supporting local nonprofits and making a positive impact in the community.

For more information about the Women's Giving Connection of Southern Idaho and how to become involved, please visit womensgivingconnection-southernidaho.org.

If you'd like to establish a charitable giving circle, affiliate foundation, or donor advised fund through The Idaho Community Foundation, please contact us at 208-342-3535 or info@idahocf.org.

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