

CANYON COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION SUPPORT AWARD AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is entered into between Canyon County, a political subdivision of the state of Idaho, herein "COUNTY" and the College of Idaho, Whittenberger Planetarium, an Idaho non-profit corporation, herein "NONPROFIT."

WHEREAS, Idaho Code § 31-864 grants the boards of county commissioners in their respective counties authority to levy not more than twelve one-thousandths percent (.012%) on each dollar of market value for assessment purposes of taxable property within the County for the support of county historic societies and historic preservation projects; and

NOW THEREFORE, based on the Recital above, COUNTY and NONPROFIT agree to the following terms:

1. BACKGROUND AND AUTHORITY

This Agreement is entered pursuant to authority granted exclusively by Idaho Code § 31-864.

2. APPLICATION INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

NONPROFIT's application for COUNTY support is incorporated into this Agreement (and attached hereto as Attachment "A") by this reference and the representations made in the application are binding upon NONPROFIT. If NONPROFIT undertakes activities not represented in the application this Agreement may be terminated pursuant to the terms in section 11 below.

3. SCOPE OF ACTIVITIES

The allocation of support to NONPROFIT by COUNTY must be utilized to achieve and/or perform the identified list of activities set forth in NONPROFIT's application for assistance (Attachment "A"). By accepting the support, NONPROFIT agrees to perform all activities identified in its application. The activities in the application undertaken pursuant to this Agreement shall hereinafter be referred to as "PROJECT." The major components of the approved PROJECT include, but are not limited to, the following: LED Sun Projector Conversion.

4. AWARD DISBURSEMENT

- (a) The NONPROFIT shall be solely responsible for all work performed and all expenses incurred under this Agreement.
- (b) COUNTY will make support award disbursement NONPROFIT for approved, eligible and necessary expenditures under this Agreement upon approval of NONPROFIT's request for disbursement by COUNTY.
- (c) The total amount Idaho Code § 31-864 support awarded to NONPROFIT will not exceed \$400.
- (d) A copy of the project budget is included as Attachment "A" to this Agreement and by this reference is made a part of this Agreement and is binding upon NONPROFIT.
- (e) If the actual total cost of completing the project is less than has been projected by NONPROFIT in the budget (Attachment "A"), COUNTY may, at its discretion, reduce the

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amount to be provided to NONPROFIT under this Agreement in proportion to the overall savings.

- (f) The COUNTY will not make Idaho Code § 31-864 support disbursements to NONPROFIT for any expenses not included in the approved budget or not clearly and accurately supported by NONPROFIT's records.
- (g) COUNTY reserves the right to withdraw a commitment for any support which remains unobligated after September 30, 2027.
- (h) Idaho Code § 31-864 levy is assessed and collected twice per year; therefore, the disbursement of the support award is contingent on availability of actual revenue collected. Support disbursements shall occur in accordance with a schedule set by the Canyon County Auditor and delays may result for failure to follow the Auditor's schedule or from the unavailability of funds.

5. REQUEST FOR SUPPORT DISBURSEMENT

Request for Idaho Code § 31-864 support disbursements pursuant to section 4 above shall be in the form of an invoice to COUNTY from NONPROFIT. The invoice shall indicate the expenditure made by NONPROFIT towards project, the date of the expenditure, and be supported by itemized receipts for the purchase or service provided to NONPROFIT. If no expenditures were made at the time of request, NONPROFIT shall support the request for disbursement with substantial documentation indicating how the support disbursement funds will be used. Required documentation will be determined by the COUNTY.

6. SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR'S STANDARDS

NONPROFIT agrees to ensure that all work performed related to the PROJECT conforms to all applicable guidance from the COUNTY, direction provided by the State Historic Preservation Office, and to the Secretary of the Interior's Standards (Attachment "B")

7. REPORTING

NONPROFIT shall provide COUNTY and COUNTY's Historic Preservation Commission with progress and completion reports using the Progress Reporting Form attached as Exhibit "B." The progress reports shall include documents to support any expenditures made towards the PROJECT, if any were made. Reports are due by the dates identified in Exhibit "B."

8. IDAHO NONPROFIT STATUS

NONPROFIT represents that it is registered a nonprofit corporation with the state of Idaho and shall remain an active nonprofit corporation with a primary mission listed in Idaho Code § 31-864 for the pendency of this Agreement. NONPROFIT agrees that a failure to maintain its Idaho nonprofit status will result in termination of this Agreement pursuant to section 11 below.

9. EFFECTIVE DATE AND TIME OF PERFORMANCE

This Agreement becomes effective on October 1, 2026, and ends on September 30, 2027. No costs incurred by NONPROFIT prior to October 1, 2026, are eligible for use of the support award under this Agreement. No costs incurred by NONPROFIT after September 30, 2027 are eligible for support award under this Agreement.

10. DEADLINE EXTENSION

A one-time extension of this Agreement may be granted by COUNTY if request in writing by the NONPROFIT prior to September 1, 2027. To be eligible for this extension NONPROFIT must demonstrate to the satisfaction of COUNTY that the project is progressing at a rate that completion is achievable within the extension period. This extension may not exceed one-year from September 30, 2027. No further extension shall be granted.

11. NON-APPROPRIATIONS

COUNTY's obligations under this Agreement shall be contingent upon COUNTY appropriating the necessary funds for payment to NONPROFIT during the term of this Agreement. In the event that funds upon which this Agreement is dependent are not appropriated or are withdrawn, this Agreement is terminated and COUNTY incurs no further liability or penalty to NONPROFIT.

12. TERMINATION

If COUNTY determines that NONPROFIT has failed to satisfactorily carry out its responsibilities under this Agreement, COUNTY may revoke NONPROFIT's authority to draw against the awarded funds described in this Agreement until NONPROFIT remedies the deficiency. If NONPROFIT fails to remedy the deficiency within a reasonable time COUNTY may terminate this Agreement.

In the event NONPROFIT is unable to comply with the terms and the conditions of this Agreement, any costs incurred will be NONPROFIT's sole responsibility.

13. OWNERSHIP

It is expressly agreed that the COUNTY's sole involvement in the PROJECT is in support from the Idaho Code § 31-864 levy, that the COUNTY shall acquire no interest in the PROJECT, NONPROFIT's property or improvements to NONPROFIT's property covered by this Agreement, and that the COUNTY shall not bear any liability for NONPROFIT or PROJECT.

14. LIABILITY

The COUNTY shall assume no liability for the acts, omissions to act or negligence of NONPROFIT, its officers, agents, or employees; nor shall NONPROFIT exclude liability for its own acts, omissions to act, or negligence to the COUNTY. NONPROFIT hereby agrees to be responsible for any injury or property damage resulting from any activities conducted by NONPROFIT, its officers, agents, or employees.

15. INDEPENDENT OF COUNTY

The parties agree that NONPROFIT is in no way an employee or agent of COUNTY and is not entitled to workers compensation or any benefit of employment with COUNTY. COUNTY shall have no control over the performance of this Agreement by NONPROFIT or its employees. NONPROFIT agrees to pay and be responsible for all taxes due from the compensation received under this Agreement.

16. INDEMNIFICATION

NONPROFIT agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless COUNTY, and its officers, agents and employees, from and against any and all claims, losses, actions, or judgments for damages or injury to persons or property arising out of or in connection with the acts and/or any performances or activities of NONPROFIT, NONPROFIT's officers, agents, or employees under this Agreement.

17. INSURANCE

NONPROFIT agrees to obtain and keep in force during its acts under this Agreement a comprehensive general liability insurance policy in the minimum amount of \$1,000,000 which shall name and protect NONPROFIT, all NONPROFIT's employees, COUNTY, and its officers, agents and employees, from and against any and all claims, losses, actions, and judgments for damages or injury to persons or property arising out of or in connection with the NONPROFIT's acts. NONPROFIT shall provide proof of liability coverage as set forth above to COUNTY.

18. WORKER'S COMPENSATION

NONPROFIT shall maintain in full force and effect worker's compensation for NONPROFIT and any agents, employees, and staff that NONPROFIT may employ, and provide proof to COUNTY of such coverage or that such worker's compensation insurance is not required under the circumstances.

19. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS

NONPROFIT agrees to comply with all federal, state, city, and local laws, rules and regulations. It is agreed that the NONPROFIT is responsible to obtain all necessary permits; follow applicable bidding laws; keep accurate records of expenses for audit purposes; construct all improvements according to mutually agreed upon construction standards and all applicable state, local, or federal codes and maintain improvements to be open and safe for public use, without regard to one's race, gender, national origin, religion, or disability.

20. GOVERNING LAW

This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with, and governed by, the laws of the State of Idaho. Any action brought pursuant to this Agreement shall be filed in the Third District Court, Canyon County, Idaho.

21. LEGISLATIVELY MANDATED CERTIFICATION CONCERNING BOYCOTT OF ISRAEL

NONPROFIT must select and initial at least one of the following certifications:

☐ Pursuant to Idaho Code § 67-2346, NONPROFIT certifies that it "is not currently engaged in, and will not for the duration of the contract engage in, a boycott of goods or services from Israel or territories under its control." The terms in this section defined in Idaho Code § 67-2346 shall have the meaning defined therein.

☒ NONPROFIT certifies that COUNTY's payments under the Agreement will not exceed One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000).

☐ NONPROFIT certifies that NONPROFIT does not employ more than nine persons.

22. LEGISLATIVELY MANDATED CERTIFICATION CONCERNING COMPANIES OWNED OR OPERATED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF CHINA

Pursuant to Idaho Code § 67-2359, NONPROFIT hereby certifies that it "is not currently owned or operated by the government of China and will not for the duration of the contract be owned or operated by the government of China." The terms in this section defined in Idaho Code § 67-2359 shall have the meaning defined therein.

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23. SEVERABILITY

Should any term, provision or paragraph of this Agreement be held in a court of law to be invalid, it is recognized by the parties herein that such determination shall not invalidate any of the remaining provisions of this Agreement.

24. ASSIGNMENT

Neither party may make any assignment of the rights, duties, or obligations of this Agreement to any other entity without the written consent of the other party.

25. MODIFICATION

This Agreement may be amended at any time by mutual agreement of the parties. Before any amendment is valid, it must first be reduced to writing and signed by both parties.

26. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This is the entire agreement of the parties and can only be modified or amended in writing by the parties.

DATED this 29th day of Oct., 2026.

BOARD OF CANYON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

_____ Motion Carried Unanimously
_____ Motion Carried/Split Vote Below
_____ Motion Defeated/Split Vote Below



Commissioner Leslie Van Beek



Commissioner Brad Holton

Commissioner Zach Brooks

Yes	No	Did Not Vote
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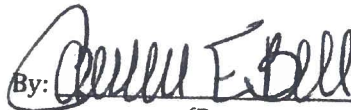
ATTEST: JESS URRESTI, CLERK

By: 

Deputy Clerk

NONPROFIT:

DATED this 9th day of Oct., 2026

By: 

(Representative signature)

Its: Director of Grants

(Representative title)

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The College of Idaho
2112 Cleveland Blvd.
Caldwell, ID 8360

13 May 2026

Dear Chelsee and the Members of the Historic Preservation Commission,

First, I sincerely appreciate the invitation to apply for this grant, apologize for the late submission, and further appreciate your encouragement to submit it late. This project continued to unfold on me throughout last week which was also a very busy week in the planetarium and the last week of classes. We are now in finals week so my time has been and is very divided as I share my time between running the planetarium and teaching math classes. Second, I feel the need to address the evolution that has taken place between last year's and this year's applications and hope you will consider the attachments included in this email as the official submission. Third, I will address some of your concerns regarding the projector.

The Spitz A3P is approaching its 56th birthday. The College has supported the planetarium without question over my 26 years as the director through paying for the annual preventative maintenance agreement (PMA), installing handicapped accessibility into the planetarium, replacing the cove lights with LEDs, and through the purchase of seven of the eight projectors involved in this current project. The College indicates that it will continue to support the planetarium through talks of relocating the Orma J. Smith Museum of Natural History, the Evans Gem and Mineral Collection, and the Whittenberger Planetarium to a new location better suited to host fieldtrips, and also through talks of how to transition to another director as my retirement looms on the horizon a few years out.

The relocation of these various natural history programs and collections will require a significant financial investment through philanthropic support and, I'm guessing, a capital campaign. That is most likely how we will get the funds needed to replace the current planetarium system and facilities—new dome, seats, and projector. Currently, we do not have a timeline for this bigger project, but it is a regular topic of conversation amongst the museum and planetarium staff and the administration.

In the meantime, I anticipate that projector components will need to be replaced on occasion. Most of the component replacement is covered through the PMA. The conversion of the lamp and projectors to LED is a project above and beyond the scope of preventative maintenance so these have been charges in addition to the PMA. Given that the lifespan of LEDs is tens of thousands of hours compared to the lifespan of the incandescent bulbs and arc lamp they are replacing, I can say that the longevity of these updates is for the life of the projector. The old bulb in the starball, for example, was a very expensive lamp that was replaced every two years. The LED provides a quality of light that only lasted a couple of months with the arc lamp, but is giving us that same quality three years out and is expected to do so throughout the life of the projector.

Understand that new optomechanical projectors also require replacement parts, on occasion, and digital projectors require regular software upgrades and periodic projector upgrades. Maintenance and repair are part of any piece of equipment. At some point, inevitably, the A3P projector will need to be retired. Currently, it is functional, well cared for, and old enough to qualify as a piece of history worth of preserving. In fact, it was one the historic preservation commissioners who invited us to apply for your grant last year to help maintain this classic instrument.

In reviewing last year's application, I note that we continually referred to the first conversion as the Sun lamp conversion. That was incorrect—the first conversion was from the Starball arc lamp to LED. Following submission of the 2026 application, Ash Enterprises made me aware that, in fact, we had not yet replaced the Sun. So, while I thought the Moon bulb conversion requested in last year's application would bring this project to a close, we do, in fact, have one last projector to convert in 2027 and that is the Sun projector.

I hope I have addressed your concerns. Please know I would enjoy the opportunity to meet with any of you—perhaps for a show and then a conversation on the future of the planetarium. The planetarium runs as a non-profit and, therefore, with slim margins. Our ask of four hundred dollars is a pretty modest ask, but it would finish this last phase of the project and be a financial help for us so that we can continue to provide quality outreach to the larger Treasure Valley community.

Once again, apologies for the late submission. I truly appreciate the encouragement to submit despite the past deadline. I've worked hard toward a complete and accurate submission and appreciate your time to consider it.

Sincerely,

Amy S. Luksa

Director, Whittenberger Planetarium
Senior Lecturer, Department of Mathematics and Physical Sciences

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Canyon County Historic Preservation Funding
Application Checklist and Information



All project applications must include the following:

- ☒ Completed and signed Application Checklist (this document)
- ☒ Completed Application, including:
 - Applicant Organization: Must be 501(c)(3) organization or private non-profit
 - Organization's Address: The location to mail funding awards to
 - Contact Name: Who the county can contact regarding application and project questions
 - Title: President, Chair, Treasurer, etc.
 - Project Name: Will be used in legal agreements
 - Project Location: Project must be in Canyon County and must benefit the citizens of the county
 - Match Amount Committed: Match is not required, but any match should be listed
 - 10 Questions on Project, answered to the best of your ability
- ☒ Completed Budget Request, please be as detailed as possible
- ☒ Proof of ownership of project property, if the project involves physical improvements to a building, structure or facility
- ☒ IRS determination letter for 501(c)(3) status or documentation that your organization is an Idaho Nonprofit Corporation
- ☒ Detailed copy of organization's budget, including revenues and expenses, and information on other grant receipts and current applications
- ☒ Information on staff of organization, including number of paid staff members, volunteers, and dedicated annual hours
- ☒ W-9 Form for distribution of funds, if application is selected for funding

Other documents **strongly encouraged**: (Please indicate which are included in this application)

- ☒ Financial estimates/bids
- ☐ Letter(s) of commitment for maintenance and long-term sustainability of project (can include regular maintenance, repairs, warranties, if support)
- ☐ Letter(s) of commitment for matching grant funds
- ☐ Letter(s) of support
- ☐ Drawings / plans
- ☒ Photos related to project

Applicant Signature: Anna Ball

Date: 5/12/2026

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Canyon County Historic Preservation
Funding Information



The Historic Preservation tax levy funds can go to:

- (1) Support of historical societies which operate primarily within the county; or
- (2) Support of museums operated within the county; or
- (3) Support of historical restoration projects undertaken within the county; or
- (4) Marking and development of historic sites within the county

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Successful applicants shall biannually provide the County and the County's Historic Preservation Commission with a **project update** and a **project completion report** indicating steps taken toward the completion of the project and final results. These reports shall include documents to support any expenditures made towards the project, if any were made.

Agreements are effective on October 1st and end on September 30th of the following calendar year. Project extension requests must be submitted **before** the September 30th deadline.

Send completed application and attachments:

Via Mail:

Canyon County
ATN: BOCC / Jenen Ross
1115 Albany St.
Caldwell, ID 83605

OR

Via Email: jenen.ross@canyoncounty.id.gov

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Applicant Information:

Applicant Organization: Whittenberger Planetarium, College of Idaho
 Organization's Address: 2112 Cleveland Blvd. City: Caldwell ID Zip Code: 83605
 Organization's Website: https://www.collegeofidaho.edu/about/campus-facilities/planetarium
 Organization's Email: planetarium@collegeofidaho.edu
 Contact Name: Amy Truksa Title: Director, Whittenberger Planetarium
 Contact Address: 2112 Cleveland Blvd. City: Caldwell ID Zip Code: 83605
 Daytime Phone: 2084595130 Cell Phone: 2088412408 Email: atruksa@collegeofidaho.edu

Project Information:

Project Name: LED Sun Projector Conversion
 Project Location Description: Whittenberger Planetarium
 Project Address: 2112 Cleveland Blvd. City: Caldwell ID Zip Code: 83605

Amount Requested: \$400.00 Match Amount Committed: \$0
 (Neither required)

Summarize the overall grant project in one sentence: (300 character limit)

The Sun projector on the Spitz A3P projector in the Whittenberger Planetarium at the College of Idaho is scheduled for an upgrade to an LED light source in spring of 2027 in order to ensure we are able to continue offering educational opportunities.

It is hereby mutually agreed and understood that if awarded, the use of these funds will be for the purposes stated in this document only and any award will be subject to the terms of the current Canyon County's Support Award Agreement, which shall be signed by the applicant prior to the distribution of any funds.

Signature of Authorized Representative: Amy Truksa Title: Director of Grants

Signature of Authorized Representative: Amy Truksa Title: 5/11/2026

Typed or Printed Name: _____ Date: _____

COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUNDING APPLICATION

Attach additional sheets if necessary. Please also attach (1) letter of commitment for maintenance, (2) letters of commitment for any grant matches, (3) any letters of support, (4) your IRS determination letter for 501(c)(3) status and (5) documentation that your organization is incorporated as an Idaho nonprofit corporation.

Please address all appropriate questions 1 through 10 and complete the proposed budget work sheet.

1. How does this project address a historic preservation issue in Canyon County? (1500 character limit)

The Whittenberger Planetarium was added to the construction of Boone Hall to serve as a public outreach tool between the College and the surrounding communities. The planetarium has been serving in this role since 1970. The Spitz A3P projector is no longer manufactured, but requires ongoing maintenance and careful stewardship to keep it running and available to the residents of Canyon County.

2. Describe the urgency of this project due to potential resource damage or other impacts that may cause an opportunity to be lost. (1500 character limit)

This upgrade is part of a multi year project and "this" last stage will bring it to completion. The upgrade to LED projectors will prolong the life of the planetarium projector and reduce operating costs associated with bulb replacements.

3. Describe your project. Include any drawings, plans, photos, schedules, proof of ownership of the project property, and compliance with applicable laws (American with Disabilities Act, National Environmental Policy Act and Uniform Building Code, etc.). (2000 character limit)

We have phased in replacement of the following projectors:

2023 Starball projector bulb
2024 Superior Planets (3 planets) projectors
2025 Inferior Planets (2 planets) projectors
2026 Moon projector will be upgraded next week
2027 Sun projector

4. How did you plan this project? (Did you use consultants? Who are the consultants and their qualifications? Did you get financial bids/quotes? Do you have applicable training pertaining to the project?) (1500 character limit)

When Spitz, Inc. ended their maintenance of optomechanical projectors in 2023, we lost our access to replacement arc lamps for star ball on the A3P. These lamps are extremely expensive, but we received trade ins on a regular basis through our maintenance agreement with Spitz. Without the maintenance agreement, we would not be able to afford to replace the bulb on the usual two year cycle. We turned to Ash Enterprises for our preventative maintenance. Ash had acquired all remaining optomechanical components from Spitz, Inc. and they are the only company I am aware of in the United States that provides maintenance on Spitz projectors.

Ash Enterprises made me aware of their ability to convert A3P component projectors over to LEDs. The lifespan of LEDs is many, many years longer than the traditional bulbs (in the tens of thousands of hours). We opted to convert the Starball projector to LED which would also keep a pristine, like new star field for the lifespan of the LED. LEDs would also make more better longer lasting, and more realistic planets and moon so I originally proposed a phased project that would allow us to replace a certain number of projectors each year for four years. In the spring of 2025 Ash Enterprises inquired as to why we had opted not to replace the Sun projector. Somehow, it had never made the list so we have this last bulb conversion to make in 2027.

5. Why is this project needed and how does it benefit the citizens of Canyon County? (1500 character limit)
- The Board of Trustees voted to convert a planned physics laboratory into the planetarium so that the College of Idaho could help bring the space race to the people of Canyon County. By the time the planetarium had opened, the United States had won the race to the moon and the planetarium was able to share that success and other trips to the moon with the larger community.

The planetarium continues to share many fantastic celestial events and NASA's successes with the community. In recent years, we have celebrated the wonder of total and partial solar eclipses and lunar eclipses that have passed over Idaho, alignments of planets, the many Mars rovers, awe inspiring images of Saturn and it's system of rings and moons, among others. The A3P projector is not only a vehicle for visual storytelling, it is also an invaluable tool for modeling celestial movements in a way that cannot be equally demonstrated by any other means.

This project both updates and improves the Spitz A3P projector enabling the Whittenberger Planetarium to continue providing educational entertainment to the communities of Canyon County and beyond. Since reopening our doors in 2022 following the pandemic we have averaged more than 4,000 people/year. In addition to school groups, we also get daycares, various summer camps, Parks and Rec groups, scouts, private groups, and the general public.

6. If this application is part of a multi-year, phased project please include information about the use of past award funds and include a complete and detailed plan of future phases and financial needs through to project completion with an anticipated time-line of these phases. (Describe the long-term plan and requirements of this project.) (1500 character limit)

This application is part of a multi year, phased project and, unfortunately, comes to you for the final phase of the project in the spring of 2027. The prior LED conversions were completed without external funding:

\$3,595 Starball Projector, 2023

\$1,050 Superior Planet projectors, 2024

\$700 Inferior Planet projectors, 2025

\$550 Moon projector, will be installed May 2026

The planetarium runs as a non profit with every attempt made to keep costs at or below revenue. This has required careful attention to expenses. The cost of the LED conversion for these projectors have consumed precious resources that were, therefore, not available for other needs in the planetarium.

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7. Will a fee be charged to the public to use your project when completed? If yes, explain. (800 character limit)
- The planetarium has, to my knowledge, always charged a modest entrance fee to visit the planetarium. The fee will not change as a result of this project.

8. How will the resulting project be available to the citizens of Canyon County? (What is the availability plan? How often will it be available? How will people be made aware that it's available?) (800 character limit)
- The planetarium provides regular availability for both field trip groups and general audiences. Generally, and depending upon the season, the planetarium is open 2-4 days/week for field trips and a minimum of once a month for public shows, ten months/year. Private shows are arranged by appointment.

9. If your project is located within a museum or restricted facility, please answer the following questions:

- Regular Hours of Operation:
Private and schools shows are set by appointment. At least one public show is offered each month.
- Total Hours per year the facility is available to the public:
Approximately 100 days/year
- Number of visitors per year:
Average of almost 4500/year during the last four years
- How is availability publicized:
Primarily on our webpage
Public shows are shared through a variety of social media outlets: community calendars, Instagram, Facebook, planetarium and college webpages and fliers that we may post around Caldwell and Nampa for special events.

10. If this application is one of multiple applications, please indicate the priority for this application below:

O1st ☒ O2nd ☐ O3rd ☐ O4th

Description	Budget	YTD Debits	YTD Credits
PLANETARIUM : OTHER INCOME	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 825.00	\$ 28,361.94
PLANETARIUM : GIFTS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 270.00
Total Revenue	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 825.00	\$ 28,631.94
PLANETARIUM : CLERICAL SALARIES	\$ -	\$ 24,990.05	\$ -
PLANETARIUM : STAFF BEN-FICA	\$ -	\$ 1,893.11	\$ -
PLANETARIUM : STAFF BEN-GROUP HOSPITAL INS.	\$ -	\$ 6.30	\$ -
PLANETARIUM : STAFF BEN LIFE INSURANCE	\$ -	\$ 17.85	\$ -
PLANETARIUM : STAFF BEN-RETIREMENT	\$ -	\$ 986.46	\$ -
PLANETARIUM : DISABILITY INSURANCE	\$ -	\$ 15.41	\$ -
PLANETARIUM : OFFICE EXPENSE/DEPT SUPPLIES	\$ 100.00	\$ 53.15	\$ -
PLANETARIUM : MAINTENANCE CONT/SERVICE CONT	\$ 5,100.00	\$ 5,300.00	\$ -
PLANETARIUM : TRAVEL/EDUCATION EXPENSE	\$ -	\$ 39.20	\$ -
PLANETARIUM : MEALS/ENTERTAINMENT	\$ -	\$ 561.35	\$ -
PLANETARIUM : INTDT TRANS COPIER CHARG	\$ 20.00	\$ 7.64	\$ -
PLANETARIUM : EQUIPMENT PURCHASES	\$ 850.00	\$ -	\$ -
PLANETARIUM : RESTRICTED NET ASSET BALANCE	\$ (1,943.43)	\$ -	\$ -
Total Expenditures	\$ 4,126.57	\$ 33,870.52	\$ -

Closing Balance	
\$ (27,536.94)	
\$ (270.00)	
\$ (27,806.94)	
\$ 24,950.05	
\$ 1,893.11	
\$ 6.30	
\$ 17.85	
\$ 986.46	
\$ 15.41	
\$ 53.15	
\$ 5,300.00	
\$ 39.20	
\$ 561.35	
\$ 7.64	
\$ (1,943.43)	
\$ 31,927.09	

Canyon County Historic Preservation Funding Application Checklist and Information

Budget Request

This has been a multi-year project:

\$3,595	Starball Projector	installed 2023
\$1,050	Superior Planet projectors	installed 2024
\$700	Inferior Planet projectors	installed 2025
\$550	Moon projector	will be installed May 2026

Current Request:

\$400 Sun Projector for installation in 2027
The Sun Projector is the last phase of this 5-year project. The planetarium has funded all other lamp conversions to LED.

NOTE: I found an error in last year's application where it said the bulb replaced in 2023 was the Sun. It was, in fact, the Starball arc lamp. We are applying to replace the Sun projector in 2027.
See also supporting documents—bid from Ash Enterprises. "Caldwell Sun Quote"

Proof of Ownership of Project Property

My best interpretation of historical documents suggests the College of Idaho purchased the Spitz A3P in about 1968 and it opened for business in the fall of 1970.

IRS Determination Letter for 501(c)(3) status

See supporting documents

Detailed Planetarium Budget Explanation

See supporting documents for YTD budget.

Explanation

Our goal is that the planetarium is able to cover its expenses through ticket revenue for our events. The income budget is our aspiration for ticket sales throughout the year. We have that amount this year with 6 weeks remaining in our fiscal year!

Office Supplies consist largely of batteries for the wireless microphone and flashlights.

Meals/Entertainment was the catering expense for the Valentines Wine and Dessert event we held this year. It sold out so those costs were also covered through revenue.

The Moon Projector will be paid for through the Equipment Purchases line. That projector will be installed next week during the annual Preventative Maintenance visit by Ash Enterprises and that expense will be realized in the budget before the end of the fiscal year.

Grant Applications and Awards

- 2026 Canyon County Historic Preservation Funding—Moon Projector
 - Requested \$550
 - Award received \$0.00
- 2027 Canyon County Historic Preservation Funding—Sun Projector
 - Requested \$400
 - Award received pending
- 2027 Meta—Exploring the Universe
 - Requested \$61,401
 - Award received \$0.00

Information on staff of organization, paid staff members, volunteers, and dedicated annual hours

Paid staff members: 3 parttime—Director, Presenter, Administrative Assistant

Volunteers:

Dedicated Annual Hours

0
The planetarium doesn't run on dedicated annual hours. The workload fluctuates seasonally and the employees work the hours needed for the demand. In the last twelve months, the director and presenter worked an average of about 87 hours/month, combined.

Note—the administrative assistant salary is not part of the planetarium budget, but she serves a critical role in the functioning of the planetarium.

W-9 Form

See supporting documents—W-9

Other Documents

Financial estimates/bids
Photo of projector



INTERNATIONAL, Inc.
WWW.ASH-ENTERPRISES.COM
(804) 543-2499
1221 Stanhope Avenue
Richmond, VA 23227-3729

May 1, 2026

Amy Truksa
Whittenberger Planetarium
College of Idaho
2112 Cleveland Blvd
Caldwell, ID 83605

Dear Ms Truksa,

Ash Enterprises can deliver and install an LED sun projector conversion for your planetarium for the sum of \$400 when done in conjunction with a regularly scheduled maintenance visit.

Thank you,

Eric Melenbrink
Ash Enterprises
(804) 543-2499

Internal Revenue Service
P.O. Box 2508
Cincinnati, OH 45201

Department of the Treasury

Date: NOV 30 2007

Person to Contact:
Valda Singleton

Toll Free Telephone Number:

ID# 31-03018

877-829-5500

Employer Identification Number:

82-0200906

THE COLLEGE OF IDAHO INC

2112 CLEVELAND BLVD

CALDWELL ID 83605-4432

Dear Sir or Madam:

This is in response to your organization's Articles of Incorporation filed with the state on October 12, 2007. We have updated our records to reflect the name change from ALBERTSON COLLEGE OF IDAHO INC to THE COLLEGE OF IDAHO INC, as indicated above.

Our records indicate that a determination letter was issued in October 1929 that recognized you as exempt from Federal income tax. Our records further indicate that you are currently exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Our records also indicate you are not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code because you are described in section 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).

Donors may deduct contributions to you as provided in section 170 of the Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts to you or for your use are deductible for federal estate and gift tax purposes if they meet the applicable provisions of sections 2055, 2106, and 2522 of the Code.

If you have any questions, please call us at the telephone number shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely,
Cindy Westcott
Cindy Westcott
Manager, Exempt Organizations
Determinations

W-9
Form 990-March 2004
Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

Before you begin, For guidance related to the purpose of Form W-9, see Purpose of Form, below.

1 Name of entity/individual. An entry is required. For a sole proprietor or disregarded entity, enter the owner's name or line 1, and enter the business/disregarded entity's name on line 2.

The College of Idaho

2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above.

3a Check the classification box for federal tax classification of the entity/individual whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one of the following seven boxes.

☐ Individual/sole proprietor ☐ C corporation ☐ S corporation ☐ Partnership ☐ Trust/estate

☐ LLC. Enter the tax classification (C = C corporation, S = S corporation, P = Partnership). Note: Check the "LLC" box above and, in this entry space, enter the appropriate code (C, S, or P) for the tax classification of the entity. A disregarded entity should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner.

☐ Other (see instructions)

3b If on line 3a you checked "Partnership" or "Trust/estate," or checked "LLC" and entered "P" as its tax classification, enter the name of the partner or trust that has the ownership interest. Check the box if you have any foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries. See instructions.

4 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.). See instructions.

2112 Cleveland Blvd.

City, state, and ZIP code

Caldwell, ID 83605

7 List account number(s) here (optional)

8 Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is a taxpayer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see How to get a TIN, later.

9a If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. See also What Name and Number To Give the Requester for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Part III Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am acting for a nontaxpayer who is providing this information); and

2. I am not subject to backup withholding because (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and

3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and

4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/form990.

What's New

Line 3a has been modified to clarify how a disregarded entity completes this line. An LLC that is a disregarded entity should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. Otherwise, it should check the "LLC" box and enter its appropriate tax classification.

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS is giving you this form because they

Form W-9 (Rev. 3-2004)



CANYON COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
PROJECT COMPLETION REPORTING FORM

Date	
Nonprofit Corporation Name	
Contact Person/Title	
Address	
Phone/Email	
Project Title	
Support Amount	
Agreement #	
Project Deadline	September 30 th , 2027

Describe the steps taken towards the completion of this Project below:
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Date of Project Completion

Describe any future needs associated with this Project below:

Please provide this project completion report no later than September 30th, 2027, and include pictures and all documents to support any expenditures made towards this Project.

Via Mail:
Canyon County
ATTN: BOCC / Jenen Ross
1115 Albany St.
Caldwell, ID 83605

Via Email: HPC Grant Closeout Report
jenen.ross@canyoncounty.id.gov

EXHIBIT B

Federal Register

Thursday
September 29, 1983

PROJECT EXTENSION REQUEST

A one-time extension of Project Agreements may be granted by the COUNTY if requested in writing by the NONPROFIT prior to the original agreement deadline

Requests for extension are required in writing with a detailed explanation of why an extension is needed; what has been accomplished on the project to date; what is still in need of completion; and an accounting of all expenditures and remaining funds to date.

Project Deadline Extension Request - Detailed:

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Part IV

Department of the Interior

National Park Service

Archeology and Historic Preservation;
Secretary of the Interior's Standards and
Guidelines

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Attachment B

*Additional pages on file
in the Commissioners Office*