

April 2022

NEWS FROM THE BOARD

A monthly newsletter from the Ada County Board of Commissioners

Welcome to the monthly newsletter from the Ada County Board of Commissioners. We are happy to share with you information on significant news and events happening in Ada County.

Kendra Kenyon - Commissioner
Rod Beck - Board Chairman
Ryan Davidson - Commissioner



COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH - APRIL 2022

Ada County employees are honored to provide critically important services for our communities including law enforcement, the courts, the jail, elections, emergency management, emergency medical services, operational oversight and management of our parks & waterways, planning and development, procurement, EXPO Idaho, the Ada County Landfill, and much more.

In April the Board of County Commissioners signed a proclamation designating April as County Government Month in Ada County.

For a complete look at the services and programs provided to you by the county please visit our website at <https://adacounty.id.gov/>

You can also follow us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Next Door and YouTube.



Ada County Elected Officials and department heads gather for a Class of 2022 photo in recognition of April being County Government month nationwide.

CHILD SAFETY ACTIVIST ELIZABETH SMART MAKES BOISE APPEARANCE



Elizabeth Smart was invited to Boise by FACES of Hope to share her story of hope and resiliency. Smart was kidnapped from her home in Salt Lake City in 2002 and held captive for nine months. Smart focuses her outreach on sharing how important it is to believe victims.

Best-selling author and child safety activist Elizabeth Smart and Ada County Commissioner Kendra Kenyon.

SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH

Denim Day is a nationwide effort during Sexual Assault Awareness Month to remind everyone that what a man or woman wears can never justify being sexually assaulted.

Dara Barney, Marketing and Communications Manager with Boise's WCA (left) along with Drew Piccola, WCA Marketing and Communications Specialist, were on hand for the reading of the proclamation during the Board's Open Business Meeting.

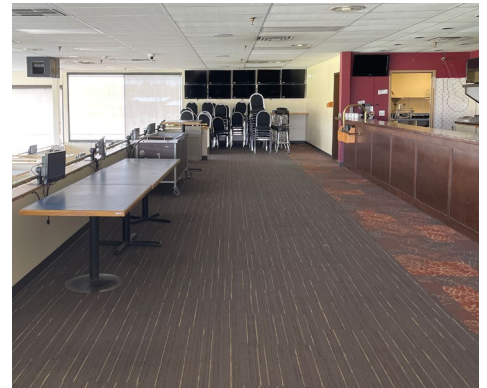
For more information on the services provided by the WCA visit <https://www.wcaboise.org/>

Ada County Commissioner Kendra Kenyon, Commission Chairman Rod Beck, and Commissioner Ryan Davidson sign a proclamation designating April 27th as Denim Day for Sexual Assault Awareness.



CHECKING OUT THE TURF CLUB

Several interested parties toured the Turf Club at EXPO Idaho in April as part of the county's Request for Information (RFI) process. The county is interested exploring different options for using the now empty space. The Turf Club was previously used as a facility for horse racing betting and simulcasting. In 2018 Idaho voters rejected a measure that would have allowed horse racing and betting to continue at EXPO Idaho. The Turf Club, which is currently unoccupied, is two levels with a total of 12,495 square feet of usable space and a paved parking lot in front of the facility.



The next step involves receiving submittals from the interested parties. Those submittals would then be reviewed by the Board of Commissioners who are interested in hearing about how to get the best and highest use from this Ada County asset.

The Turf Club is located on Ada County's 240-acre EXPO Idaho property at the corner of Glenwood Street and Chinden Boulevard. The property sits right along the Boise River with sweeping views of the foothills.



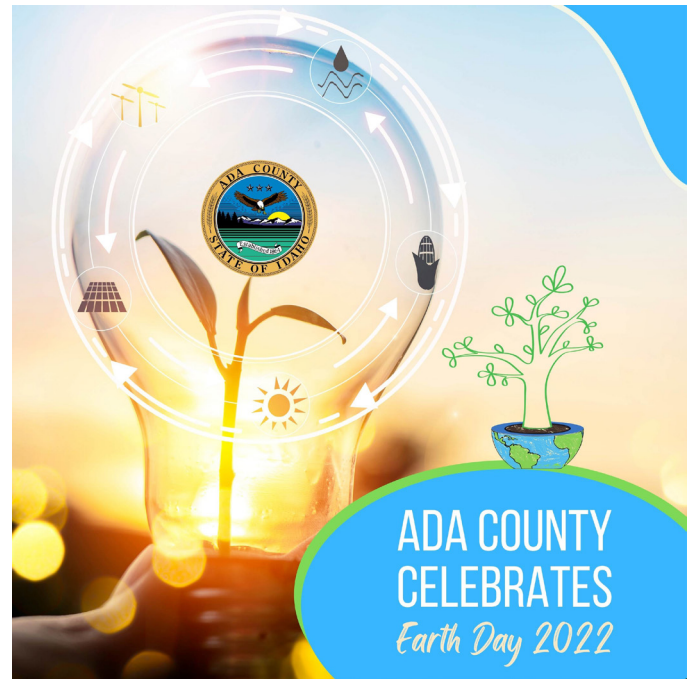
EARTH DAY FACTOIDS! DID YOU KNOW.....

THE ORANGE BAG PROGRAM

- ▶ Ada County is one of only four communities in the nation chosen to participate in the program
- ▶ The Energy Bags are used to collect and recycle household plastics that aren't accepted in the curbside recycling program
- ▶ It provides a solution for hard-to-recycle plastics not allowed in the regular recycling program such as grocery bags, plastic wrap, and Styrofoam packing material
- ▶ A commercial version is being piloted at the Ada County Courthouse since March of 2021
- ▶ Over 1500 tons of plastic waste has been directed from landfills nationwide since the program began

Hefty Energy Bags ▶

<https://www.hefty.com/products/hefty-energybag>



ABOUT OUR LANDFILL

- ▶ Approximately 663 tons of material from County-owned buildings was recycled instead of ending up in landfill
- ▶ One of the largest recycling programs in Idaho is run by the Ada County Landfill: the county's wood waste recycling program, reclaiming around 150,000 cubic yards of waste each year.
- ▶ Public recycling programs and diversion programs are available on site to extend the life of the landfill and protect the environment including:
 - > E-Waste Recycling Center for televisions, printers, microwaves, and other electronic items
 - > Household Hazardous Waste Facility for items that are flammable, corrosive, or toxic such as batteries, paint, pesticides, etc.
 - > Wood & Christmas Trees
 - > Motor Oil & Tires
 - > Metals & Refrigeration

Landfill Waste Diversion & Recycling ▶

<https://adacounty.id.gov/landfill/waste-types-solutions/waste-diversion-recycling/>

Want to know more about what the county is doing to protect our beautiful communities?

<https://adacounty.id.gov/operations/energy-sustainability/>

NEW Hefty® EnergyBag™ PROGRAM

ONLY specific plastics go in the orange bag. No paper, metal or cardboard.

<p>KITCHEN</p> <p>ALL PLASTIC BAGS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bread bags • Chip/snack bags • Fruit/vegetable/salad bags • Plastic pet food/treat bags • Grocery bags <p>PLASTIC FOOD PACKAGING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plastic food wrap • Meat/cheese packaging • Candy wrappers • Food storage bags • Plastic bottle caps 	<p>PLASTIC DAIRY TUBS/LIDS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yogurt/butter/sour cream <p>PLASTIC POUCHES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Juice/squeezable <p>PLASTIC SINGLE SERVE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Snacks - pudding <p>PLASTIC DINNERWARE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Straws/utensils/cups/plates/etc. <p>FOAM PRODUCTS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foam egg cartons • Foam cups/plates/bowls • Foam meat trays 	
<p>HOME/OFFICE</p> <p>PLASTIC PACKING/SHIPPING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bubble wrap • Air packs/pillows 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shrink wrap • Plastic envelopes 	
<p>BATHROOM</p> <p>TOOTHPASTE TUBES</p> <p>EMPTY DEODORANT STICKS</p>	<p>PLASTIC TUBES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lotion/creams 	

WHAT DO I DO WITH THE ORANGE BAG?

FILL BAG WITH EMPTY, CLEAN AND DRY ITEMS

TIE THE BAG SECURELY

PLACE IN YOUR RECYCLING CART



Wave goodbye
to your
BUMPY RIDE!

Ada County is gearing up to
repair a popular 1.6 mile
stretch of the Greenbelt



**Coming
Soon!**

Check out the Ada County Newsletter for the exact location

<https://adacounty.id.gov/commissioners/board-of-county-commissioners-newsletter/>

and follow us on Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/AdaCountyIdaho/>

ATTENTION SENIORS – YOU GET A TRASH BILLING PRICE BREAK



**Do you live in Unincorporated Ada County?
Are you over 65?**

If so, you are eligible for a reduced trash pickup rate!

Remember, you must live outside the city limits (see the map) and you'll need to show proof of your age. Take advantage of this benefit for Ada County residents!

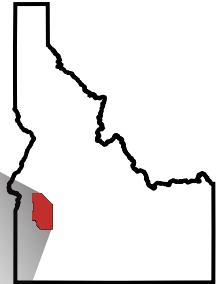
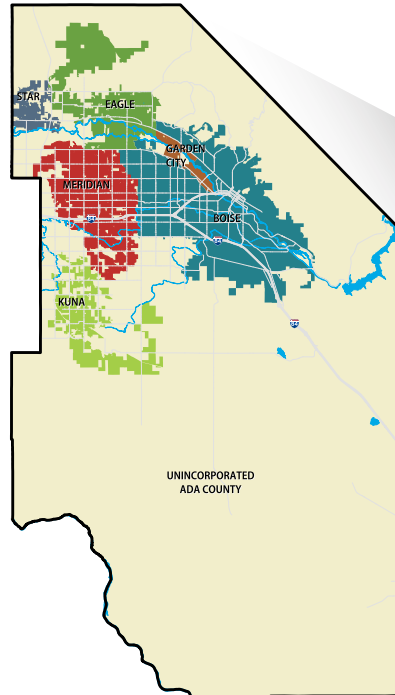
Proof of age can be submitted by email to: acbs@adacounty.id.gov or by mail to:

**Ada County Trash Billing
PO Box 2780
Boise, ID 83701**



Please reference your six-digit trash account number or your property address to ensure proper processing of your discounted service.

Note: Residents of Ada County who live outside city limits are serviced by Hardin Sanitation.



COMING UP!

You can watch the Ada County Board of Commissioner's weekly Open Business Meeting on YouTube.

WATCH NOW

Want to see what's on the Agenda?

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