



November 2021

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.

ARPA Money Will Bolster Ada County Pay Policies for Departments Directly and Adversely Impacted By COVID-19

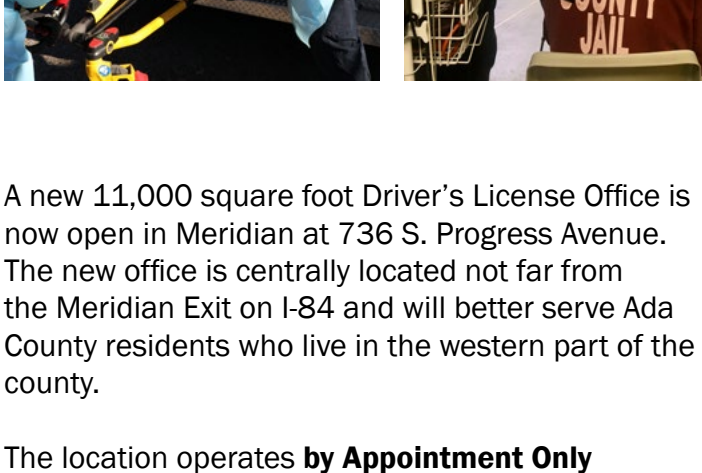
Ada County Commissioners are working to ensure that the business of the county is carried out efficiently for residents who count on critically important services provided each day to our community. That's why the Board of Commissioners approved spending American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) money to supplement pay for key staff at the **Ada County Coroner's Office, Ada County Emergency Medical Services (EMS)** and the **Ada County Sheriff's Office Health Services Unit**. Staff in each of these areas is experiencing the extra shifts impacts of COVID-19.

"The lifesaving work our staff continues to provide during the pandemic has been extraordinary," said Ada County Paramedics Chief Shawn Rayne. "Despite the personal toll of having to work countless extra shifts under incredibly trying circumstances, everyone at Ada County Paramedics stepped up and gave extra effort. We continue to respond to every call, day and night, no matter the emergency circumstances because that's who we are. We deeply appreciate the support from the Board of County Commissioners." "Having a robust nursing staff is vitally important for our agency, and these bonuses should help us compete in a tough marketplace," Ada County Sheriff Matt Clifford said. "Our Health Services Unit works incredibly hard to take care of an inmate

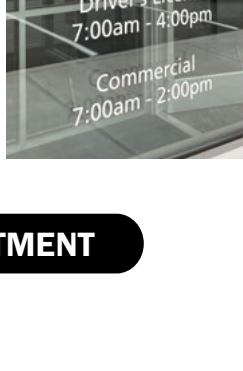
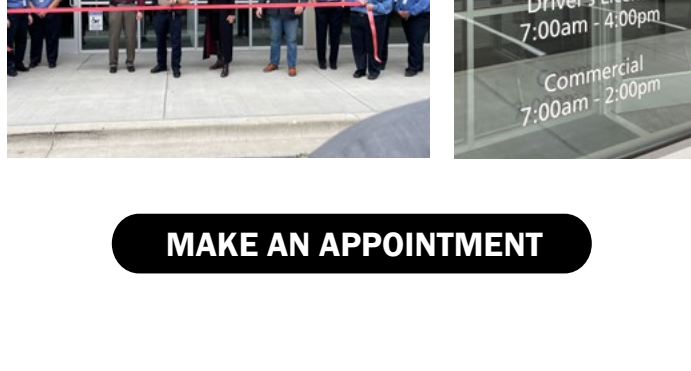
population that may not have regular access to health care. This is an investment that benefits our entire community."

According to the U.S. Treasury, the American Rescue Plan is delivering \$350 billion to state, local, territorial, and Tribal governments to ameliorate the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

In the coming months the Ada County Board of Commissioners will consider requests for investment of ARPA funds in myriad projects across Ada County made necessary by the pandemic. County officials will propose using these federal funds to make improvements to county facilities and operations that would otherwise be funded with tax dollars.



ADA COUNTY OPENS 2ND DRIVER'S LICENSE OFFICE



MAKE AN APPOINTMENT

A new 11,000 square foot Driver's License Office is now open in Meridian at 736 S. Progress Avenue. The new office is centrally located not far from the Meridian Exit on I-84 and will better serve Ada County residents who live in the western part of the county.

The location operates by **Appointment Only** and provides a variety of services to Ada County residents. You can get your Commercial License, STAR Card, renew your Driver's License, or if you're new to Idaho, get your Idaho Driver's License. It's important to remember - in Idaho, the DMV and the Driver's License Office provide two different services.

Congratulations to the Ada County Sheriff's Office for providing this new location to Ada County Residents, and to the Ada County Commissioners for securing the funding.

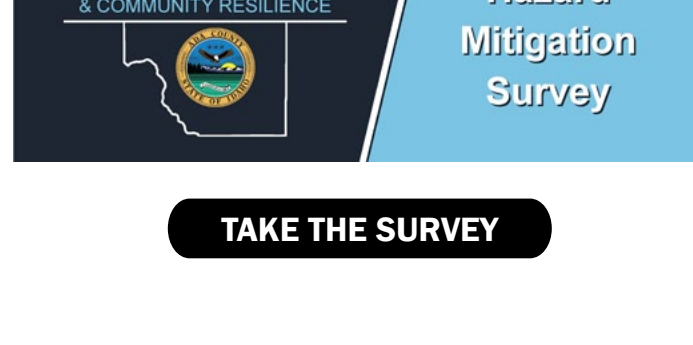
For vehicle registration information and DMV locations please visit

<https://adacounty.id.gov/assessor/motor-vehicles/>

ADA COUNTY LAUNCHES HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE SURVEY

A coalition of local governments and other stakeholders in Ada County are working together to update the Ada County Hazard Mitigation Plan.

This survey helps local government better understand the public's view of our most prevalent hazards, community preparedness, and risk exposure. The online survey runs through Feb. 1st.



TAKE THE SURVEY

Having trouble paying rent? ERAP PROGRAM CAN HELP



Did you know that the Boise City Ada County Housing Authorities (BCACHA) has one of the most successful rental assistance programs in the country?

Read more about who is eligible for this COVID-related assistance and how you or someone you know can apply.

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MAB TREATMENT AVAILABLE IN ADA COUNTY

MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY TREATMENT (mAb)

The best protection against COVID-19 is getting vaccinated. Treatments can provide an "airbag", but vaccines are your "seatbelt".

HOW CAN I GET THE MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY TREATMENT?

Monoclonal antibody treatments can be **prescribed by health care providers** to those who meet the following criteria:

- Are 12 years of age and older.
- Have tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 10 days.
- Are experiencing mild to moderate symptoms.
- Are at high risk for more serious symptoms.

If you do not have a healthcare provider, call the Combat COVID Monoclonal Antibodies Call Center at 1-877-332-6585.

- [National Link](#): [covid.infectioncenter.org/](https://www.combatcovid.hhs.gov/ihave-covid-19-now/monoclonal-antibodies-high-risk-covid-19-positive-patients)

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WHAT IS MONOCLONAL ANTIBODY TREATMENT?

The FDA issued this emergency use investigational treatment to aid those people at high risk of disease progression.

Antibodies are administered, within 10 days of symptom onset, that attach to parts of the virus and help the immune system respond.

Source: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/your-health/treatments-for-severe-illness.html>.

HOW IDAHO IS UTILIZING THIS TREATMENT?

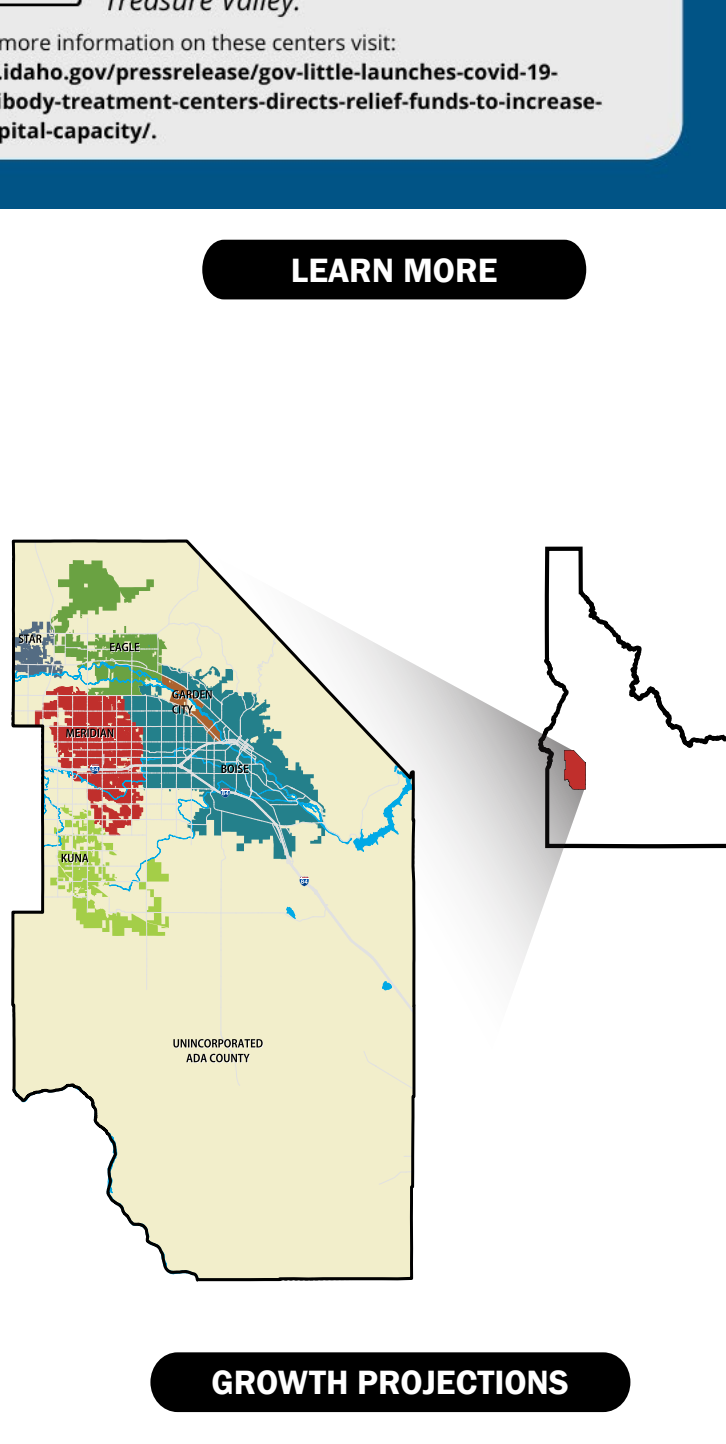
Idaho is launching three monoclonal antibody treatment centers. They are located in North Idaho and Eastern Idaho. *A valley is being set up in the Treasure Valley.*

For more information on these centers visit: [gov.idaho.gov/pressrelease/gov-little-launches-covid-19-antibody-treatment-centers-relief-funds-to-increase-hospital-capacity/](https://www.idaho.gov/pressrelease/gov-little-launches-covid-19-antibody-treatment-centers-relief-funds-to-increase-hospital-capacity/).

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HOW AND WHERE IS ADA COUNTY GROWING? SEE CENSUS PROJECTIONS FOR THE COMING DECADES.

For more than a decade Ada County has experienced extraordinary growth. Our skylines look different. Our neighborhoods look different. New neighborhoods exist now that never existed before. For folks who have lived here for decades it can be a lot to process. The latest Census figures, and population projections by community planners, show how Ada County's six sister cities (as well as Unincorporated Ada County) will look in the future. In some cases city will double in size. See how your community is projected to grow.



GROWTH PROJECTIONS

FROM THE TREASURER'S OFFICE: 2021 Property Tax Bills have been mailed!

Property tax payments are due by December 20, 2021. If the first half is paid by the due date, a grace period extends the due date for the second half to June 20, 2022.

Taxpayers have many payment options to choose from:

- In person:**
- Ada County Courthouse, 200 W. Front St., Boise, ID 83702
 - Public Administration Building, 182 N. Cloverdale Rd., Boise, ID 83713

By mail, using the coupon on their tax bill or by writing the parcel number on their check.

By phone at 1-844-471-7324. The taxpayer will need their bill number and parcel number.

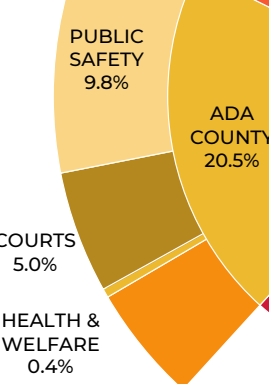
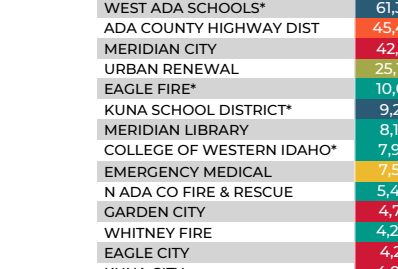
Online at <https://adacounty.id.gov/treasurer/>

By secure payment dropbox:

- Ada County Courthouse, 200 W. Front St., Boise, ID 83702
- Public Administration Building, 182 N. Cloverdale Rd., Boise, ID 83713
- Ada County Paramedics, 963 E. Pine Ave., Meridian, ID 83642

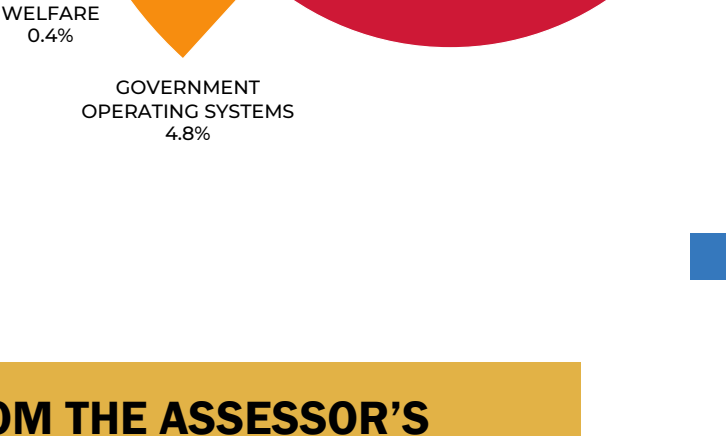
To learn more about how property taxes in Idaho work, please check out our simple [story map](#):

Contact our office at 208-287-6800 or email us at taxinfo@adacounty.id.gov if you have questions.



IN THE 2021 TAX YEAR, ADA COUNTY WILL COLLECT \$692,967,042 IN PROPERTY TAXES ON BEHALF OF OTHER LOCAL TAXING DISTRICTS.

HERE IS HOW THOSE TAX DOLLARS ADA COUNTY COLLECTS ARE DISTRIBUTED:



Taxing District	Property Taxes Levied
BOISE CITY	168,134,990
ADA COUNTY	160,000,000
BOISE SCHOOL DISTRICT*	131,975,678
WEST ADA SCHOOLS*	61,325,976
ADA COUNTY HIGHWAY DIST	48,422,819
MERIDIAN CITY	42,616,375
URBAN RENEWAL	25,170,459
EAGLE FIRE*	10,016,532
KUNA SCHOOL DISTRICT*	9,242,593
MERIDIAN LIBRARY	8,167,969
COLLEGE OF WESTERN IDAHO*	7,973,493
EMERGENCY MEDICAL	5,800,885
N ADA CO FIRE & RESCUE	5,409,350
GARDEN CITY	4,794,612
WHITNEY FIRE	4,248,846
STAR CITY*	4,214,102
KUNA FIRE*	4,050,934
STAR FIRE*	2,920,068
ADA COUNTY FREE LIBRARY	2,916,378
MERIDIAN FIRE	2,414,850
STAR FIRE*	2,080,565
HARRIS RANCH #1 CID	1,436,615
MOSQUITO ABATEMENT	1,381,743
KUNA LIBRARY*	1,040,156
STAR SERVICE*	837,027
PEST EXTERMINATION	709,763
MERIDIAN CEMETERY	677,429
EDRY CREEK CEMETERY	212,541
FLOOD CONTROL DIST. #10	408,719
KUNA CEMETERY*	224,116
EDRY CREEK CEMETERY	17,753
MELBA FIRE	16,125
Spring Valley CID	16,125
MELBA CEMETERY*	2,216
FAIRVIEW CEMETERY*	1,747

*TAXING DISTRICT IS SPLIT BETWEEN 2 OR MORE COUNTIES. ONLY THE ADA COUNTY PORTION IS SHOWN ABOVE.

FROM THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE: Annual reappraisal is underway in the Assessor's Office!

State law requires every parcel in the county be physically re-inspected once every five years, and your property could be within an area up for reappraisal for 2022. Someone from the Assessor's Office might be in your neighborhood gathering data and taking updated photos of your property.

If your home falls in one of 2022's reappraisal areas, you may have also received a postcard requesting your participation in an on-line reappraisal survey. Just follow the instructions on the postcard to log your survey responses. We appreciate your participation in the Assessor's effort to gather and maintain accurate property data. Please visit www.adacounty.id.gov/assessor for more detailed information and answers to your reappraisal FAQs.

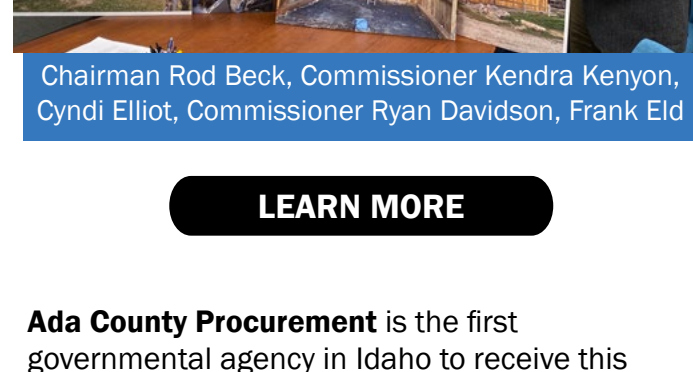
GET HITCHED IN A BARN

Looking for a beautiful place to get married that's totally Idaho? How about the oldest barn in Ada County?

The Ada County Board of Commissioners just approved the Schick Barn location as a wedding venue. This fall after the permitting process is complete, you'll be able to have your ceremony here. This beautiful structure is located on the Schick-Ostolasa Farmstead in the Dry Creek Valley.

www.drycreekhistory.org

"We are so excited to be historically renovating the Schick Barn and opening it to the public for educational purposes, and now to have wedding ceremonies, and share a unique bit of history with the public."
- Cyndi Elliot, Dry Creek Historical Society President



Chairman Rod Beck, Commissioner Kendra Kenyon, Cyndi Elliot, Commissioner Ryan Davidson, Frank Eld

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CONGRATULATIONS TO BOB PERKINS AND THE ADA COUNTY PROCUREMENT TEAM FOR BEING RECOGNIZED FOR THEIR EXCELLENCE.

Ada County Procurement is the first governmental agency in Idaho to receive this award ever, and one of 182 agencies nationwide and in Canada to be recognized for their achievements.

What does it take to win this award? Ada County Procurement is measured by its demonstration of exceeding the highest standards in innovation, professionalism, productivity, e-procurement and leadership.

Procurement was measured against a rigid set of professional criteria in 18 different categories. The leadership, productivity and processes save Ada County taxpayers significant amounts of money each year. Thank you for representing the best in county government.



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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