



# Idaho Heritage City Program



**Purpose** The Idaho Heritage Program, developed in 2002, recognizes cities in Idaho that encourage preservation and interpretation of their cultural heritage. The Association of Idaho Cities and the Idaho State Historical Society sponsor the project jointly. The special designation as an Idaho Heritage City acknowledges efforts undertaken by municipalities to protect and make available information on buildings, artifacts, records, written material, photos and oral reminiscences that contribute to the educational offerings, pride and history of a community.

**Selection** Selection for Idaho Heritage City status is based on completion of an application process that documents the existence of a number of designated criteria identified as appropriate to encourage preservation and interpretation of a community's history. The honor is awarded after a joint review of 14 designated criteria by representatives of AIC and the Idaho State Historical Society. A municipality must fulfill preservation guidelines in at least seven of the 14 criteria to receive the special recognition.

Applications must be submitted by **Monday, May 11, 2009**, to AIC at 3100 S. Vista Ave., Boise, Idaho 83705. The form is available on the back.

**Recognition** Cities to receive Idaho Heritage City status will be announced throughout the 2009 AIC Annual Conference, June 17-19, 2009. In addition, a special publication will feature the 2008 Idaho Heritage City recipients to be placed in delegate folders and recognition in AIC's official newsletter *Creating Quality Cities*. A municipality granted Idaho Heritage City status will receive a plaque for display in its City Hall or another appropriately designated location, as well as metal signs for display at entries to the city limits or at other appropriate locations.

## Past Idaho Heritage City Recipients

American Falls	Hayden	Pocatello
Caldwell	Kamiah	Post Falls
Challis	Kellogg	Rexburg
Coeur d'Alene	Ketchum	Riggins
Eagle	Lewiston	Rupert
Glenns Ferry	Malad	Salmon
Idaho Falls	Meridian	Soda Springs
Iona	Moscow	Spirit Lake
Hailey	Nampa	Wallace

## Award Criteria

Cities must meet a minimum of seven of the following 14 criteria to be designated an Idaho Heritage City:

1. Ordinances or comp plan goals
2. Monitoring organization
3. Records policy in place
4. School history programs
5. Oral history program in place
6. Documentation of history
7. Signs/Tours/Publications
8. Museum/Tourism Facility
9. National Register consideration
10. Roadside markers
11. Photo program in place
12. Cultural heritage event
13. Cemetery records available
14. Other programs/projects

Visit the Idaho Historical Web site at [www.idahohistory.net](http://www.idahohistory.net), or call AIC at (800) 344-8594 for further information, guidelines and training to help your city achieve the Idaho Heritage City criteria.



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## Application

Applicant City: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Application Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

To be considered for Idaho Heritage City status, a municipality will be evaluated in regard to 14 designated criteria and must fulfill the expectations in at least seven (7) to qualify. An applicant is welcome to submit information and material in as many criteria as desired.

In each such criterion, a written explanation of no more than 250 words must be provided on why a city feels it fulfills that particular consideration. Additional material (brochures, photos, reports, publications, etc.) can be included to enhance criteria in the application. Evaluation of application material by representatives of the Association of Idaho Cities and the Idaho State Historical Society will determine qualification for the Idaho Heritage City designation.

Please mark the criteria below in which your municipality is submitting rationale for qualifications as an Idaho Heritage City (A minimum 7 of 14 criteria must be met to receive the designation):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 1. Ordinances or Comp Plan goals | <input type="checkbox"/> 6. Documentation of history         | <input type="checkbox"/> 11. Photo program in place     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Monitoring organization       | <input type="checkbox"/> 7. Signs/Tours/Publications         | <input type="checkbox"/> 12. Cultural heritage event    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3. Records policy in place       | <input type="checkbox"/> 8. Museum/Tourism facility          | <input type="checkbox"/> 13. Cemetery records available |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> 5. Oral history program in place | <input type="checkbox"/> 10. Roadside markers                |   |

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*Information on the evaluation of programs and projects related to the Idaho Heritage City Program is available through the Administrative Office of the Idaho State Historical Society at 2205 Old Penitentiary Rd., Boise 83712 or by calling (208) 334-2682.*