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## **COMPASS Seeks Nominations for 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Leadership in Motion Awards**

*Meridian, ID* – The Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho (COMPASS) is seeking nominations for its 2019 Leadership in Motion awards. The awards focus on what is working and recognize individuals, businesses, and projects that demonstrate leadership in implementing Ada and Canyon County's regional long-range transportation plan, [Communities in Motion 2040 2.0](#).

"A forecasted population of over 1 million people by 2040 and a \$235 million annual transportation funding shortfall for Ada and Canyon Counties provide the backdrop for *Communities in Motion 2040 2.0*," states COMPASS Executive Director Matt Stoll. "While these two figures can be daunting, they are not deterring leaders from taking action to implement the plan; rather, they are the driving force behind implementation.

"Even small projects can 'move the needle' toward plan goals," explains Stoll. "As people are considering who or what to nominate, I encourage them to think not only of the large, highly visible projects or well-known leaders, but also think of those small projects or 'behind the scenes' leaders or businesses that are quietly making a difference."

Awards will be presented in the following categories:

- Leadership in Government, Ada County and Canyon County
  - Government-sponsored projects
  - One award in each county
- Leadership in Private Business/Nonprofit
- Leadership in Practice, Professional
- Leadership in Practice, Citizen/Volunteer
- Leadership by Example, Elected/Appointed Official

This year's awards will recognize efforts and projects that occurred between July 2018 and June 2019, and will be presented on Monday, December 16, 2019.

Learn more and submit your nominations online at [www.compassidaho.org](http://www.compassidaho.org) (follow the link to "Leadership in Motion awards"). Anyone may submit a nomination and any project or person (other than COMPASS staff) within Ada and Canyon Counties is eligible to be nominated. Nominations must be received by 12:00 noon, Monday, September 23, 2019.