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HOME FEDERAL FOUNDATION AWARDS GRANTS TO LOCAL AGENCIES

Nampa, ID (April 7, 2009) – The Home Federal Foundation has announced grants totaling \$12,200 to support the work of several local non-profit groups. The following organizations received funding from the Foundation in the first quarter of this year: the Boys & Girls Club of Ada County, Canyon County Habitat for Humanity, and Neighborhood Housing Services.

These are the first grants awarded in calendar year 2009. During 2008 the Home Federal Foundation awarded more than \$125,000 to benefit many outstanding charitable organizations in the Treasure Valley.

About the Home Federal Foundation and Home Federal Bank

The Home Federal Foundation was formed in November, 2004 in conjunction with the conversion of Home Federal Savings and Loan Association from a mutual savings and loan association to a publicly traded savings bank, Home Federal Bank. The Foundation's Board of Directors meets quarterly to review grant applications and award funds.

Home Federal Bank, headquartered in Nampa, Idaho, operates a total of 15 branches and one lending center serving the Treasure Valley region of southwestern Idaho that includes Ada, Canyon, Elmore and Gem Counties. Home Federal Bank's parent company is Home Federal Bancorp, Inc., a federally chartered savings and loan holding company also headquartered in Nampa, Idaho and is traded on the NASDAQ under the symbol "HOME". Visit Home Federal Bank on the Web at www.myhomefed.com.

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