

City of Coeur d'Alene Municipal Milestones Newsletter

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# In The News

# City of Coeur d'Alene Gives Back in 2025

Each year, the City aims to give back to the community in meaningful ways. The hope is to improve the lives of those in need and foster a thriving community for all.

Here are some of the ways the City gave back in 2025:

- The Coeur d'Alene Fire Department participated in the Fill the Boot Fundraiser on June 13 during Car d'Alene. This event raised over \$1,100 with funds benefitting the Muscular Dystrophy Association to support people living with neuromuscular diseases.
- employees lent a helping hand at St. Vincent De Paul North Idaho during United Way's Day of Caring. Volunteers helped sort, organize and prepare incoming donations of clothing, household goods, and other items in the warehouse. Funds from sales of donated goods support critical programs such as Father Bill's



Kitchen, housing, shower and laundry facilities and shelters.

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## **CITY DEPARTMENTS**

Main Line	208.769.2300
Building Services	208.769.2267
Engineering	208.769.2235
Finance/Utilities	208.769.2227
Fire	208.769.2340
Human Resources	208.769.2205
Legal	208.769.2348
Library	208.769.2315
Municipal Services	208.769.2300
Parks	208.769.2252
Planning	208.769.2274
Police	208.769.2320
Recreation	208.769.2250
Streets	208.769.2235
Wastewater	208.769.2281
Water	208.769.2210



# HOLIDAY EVENTS IN THE INLAND NORTHWEST

# Winterfest Post Falls & Plaza Market

Post Falls City Hall December 5 4:00 pm—8:00 pm

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# Capone's 28th Annual 12 Ales of Christmas

Coeur d'Alene Location December 6 6:00 pm

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#### Sounds of Christmas

North Idaho College December 6 7:30 pm

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# The Nutcracker

North Idaho College December 13 3:00 pm & 6:00 pm

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# <u>Let it Snow</u> Christmas Show

Coeur d'Alene Resort Through December 21 7:30 pm

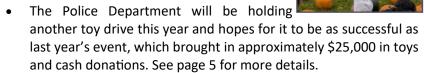
December Christmas Ball

First Presbyterian Church 521 E Lakeside Ave Saturday, Dec 20 7:00 pm—9:00 pm



# City of Coeur d'Alene Gives Back in 2025, cont.

- On Thursday, October 16, City of Coeur d'Alene staff turned out to participate in St Vincent de Paul's 2025 Souport event which raised \$38,000 for the warming center. Parks and Recreation Director Bill Greenwood's Po-TaToes Ham & Corn Chowder was a hit.
- On Friday, October 24, the Wastewater Department and Library distributed 777 homegrown pumpkins. There were fewer than last year but still plenty for every family who came out to enjoy the event.



From November 3
 through November 26,
 City Departments along
 with the Library partnered with Community
 Action Partnership
 to hold a Food Drive
 benefitting those in
 need in the community.
 The Coeur d'Alene



- Library collected over 300 lbs of food and City employees collected an additional 1,112 lbs of non-perishable food.
- In 2025, the "Lawyer in the Library" Clinic helped 110 people with their legal questions.
- During 2025, City employees were joined by volunteers who donated nearly 500 hours of their time to work on twelve (12) projects on Tubbs Hill. These projects included the installation of signs, natural log benches and a bike rack, closing down of old trails and creating new ones, and the rebuilding of a stationary bridge.



2025 has been a great year to give back to the Community!

# Santa Photos and Food Drive



# Mobile Santa Food Drive

From December 17—23, your Coeur d'Alene Firefighters will be driving Santa around the neighborhoods of Coeur d'Alene collecting food and cash donations for the food bank and spreading Christmas spirit. The goal is to collect over 5,000 pounds of food to help families in need in our community.

# Santa's Itinerary:

- December 17 West of 7th St, South of Appleway Ave
- December 18 East of 7th St, South of Appleway Ave
- December 19 East of Hwy-95, North of Appleway/Best Ave
- December 20 West of Hwy-95, North of Appleway, South of Kathleen Ave
- December 21 West of Hwy-95, North of Kathleen Ave, South of Hanley Ave
- December 22 West of Hwy-95, East of Atlas Rd, North of Hanley Ave, South of Prairie Ave
- December 23 West of Atlas Rd, North of Hanley Ave, South of Prairie Ave





When you hear the music or see Santa's sleigh (an antique fire truck, decorated with lights), come outside, donate some food, talk to Santa and get a candy cane! Santa will be on the road from 4:30 pm – 8:30 pm each night.

# Winter Operation Plan

When the snow starts falling in Coeur d'Alene, the Streets Department (Department) is ready to go coordinating snow and ice management on City streets. Snow season typically lasts from mid-November to mid-March and street conditions are monitored daily in accordance with the procedures in the Department's Winter Operation Plan.

# Efforts include the following:

- ANTI-ICING / DE-ICING Pre-treating and de-icing operations will commence when temperatures
  are between 32 degrees 15 degrees and will include liquid and granular products. Products
  will be applied to arterials, collectors and hills. Residential
  areas will receive sanding as needed.
- CITY WIDE PLOW The Streets & Engineering Director will implement a City-Wide Plow when there is more than 4" of snowfall on the roadway surface, or 3" of snowfall on the roadway and more than 4" predicted.

For more information on the Department's efforts to keep streets safe during winter, visit the Winter Operation Plan at <a href="https://www.cdaid.org/streets/winter%20operations%20plan.pdf">www.cdaid.org/streets/winter%20operations%20plan.pdf</a>.





# THIS MONTH'S EVENTS AT THE LIBRARY

#### Lawyer in the Library

1st Thursday of the Month 4:00 pm—6:00 pm

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#### Yoga for You

Mondays and Fridays 9:30 am

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# Mudgy, Millie and Santa Sing-Along

Saturday, December 6 11:00 pm

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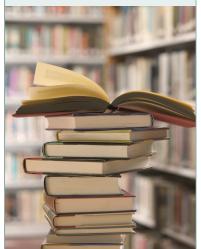
#### Sunday Matinee Contra Dance

All Ages Sunday, December 7 2:00 pm — 4:00 pm

# Kids' Gift Making Workshop Ages 9-12 Fridays, December 5 & 12

Fridays, December 5 & 13 4:00 pm—5:00 pm

For more information on any Library event, call (208) 769-2315, or visit the Library's event calendar.



# **Holiday Book Sale**

Get ready to stock your shelves and support your local library! Friends of the CDA Library is hosting a HUGE book sale in the Library's Community Room from December 11—14, and you're invited to join the fun. Discover hidden gems, beloved



classics, and unexpected treasures among thousands of gently loved books—fiction, nonfiction, kids favorites, cookbooks, and more.

Whether you're a seasoned bookworm or just browsing for your next great read, there's something for everyone. If you'd like to donate books, you can bring them to the Library at any time. For more information, visit: https://cdalibrary.org/2025/11/08/december-11-14/

# **History Hour Lecture**



In this monthly lecture series, join the Library for a special presentation with the Museum of North Idaho featuring a local author or historian who will talk about Idaho's fascinating heritage.

# Holidays at the Mission – Wednesday, December 10 (5:30 pm)

Local historian and author, Jake Eberlein, presents a study of Christmas in Coeur d' Alene based on the paintings of Fr. Nicholas Point during his initial visit with the Coeur d'Alene Tribe in 1842. To celebrate Christmas, they built a colorful tent that was decorated with available greenery, mats, and images. What was the meaning of the decorations? How did the celebration compare with Christmas celebrated in Fr. Point's home country of France?

In 1926, the celebration of the Cataldo Mission's eightiethanniversary included a reconstruction of the original "pole arbor covered with green boughs." The display showed a collective remembrance and connection with the past that moved them to commemorate their first Christmas celebration.

# Library Newsletter

Do you want to be in the know for all the events and programming happening at the CDA Library? If so, sign up for the Library's Monthly Newsletter. You'll receive a calendar of events as well as detailed descriptions of all Library programming. Sign up here!

# Successful Prescribed Burn on Tubbs Hill

Over the summer, hand crews completed fuel mitigation work on Tubbs Hill as part of a grantfunded project.

In a fire-prone forest like Tubbs Hill, the amount of available fuel can be the deciding factor between a manageable blaze and a catastrophic wildfire.

In order to keep Tubbs Hill healthy for years to come, vegetation was pruned, dead trees were thinned and a prescribed burn followed.



Prescribed burn methods mimic natural fire cycles and promote ecosystem balance.

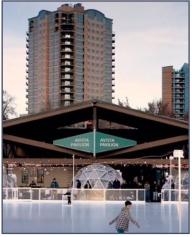
After pruning vegetation and thinning dead trees, the cut vegetation was piled at various locations around Tubbs Hill in preparation for burning. Weather conditions were favorable in early November and the prescribed burn took place over three (3) days.

Thank you to the Parks Department, Fire Department, Kootenai County and the Idaho Department of Lands for a successful joint venture.

# CDA on Ice is Open!

The much-loved ice rink in McEuen Park is now open! For more information, visit www.cdaonice.com





# CITY COUNCIL AND COMMISSION MEETING INFORMATION

## **City Council Meetings**

1st and 3rd Tuesday each month 6:00 pm Library Community Room

Council Agenda Packets

## **Ped/Bike Committee**

1st Wednesday each month 4:00 pm City Hall

#### **CDA TV Committee**

2nd Monday each month 8:00 am City Hall

## **Planning Commission**

2nd Tuesday each month 5:30 pm Library Community Room

# **Urban Forestry Committee**

3rd Friday each month 8:00 am City Hall

#### **Park and Rec Commission**

Monday before 3rd Tuesday 5:30 pm Library Community Room

## \*Arts Commission

4th Tuesday each month 4:00 pm City Hall

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\*No December Meeting

# CITY COUNCIL AND COMMISSION MEETING INFORMATION, CONT.

# Historic Preservation Commission Meeting 4th Wednesday each month 12:00 pm

# Library Board Meeting 4th Wednesday each month 4:00 pm Library Community Room

For more information, please visit the <u>Calendar page</u> on the City of Coeur d'Alene's website.

For meeting agendas, visit https://www.cdaid.org/81/departments/municipal/meeting-agendas



Find the City on Facebook!

City of Coeur d'Alene

Coeur d'Alene Fire Department

Coeur d'Alene Police Department

Coeur d'Alene Parks and Rec

Department



# Welcome New Employees!

A warm welcome to the following new City employees. The City is privileged to have these talented individuals join as new team members.



Mike Hewitt

Heavy Equipment Operator

Streets Department



Jonathan Walsh
Custodian
Building Maintenance/
Parks Department



Nathan Williams

Custodian

Building Maintenance/

Parks Department



Falon Grijavla
Custodian
Building Maintenance/
Parks Department



**Seth Slater** *Building Inspector*Building Department

# The City of Coeur d'Alene is Hiring!

Visit the City's employment website if you are interested in working for the City of Coeur d'Alene. Up-to-date job postings are listed here.



# CITY OF CDA PARKS AND RECREATION 2026 K-2ND GRADE YOUTH BASKETBALL

KINDERGARTEN - 2ND GRADE REGISTRATION : DECEMBER 8TH, 2025 - JANUARY 2ND, 2026

- GAMES ARE PLAYED MONDAY THURSDAY EVENINGS AND SATURDAY MORNINGS AT LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT GYMS
  - GAMES ARE FULL COURT 5 VS 5 ON 8 FOOT HOOPS
- PRACTICES BEGIN LAST WEEK OF JANUARY WITH GAMES BEGINNING MIDDLE OF FEBRUARY AND ENDING THE

MIDDLE OF MARCH

\$40 : CITY RESIDENTS \$50 : NON-RESIDENTS

REGISTER ONLINE AT TEAMSIDELINE.COM/CDAID



Games will be self officiated with a court supervisor to settle any disputes

Awesome prizes for championship teams!

**Register Here!** 



Best Wishes for a Safe and Happy Holiday Season from the City of Coeur d'Alene!