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**NEWS RELEASE**

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***AMERICA AND MILITARY SAVES WEEK IS FEBRUARY 25<sup>TH</sup> – MARCH 2<sup>ND</sup>***

***Department of Finance Joins Idaho Agencies and Air National Guard  
In Celebration of America and Military Saves Week***

Boise, Idaho .... The Idaho Department of Finance, as a member of the Idaho Military Financial Alliance, is honored to announce its participation in the 2019 America and Military Saves Week.

As a member of America and Military Saves, the Department urges Idahoans to save and invest. America Saves is coordinated by the American Savings Education Council. The savings event, which began in 2007, is an opportunity to promote savings behavior and make certain that Americans are reassessing their savings goal.

The Department has invited Idaho banks and credit unions to help sponsor America and Military Saves. The Department is proud to announce Clarity Credit Union, First Federal Bank, Idaho Central Credit Union, Latah Credit Union, Mountain Gem Credit Union, Twin River Bank, and Westmark Credit Union as participating organizations that are spreading the message to save and invest to their clients!

Each year the Department actively spreads its savings message to service members. On Saturday March 9<sup>th</sup>, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., the Department, along with the Idaho Department of Insurance and other Idaho agencies, will present financial topics to service members at the Idaho Air National Guard at Gowen Field. The Military Saves event is entitled “Idaho Military Saves: Their Clearances – Top Ways to Have a Strong Defense.” Idaho Military Financial Alliance members will staff booths at the conference, provide valuable financial educational information to its service members, and answer any financial-related questions. A free lunch will also be provided to service members in attendance at the event.

“The Department proudly supports Idaho’s military by offering financial-related education,” said Department of Finance Acting Director Mary Hughes. “The Department’s goal during the America and Military Saves Week events is not only to provide valuable educational outreach, but to also introduce the services the Department provides to Idaho’s service members and community.”

The Department urges Idaho residents and organizations to sign up on the America and Military Saves websites at <https://americasaves.org> and <https://militarysaves.org>. Idahoans may join as individuals by signing up at the above referenced sites, pledging to set their savings goals. Organizations, through their campaign, may promote savings and investing to their clients.

**Help Americans “Set a Goal. Make a Plan. Save Automatically!”**



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