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## NEWS RELEASE

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### **“OUR FINANCIAL CONFERENCE” TAKING PLACE APRIL 5<sup>TH</sup> IN MOSCOW**

**Boise, Idaho-** The Idaho Department of Finance (IDOF) is excited to announce its participation in the **“Our Financial Conference”** in Moscow this April. The event, hosted by the University of Idaho Extension, will include an impressive variety of sponsors and financial experts.

“Our Conference” is a free event open to everyone of all ages. The conference aims to bring local financial experts together to provide Idaho consumers with financial information, resources, and tools to help them reach financial goals. The conference will be held **on April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Best Western Plus University Inn in Moscow, Idaho**, and will include free food, swag bags, and new topics fit for everyone.

Breakout sessions, panels, simulations, interviews, and resources will be offered throughout the day, allowing attendees to learn about a wide variety of topics to enhance their financial knowledge.

**Travis Woodbury**, Securities Investigation Supervisor at IDOF, will speak on **“Protecting Your Digital Assets and Your Identity with Online Environments.”** During this presentation, Travis will offer practical strategies for securing digital information and proactive measures against identity theft. His expertise will teach attendees how to preserve the integrity of their digital identity and ensure a safer online experience for everyone.

**During the lunch session, Sydney Lambeth**, Financial Examiner/Investigator III in the Consumer Finance Bureau at IDOF will speak about **“Navigating the Financial Landscape: Strategies for Overcoming Medical Debt and Credit Challenges.”** During Sydney’s session, she will provide practical strategies and resources to responsibly manage medical debt and how to calculate medical debt on credit reports. This valuable session will allow attendees to better understand Idaho laws and regulations that define consumer rights with medical debts, the impact of medical debt, and how to improve financial standing.

The Department will offer free financial educational materials to conference participants. These materials include books and brochures about saving and investing, homebuyer resources, cybersecurity and identity theft prevention, credit scoring, and more. Department staff will also be available to answer questions and assist consumers.

Registration and additional information can be viewed at: [uidaho.edu/financial-conference](http://uidaho.edu/financial-conference).



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