



Hosted by:



Community Development Institute West

Year 1 Agenda

Class Director- Becky Bryant, PCED

July 20-24, 2026

Riverside Hotel, 2900 W. Chinden Blvd, Garden City, ID 83714

Where to go: All classes will be held in the **North Star** room unless otherwise noted below

Monday, July 20, 2026

7:00 am - 8:00 am: Registration / Breakfast, Location: Liberty Landing

8:00 am – 8:15 am: General Session – Welcome / Opening Remarks, Location: Cinnabar

8:15 am – 9:15 am: Keynote - Civic Cardio: Get Your Community Moving with Holli Conde, Dave Krick, Hannah Mae Shaeffer and Russ Stoddard, moderator Erik Kingston

9:15 am – 9:30 am: Break, Location: Delamar

9:30 am – 10:00 am: Class Director's Welcome

10:00 am – 11:45 am: Session – Team Building Tools with Becky Bryant, PCED

11:45 am – 12:00 pm: Class Picture

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm: Lunch, Location: Cinnabar

1:00 pm – 2:45 pm: Session - Community and Economic Development Practice Through a Livability Lens with Tom Trotter & Amber Smyer

2:45 pm – 3:00 pm: Break, Location: Delamar

3:00 pm – 5:00 pm: Session – Newtonia with Jerry Miller

5:30 pm – 7:00 pm: Networking Dinner at [The Warehouse Food Hall](#), 370 S. 8th Street, Boise. Those who wish to carpool or offer rides should meet in the hotel lobby at 5:30 p.m.

Ample public parking garages are available nearby with varying rates, as well as metered street parking.

Tuesday, July 21, 2026

7:30 am - 8:00 am: Breakfast, Location: Cinnabar

8:00 am – 8:30 am: Class Review

8:30 am – 10:00 am: Session - Asset Mapping & Assessments with Melissa Hamilton

10:00 am – 10:15 am: Break, Location: Delamar

10:15 am – 12:00 pm: Session - Understanding Community Economies with Paul Lewin

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm: Lunch, Location: Cinnabar

1:00 pm – 3:00 pm: Session - The Dollar Game with Paul Lewin

3:00 pm – 3:15 pm: Break, Location: Delamar

3:15 pm – 5:00 pm: Session – Newtonia continued

5:00 pm: Adjourn for the day

Wednesday, July 22, 2026

7:30 am - 8:00 am: Breakfast, Location: Cinnabar

8:00 am – 8:30 am: Class Review

8:30 am – 10:00 am: Session - Community Strategic Visioning and Planning with Rick Aman

10:00 am – 10:15 am: Break, Location: Delamar

10:15 am – 12:00 pm: Session - Identifying and Developing Stakeholders, Leaders, and Volunteers with Evin Bask

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm: Lunch, Location: Cinnabar

1:00 pm – 3:00 pm: Session – Newtonia continued

3:00 pm: Adjourn for the day

Thursday, July 23, 2026

7:30 am - 8:00 am: Breakfast, Location: Cinnabar

8:00 am – 8:30 am: Class Review

8:30 am – 10:15 am: Session - Show Me the Money: Finding and Securing Grants with Jerry Miller

10:15 am – 10:30 am: Break, Location: Delamar

10:30 am – 12:00 pm: Plenary – Data Centers: Assisting Communities in Understanding the Challenges and Opportunities with Dr. Tom Beresnyak and panelists: Paris Dickerson, Dr. Sondra Miller, Lance Sayers & Adam Wenger. Location: Cinnabar

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm: Lunch, Location: Cinnabar

1:00 pm – 2:45 pm: Session – Building Poverty Competency with Lindsey McConnell-Soong

2:45 pm – 3:00 pm: Break, Location: Delamar

3:00 pm – 5:00 pm: Session – Newtonia continued

5:00 pm: Adjourn for the day

Friday, July 24, 2026

7:30 am - 8:00 am: Breakfast, Location: Cinnabar

8:00 am – 8:30 am: Class Review

8:30 am – 10:15 am: Session – Newtonia wrap-up

10:15 am - 10:30 am: Break, Location: Aspen

10:30 am – 12:00 pm: Graduation, Location: Aspen

12:00 pm: Adjourn

Times, classes, and trainers are subject to change.