



Joint
Legislative
Millennium
Fund
Committee

March 3, 2023

Idaho Legislature

**JOINT LEGISLATIVE
MILLENNIUM FUND
COMMITTEE**

State Capitol
Room C305
Boise, Idaho 83720

SENATE MEMBERS

Van Burtenshaw, Chairman
Carl Bjerke
Cindy Carlson
Janie Ward-Engelking
Carrie Semmelroth

HOUSE MEMBERS

John Vander Woude, Chairman
Marco Erickson
Brandon Mitchell
Brooke Green
Ned Burns

SUPPORT STAFF

Jared Tatro
Deputy Manager, Budget &
Policy Division, LSO
Phone: 208-334-4740
E-mail: jtatro@lso.idaho.gov

WEB

www.legislature.idaho.gov

*TO: The Honorable Members of the Senate and House of Representatives
of the State of Idaho*

Pursuant to Idaho Code, Section 67-1808(6), the Joint Millennium Fund
Committee is privileged to submit its annual report and recommendations
for legislative consideration.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Joint Millennium Fund
Committee,

Senator
Van Burtenshaw
Co-Chairman

Representative
John Vander Woude
Co-Chairman



March 2023

Idaho Joint Legislative Millennium Fund Committee

Title 67, Chapter 18, Idaho Code

FY 2024 Report and Recommendations

Committee Membership

The Joint Millennium Fund Committee consists of ten members - five members from the Senate and five members from the House of Representatives. Three members are appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, one of whom is co-chairman of the committee, and two are appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate. In the House, three members are appointed by the Speaker, one of whom is co-chairman, and two are appointed by the minority leader of the House of Representatives. The term of a member coincides with the term of election to the Legislature. Any vacancy on the committee is filled by the appointing authority of that member, and members may be reappointed to a subsequent term. Current members are:

Senate

Van Burtenshaw, Chairman
Carl Bjerke
Cindy Carlson
Janie Ward-Engelking
Carrie Semmelroth

House

John Vander Woude, Chairman
Marco Erickson
Brandon Mitchell
Brooke Green
Ned Burns

Powers and Duties of the Committee

The committee is required to meet no less than twice each year. It establishes its own rules for governance and operation of committee proceedings. It may also solicit applications for funding from the Idaho Millennium Income Fund, and meet to hear testimony. The committee also has the power and duty to evaluate the actual and potential success of programs funded with moneys from the income fund, and to present recommendations annually to the Legislature. The committee is supported by staff from the Legislative Services Office.

Millennium Funds

The *Idaho Millennium Income Fund* consists of distributions from the Idaho Millennium Permanent Endowment Fund, the Idaho Millennium Fund and such moneys that may be provided by legislative appropriations. The income fund is managed by the State Treasurer and retains its own earnings. The uses of this fund are determined by legislative appropriation.

The *Idaho Millennium Permanent Endowment Fund* consists of eighty percent of moneys received each year by the state of Idaho on and after January 1, 2007, pursuant to the master settlement agreement entered into between tobacco product manufacturers and the state, and any other moneys that may be appropriated or otherwise directed to the fund. Each year, the State Treasurer is to distribute five percent of the fund's average monthly fair market value for the first twelve months of the preceding twenty-four months, to the Idaho Millennium Income Fund, providing that the distribution does not exceed the fund's fair market value on the first business day of July.

Prepared by: Idaho Legislative Services Office;
Budget & Policy Analysis Division

Likewise, the *Idaho Millennium Fund* consists of twenty percent of moneys received each year by the state of Idaho on and after January 1, 2007, pursuant to the master settlement agreement entered into between tobacco product manufacturers and the state and any other moneys that may be appropriated or otherwise directed to the fund. Each year, the State Treasurer is to distribute five percent of the fund's average monthly fair market value for the first twelve months of the preceding twenty-four months, to the Idaho Millennium Income Fund, providing that the distribution does not exceed the fund's fair market value on the first business day of July.

Committee Meetings

The Joint Millennium Fund Committee held four meetings in Boise on February 16th, 21st, and 28th to discuss the history, purpose, and identify potential recommendations for the legislature to consider.

On March 2nd of 2023, the committee finalized its recommendation to the Legislature.

The Committee held all meetings at the Idaho State Capitol Building. A quorum of committee members was present at each meeting.

Additional Committee Information:

The Joint Millennium Fund Committee discussed at all four meetings that their intent was to identify an appropriate number of programs to strongly support the committees intended mission of prevention, cessation and treatment of substances. The committee intends to meet throughout the interim to collaborate on selected programs and ideas that benefit Idahoans, especially Idaho's youth and vulnerable adults. This may also include overarching programs that focus on the total safety and well-being of children.

If the Joint-Finance Appropriations Committee accepts and incorporates the entire recommendation (by intent and/or funding amounts), most of the agency funding will be included in the respective agency Original Appropriation Bills for FY 2024. Some recommended recipients will be included in a separate appropriation bill including, but not limited to, Idaho Public Television, Community Recovery Centers, committee recommended language, and potentially the trailer funding for H200. The committee recognizes that some of the dollar amounts may need to change, but overall, the list reflects the priorities of the committee.

Committee Recommendations: See Next Page

Committee Recommendations

On March 2, 2023, nine of the ten members were present and voted unanimously on two overarching motions: 1) to support the committee’s recommendation of \$27,053,400 from the Millennium Income Fund and, 2) to include fund usage language in the appropriation bill.

RECOMMENDED FUNDING:

- Health & Welfare
 - Project Filter: \$2,000,000 (reduced advertising funds)
 - Tobacco Compliance Checks: \$320,000
 - Medicaid Administration: \$253,500
 - Medicaid Enhanced Plan: \$11,000,000 (onetime)
 - Medicaid Expansion Plan: \$2,000,000 (onetime)
- Public Health Districts:
 - Prevention & Cessation: \$779,100
 - Youth Prevention Services: \$999,600
- Community Based Recovery Centers \$1,350,000
- Attorney General, Arbitration Costs: \$248,800
- State Treasurer, Investment Fees: \$80,000
- Idaho Public Television, VAPE Awareness: \$300,000 (onetime as needed)
- Public Schools, Safe & Drug Free Schools: \$5,000,000
- Dept. of Education, Comprehensive Plan: \$250,000 (onetime)
- RESERVE: H200 Fiscal Note: \$1,500,000 (onetime)
- RESERVE: Remaining Balance: \$972,400

RECOMMENDED LANGUAGE:

FUTURE CONSIDERATION FOR USE OF FUNDS. The Joint Legislative Millennium Fund Committee, pursuant to Section 67-1808(6) Idaho Code, recommends that all moneys available for appropriation from the Idaho Millennium Income Fund beginning in fiscal year 2024 and each year thereafter, be prioritized for programs that focus on prevention, cessation, and treatment of tobacco, vape, alcohol, illegal substances, other substances that may be abused beyond the intended uses, and for the overall safety and wellbeing of Idaho youth. Funding should be prioritized to programs first that benefit Idahoans less than 18 years of age and then for adults with higher risk factors for abusing or using various substances outlined in this section. Consistent with Section 67-1806, Idaho Code, the joint committee shall be responsible for the predominant recommendation on the uses of the Millennium Income Fund. In accordance with the priorities of this section, any requested funds not already an ongoing appropriation in fiscal year 2024 shall be presented in the Legislative Budget Book as a request for new onetime appropriation in the Millennium Fund Program and not in the respective agency budgets.