As a U.S.-based 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation, the Idaho Museum of International Diaspora (IMID) is a diaspora and cultural museum with none like it in the world. It is Idaho’s emerging multipurpose multicultural “community center” and museum for local, national, and international visitors to LEARN, DISCOVER, and EXPLORE. It will highlight the lives of diaspora groups from within Idaho and around the world through art, food, culture, music, literature, the environment, and additional creative platforms to invite and share the human journey stories. The IMID will feature the realities of the human journey and honor the traditional cultural heritage and evolving cultures of peoples in the host and origin countries. The IMID will be a source of pride for the peoples of those cultures. For those outside the cultures, it will be an anchor for inspiration and to educational resources from around the world where visitors will learn about the histories of peoples and their human journey stories – their struggles, accomplishments, and contributions as a member of society in their host countries.

“Diaspora” is a Greek-origin terminology that means to scatter about. The IMID defines diaspora as the involuntary displacement of peoples from their origin countries, homes, or homelands. The diaspora definitions are both specific and broad. For the IMID, diaspora encompasses those who are not only of refugee and immigrant background in historical, recent past, and current contexts. Diaspora also includes those who have been displaced resulting from human trafficking, adoption, homelessness, and environmental and climate phenomena on a domestic or global level.

**MISSION & VISION**

**MISSION**

Influence positive community transformation.

**VISION**

Inspire an international movement of diaspora museums.

**LEARN**

Learn about the human journey stories and lived experiences from around the world.

**DISCOVER**

Discover personal connections to people, history, and cultures in past, current, and future contexts.

**EXPLORE**

Explore opportunities for active engagement with communities and partners on relevant topics through IMID’s educational and cultural programs.