

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Bart Cochran

CEO and founder of the nonprofit LEAP Housing in Boise – and an SHS and UI grad – Bart is leading efforts statewide to find solutions for affordable housing in Idaho while empowering services that lead to greater housing stability.



Dr. Nick Swayne

President of North Idaho College, Dr. Swayne holds degrees from three universities and has a deep background fostering educational opportunity at multiple institutions. He is a co-founder of the Stanford Faculty Innovation Fellows program.



Dr. Jaap Vos

Dr. Vos is professor of Planning and Natural Resources at the University of Idaho and heads its Dept of Natural Resources and Society. He focuses on how rural places can maintain their unique character despite development pressures.

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What's Happening Up North *Rural and Thriving*

*Pillars for Community Development
2024 Economic Summit*

Wednesday, September 25, 2024
An All-Day Event

*Sandpoint Organic Agriculture Center
10881 N Boyer Rd, Sandpoint, Idaho*

You are invited

Connect with business owners and community leaders who are committed to improving economic opportunities and quality of life in northern Idaho. Bring your ideas and join this thoughtful discussion to realize our potential!

The 2024 summit is hosted by the **Pend Oreille Economic Partnership**, the operational entity of the Bonner County Economic Development Corporation.



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Rural and Thriving Pillars for Community Development 2024 Economic Summit

We invite local business owners, community leaders and area residents to join us for a full day with distinguished speakers, interactive discussions, networking opportunities, meals, and a hosted happy hour.

Our keynote speakers will provide insights into economic trends that will impact our community in the year ahead. Together we'll collaborate and share ideas about business prosperity, economic development, and quality of life in Bonner County.

When: Wednesday, September 25, 2024

Where: Sandpoint Organic Agricultural Center

Cost: \$79. Limited to only 90 participants.
Register now to ensure your seat!

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This year's theme...
Rural and Thriving
Pillars for Community Development
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SCHEDULE

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| 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. | Registration and Networking Light Breakfast | 11:25 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. | Panel Discussion – The Twin Pillars: Challenges, Opportunities, Implementation |
| 9:00 a.m. - 9:10 a.m. | Welcome, Intro to Session and Housekeeping | | |
| 9:10 a.m. - 9:20 a.m. | Sponsor and Keynote Intros | 12:15 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. | Lunch and Networking |
| 9:20 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. | Bart Cochran/LEAP-The Housing Pillar for Community Development | 1:30 p.m. - 1:40 p.m. | Intro to Dr. Vos |
| 10:00 a.m. - 10:10 a.m. | Q&A | 1:40 p.m. - 2:40 p.m. | Dr. Jaap Vos Keynote |
| 10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. | Speaker Intro | 2:40 p.m. - 2:55 p.m. | Q&A |
| 10:15 a.m. - 10:55 a.m. | Nick Swayne - A New Education for a New Reality – Education, Training and Talent Pipeline as Pillars for Community Development | 2:55 p.m. - 3:15 p.m. | Break |
| 10:55 a.m. - 11:05 a.m. | Q&A | 3:15 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. | Panel Discussion – Economic Development Without Sacrifice of Heritage and Culture |
| 11:05 a.m. - 11:25 a.m. | Break | 4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. | Networking and Happy Hour |

