



The Idea

The *Capital for a Day* program cuts out the “middle man,” enabling the Governor and agency directors to hear firsthand how policies impact Idahoans.

It provides Idahoans with the quality constituent service they deserve. The two-way communication that takes place at the *Capital for a Day* events benefits citizens as well as their leaders in State government.

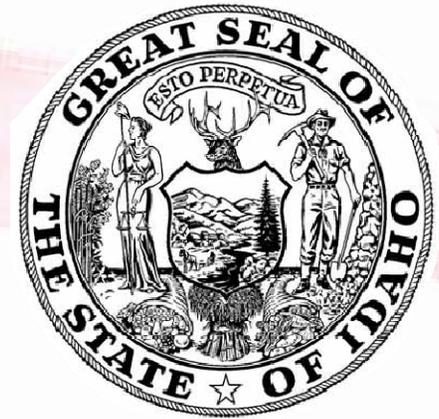
It is an excellent example that our republic is alive and well – as the Founding Fathers intended it.



Governor Otter answers questions and listens to the concerns of a citizen at a *Capital for a Day* event in Iona in Bonneville County.



GOVERNOR OTTER'S *CAPITAL FOR A DAY*



“It is our job in State government to ensure people in communities all over Idaho have a real say in determining their own future. That’s why I bring ‘Capital for a Day’ to a different rural town every month – to listen, learn, and solve some problems if we can.”

-Governor C.L. “Butch” Otter



Standing room only at the 'Capital for a Day' event in Nezperce in Lewis County.

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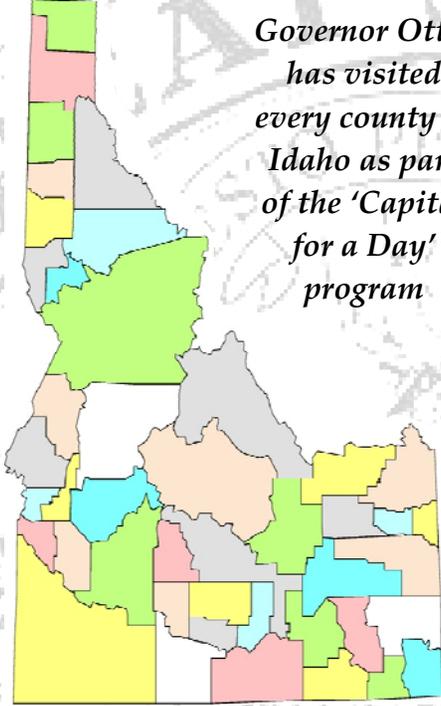
Every month Governor Otter chooses a different rural town in Idaho to be the state's *Capital for a Day*.

The Governor and members of his Cabinet travel to the chosen town to hear from local residents about a range of topics.

The goal of the *Capital for a Day* program is to bring state government to Idahoans living outside Boise, the capital city. It is designed to make decision makers in state government more accessible to Idahoans in rural parts of the state.



Governor Otter visits with residents of Pierce in Clearwater County after a 'Capital for a Day' event there.



Governor Otter has visited every county in Idaho as part of the 'Capital for a Day' program

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Hundreds of residents and area students participated in the 'Capital for a Day' event in Oakley in Cassia County.

The Event

Capital for a Day events usually begin at 9 a.m. and end at 3 p.m. with an hour-long break for lunch.

There is no formal agenda for a *Capital for a Day* event. The format is much like a town hall meeting; it is an open discussion forum for citizens to raise any question or idea related to issues involving our State government.

Typically the Governor's Office is made aware ahead of time about specific state government issues that may come up – such as state lands, the economy, education, wildlife, and so on – and representatives of the agencies that can best respond to questions about those issues are guaranteed to attend.



The mayor of Rathdrum welcomes Governor Otter and members of his Cabinet at the 'Capital for a Day' event in Kootenai County.