

The 100th Anniversary of the 19th Amendment

12 Ideas for Celebrating at Your Museum

Host an exhibit in your museum or in the community

Many people are unaware that women in Idaho helped to shape the 19th amendment. An exhibit could also illustrate how women worked to secure their voting rights in Idaho in 1896, 24 years before the 19th Amendment was passed.



Profile a local Suffragette

Who were the women and men in your community working to secure the vote 100+ years ago?



Examine the movement's impact on modern roles & rights

What can women today do - at home, in the work place, and in the public sphere - that was off limits to them 100 years ago?

Highlight a current female role model

Who is carrying forward the Suffragettes' legacy today?

Use objects to tell a story

Rely on pieces in your collection to convey what it was like to be a woman in 1896 Idaho, or 1920's America. Make the experiences of women from that era come to life.



Build a Suffragette Education Kit

Share it with local schools to help students understand the significance of the 19th Amendment and the significance of Idaho's own initiative.

For more information about this state-wide program,
or to register your event,
please visit www.idahowomen100.com





Host a discussion or roundtable about the 19th Amendment

Ask local leaders or historian to share about the importance and the legacy of the 19th amendment. Encourage attendees to learn more by providing a supplementary reading list, perhaps with the help of your local library.

Invite the community to share

Host a storytelling evening to allow locals to share about recollections about the women leaders in their family or community..

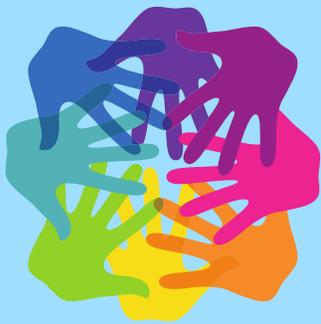
Enrich your archives

Reach out to your community - through a letter to the newspaper or host a special "history harvest" event - to gather information, photos, and memorabilia about local women who were involved in the suffragette movement or active later in promoting women's rights.



Conduct oral history interviews

Record conversations with women who have served in local government, encouraged voter education, or supported female empowerment in other ways.



Think creatively

Engage a local artist to commemorate the anniversary through the creation of a new piece of artwork. It could be a mural, a sculpture, a play - the possibilities are endless.

Establish partnerships

Team up with groups in your area who are also celebrating this milestone. Engage in a conversation about the issues women still face in our world today. What can your museum be part of the solution?

If you have questions about implementing any of the ideas presented here, please get in touch with the **Idaho Association of Museums**. Our network of museum professionals will be happy to assist as your museum plans for this exciting anniversary. Reach us at idahomuseums@gmail.com.