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## **TREASURE VALLEY FAMILY YMCA, COMMITTED TO SAFETY, ACHIEVES PRAESIDIUM ACCREDITATION®**

*PRAESIDIUM REPRESENTS THE HIGHEST HONOR FOR ABUSE PREVENTION PRACTICES*

[BOISE, IDAHO] — The Treasure Valley Family YMCA — committed to strengthening the foundations of community by developing successful youth, engaging people in healthy living, and instilling a commitment to social responsibility — has been awarded Praesidium Accreditation® by Praesidium, the leader in abuse risk management.

Praesidium Accreditation® is a prestigious honor that publicly demonstrates the organization has worked to achieve the highest industry standards in abuse prevention and provides solid proof of sound risk management practices and the honor distinguishes Treasure Valley Family YMCA from others in the industry.

“We are pleased to send the message that we will not compromise the safety of those in our care—for any reason,” said David Duro, President and CEO of the Treasure Valley Family Y. “As an entire organization, we are dedicated and committed to proactively keeping those in our care safe from sexual abuse.”

To achieve Accreditation, the Treasure Valley Family YMCA underwent a rigorous process to implement Praesidium’s Accreditation Standards focusing on eight primary operational areas within their business: policies, screening and selection, training, monitoring and supervision, consumer participation, internal feedback systems, responding, and administrative practices. Praesidium then verified the YMCA’s successful implementation of these standards.

The Treasure Valley Family YMCA will be accredited for three years, and during this time will commit to uphold fundamental organizational values and stringent safety practices that demonstrate their commitment to protecting those in their care from abuse.

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### **ABOUT THE TREASURE VALLEY FAMILY YMCA**

Established in 1891, the [Treasure Valley Family YMCA](#) (the Y) is a cause-driven, nonprofit organization that works to strengthen the foundation of our community by developing

successful youth, engaging people in healthy living, and instilling a commitment to social responsibility. Annually, it operates over 100 programs that serve more than 110,000 youth and families throughout its 4 facilities, 440-acre summer camp, and more than 30 child development sites. The Y believes all people deserve the chance to achieve their highest potential: therefore, it does not turn anyone away due to an inability to pay. The Treasure Valley Family YMCA provides more than \$4 million in financial assistance every year to ensure access to resources, relationships, and opportunities for all to learn, grow and thrive. Learn more at [ymcatvidaho.org](http://ymcatvidaho.org).

### **ABOUT PRAESIDIUM**

Praesidium specializes in preventing sexual abuse in organizations that serve youth and vulnerable adults. Over a period in excess of 30 years, the company has reviewed over 4,000 cases of abuse within organizations to determine the root causes of sexual abuse within organizational settings. Praesidium employs more than 50 staff, including licensed social workers, lawyers, health care researchers, and other experts. The company has served over 5,000 clients with a broad range of products and services to aid organizations in preventing abuse, including online and instructor-led trainings, organizational risk assessments, model policies, and background checks. Having trained more than one million people online and hundreds of thousands in person, Praesidium is the largest and most comprehensive sexual abuse risk management firm globally.