



CITY OF MERIDIAN

MEDIA ADVISORY: September 21, 2016

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MYAC TO HOST TREASURE VALLEY YOUTH SAFETY SUMMIT

WHEN: Friday, Sept. 23, 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

WHAT: Treasure Valley Youth Safety Summit

WHERE: Wahooz in Meridian

The **Meridian Mayor's Youth Advisory Council (MYAC)** will host the Seventh Annual **Treasure Valley Youth Safety Summit presented by Idaho Power** at Wahooz in Meridian. More than 200 high-school students from throughout Idaho will gather for an engaging day of interactive lessons and speakers on topics related to overall teen safety. Attendees will learn the dangers of distracted driving by texting while navigating the go-kart track in the 'Just Drive' Challenge, play mini-golf while wearing intoxicated vision goggles to show the effects of drugs and alcohol, participate in unfair laser tag to mimic bullying, and attend workshops designed to give teens tools to address real issues they face in their respective schools.

The overall goal of the summit is to enlighten, engage and empower student leaders to educate themselves on these dangers as well as their peers.

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The City of Meridian is located in the heart of the Treasure Valley in southwest Idaho. Founded in 1893 and incorporated as a city in 1903, Meridian is one of Idaho's largest and fastest growing communities. 24/7 Wall Street named Meridian the *Number One Place to Live in America*. America's Promise Alliance/ING recognized the city as one of the nation's *100 Best Communities for Young People*. For more information, visit www.meridiancity.org.