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**South Central Public Health District-No Current Plans to Change Provided Services**

TWIN FALLS-The seven Idaho public health districts are facing multiple challenges with budgetary constraints. Some public health districts are opting to discontinue services and reduce clinical service hours. South Central Public Health District (SCPHD) is not currently making plans to change or discontinue essential programs and activities that touch the lives of the citizens of the eight counties served in south-central Idaho.

*“Prevent. Promote. Protect.”* said Rene LeBlanc, SCPHD District director. “Even through tough budget hold-backs, our district’s dedicated professionals will continue to carry out that mission every day. Public health is community focused. Disease prevention and health promotion programs protect entire communities. These tough economic times are when the public needs us the most.”

More information on SCPHD programs, services, and clinic schedules can be found on the health district website [www.phd5.idaho.gov](http://www.phd5.idaho.gov) or by calling offices in Twin Falls, Jerome, Gooding, Bellevue, Burley, or Rupert.

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