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BOISE, Idaho -- Google's "Grow with Google" initiative is coming soon to two locations in Idaho. The initiative aims to help create economic opportunity in communities across the United States by training Americans on free Google tools and resources designed to help them find the jobs they want, advance their careers, and grow their businesses.

A free "Grow with Google" workshop will be held in Boise on August 5, 2019, at the Boise Public Library, 715 South Capitol Boulevard. Another workshop will be held in Idaho Falls on August 7, 2019, at the Idaho Falls Public Library, 457 West Broadway Street. At each workshop, the sessions run from 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., with the first hour-long session being reserved exclusively for library, education, and nonprofit professionals. To register, visit: g.co/GrowIdaho.

In recognition that libraries have become centers for digital skills learning, there are plans for the "Grow with Google" initiative to visit libraries in every state, partnering with them to deliver digital skills trainings directly to community jobseekers and small businesses.

Idaho's Deputy State Librarian Stephanie Bailey-White said, "We at the Idaho Commission for the Libraries are excited to have the Grow with Google team in two Idaho libraries, as they hold their first digital skills workshops in the Gem State." Bailey-White added, "Whether learning to craft an effective résumé or utilizing virtual reality to practice a profession's intricacies, libraries are where Idahoans find the workforce development help they need. And those resources will be greatly enhanced by the Grow with Google tools."

For more about the "Grow with Google" initiative, visit: <https://libraries.idaho.gov/grow-with-google-training-coming-soon-to-idaho/>.

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