

Elaine Clegg, Chief Executive Officer, Valley Regional Transit

As the CEO of Valley Regional Transit, Elaine provides leadership, strategic direction, and operational oversight for Treasure Valley's public transportation authority and ensures the directives of the Board of Directors are achieved. She has been a public servant focused on transportation and land use for over 25 years. She served for nearly 20 years on the Boise City Council where she led many initiatives, including the Elaine Clegg City of Trees Challenge and various efforts to reestablish passenger rail in Idaho and the greater Northwest.

As a city council member, Clegg served on numerous boards, executive boards, advisory committees, and councils. She has held the Chair or President position on the boards of VRT, the Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho, the Association of Idaho Cities at the state level, the Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations, and the National League of Cities Transportation Infrastructure Services Committee nationally.

Clegg also led the statewide non-profit Idaho Smart Growth, serving on national non-profit boards while advocating and planning for better transportation and improved land use policy and implementation, assisting over 50 Idaho communities to improve transportation plans, networks, and programs. Since 1998 Elaine has worked to improve access and mobility across modes in the policies of the reauthorizations of the Surface Transportation Bill, including gaining support for establishing the Safe Routes to School Program and enhancing the rail portion of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA).

Born and raised in Boise Idaho, Elaine lives in Boise with her husband, where she frequently walks, bikes, rides the bus, and drives when she must. She loves spending time with her five children, their spouses, and her 14 grandchildren.