



Young designer already making an impact

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Monterey: Justin Traw joins Wald, Ruhnke & Dost Architects as a project manager with dreams of leaving a legacy.

A recent graduate of the University of Idaho, Traw got to see how his design work could positively impact his hometown of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. Working as part of a larger team, Traw took an underutilized city park and transformed it into a desirable place for people of all ages to play and gather.

"It is rewarding to see a project go from design to being occupied," said Traw. "Done right, it can stand the test of time."

WRD's new project manager got his start in construction in middle school helping a family friend. Under the wing of this local contractor, Traw continued to mature in construction and pursued a degree in architecture. In college, he worked with benchmarking building performance and came up with economic solutions to improve building efficiencies. Traw also has a passion for



user-centered residential design and enjoys seeing how good design helps his clients every day.

He is currently working on his professional experience hours and studying to become a licensed architect.

About WRD Architects

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ects developed over more than 50 years. As a leader in green construction and sustainable practices, WRD creates buildings that are designed to enhance productivity and well-being while making positive impacts on the larger community.