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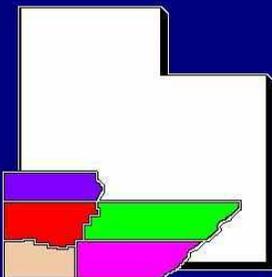


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This report is published as a service for the use and benefit of the elected officials in the Five County Association of Governments (FCAOG) region; local, state and federal agencies; as well as for the general public. A report such as this can only indicate very briefly some of the principal achievements and activities which took place during the year (July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004). The Five County Association of Governments produces other reports relating to specific program activities and financial matters. If you would like copies of these, or need other information relating to the FCAOG, please contact: Mr. John S. Williams, Executive Director, Five County Association of Governments, P.O. Box 1550, St. George, Utah 84770.

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INTRODUCTION

The Five County Association of Governments (FCAOG) is a voluntary association of local governments in southwestern Utah comprised of Beaver, Garfield, Iron, Kane and Washington counties. The Association, originally called the Five County Organization, was formally established in 1957 to provide the basis for addressing matters of common regional concern. The Five County Association of Governments, as presently constituted, was established in 1972 pursuant to the provisions of the Interlocal Cooperation Act of 1965.



The intent of the local governments in establishing the organization is given in the Articles of Association:

"Therefore, we the representatives of local government of Beaver, Garfield, Iron, Kane, and Washington Counties in the State of Utah, hereby join together in a voluntary organization... for the purpose of meeting at regular intervals to discuss and study area wide problems of common interest and concern, and to develop policy and action recommendations for ratification and implementation by member governments in the area served by the region."

It is thus the overall mission of the association to serve as a multi-purpose organization providing a forum to identify, discuss, study, and resolve area-wide problems of common interest and concern. It is also a role of the Association to engage in and carry out physical, economic, and human resources planning in Beaver, Garfield, Iron, Kane, and Washington Counties. Most of the activities of the Association are conducted within the five member counties comprising the Association. In order to align with other state agency regional service areas, some program delivery activities of the Association are provided throughout an eleven county area which, in addition to the five member counties, includes Juab, Millard, Piute, Sanpete, Sevier and Wayne counties.

The purposes of the Association, as outlined in the Articles of Association and By-Laws, are as follows:

- To provide a common forum to identify, discuss, study, and resolve area wide problems;
- To achieve advantages of cooperative action which cannot be achieved individually and to make the most effective use of local leadership and staff resources;

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- To provide local input into state programs which are undergoing increasing decentralization to a regional basis;
- To serve as a multi-purpose "umbrella-type" organization to engage in and carry out planning and development programs with respect to existing and emerging problems of industry, commerce, transportation, population, housing, agriculture, public services, local governments and any other matters which are relevant to the Association's purposes;
- To maintain liaison with members, governmental units and groups or organizations, and to serve as the regional voice for local governments;
- To perform such other functions as may be deemed necessary.

In the years since its founding, the Five County Association of Governments has maintained a strong tradition of excellence in serving the needs of its constituent local governments and the region as a whole. This legacy sets the stage for the continuing and mutually beneficial cooperation among the local governments of Southwestern Utah in the coming years.

This document reports on the many and varied program activities of the Five County Association of Governments during Fiscal Year 2004 (July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004). It also includes information on Association boards, committees and councils as well as the Association staff. Budgetary information is provided in both tabular and graphical format.

The five counties comprising the Five County Association of Governments encompass over 11 million acres of land in southwestern Utah. The Association serves 36 municipalities, five counties, and five school districts located in Beaver, Garfield, Iron, Kane, and Washington Counties. The governing body of the Association is the Steering Committee which includes a county commissioner, mayor, and school board member from each county and ex-officio representation from Southern Utah University, Dixie State College, and local state legislators.

The Five County Association of Governments provides staff expertise to local elected and appointed officials. The Association staff provides professional expertise in many areas including, but not limited to, Community and Economic Development Planning, Transportation Planning, Small Business Financing, Aging Programs, Human Services Planning, and Child Care Resource and Referral.

The Association has ties to many state and federal agencies including the Economic Development Administration, U.S. Census Bureau, the Utah Governor's Office of Planning and Budget, the Utah Department of Community and Economic Development, the Utah Department of Natural Resources, Utah Department of Human Services, Utah Department of Workforce Services, Utah Division of Aging and Adult Services, the Federal Highway and Transit Administrations, Utah Department of Transportation, the Utah Division of Forestry and Fire as well as many others. In addition the Association works with many non-profit organizations in the region.

The Association operates on funding allocated from numerous federal and state contracts, matched with local government contributions.

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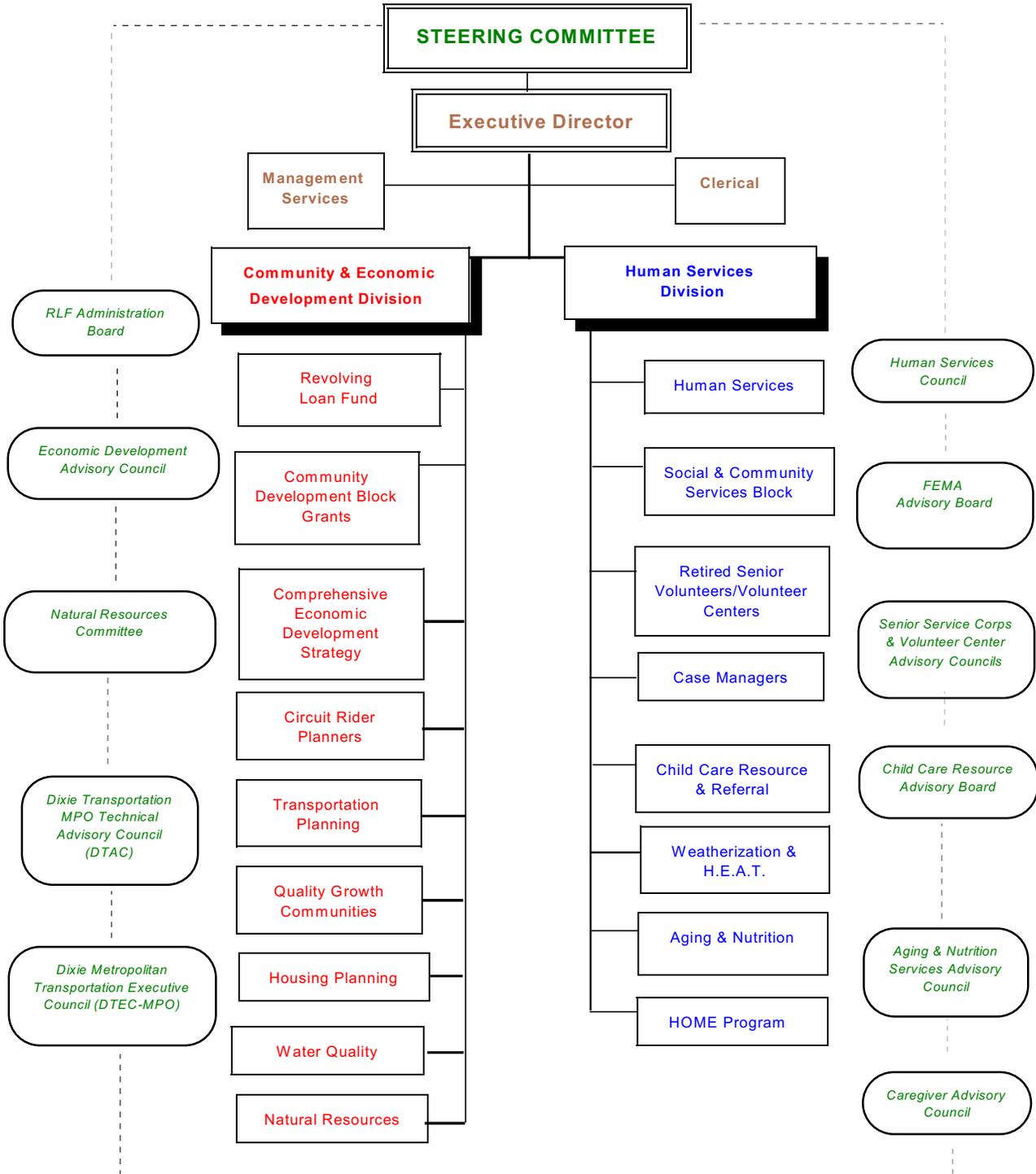
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ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



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STEERING COMMITTEE



The Steering Committee has the responsibility for setting policy and directing the efforts of the Association. The Steering Committee consists of one commissioner from each of the five county commissions, a mayor representing the incorporated communities in each respective county, and a representative from each of the five school districts within the region. In addition, representatives from Southern Utah University and Dixie State College, as well as State Legislators serve as ex-officio members. The Steering Committee meets monthly with the exception of July and December. The meetings are held at various locations in each county on a rotating basis.

2004-2005 Steering Committee Membership

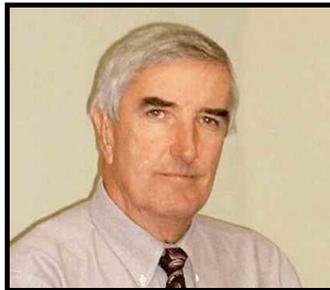
Commissioner James J. Eardley, *Chair*

Mayor Dan McGuire, *Vice-Chair*

BEAVER COUNTY	GARFIELD COUNTY	IRON COUNTY
Commissioner Patrick R. Yardley <i>Beaver County Commission Representative</i>	Commissioner Maloy Dodds <i>Garfield County Commission Representative</i>	Commissioner Dennis Stowell <i>Iron County Commission Representative</i>
Mayor Eugene H. Mayer, Milford City <i>Beaver County Mayors Representative</i>	Mayor Janet Oldham, Panguitch City <i>Garfield County Mayors Representative</i>	Mayor Connie Robinson, Paragonah Town <i>Iron County Mayors Representative</i>
Mr. Dick DeArmitt <i>Beaver County School District Representative</i>	Mr. Bart Palmer <i>Garfield County School District Representative</i>	Mr. Alan Adams <i>Iron County School District Representative</i>
KANE COUNTY	WASHINGTON COUNTY	OTHER BOARD MEMBERS*
Commissioner Mark Habbeshaw <i>Kane Co. Commission Representative</i>	Commissioner James Eardley <i>Washington County Commission Representative</i>	Ms. Jill Ellis <i>Dixie State College Representative</i>
Mayor Kim Lawson, Kanab City <i>Kane County Mayors Representative</i>	Mayor Dan McGuire, Rockville Town <i>Washington County Mayors Representative</i>	Mr. Mark Barton <i>Southern Utah University Representative</i>
Ms. Colene Brinkerhoff <i>Kane County School District Representative</i>	Mr. Larry Stephenson <i>Wash. County School District Representative</i>	
		*Ex-Officio Members

STAFF

Executive Director



John S. Williams
Executive Director

Support Staff

Jo Seegmiller
Management Services Coordinator

Community & Economic Development Division

Kenneth L. Sizemore
Director, Community & Economic Development

Curtis L. Hutchings
Senior Planner

Gary O. Zabriskie
Associate Planner

Diane Lamoreaux
CDBG Program Specialist

Reed Erickson
Iron County Circuit Rider Planner

Keith Parke
Community Fire Planner

Ed Dickie (left 06/30/04)
Planner

Shane Luck (left 02/28/04)
Garfield County Circuit Rider Planner

Dixie Metropolitan Planning Organization

Lowell Elmer
Transportation Planner

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Human Services Division

Beth Cottam
Director, Human Services

Robert Rasmussen
Director, Area Agency on Aging

Aging and Support Services Case Management

Carrie Dennis
Aging Program Coordinator

Janeil Esplin-Jackson
Aging Case Manager

Tracy HeavyRunner
Aging Case Manager

Kristi Lasson
Aging Case Manager

Jim Mowery
Aging Case Manager

Barbara Hagen
Aging Case Manager

Debra Sullivan
Aging Case Manager

Garry Schonlaw (left 09/26/03)
Aging Case Manager

Anna Shingleton
Support Services Case Manager

Carolyn Moss
Accounting Technician

Rosanne Tietjen
Secretary/Receptionist

Jennie Cerrito
Ombudsman

Weatherization

Doug Carlson
Weatherization Coordinator

Kirby Lambert
Weatherization Energy Auditor

Ferl Chamberlain
Weatherization Supervisor

Max Houghton
Weatherization Labor Assistant

Todd Ille
Weatherization Labor Assistant

Steven Clay
Weatherization Labor Assistant

Preston Davis
Weatherization Labor Assistant

RSVP and Volunteer Centers

Linda Sappington
Volunteer Coordinator (Washington County)

Ron Cardon
Volunteer Coordinator (Beaver/Garfield/Iron Counties)

Terra Sue Robinson
Volunteer Coordinator (Kane County)

Collene Taylor
Administrative Assistant

Margaret Pfaffenberger
Administrative Assistant

Dennis Broad
Program Coordinator

Stay C Litster
Senior Companion Coordinator

Nola Durant (left 06/30/04)
Foster Grandparent Coordinator

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Child Care Resource and Referral, Western Region

Elisabeth Barker
Director, CCR&R

Kim Kitteridge
Training Specialist

Charla Sorensen
Office Coordinator

Sarah Ohms
Data Specialist

Lauri Marsh
Referral Specialist

Daneene Taylor
Technical Assistance Coordinator

Amber White
Referral Coordinator

Julie Michelson
Technical Assistance Specialist

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BUDGETS

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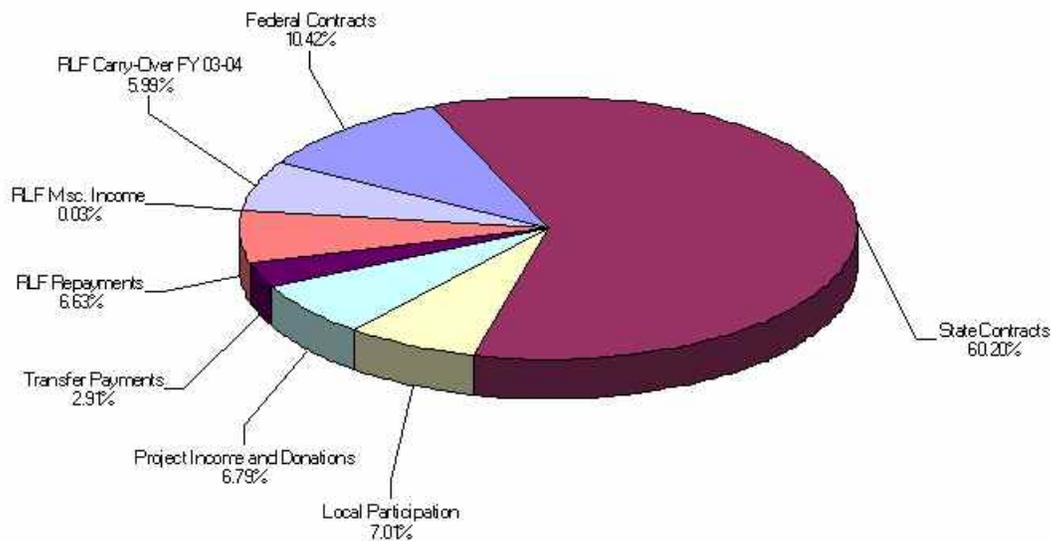
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Five County Association of Governments CONSOLIDATED BUDGET

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REVENUES	
Federal Contracts	\$705,346
State Contracts	\$4,075,063
Local Participation	\$474,756
Project Income and Donations	\$459,751
Transfer Payments	\$197,226
RLF Repayments	\$449,068
RLF Misc. Income	\$2,290
RLF Carry-Over FY 03-04	\$405,260
Total	\$6,768,760



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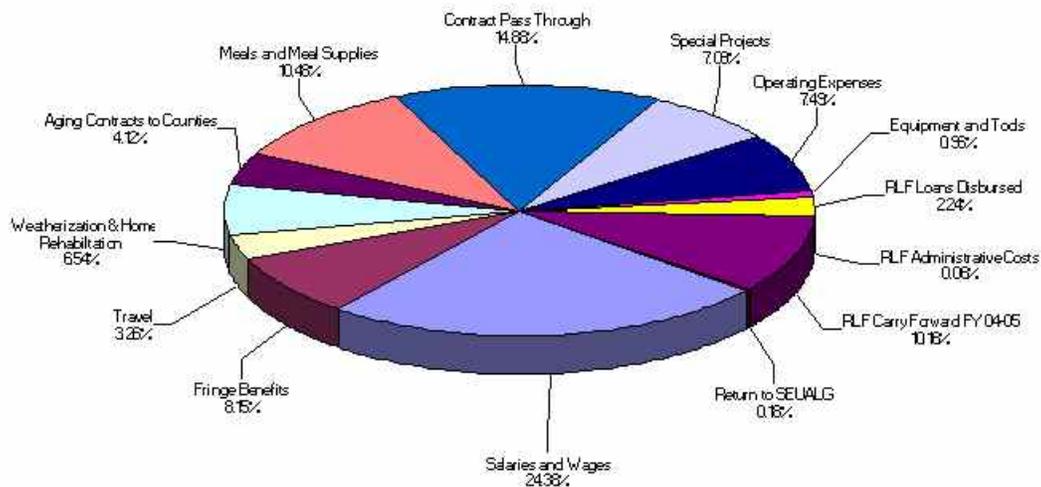
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Five County Association of Governments CONSOLIDATED BUDGET

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EXPENDITURES	
Salaries and Wages	\$1,650,467
Fringe Benefits	\$551,513
Travel	\$220,488
Weatherization & Home Rehabilitation	\$442,555
Aging Contracts to Counties	\$278,820
Meals and Meal Supplies	\$709,096
Contracts Pass Through	\$1,007,090
Special Projects	\$480,068
Operating Expenses	\$507,245
Equipment and Tools	\$64,800
RLF Loans Disbursed	\$151,750
RLF Administrative Costs	\$4,383
RLF Carry Forward FY 04-05	\$687,996
Return to SEUALG	\$12,489
Total	\$6,768,760



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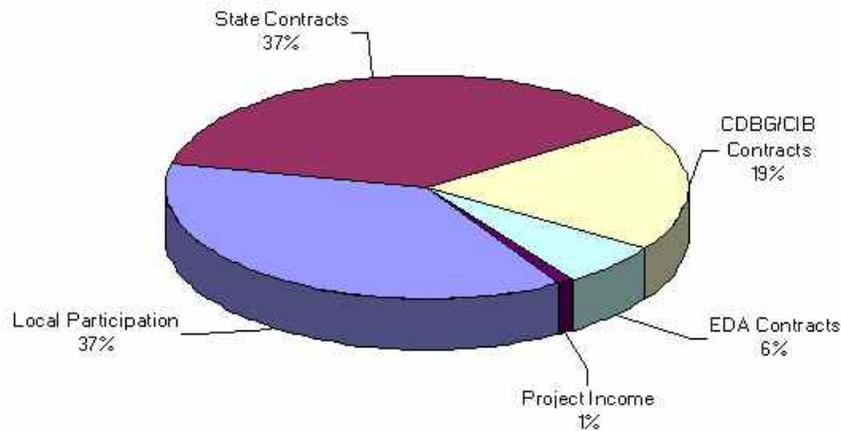
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Five County Association of Governments DIVISION OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BUDGET

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REVENUES	
Local Participation	\$304,750
State Contracts	\$305,600
CDBG/CIB Contracts	\$157,000
EDA Contracts	\$51,000
Project Income	\$10,000
Total	\$828,350



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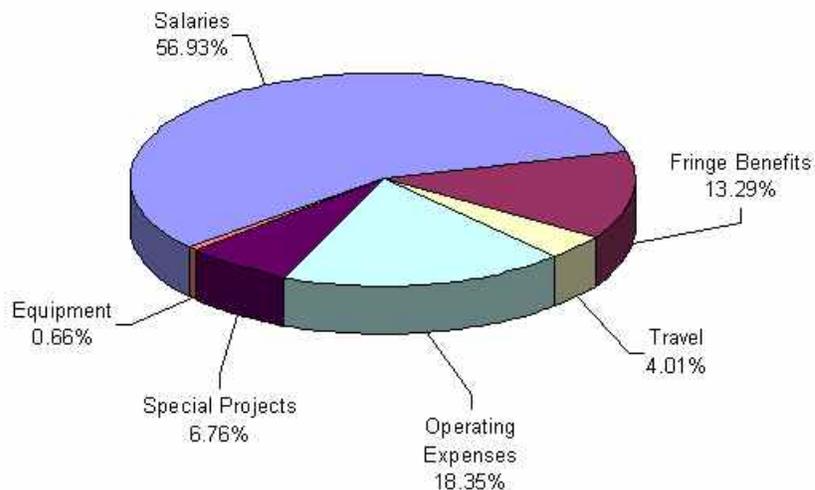
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Five County Association of Governments DIVISION OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BUDGET

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EXPENDITURES	
Salaries	\$471,555
Fringe Benefits	\$110,075
Travel	\$33,178
Operating Expenses	\$152,042
Special Projects	\$56,000
Equipment	\$5,500
Total	\$828,350



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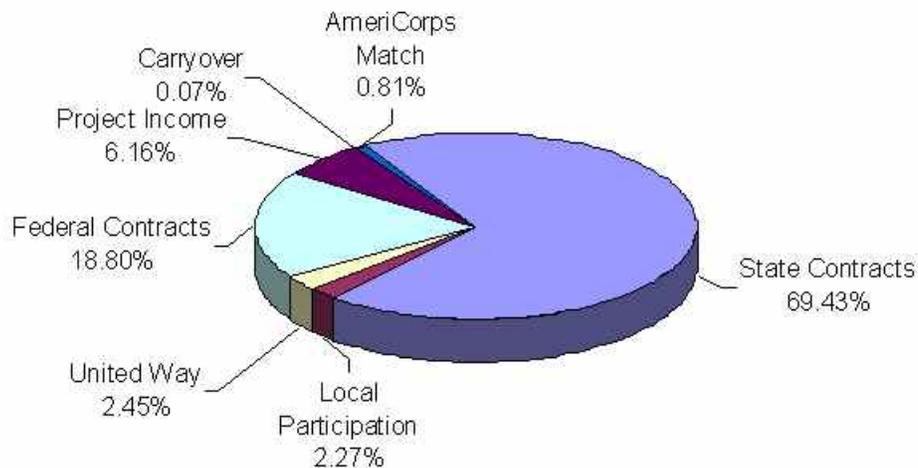
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Five County Association of Governments DIVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES BUDGET

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REVENUES	
State Contracts	\$3,357,597
Local Participation	\$109,882
United Way	\$118,240
Federal Contracts	\$909,212
Project Income	\$298,011
Carryover	\$ 3,500
AmeriCorps Match	\$39,350
Total	\$4,835,792



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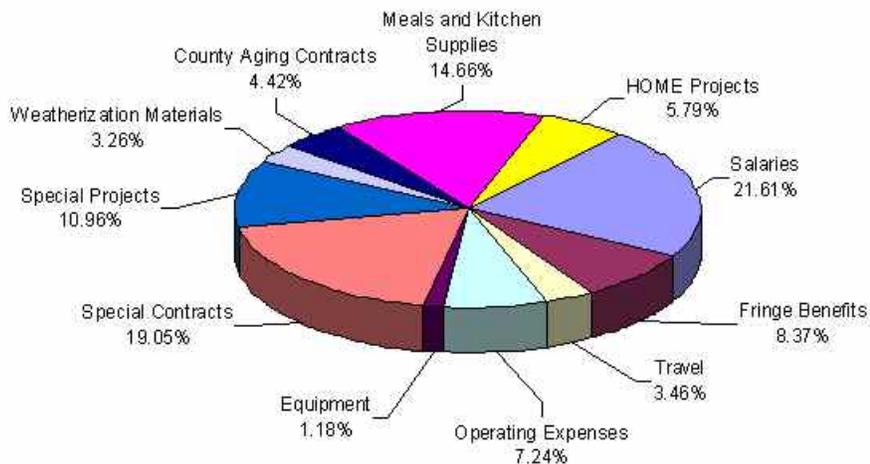
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Five County Association of Governments DIVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES BUDGET

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EXPENDITURES	
Salaries	\$1,045,171
Fringe Benefits	\$404,978
Travel	\$167,136
Operating Expenses	\$349,978
Equipment & Tools	\$57,000
Special Contracts	\$921,090
Special Projects	\$529,968
Weatherization Materials	\$157,555
County Aging Contracts	\$213,820
Meals and Kitchen Supplies	\$709,096
HOME Projects	\$280,000
Total	\$4,835,792



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ADVISORY COUNCILS

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ADVISORY COUNCILS

There are eleven advisory boards and councils which each have specific responsibilities for providing direction to programs under their charge. These groups also advise the Five County Association of Governments Steering Committee members concerning the operation of their respective programs. The members of these boards and councils serve voluntarily and devote their valuable time in order to help the programs run smoothly and help to improve the quality of life in Southwestern Utah. Members of these boards and councils are noted on the following pages.

REVOLVING LOAN FUND LOAN ADMINISTRATION BOARD

Dale Edwards, Chair
Wells Fargo Bank

Joe C. Judd
Western Regional Council on Workforce Services

Doug Bringhurst, Vice-Chair
Village Bank

Wallace A. Lee
Garfield County Attorney

Dana Schmutz
Certified Public Accountant

James J. Eardley
Steering Committee

Jeff Marchant
Cedar Builders Supply

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

Commissioner James J. Eardley, *Chair*

Karen Alvey, *Co-Chair*

Commissioner James J. Eardley
FCAOG Steering Committee

Dale Edwards
*Revolving Loan Fund
Administration Board Chair*

Clarke Krause
*Cedar City/Iron County Economic
Development*

Karen Alvey
*Western Regional Council on Workforce
Services*

Rob Adams
*Beaver County Economic
Development*

Jim Matson
Kanab City Economic Development

Fred Jager
Garfield County Economic Development

Scott Hirschi
*Washington County Economic
Development*

Travis Parashonts
Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah

Nancy Dalton
Utah Small Cities, Inc.

Ty Tippets
*Color Country Community
Housing, Inc.*

Beth Cotttam
FCAOG - Human Services

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FIVE COUNTY CAREGIVER ADVISORY COUNCIL

Carrie Dennis <i>Five County AOG, Aging Services</i>	Connie Lloyd <i>Iron County Council on Aging</i>	Betty McCarty <i>Washington County Council on Aging</i>
Ron Cardon <i>Iron County Volunteer Center</i>	Sonnie Yudell <i>Utah State Division of Adult and Aging Services</i>	Caregivers LuAnn Lundquist - <i>Wash. County</i> Irene Zahm - <i>Washington County</i> Linda Kole - <i>Washington County</i>
Susan Orton <i>Adult Protective Services - Cedar City Office</i>	Norma Perkins <i>Adult Protective Services - St. George Office</i>	Carrie Hill <i>Alzheimer's Association</i>
Carolyn Stuercke <i>Applegate Home Health Alzheimer's Support Group</i>	Mark Corry <i>Beehive Homes - Washington County</i>	Pat Thomas <i>Southwest Public Health Department</i>
Amber Bringhurst <i>Horizon Home Health</i>	Debbie Cox <i>Southern Utah Home Care</i>	

AGING & NUTRITION SERVICES ADVISORY COUNCIL

Jack Kingsbury, <i>Chair</i>				
Faye Worthen, <i>Vice-Chair</i>				
<u>BEAVER COUNTY</u>	<u>GARFIELD COUNTY</u>	<u>IRON COUNTY</u>	<u>KANE COUNTY</u>	<u>WASHINGTON COUNTY</u>
Sharon Griffiths	Beth Cooper	Vern Kupfer	Lucille Perkins	Elaine Christensen
Norma Foster	Marlene Haws	Arlen Grimshaw	Harvey Zilm	Jack Kingsbury
Millie VonRitchie	Gloria Hayden	Hazel Jean Robinson	Mary Stevens	Wesley Hunt
Maurine Sly	Faye Worthen	Doug Maxwell	Burdell Ruesch	Janice Blodgett

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HUMAN SERVICES COUNCIL

Dennis Moser, *Chair*

<u>BEAVER COUNTY</u>	<u>GARFIELD COUNTY</u>	<u>IRON COUNTY</u>	<u>KANE COUNTY</u>	<u>WASHINGTON COUNTY</u>
Mark Whitney <i>Commissioner</i>	Maloy Dodds <i>Commissioner</i>	Gene Roundy <i>Commissioner</i>	Dan Hulet <i>Commissioner</i>	James Eardley <i>Commissioner</i>
Dennie Matthews	Jim Yardley	Dennis Moser	Tim Christensen	Orin D. Heideman
*Joe Brennan	Art Cooper	Terrie Reynolds	Vicki Alexander	*Bert Trabanino
	* (partial year)			*Kay Karakas

FIVE COUNTY FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) LOCAL BOARD

Commissioner James J. Eardley <i>Local Government</i>	Richard Caufield <i>American Red Cross</i>	The Reverend Mary Allen <i>Protestant Organization</i>
Rita Osborn <i>United Way Iron County</i>	Mike Williamson <i>Salvation Army</i>	Deacon Joe Regan <i>Catholic Organization</i>
Debbie Justice <i>Jewish Organization</i>	Darrel Hinshaw <i>Other Board Member</i>	Anna Shingleton <i>Homeless/Formerly Homeless Rep.</i>
Tara Marlow <i>Native American</i>	Bishop Welch <i>Latter Day Saint (low income)</i>	Margery Marshall <i>Low Income Representative</i>
Dennis Moser <i>Other Board Member</i>		

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NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Scott Truman, *Chair*

<u>BEAVER COUNTY</u>	<u>GARFIELD COUNTY</u>	<u>IRON COUNTY</u>	<u>KANE COUNTY</u>	<u>WASHINGTON COUNTY</u>
Paul Elieson	Maloy Dodds <i>Commissioner</i>	Dennis Stowell <i>Commissioner</i>	Ray Spencer <i>Commissioner</i>	Alan Gardner <i>Commissioner</i>
Blake Smith	Clare Ramsay <i>Commissioner</i>	Scott Truman	Mark Habbeshaw <i>Commissioner</i>	Jim Eardley <i>Commissioner</i>
Val Smith	Brian Bremner	Alan Adams	Daniel Hulet <i>Commissioner</i>	John Willie

CHILD CARE RESOURCE AND REFERRAL, WESTERN REGION ADVISORY BOARD

Lynda Worthington
Office of Licensing/Child Care

Jan Downs
Iron County Schools

Beth Cottam
Five County Association of Governments

Roxanna Johnson
Southern Utah University - HeadStart

Tim Eicher
Dixie State College - Family and Consumer Science

Valerie Compton
Early Intervention Specialist - The Learning Center

Bonnie Bishop/Rea Gubler
SUU Family and Consumer Science

Ann Green
Title I Coordinator - Washington County Schools

Desiree Brush
Family Child Care Provider

DWS - Region Program Specialist

Jennie Orison
Family Child Care Provider

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FIVE COUNTY SENIOR SERVICE CORPS & VOLUNTEER CENTERS ADVISORY COUNCILS

<u>Iron County</u>	<u>Kane County</u>	<u>Washington County</u>	<u>Senior Corps Advisory Board</u>
Norma Baker <i>Senior Companion</i>	Lisa Livingston <i>Youth & Families with Promise</i>	Frank A. Allen, Chairman <i>Local Business Representative</i>	Janith Thompson, <i>Senior Volunteer</i>
Joy Farrance <i>Foster Grandparent & Senior Companion</i>	Mark Habbeshaw <i>County Commissioner</i>	Sara Urquhart <i>Local Resident</i>	Chuck Walrath <i>AARP Billpayer Program</i>
LaRee Garfield <i>Cedar City & Brian Head Tourism and Convention Bureau/Iron County Government</i>	Terra Sue Robinson <i>Volunteer Center Coordinator</i>	Dr. Al Painter <i>Retired Educator</i>	Adele Burbridge <i>Senior Volunteer</i>
Boyd Redington <i>RSVP Volunteer</i>	Megan White <i>Gardner Fund</i>	Tom Lamb <i>Interfaith Council Representative</i>	Margaret Bozsoki <i>Senior Volunteer</i>
Mary Reese <i>RSVP Volunteer</i>	Roger Holland <i>Local Resident</i>	Dr. Hal Hickman <i>Educator, Marketing Specialist</i>	Glory Jean Brewer <i>Senior Volunteer</i>
Linda Garrett <i>RSVP Volunteer</i>		Marni Pahl <i>Local Resident</i>	Dorothy Logan <i>Senior Volunteer</i>
Pam Branin <i>SUU Service & Learning Center</i>		Rick Taylor <i>Local Resident</i>	Ken Parkes <i>Senior Volunteer</i>
		Burke & Lonette Staheli <i>Educator/Local Resident</i>	Rae Sorensen <i>Senior Volunteer</i>
		Kathy Chormicle <i>Local Resident</i>	Melva Market <i>Senior Volunteer</i>
		Richard Caufield <i>American Red Cross Representative</i>	Bonnie Hilton <i>Senior Volunteer</i>
		Paul Clove, CPA <i>Local Business</i>	Ben Libick <i>Senior Volunteer</i>

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METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (DMPO) DIXIE TRANSPORTATION EXECUTIVE COUNCIL (DTEC - MPO POLICY BODY)

Suzanne Allen, Chair
Roger Bundy, Vice-Chair

Current Voting Members:

City of Ivins	Mayor Daren Barney
City of St. George	Mayor Daniel McArthur
City of St. George	Councilmember Suzanne Allen
City of St. George	Councilmember Bob Whatcott
City of Santa Clara	Councilmember Rick Rosenberg
City of Washington	Councilmember Roger Bundy
Washington County	Commissioner James Eardley
State Transportation Commission	Commissioner Jerry Lewis

Current Ad-hoc Members:

Dixie MPO	Lowell Elmer, Director
UDOT	Elden Bingham, MPO Planning Coordinator
UDOT Region 4 Director	Dal Hawks

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DIXIE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (DTAC - MPO TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE)

Larry Bulloch, Chair
Bob Butler, Vice-Chair

City of Ivins	Bob Butler, <i>Public Works Director</i>
City of St. George	Larry Bulloch, <i>Public Works Director</i>
City of St. George	Dave Demas, <i>City Engineer</i>
City of St. George	Aron Baker, <i>City Traffic Engineer</i>
City of Santa Clara	Jack Taylor, <i>Public Services Director</i>
City of Washington	Mike Shaw, <i>Public Works Director</i>
Washington County	Ron Whitehead, <i>Public Works Director</i>
UDOT Cedar District	Scott Munson, <i>District Director</i>

Ad-hoc Members:

City of Hurricane	Mac Hall, <i>Public Works Director</i>
UDOT	Clayton Wilson, <i>Planning Engineer Region 4</i>
Dixie MPO	Lowell Elmer, <i>Director</i>

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PROGRAM SUMMARIES

Community & Economic Development Division PLANNING ASSISTANCE



The Five County Association of Governments, through Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Economic Development Administration (EDA), Permanent Community Impact Board (PCIB), and local funding, provides technical planning assistance to the counties and communities of the region upon request. Some of the services provided during the preceding year are listed below:

BEAVER COUNTY

- Beaver City Planning & Technical Assistance - General Plan Update, GIS Mapping, Annexation Policy Development

GARFIELD COUNTY

- Scenic Highway 12 Corridor Management Plan; Steering Committee Participation
- Garfield County Planning Commission Technical Assistance - Public Lands Research, General Plan and Subdivision Ordinance Updates, Monument Planning
- Escalante City Planning Assistance - General Plan Update, GIS Mapping, Specific Issue Training
- Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument - Comments on Various Project Proposals
- Cannonville Town Planning Assistance Annexation Policy Development, GIS Mapping
- Tropic Town Planning Assistance - General Plan/Zoning Ordinance Updates, GIS Mapping

IRON COUNTY

- Iron County Coordinating Committee - Sewer System Analysis; Trails Development Assistance; Transportation System Coordination; Recreation Area Master Plan Development; Zoning and Subdivision Ordinances; GIS mapping; and U of U Training Sessions
- Cedar City Planning and Technical Assistance - Annexation Policy Development; General Plan and Zoning Ordinance Updates; Airport Overlay Zone Development and Adoption; U of U Training Sessions

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- Brian Head Town Planning and Technical Assistance - General Plan, Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance Updates; U of U Training Sessions
- Enoch City Planning and Technical Assistance - Zoning Ordinance Update; U of U Training Sessions
- Iron County Agricultural Protection Zone Implementation
- Parowan City Planning and Technical Assistance - General Plan Update; Annexation Assistance; GIS Mapping; Specific Issues Training; 21st Century Community Program
- Kanarrville Town Planning and Technical Assistance - General Plan, Zoning and Subdivision Ordinance Updates; Annexation; U of U Training Sessions
- Paragonah Town Planning and Technical Assistance - General Plan and Zoning Ordinance Updates; U of U Citizen Planner Training Sessions

KANE COUNTY

- Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument - Comments and Comments on Various Project Proposals
- Kanab City Planning and Technical Assistance - General Plan and Zoning Ordinance Updates

WASHINGTON COUNTY

- Dixie Transportation Advisory Committee Staff Assistance and Plan Development; MPO Planning
- Hurricane City Planning and Technical Assistance - Zoning Ordinance Review
- St. George City - Transportation Plan and Transit Planning Issues and Coordination

DISTRICT

- Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan Preparation
- Southwestern Utah Planning Authorities Council (SUPAC) Participation
- Southwest Utah Population Estimates Coordination/Participation
- Utah Geological Survey Participation
- Utah Chapter American Planning Association (APA) Participation
- Rural Down Payment Assistance Program Coordination and Revolving Loan Fund (First Time Home Buyers)
- Consolidated Plan Preparation
- HOME Program Coordination
- Utah Department of Transportation - State Transportation Plan and Strategic Planning Process Participation
- Southern Utah University Career Fair Participation

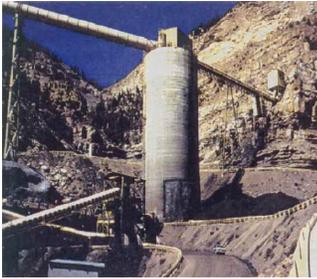
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- Arizona Strip Alliance Participation
- Geographic Information System (GIS) Data Base Development and Coordination with G5 Committee for GIS Users in Five County Region
- Resource Conservation & Development (RC&D) Council - Coordination and Participation

Community & Economic Development COMMUNITY IMPACT BOARD



The Utah Permanent Community Impact Fund Board provides loans and/or grants to state agencies and subdivisions of the state which have or may be socially or economically impacted by mineral resource development on federal lands. Under the Federal Mineral Lease Act of 1920, lease holders on public land make royalty payments to the federal government for the development and production of non-metalliferous minerals. In Utah, the primary source of these royalties is the commercial production of fossil fuels on federal land held by the U.S. Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management. Since the enactment of the Mineral

Lease Act of 1920, a portion of these royalty payments, called mineral lease payments, has been returned to the state in an effort to help mitigate the local impact of energy and mineral developments on federal lands. The state of Utah then allocates 32.5% of the royalties as Permanent Community Impact Funds. The PCIFB will only fund those applications which are submitted by an eligible applicant for an eligible project.

The Utah statute creating the Board specifically defines eligible applicants as any of the following: counties, special service districts, cities, special improvement districts, towns, water conservancy districts, school districts, water or sewer improvement districts, building authorities, and housing authorities. The Five County Association of Governments assists, when requested, in the preparation and presentation of Community Impact Board applications for eligible entities within the region. Additional information on this program is available on the PCIFB web site which is located at: <http://dced.utah.gov/pcfib/>. The following table lists the projects funded by the PCIFB that were funded during the previous year affecting southwestern Utah:

COMMUNITY IMPACT BOARD FY 2004 FUNDING SUMMARY		
ENTITY/PROJECT	GRANT AMOUNT	LOAN AMOUNT
Kane County, Human Services SSD - Equipment	\$ 68,000	\$0
Utah's Seven Associations of Government's - Planning	\$ 385,000	\$0
Town of Paragonah	\$ 80,000	\$0
Totals	\$533,000	\$0

Community & Economic Development NATURAL RESOURCES

The Five County Association of Governments frequently receives notice of various projects within or adjacent to the region which may have environmental or natural resource implications.

The FCAOG reviews and evaluates many of the proposals for the benefit of the constituent counties and interested parties.

Examples of some of the reviews and evaluations made during the previous year by the FCAOG are shown below:



- Washington County Water Conservancy District Virgin River Watershed Advisory Committee Participation
- Endangered Species Proposal Responses
- Three Rivers (Virgin River Parkway) Participation
- Various USFS, BLM and NPS Project Comments
- Central Colorado Plateau Sustainable Forestry Participation
- Virgin River Land Preservation Participation
- Establishment of Natural Resource Advisory Council to work with U.S. Forest Service to update Dixie and Fishlake National Forest Plans and Office of Planning and Budget - Socio-Economic Study

Community & Economic Development EDA PROJECTS

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



The Five County Association of Governments receives funding from the Economic Development Administration (EDA) to assist the region in its economic and community development efforts.

Many of the funded efforts are noted under the "Planning Assistance" section of this report. Some of the other efforts and accomplishments are noted as follows:

- Updated and added to the economic and demographic data base
- Participated as a State Business and Industry Data Affiliate
- Provided assistance to community and economic development groups
- Administered a regional Revolving Loan Fund comprised of EDA and CDBG funds

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- Assisted in a Cedar City Industrial Park Expansion Grant
- Participated in the Arizona Strip Alliance
- Partnered in the Garfield County Rural Business Development Center project.

Community & Economic Development RURAL DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE

The Five County Association of Governments provides technical assistance and information to the counties and communities of the district and to their respective economic development entities.



The purpose of such assistance is to further the cause of economic development of the district in order to develop more basic industries, to create more employment opportunities, and to diversify the economic base.

The following listing shows efforts made by FCAOG in this area:

- Revolving Loan Fund Marketing & Monitoring
- Tax/Bond Data Base Participation
- Utah Economic Development Corporation Participation
- Utah Small Cities, Inc. - Participation
- Garfield County Smart Site Project Development
- Utah Rural Enterprise Team - Participation
- Utah Rural Development Council Participation
- USDA Rural Development Conference Participation
- Paiute Tribe of Utah - Community and Economic Development Coordination
- Escalante Sawmill - Economic Impact Report

Community & Economic Development COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS

The 2004-2005 program year was the 23rd year that the Governor of the State of Utah elected to administer the Small Cities



Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, whose purpose is “to assist in developing viable urban communities by providing decent housing, suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities, principally for persons of low and moderate income.” The Five County Association of Governments has been designated by the State of Utah to receive and evaluate applications for (CDBG) funds within the southwest region.



Town of Antimony Community Center

All CDBG projects are required by Congressional mandate to meet one of three identifiable “National Objectives” in order to qualify for funding. The three National Objectives are: 1) low and moderate income benefit; 2) aiding in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight; and 3) urgent health and welfare compliance. Projects are also reviewed for compliance with the regionally prepared Consolidated Plan.

Traditionally, the majority of CDBG funds have been allocated to “brick and mortar” projects such as fire stations, culinary water systems, wastewater systems, etc. More recently, a portion of the allocation has been used on projects intended to eliminate architectural barriers which limit access by disabled persons, payment of sewer connection fees, “buy-down” of interest rates for affordable housing projects, technical planning assistance, and low to moderate income housing projects.

Each summer notification is sent by the State of Utah CDBG office to the FCAOG indicating that the CDBG program will continue for another year. The FCAOG then formally notifies each jurisdiction in the region of the new program year along with an announcement of the upcoming dates of the CDBG Application Workshops. The Five County Association of Governments, in conjunction with the State of Utah Division of Community Development, conducts two Application Workshops, more commonly referred to as the “How-to-Apply” workshops.



Hurricane City Brentwood Area Fire Station

Each jurisdiction which intends to apply for funding for its own project, or to sponsor an eligible sub-grantee, such as a not-for-profit organization, is required to have an elected official attend one of the two workshops.

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All applications that are received by the application deadline are reviewed by FCAOG and state CDBG staff for completeness and threshold eligibility. Complete, threshold eligible, project applications are then subjected to a comprehensive regional rating and ranking procedure using criteria regional developed and approved by the FCAOG Steering Committee. Of the CDBG applications received by the FCAOG for FY 2004-05, the highest ranking projects were funded within the allocation budget and are identified in the following table:

CDBG PROJECTS FUNDED FY 2004-05 (Listed Alphabetically)		
GRANTEE	PROJECT	CDBG \$
Beaver County	Old Historic Courthouse ADA Compliance	\$ 85,000
FCAOG	Community Technical Planning Assistance	\$ 150,000
FCAOG	Procurement of Meals on Wheels Trucks throughout Five County Region	\$ 415,586
Glendale Town	Storm Drainage Improvements: Phase I - Re-vegetation and construction of debris basins on upper bench (Yr. 1, \$20,000); Phase II - Construction of Large Debris Basin near Cemetery (Yr. 2, \$58,600)	\$ 20,000
Iron County on behalf of Iron County Council on Aging	Addition at Cedar Senior Citizens Center: Phase I - Site Preparation (Yr. 1, \$100,000); Phase II - Construction (Yr. 2, \$140,000)	\$ 100,000
TOTAL FY 2004-05 CDBG FUNDS ALLOCATED		\$ 770,586

It should be noted that St. George City, the largest jurisdiction in southwestern Utah, was determined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to be an entitlement city for the purposes of allocation of CDBG funds. Because of its entitlement status, the city is no longer eligible to participate in the Utah Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program. The population of St. George is subtracted from the regional population for the purpose of allocating CDBG funds in southwestern Utah. Using a similar funding allocation formula, HUD provides CDBG funding directly to St. George City as an entitlement. For its first year as an entitlement it is anticipated that St. George City will receive approximately \$548,000.

Community and Economic Development COORDINATION WITH THE PAIUTE INDIAN TRIBE

The Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah consists of five bands: the Shivwits Band, Indian Peaks Band, Kanosh Band, Koosharem Band and Cedar Band. Reservations were established between 1903 and 1929 for all but the Cedar Band whom the Federal Government overlooked. During the Termination

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Era of the 1950s, the Paiute were released from Federal supervision. Following years of bitter neglect and poverty, in 1980, through the efforts of Utah Senator Orrin Hatch, the Paiute were restored to federal recognition by the U.S. Congress. The Southern Band of Paiute now number approximately 709, and they are making great strides in economic development to return to their previous stature in Utah history. The Southern Band have their headquarters in Cedar City, Utah. (Source: Utah Division of Indian Affairs - Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah Tribal Profile, 1997)

The Five County Association of Governments continues to strengthen its working relationship with the Paiute Tribe of Utah, which is headquartered in Cedar City. Association employees have assisted when requested and will continue to do so. During the previous year the Tribe has contracted with the Five County Association of Governments to complete environmental reviews for community health centers. The Tribe has also participated on the Five County Association of Government's Economic Development Advisory Council.

Community & Economic Development REVOLVING LOAN FUND



The Five County Association of Governments administers a Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) under the direction of the RLF Administration Board. The purpose of the RLF is to create jobs for primarily low and moderate income persons by providing "gap financing" to qualified businesses within the region. The RLF has experienced great success since its inception in July 1987. The original fund was comprised of combined EDA and CDBG funds totaling \$841,753. The

RLF was recapitalized in 1989 with an additional \$118,000 of CDBG funds. Additional capital has been provided by the Farmers Home Administration (\$140,000) and the Utah Technology Finance Corporation (\$80,000). An additional \$300,000 EDA award, matched with \$116,667 of CDBG funds was approved in March 1996. An additional \$57,500 of USDA funds from the Four Corners Sustainable Forests Partnership were added to the fund in 2002 for the specific use of assisting timber-related businesses.

The status of the Five County Association of Governments Revolving Loan Fund as of June 30, 2004 is noted in the following table:

Amount of loans approved	\$ 5,534,993
Number of loans approved	88
New jobs created	712
Jobs retained	197

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Loans from the Five County Association of Governments RLF have been made to qualified businesses in Southwest Utah. The distribution of approved loans (as of June 2004) as compared to population distribution by county is shown in the following table:

DISTRIBUTION OF RLF LOANS BY COUNTY				
COUNTY	2000 Census POPULATION	POPULATION AS % OF REGION POPULATION	DOLLAR AMOUNT OF APPROVED FCAOG RLF LOANS	% OF TOTAL LOAN DOLLARS
Beaver	6,005	4.2	\$ 100,000.00	1.9
Garfield	4,735	3.4	\$ 1,489,211.74	26.9
Iron	33,779	24.0	\$ 848,855.62	15.3
Kane	6,046	4.3	\$ 272,500.00	4.9
Washington	90,354	64.1	\$ 2,824,415.67	51.0
TOTALS	140,919	100.0	\$ 5,534,993.03	100.0

Community & Economic Development COMMUNITY FIRE PREVENTION PLANNING

The United States Congress passed legislation creating the National Fire Plan in 2000. The Plan is intended to address the catastrophic wildfires that continue to plague the West.

A primary element of the National Fire Plan is the development of locally-generated Community Fire Plans that establish local fire response actions in areas with a high risk of wildland fire.

The Association contracted with the Utah Rural Development Council and State Division of Forestry and Fire Control to assist local areas in the development of Community Fire Plans.



Keith Parke has been retained as an AOG Community Fire Prevention Planner, operating out of Cedar City. He is working with various local groups in developing community fire plans and facilitating training workshops.

Highlights of the activities of the Fire Prevention Planning during FY 2004 are as follows:

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Completed Community Fire Plans

Location	# Subdivisions/Homes/Lots
New Harmony	356 Homes; 11 Subdivisions, 628 Parcels
East Zion	252 Homes; 6 Subdivisions, 511 Lots
Enterprise City	503 Homes
Veyo	173 Homes
Newcastle	73 Homes; 96 Lots
Hildale City	286 Homes; 560 Lots
Shivwits/Paiute Reservation	18 Homes; 45 Lots
Winchester Hills	302 Homes
Old Iron Town	24 Homes; 207 Lots
Dammeron Valley	293 Homes; 353 Lots

Community Fire Plans in Progress, In Order of Development

Location	# Subdivisions/Homes/Lots
Diamond Valley	290 Homes, 380 Lots
Pine Valley	419 Homes; 319 Lots

Community Fire Plans in Progress, In Order of Development (Started for the 2004-05 Year)

Location	# Subdivisions/Homes/Lots
Zion View - Sky Haven	N/A

Community & Economic Development IRON COUNTY CIRCUIT RIDER PLANNER



A county-wide Circuit Rider Planner position was implemented in Iron County in January 2000. Reed Erickson continues to serve as the Iron County Circuit Rider Planner and has an office located in the Fiddlers Canyon area of Cedar City in office space provided by Iron County. Reed also maintains office hours in Cedar City's City Hall.

Major project accomplishments during FY2004 include the adoption of Annexation Policy Plans for each of the communities in the County and work towards revisions of the

Iron County General Plan which will help the municipalities with their growth plans. Several communities and Iron County have adopted a new ordinance addressing "Residential Treatment Facilities for Persons with a Disability". Work continues in establishing a major sewer master planned trunk line in Cedar Valley as well as establishing interlocal agreements to manage and fund sewer growth in Cedar Valley. Planning Commissions have been trained in planning principles and technical assistance has been provided for current and long-range planning projects. Significant revisions have been proposed and implemented to land management codes (general plans, zoning ordinances, and subdivision ordinances) in Brian Head, Kanarrville, Paragonah, Parowan, Iron County, Cedar City, and Enoch.

Community & Economic Development GARFIELD COUNTY CIRCUIT RIDER PLANNER

A county-wide Circuit Rider Planner position was first implemented in April 1998 in Garfield County, and was unanimously supported by the cities and towns of the County.



The FCAOG is providing a full-time planner to assist these counties and those jurisdictions within it with General Plan updating, Subdivision and Zoning Ordinance assistance, development review, and other staff planning duties as needed.

Major project accomplishments in Garfield County during FY2004 include update of several zoning ordinances; adoption of new annexation plans; development of new GIS zoning maps; along with a very aggressive economic development effort in Garfield County.

**Community & Economic Development
DIXIE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION
DIXIE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING OFFICE**

The DTPO staff in carrying out the urban transportation planning process for the St. George Urbanized Area (SGUZA) and 20 year planning boundary has been guided by a partnership charter agreed to by the planning partners. The charter declares the mission of the MPO to provide unified transportation planning for Utah's Dixie, with a vision to provide a safe, pleasant, and efficient transportation system through proactive leadership and planning excellence. The DTEC in adopting these guideposts has also agreed to several active values and objectives as the area looks forward in planning for growth and the infrastructure to move people, goods and services.



It is within this context that the AOG's transportation planning office staff prepares and follows an annual unified planning work program (UPWP) covering the following tasks:



- Administration, management and operations;
- Long and short range planning;
- Annual Transportation Improvement Program (TIP);
- Service to partners;
- Public involvement for the St. George Urbanized Area transportation planning process.

The UPWP is approved by local, state and federal authorities.

The major tasks accomplished by the DTPO staff at fiscal years end, follows:

Monthly, quarterly and annual committee/council commitments fulfilled -

- DTEC, DTAC, UDOT Enhancement and Planning programs & Legislative Task Force on Transportation Planning

DTPO Budget and annual UPWP approved by local, state and federal authorities

Achieved visibility with special interests, Legislature and Congressional groups -

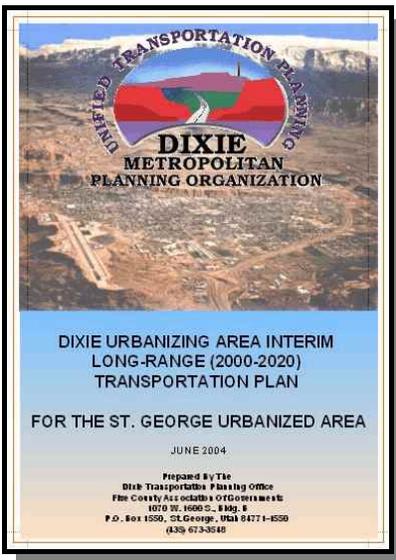
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- Input on state and national policy
- Projects awarded within Congressional '04 Appropriations -
 - Northern Corridor \$1 Million
 - SunTran \$0.5 Million
- Project funding pending in Congressional Re-Authorization Bill

Followed the planning process, quarterly progress, billings and annual audit completed and submitted



Interim Long Range Plan June 2004

Managed and completed 3 of 4 local special studies:

- Interim Long Range Transportation Plan to year 2020 (DTPO, AOG)
- Short Range Transit Plan (Leigh, Scott, & Cleary)
- Western Corridor Study-North Part (Carter Burgess)
- Traffic Model Projections draft 2015 (PEC-Extended)

Coordinated with State Division of Air Quality's non-regulatory monitoring plan;

Established MPO web site within FCAOG's home page;

Projects placed and approved by state and federal agencies in Dixie TIP and UDOT STIP for FY 2004-08, Pending for FY 2005-09

Successful public involvement as measured by increased open house attendance, published articles and legal notices in local newspapers, and comments received from the public and interested stakeholders

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Five County Association of Governments WORLD WIDE WEB HOME PAGE

The Five County Association of Governments continues to maintain a web site. The FCAOG homepage on the World Wide Web is located at: <http://www.fcaog.state.ut.us>

Current information about the FCAOG, staff members and programs administered by the association is available on the web site. Most of the FCAOG staff can be contacted via e-mail and links are provided on the FCAOG web site.

The FCAOG continues to strive to improve the delivery of data and planning documents on its web site utilizing industry standard formats such as Adobe PDF (Portable Document Format) files.

Suggestions and comments on the web site can be sent via e-mail to: webmaster@fcaog.state.ut.us



Five County Association of Governments NEWSLETTER



The Five County Association of Governments publishes a quarterly newsletter entitled "FIVE COUNTY NEWS FROM 'R' VIEW ".

The newsletter is mailed to County, City and Town leaders in this region, as well as other interested individuals and organizations. The newsletter is a service to increase awareness of what is happening at FCAOG.

The newsletter is also posted on the FCAOG web site. For more information, please contact newsletter editor, Diane Lamoreaux, via e-mail: dlamoreaux@fcaog.state.ut.us, via phone: (435) 673-3548, or via fax: (435) 673-3540.

Human Services HUMAN SERVICES



The primary purposes of the Human Services Division are to maximize the effectiveness of human service resources being expended in the Five County area through direct services, comprehensive planning, proper resource management, resource development and program evaluation. We address needs by providing direct services and collaborating with a network of human service agencies and partners to assist individuals, families, and community groups to become self-sufficient. We are the local Community Action Agency serving southwest Utah. We work toward mitigating the causes and conditions of poverty in the region through a variety of means including employment, education, housing, transportation and emergency assistance.

The Five County Human Services Council has the responsibility for making policy recommendations to the Steering Committee of the Five County Association of Governments on all matters pertaining to Human Services in Southwest Utah. This council is a tri-partite board, made up of no more than one-third elected/public officials, one-third low-income representatives, and the remainder from the private sector. The Human Services Director and agency receptionist provide staff support to the Council.

HUMAN SERVICES ACTIVITIES FY 2003 - 2004

- Wrote and prepared applications, compliance documents, budgets, administered programming, and prepared and submitted required reports for 1) the Community Service Block Grant Program, 2) the Social Service Block Grant Program, 3) the Emergency Food Network funding, 4) State set aside funds and National Board Application package supporting Kane and Beaver's FEMA programming, 5) and the National Board Application packages supporting Washington County's jurisdiction, Iron County's jurisdiction, Garfield County's jurisdiction, and the Beaver/Kane County jurisdiction.
- Provided staff support to the Five County Human Services Council and the allocation process of Community Service Block Grant funding and Social Service Block Grant funding in our region. Provided technical assistance and program monitoring to the 10 Community Service Block Grant sub-contractors in our region and the six Social Service Block Grant providers in our regional area.
- Over 300 individuals from the five counties received 12,784 service units provided from funding from the Social Services Block Grant program. 39 of the 300 persons receiving services were persons with developmental disabilities. The remaining 261 were all senior citizens.
- Through funding from the Community Services Block Grant program over 12,392 low income persons received 89,941 service units.
- Provided staff support to the regional FEMA Board and provided technical assistance to the four jurisdictions they represent.

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- The AOG acted as fiscal conduit for all jurisdictions of 1) FEMA programming in our region and for 2) Emergency Food Network funding.
- Staff support prepared the packaging and final report data for all three 2003 FEMA jurisdictions funded in our region during the past calendar year.
- Emergency Food and Shelter umbrella agency supporting thirteen (13) pantry sites within the five county area.
- Assisted in the procurement of 1,212,777 pounds of food from USDA (542,945) and the Utah Food Bank (669,832).
- Regional food pantries assisted in the coordination and support of bringing in 534,054 pounds of food from local food drives.
- Contracted with local providers for the provision of 47,467 meals from shelter programs, 19,043 emergency food boxes, and 17,206 nights of emergency shelter,
- Provided 73 emergency rent/mortgage payment supplements during the 2004 program year leveraging Federal Emergency Management Agency resources.
- Provided field support and local coordination to FTA Section 5310 funding providers. Worked with state UDOT (Utah Department of Transportation) staff and URSTA (Utah Urban and Rural Specialized Transportation Association) addressing rural transportation needs.
- Provided over 3,300 bus passes to riders of Suntran and Cedar Area Transportation in support of meeting transit needs to places of employment, support services, health care access, and activities of daily living.
- Provided technical assistance in the use of 5311 funding for the Cedar Area Transportation program.
- Worked with staff from Community Transportation Association of America and representatives from Iron County transit and special interest groups as part of team guiding the transit technical assistance grant.
- Conducted five Human Services Public Forums in each of the Five Counties. Prioritized at least one or two areas of need for development of action plans for each individual county in coordination with local resource groups and forum participants.
- Completed three Human Services Needs Assessments. 1) surveying actual consumers from throughout the five county region participating in services. 2) surveying public response from individuals attending public forums, focus groups, and advisory council meetings. This effort also provided needs assessment information for the Southwest Behavioral Health Center and the Department of Workforce Services 3) a sampling from emergency food box recipients in the three smaller counties to identify measurable outcome data for ROMA (Results Oriented Management and Accountability) compliance. Information from forums and needs assessment are being used to prioritize area needs and issues where human resource development is prioritized.



Public Forums Help Discuss Needs and Identify Solutions

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- Completed three year Human Services Plan addressing prioritized National Goals for Community Action, as well as the ten service categories of: Employment, Education, Income Management, Housing, Emergency Assistance, Nutrition, Linkages, Self Sufficiency, and Health.
- Implemented more formal ROMA (Results Oriented Management and Accountability) compliance procedures with direct programming and increased awareness of ROMA compliance issues with Human Service Council and sub-contractors. Directed all Community Service Block Grant work plans to address at least one of the following required National Goals:
 1. *Low-income people become more self-sufficient.*
 2. *The conditions in which low-income people live are improved.*
 3. *Low-income people own a stake in their community.*
 4. *Partnerships among supporters and providers of service to low-income people are achieved.*
 5. *Agencies increase their capacity to achieve results.*
 6. *Low-income people, especially vulnerable populations, achieve their potential by strengthening family and other supportive systems.*
- Overhauled codes to unify regional data input to the Tracker data base system in order to generate measurable outcomes and prepare agency for electronic transmission of report data to State Community Service Office.
- Contracted with local programs for the provision of literacy services to over 646 persons and English as a Second Language programming for over 291 individuals leveraging Community Service Block Grant funds. These Literacy programs were available to all five counties, but served mostly Iron and Washington Counties.
- Participated in and provided support for a variety of local and regional community councils, including: Human Services Coordinating Council of Washington Co.; Homeless Continuum of Care Coalition; and Regional Interagency Council. Provided staff support to the region's Care Giver Advisory Council.
- Served as members of several state associations, including the Utah Community Action Partnership Association; Vice Chair of the State Care Giver Coalition; the Senior's Wellness Committee.
- Served as Treasurer for Utah Community Action State Association (UCAPA) Executive Board . Represented rural program needs, provided requested training and technical assistance to rural areas which are part of this statewide association.
- Provided support as a member of the Southwest Utah Community Health Center Board.
- Assisted with technical assistance and support for addressing health care needs of low income persons in the five county area.
- Facilitated regional discussions with Legislators from Southern Utah and attendees at Citizen's Day at the Legislature.
- Supervised training site and placement of unpaid placements for Department of Workforce Services internships and Experience Works individuals.
- Planned, sponsored and provided training for two regional Emergency Food & Shelter Training's.
- Provided Board Trainings and evaluations for three of our region's non-profit Boards.

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- Served as a Commissioner for the Utah State Commission on Volunteers as Vice Chair and executive committee.
- Served as Chair and provided support to the state's AmeriCorp Committee.
- Provided planning, organization, technical support, awards assistance and conducted formal Training session for the Regional XIII and X Community Action Conference.
- Continued serving GROW eligible welfare to work clientele by direct provision of support services through December 31, of 2003. Provided documentation needed to close out grant.
- Transitioned Case Management Support Services direct programming developed by GROW programming as direct service delivery under our region's Community Service Block Grant Program beginning January 1, 2004.
- Provided support for updating and distribution of annual Human Resource Directory for Five County area listing 286 entries. Supported our sub-contractor Wordwise in planning for measurable outcomes and acted as distribution site for resource books.
- Provided a bi-monthly newsletters (1,200 copies) to area pantries for distribution to individuals receiving regional emergency food boxes detailing consumer tips for wise use of limited resources, health and nutrition information, and recipe suggestions for use of food box items.
- Provided administrative staff support, problem solving and technical assistance to AOG Human Service programs including the home and community based Aging programs, Volunteer Centers, Weatherization program, and Home program.
- Staff served as Chair of Resource Fair, and on planning committee for Senator Hatch's Senior's Conference.
- Provided Administration, fiscal Management and social work support for the Senior Companion Program, in collaboration with Volunteer Center staff.
- Planned and sponsored at least three Care Giver Support Provider trainings, enhancing Care Giver capabilities and generating increased resources for seniors living at home.
- Supervised the In-Home Services Unit and Case Management Staff. Provided coordination of functions, and developed resources as needed
- Planned and developed new Long Term Care Case Management program in partnership with Molina Health Care and the Utah State Department of Health.

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FY 2004 FEMA ALLOCATIONS	
WASHINGTON COUNTY	
APPLICANTS	FEMA BOARD Allocations
Division of Child and Family Services	\$13,893
Dove Center	\$ 3,354
Dixie Care and Share	\$17,773
(Being Re-directed)	\$ 3,450
TOTAL	\$38,470
IRON COUNTY	
APPLICANT	FEMA BOARD Allocations
Canyon Creek	\$ 1,800
Family Support Center	\$ 3,500
Iron County Care and Share	\$5,174
Emergency Housing Assist (C & S)	\$ 4,200
TOTAL	\$14,674
GARFIELD COUNTY	
APPLICANT	FEMA BOARD Allocations
Garfield County Care and Share	\$5,570
TOTAL	\$ 5,570
SET-A-SIDE COUNTIES (KANE AND BEAVER)	
APPLICANT	FEMA BOARD Allocations
Kane County Care and Share	\$3,000
Beaver County Food Network	\$3,000
TOTAL	\$6,000

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COMMUNITY SERVICE BLOCK GRANT (CSBG) ALLOCATIONS FY 2003 - 2004	
Provider	Allocation
Bryce Valley Pre-school	\$ 2,500.00
Dixie State College - Literacy	\$ 15,000.00
Cedar Read	\$ 4,600.00
Millcreek High School	\$ 20,000.00
Beaver County Food Network	\$ 17,000.00
Garfield Co. Care & Share	\$ 15,000.00
Iron County Care & Share	\$ 23,000.00
Kane County Hungry Pantry	\$ 15,000.00
Dixie Care & Share	\$ 41,000.00
District Transportation	\$ 3,500.00
Wordwise - District Resource Directory	\$ 5,535.00
Support Services Case Management & Referral	\$ 40,000.00
Regional Direct Programming	\$ 49,756.00
FCAOG - Administration	\$ 7,458.00
Total Allocations	\$ 259,349.00

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SOCIAL SERVICE BLOCK GRANT (SSBG) ALLOCATIONS FY 2003 - 2004	
Provider	Allocation
Beaver County Council On Aging	\$ 2,817.28
Garfield County Council On Aging	\$ 7,556.00
Iron County Council On Aging	\$ 7,107.00
Kane County Council On Aging	\$ 4,738.00
Turn Community Services	\$ 8,067.00
Washington County Council on Aging	\$ 8,067.00
FCAOG - Administration	\$ 6,509.00
FCAOG - Direct Programming	\$ 19,102.00
Total Allocations	\$ 63,963.28

Human Services

G.R.O.W./ SUPPORT SERVICES CASE MANAGEMENT



G.R.O.W. (Stood for: G=gain employment, R=reach needed training, O= opportunities for improved wages, and W=work toward career objectives). The Support Service Case Management services helped make G.R.O.W. one of the most successful rural Welfare to Work programs in the nation. The last six months of this grant took place in the AOG's FY 2004 (July 1, 2003 to Dec. 31, 2003).

Maintaining Support Service Case Management services significantly increased the AOG's Community Action Programming ability to assist person's in poverty to become more self sufficient. From the GROW program, Support Service Case Management continued as a vital direct programming service transitioning to Community Service Block Grant funding (CSBG), operating solely under CSBG for the balance of the FCAOG's FY04 (January 1, 2004 through June 30, 2004). We hope it will continue for years to come.

During this last year of direct programming, our Support Service efforts have benefitted over 285 persons with multiple barriers to self sufficiency. That included low income adults who were either unemployed, at risk of losing employment or were persons with no work history. These individuals received 1,586 units of support service work on their behalf.

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Support Services Case Management referral staff have developed a strong network of local service agencies to which they can refer families and secure assistance to stabilize them in crisis. A focus is assisting them in gaining and or retaining employment.

Support Service Case Management involves the following activities for stabilizing home and families:

- Individual Needs Assessment
- Assistance in helping families to set employment goals
- Monitoring progress in achieving these goals
- Problem solving support and individual encouragement
- Making referrals and brokering the establishment of relationships between clientele and local service providers for: housing, transportation, health, food/nutrition, mental health, employment, education/rehabilitation training.
- Crisis advocacy

In addition to the Support Service Case Management provided by AOG staff, other human service partnerships and linkages are utilized to stabilize additional unmet needs of our consumers. The following indicates the most common linkages made by staff in order to stabilize barriers to employment and/or employment sustainability:

- 4% with Utah State University Extension
- 4% for Mental Health/Substance Abuse
- 11% Educational and Vocational Rehabilitation
- 41% Housing Support
- 40% Transportation Support

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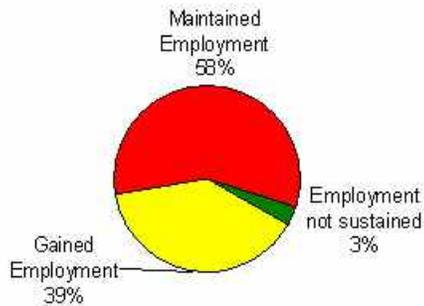
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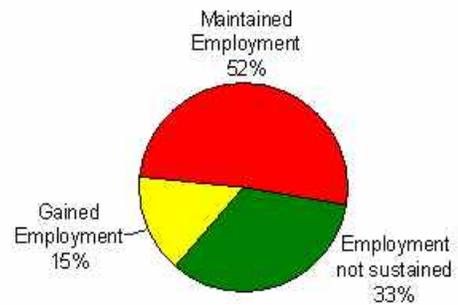
By eliminating barriers to employability and employment sustainability these clientele can become more self sufficient. These charts illustrate programming results over the past year:

Support Services Employment Data by Quarters for FY 2004

Quarter 1



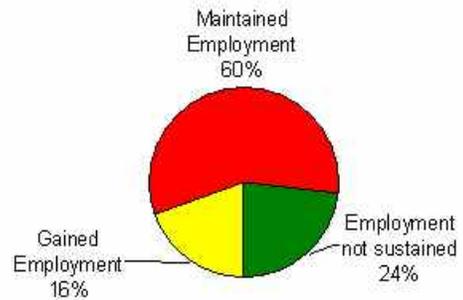
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AGING PROGRAM CASE MANAGEMENT



As part of the Home & Community Based Adult & Aging Services administered by the Five County Area Agency on Aging, a staff of trained professionals oversee the day-to-day operations of the programs & provide direct service to consumers. Six licensed Social Service Workers provide case management services which include a comprehensive assessments of client's status & needs and the development of a individualized care plan in order to locate, coordinate & monitor necessary & appropriate services. Registered Nurses assist case management staff in the assessment & eligibility process and work with case

management to ensure client's needs are met. An accounting technician/secretary assists with the referral and intake process, data entry, quarterly reports, fiscal reports, billing & other accounting procedures. The Aging Program Case Management staff oversee a variety of services through several home & community based programs, which assist recipients to gain access to, and coordinate needed medical, social, educational and other services.

The social workers provide case management assistance to each recipient of in-home services, including:

- Assessments
- Care Plan Development
- Care Plan Set Up
- Service Coordination
- Chore Services
- Service Monitoring
- Resource and Referral
- Case Management
- Companion Services
- Medical Equipment/Supplies
- Emergency Response Systems
- Homemaker Services
- Home-Delivered Secondary Meals
- Non-Medical Transportation
- Medication Reminder Service
- Respite Care, including In-Home and Facility
- Supportive Maintenance/Aide
- Adult Day Care
- Caregiver Support Program

Case managers work directly with 9 home health agencies, 17 other care providers, 6 state agencies, 5 senior county coordinators, 1 tribal organization and numerous other outreach programs.

Human Resources AGING & NUTRITION SERVICES

Aging services are provided under the Older Americans Act, a Federal law enacted in 1965, which provides, through Area Agencies on Aging, community planning, training, and services to assist older persons. These programs are designed to assist older people to remain independent and live in their own homes as long as possible, with special emphasis on serving the socially and economically disadvantaged.



There are a variety of services administered by the Area Agency on Aging which are available through County Councils on Aging and other subcontractors.

These services include:

- Transportation
- Telephone Reassurance
- Long Term Care Ombudsman
- Congregate & Home Delivered Meals
- Chore Services
- Respite Service
- Outreach
- Legal Services
- Aging Medicaid Waiver Program
- Information and Referral
- Recreation and Socialization
- Utah Caregiver Support Program providing:
 - Information
 - Assistance
 - Counseling
 - Support Groups
 - Training
 - Respite
 - Supplemental Services
- Friendly Visiting
- The Alternatives Program

Aging and Nutrition Services are available to all persons 60 years and older. In 2000 the 60+ population in the Five County area was 26,261 persons which was 18.6 percent of the region's total population.

As of June 30, 2004 there were 13 operating Senior Citizen Centers in Southwestern Utah, as shown in the following table:

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Senior Citizens Centers in the Five County Region

Beaver County	Garfield County	Iron County	Kane County	Washington County
Beaver	Escalante	Cedar City	Kanab	Enterprise
Milford	Henrieville	Parowan	Orderville	Hurricane
Minersville	Panguitch			St. George

Services for seniors were provided through the following primary subcontractors

Beaver County Council on Aging	Applegate HomeCare	Horizon Home Health	Rocky Mountain Home Care
Garfield County Council on Aging	Beaver Valley Home Health	Iron County Home Health	St. George Care & Rehab.
Iron County Council on Aging	Beehive Homes - Cedar City	Kolob Care and Rehab. of St. George	Southern Utah Home Care
Kane County Council on Aging	Beehive Homes of Kanab	Kolob Regional Care & Rehab. - Cedar City	Southern Utah Home Oxygen & Medical Equip.
Washington County Council on Aging	Beehive Homes of Washington County	Home Care Living	Southwest Utah Public Health Dept.
Utah Legal Services	Canyonlands Medical Equipment & Supply	Milford Valley Home Health Agency	TURN Community Services
Boulder Mesa Restaurant (Boulder)	Garfield Memorial Hospital	Mytrex, Inc.	Home Pro's
Garfield County School District	Gentiva Health Services	Pioneer Medical Services	Community Nursing Services
Acumen Fiscal Intermediary			

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Aging and Nutrition Services Provided by Program and Total Units of Service

Program	Units of Service		
Transportation	36,267 rides		
Congregate Meals	72,674 meals		
Home Delivered Meals	127,492 meals		
Outreach	2,005 client hours		
Information & Referral	58,795 client requests		
Friendly Visiting	41,864 client hours		
Telephone/Reassurance	34,094 client hours		
Chore Services	27,109 client hours		
Recreation & Socialization	23,587 client hours		
Legal Services	24 client hours		
The Alternatives Program	9,636 client hours		
Long Term Care Ombudsman	139 cases; 191 complaints		
Medicaid Aging Waiver Program	32,633 clients days		
Caregiver Support Services	Information Assistance	1,743 units	2,659 clients served
	Training	742 units	257 clients served
	Respite	45 units	373 clients served
	Supplemental Svcs	1,827 units	143 clients served
		26 units	21 clients served

Human Services HOUSING PROGRAMS

There are various housing programs available at the Five County Association of Governments continue to help ensure that qualified individuals and families with low to moderate incomes have safe, decent, and affordable housing.

Human Services EMERGENCY HOME REPAIR PROGRAM



The Emergency Home Repair program will provide grant assistance up to \$2,500 within a five-year period per homeowner for emergency-type home repairs that pose a potential health and safety threat to the occupants, or threaten the long time integrity of the dwelling. Typical repairs include: roof repairs, bathroom repairs, correction of faulty electrical and plumbing systems, septic system repairs, replacement of inoperable heating and cooling systems and water heaters. This funding is to be used when other sources of assistance are not available.

The Olene Walker Housing Loan Fund, Critical Needs Housing Program, initially awarded \$20,000 to the Five County Association Of Governments. By demonstrating need, an additional \$3,000 was awarded. Income guidelines require that a qualifying applicant's household income must be at or below 125% of the poverty level.

Emergency Home Repair Program Activity Summary

Inquiries	85
Applications Mailed Out	68
Applications Returned	29
Applications Approved	23
Applications Denied	7

Assistance was provided to 23 households totaling 39 individuals. Sixteen individuals had disabilities, 11 were elderly and 2 were families with children, including one grandfather raising his granddaughters.

EMERGENCY HOME REPAIR PROJECTS	
	<u>Number of Projects</u>
Beaver County	6
Garfield County	1
Iron County	9
Kane County	1
Washington County	6

Human Services HOME REHABILITATION

The HOME Single-Family Rehabilitation Loan Program provides much needed funding to address inadequate housing for low to moderate-low income homeowners with income 80% or below the area median income (AMI). Terms of the loan are structured according to the homeowner's repayment ability, and within 30% of a household's annual adjusted gross income.

Rehabilitation loans help to: 1) provide decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable housing; 2) preserve the quality of neighborhoods as well as the value of public capital invested in local schools, streets, utilities and other public facilities; and 3) preserve the value of the homeowners' investment, which for low-income families represents the majority of their life savings.

Rehabilitation may include alteration, improvement or modification of an existing structure. It includes, but is not limited to electrical, plumbing or structural defects, health and safety problems, alterations for handicap accessibility, heating/cooling systems, energy efficiency measures etc. Funds comprised of state and federal monies are provided through the Olene Walker Housing Loan Fund administered by the Department of Community and Economic Development, Division of Housing and Community Development.

Two home replacement projects were completed this year. A family in Beaver County received a loan when their home was destroyed by fire. A replacement home project for an elderly woman in Washington County was completed. The Division of Housing and Community Development Board has approved one other replacement project in Washington County.

A proposed replacement project in Iron County is ready to be submitted to the DHCD board for approval. Two projects in Garfield and Kane counties are in the application review process.

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Before Home Replacement



After Home Replacement

Home Rehabilitation Activity Summary

Inquiries	42
Applications Mailed Out	33
Applications Returned	5
Applications Processed	4
Applications Denied - FCAOG	1
Applications Approved - DHCD	1

HOME Rehabilitation Projects Number and Status of Projects by County

<u>County</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Number of Projects</u>
Beaver	Completed	1
	Withdrew	1
Garfield	Application in process	1
Iron	Denied at local level	1
	Application in process	1
Kane	Application in process	1
Washington	DHCD approved-in process	1
	Completed	1
	Withdrew	1

Human Services DOWN PAYMENT & CLOSING COSTS ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS



The Down Payment /Closing Cost Assistance Programs may provide home buyers planning to purchase a home in the five county area who have not owned a home within the past three years with closing cost or down payment assistance up to \$2,000. An income eligibility criterion is 70% or below the area median income (AMI) for the county in which the applicant resides. Loan funds provided through this program are not a grant, but rather a second non-interest bearing loan payable upon refinance, sale, foreclosure action, death, or when the owner no longer uses the property as a primary residence. The loan may become a grant at the end of the term of the first mortgage. Applicants must contribute a

minimum of \$500 in personal funds toward closing costs or the down payment, and participate in and receive a certificate from a home buyer's education course. Funding is provided through the Olene Walker Housing Loan Fund.

The revolving loan account established by the Five County Association of Governments will allow a perpetual fund as loans are repaid. Loans totaling \$48,430 were processed this year helping 29 first time home buyers realize the American dream of owning a home.

Down Payment & Closing Costs Assistance Program		
<u>County</u>	<u>Number of Loans</u>	<u>Funds Expended</u>
Beaver	5	\$ 8,827
Garfield	0	-0-
Iron	10	\$13,385
Kane	0	-0-
Washington	14	\$26,218

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HOMECHOICE HOME OWNERSHIP FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

HomeChoice is a single-family mortgage loan designed to meet the mortgage underwriting needs of low and moderate-income people with disabilities or those who have a disabled family member. HomeChoice mortgages offer flexibility in the areas of loan-to-value ratios, down payment sources, qualifying ratios and the establishment of credit.



The Five County Association of Governments' role in the HomeChoice program is to assist borrowers to ensure they are prepared to meet the demands of purchasing and owing a home. Pre- and post- homeownership education counseling and assistance in the loan application process are provided. Eight referrals were received from Neighborhood Non-profit, the lead agency for this project during fiscal year 2004. Four participants attended orientation meetings where packets were distributed to interested borrowers. Two applications were processed. Due to limited income, they were unable to qualify for a loan.

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VOLUNTEER CENTER OF WASHINGTON COUNTY

The Volunteer Center of Washington County is an umbrella organization which exists to "mobilize people and resources for creative solutions to community needs" through programs including: All three programs of the National Senior Service Corps

- Five County Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)
- Five County Senior Companion Program (SCP)
- Five County Foster Grandparent Program (FGP)
- Health Insurance Information Program (HIIP) which provides information to residents of the five county region about Medicare, Medicaid, medigap insurance and the Medicare Prescription Drug Card.
- Youth Volunteer Corps of Washington County coordinates service and service-learning opportunities, including Youth Court, Reading Rocks, Tobacco Prevention and national service days, for youth volunteers (age 11-18).
- Court-ordered Community Service where offenders of any age are referred by area courts to complete a designated number of hours in lieu of incarceration.

The Volunteer Center of Washington County is a vital, healthy, growing organization at the center of community activity with more than 2000 volunteers of record, ages 8 - 108.

Human Services VOLUNTEER CENTER OF IRON COUNTY

The Volunteer Center mobilizes people and resources to deliver creative solutions to community problems. To achieve this vision, the Volunteer Center offers programs and services that:

- Connect people of all ages with opportunities to serve
- Build the capacity for effective local volunteering
- Promote volunteering
- Participate in strategic initiatives that mobilize volunteers to meet local needs.



The Volunteer Center of Iron County manages all three programs of National Senior Service Corps Program in Iron, Beaver and Garfield Counties:

- The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) creates a variety of meaningful service opportunities for individuals of retirement age (55 or better). RSVP provides communities with an opportunity to tap into the skills and life experience of its residents while offering volunteers free accident/liability insurance, limited mileage reimbursement and other benefits. RSVP Volunteers are extremely active in the three-county region. They served at 40+ locations in Iron, Beaver and Garfield Counties and contributed a total of 37,402 hours of service this past year! During FY 2004 the number of registered RSVP Volunteers in the three-county region increased 27% and the amount of hours they served increased 37%.
- The Senior Companion Program (SCP) recruits volunteers, age 60 or better and with a qualifying income, to provide weekly assistance and friendship to seniors and disabled adults who have difficulty with daily living tasks. Senior Companions receive a modest, tax-free stipend that helps defray the costs of service while supplementing their retirement. Free accident and liability insurance is provided as well as monthly training to help strengthen and increase the skills and abilities of Senior Companions as they meet the needs of more than 80 clients.
- The Foster Grandparent Program (FGP) provides children with much needed attention and one-on-one assistance. The goal is help struggling students perform at grade level while helping them develop the skills, confidence and strength to succeed in life. Like Senior Companions, Foster Grandparents must be at least 60 years of age and meet national income guidelines in exchange for a modest tax-free stipend, mileage reimbursement and free accident and liability insurance. While

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Foster Grandparents can serve at a variety of locations, locally they serve 15-20 hours a week at local elementary schools and head start centers.

- The Volunteer Center of Iron County continues to work with the Utah Summer Games (USG) in providing an effective structure for the recruitment and organization of volunteers. One highlight from the 2004 Games was a complete reorganization of how medical services were provided to participants. With important help from medical partners Valley View Medical Center, Southwest Utah Area Health Education Center and the Iron County Ambulance, more than 50 individuals were recruited to serve as medical volunteers. The system worked well and feedback from participants and USG staff has been positive.
- The Youth City Council (YCC) continues to involve youth in all aspects of the community by providing them with a voice in government and opportunities to be part of the solution to community needs and problems through service projects and other activities. A few of the Council's activities this past year included: collection of 532 pounds of food during the Canyon View-Cedar High Football Game; distribution of voter registration information to high school seniors; a toy drive that resulted in 1000 stuffed animals being donated to emergency services for them to given to children they serve; and the creation of hundreds of Valentine's by elementary students that were delivered to members of the Utah National Guard in Iraq.
- The Volunteer Center also promotes Make A Difference Day, National Family Volunteer Day, Holiday Assistance, National Volunteer Week and Student Service Awards in the area.

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VOLUNTEER CENTER OF KANE COUNTY

The Volunteer Center of Kane County has made remarkable strides during FY2003-04. What started with a handful of dedicated senior volunteers managed by an absentee director, is now a full-fledged organization, open 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Monday thru Friday, with more than 100 senior volunteers, a youth group and several new programs in process to meet community needs. Towards that vision, the following are some of the accomplishments of the Volunteer Center of Kane County:

- moved into a larger facility without increasing costs
- recruited 2 fulltime VISTA members and a VISTA Summer Associate, each working on different projects involving volunteers

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- recruited 18 new senior volunteers - and many more under age 55 - for current total of 102 senior volunteers who served over 6,500 hours this year at 73 volunteer stations, including many community events (Western Legends and the Greyhound Gathering)
- hosted a recognition event (including dinner, entertainment, awards and prizes) as a way to thank volunteers for their service to the community
- Senior Companion Adele Burbridge was the recipient of Kane County's Silver Bowl Award.
- Developed the first ever "Summer of Fun" program supported through fundraising, to keep 27 youngsters (age 6-11) busy and safe twice a week for 1 ½ hours a day during the summer months
- organized a CERT training with 50 people in attendance (17 finished the course) and coordinated a community mock disaster drill in May
- found resources to add a new computer, laptop, office supplies, desk chairs, brochure rack and folding table
- enlisted grant writing expertise to help build and sustain the financial future of the Volunteer Center of Kane County. New projects being developed:
- Special Olympics (with TV ads featuring local Olympians)
- Youth Court (a peer court opportunity for first time offenders - ages 11-18, who plead guilty)
- Court-ordered Community Service Program (a service opportunity in lieu of incarceration)
- City Beautification Committee (in preparation for annual community events)

Human Services FIVE COUNTY RETIRED AND SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM



The Five County Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) has been tapping the rich resource of senior volunteers for meaningful service to communities in Washington, Iron, Beaver, Garfield and Kane Counties for more than 22 years. FY2003-04 year end statistics show an enrolled 1541 volunteers, over age 55, served a record reported total of 197,213 hours in schools, libraries, hospitals, museums, food banks, and in support of community events - all based on their individual interests and available time - an increase of more than 30,000 hours over last year and a value

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of more than \$3,330,000 to southwestern Utah's economy (based on the national value-per-hour of \$16.00). While RSVP continues to focus a great deal of time and attention on meeting the long time and ongoing needs of SW Utah communities, this year volunteers have been actively involved in two new areas of focus:

- reducing the unacceptable 72% rate of recidivism at Purgatory Correctional Facility by strengthening programming to strengthen literacy, language and vocational skills for inmates. Toward that end, a single donor has given a sizable donation for the construction of a 7,500-square-foot building at Purgatory which will include space for both worship and education. An Education Committee has been formed, involving such statewide agencies as Department of Corrections, Utah Office of Education, Washington County School District, Dixie Applied Technology College, Washington County Sheriffs Office and others. With the help of senior volunteers serving as tutors, 27 inmates graduated with high school diplomas and another 15 received their GEDs. The RSVP Director was invited to give the keynote address at the ceremony honoring the inmates' achievement.
- the southwestern Utah Citizen Corps Council has seen the creation of bylaws, recruitment of more than 20 senior men and women involved in Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS) and Neighborhood Watch. A Homeland Security VISTA project has been created and includes several seniors serving in this program of National Service. A statewide CERT website has been created and CERT training has taken place in all five southwest Utah counties.

Human Services

FIVE COUNTY FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM

The Five County Foster Grandparent Program (FGP), the third program of the National Senior Service Corps, had reached the maximum capacity of grant funding in its second successful year, when the Washington County School District agreed to cover the cost of the non-taxable and non-reportable \$2.65 per hour stipend for up to 15 yet-to-be-recruited senior volunteers during the 2004-05 school year. Currently, 29 senior men and women - a valuable resource for learning - are helping build or strengthen literacy and language skills in classrooms in three of southwest Utah's five county region. But more than that, Foster Grandparents serve as mentors to troubled teens at the Youth Crisis Center, help provide for the needs of children with disabilities, and assist in Head Start programs. All efforts will be made in the upcoming year to secure additional funding to expand the program to address the needs of children and youth in all five counties.



Human Services SENIOR COMPANION PROGRAM (SCP)



The Five County Senior Companion Program (SCP) now has a waiting list for volunteers who wish to provide transportation and in-home support for, and respite for fulltime caregivers of frail elderly and disabled in the five county region. This change from active recruitment to a hold on the addition of new volunteers is because the program reached its maximum capacity.

In FY2004-04, 58 senior volunteers lent support to more than 200 frail elderly and disabled - often homebound - adults, exceeding the limit of the federally funded grant which provides a stipend for age and income qualified seniors. In exchange for their service to 2-6 frail elderly neighbors and friends, Senior Companions earn \$2.65 an hour in non-taxable and non-reportable income (plus meals and mileage reimbursement). New partnerships developed in FY2003-04 included funding support from the Southern Utah Alzheimers Association and the Utah Kidney Foundation.

Human Services WEATHERIZATION PROGRAM



minor repairs to ensure safety. Once installed, these energy saving measures will help to reduce heating and cooling costs for years to come.

The Five County Association of Governments administers the regional Weatherization program. The purpose of the program is to provide energy cost reduction assistance to low-income households. The program is funded by the U.S. Department of Energy. The U.S. Department of Energy's Weatherization Assistance Program is the nation's core program for delivering energy efficiency services to low-income households. Professionally trained weatherization crews perform on-site home energy audits using state of the art equipment to identify outside drafts and inspect heating and cooling systems for efficiency. Weatherization crews install insulation, seal off air leaks, make modifications to (or replace) existing heating systems and make

Weatherization services provided include heating safety and efficiency inspection; installation of attic, wall or floor insulation.; weatherstripping and caulking; installation of water saving

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showerheads; installation of energy efficient light bulbs; replacement of broken window glass; installation of water heater jackets; and on-site home inspection to determine energy losses.

Weatherization services provided during the fiscal year to households throughout the five county region are shown below:

WEATHERIZATION PROGRAM FY 2004		WEATHERIZATION PROGRAM FY 2004	
FUNDING SOURCE	AMOUNT EXPENDED	COUNTY	# OF HOMES COMPLETED
LIHEAP	\$ 195,143.57	Beaver	17
Department of Energy	\$121,000.86	Garfield	6
Questar	\$ 7,804.00	Iron	25
Utah Power & Light	\$1,592.57	Kane	6
TANF	\$22,977.67	Washington	23
TOTALS	\$555,318.67	TOTALS	77

National Weatherization Assistance Program Facts for 2004:

The Weatherization Assistance Program enables low-income families to permanently reduce their energy bills by making their homes more energy efficient. It is this country's longest running, and perhaps most successful energy efficiency program. During the last 27 years, the U.S. Department of Energy 's (DOE) Weatherization Assistance Program has provided weatherization services to more than 5.3 million low-income families. In 2004, the goal is to weatherize 94,450 homes.

By reducing the energy bills of low-income families instead of offering aid, weatherization reduces dependency and liberates these funds for spending on more pressing family issues. On average, weatherization reduces heating bills by 31% and overall energy bills by \$218 per year. This spending, in turn, spurs low-income communities toward job growth and economic development.

Weatherization has helped spawn an energy efficiency industry for residential housing. This industry today employs 8,000 people who work in low-income weatherization alone, and many times that number work in companies that help homeowners increase their energy efficiency through low-cost measures. Many of the techniques that are today standard procedure in this industry were first developed and tested by the Weatherization Program. And through weatherization, DOE continues to develop and test in the field new advances in home energy science. Weatherization Works! It is more than a slogan; it's a fact!

Statewide Weatherization Program Highlights for 2004:

State of Utah funding for the Weatherization program is leveraged with six additional private and federal grants at a ratio of approximately \$340 from those sources to every one-dollar from the State of Utah. Such match helps minimize state investments and allows increased services and program

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flexibility. Funding contributed by Questar Gas and Utah Power has increased the scope of the program to include natural gas health & safety and electrical base load reduction measures.

Statewide, during this past fiscal year, the following Weatherization services were provided:

Homes completed	1,609
Native-American units	234
Elderly units	494
People served	5,129
Disabled units	462
Homes in progress	505

The demographics of those households served include:

65% are at or below 75% of poverty and/or have annual incomes of \$8,000 or less

60% are on fixed incomes

36% are the working poor

40% have a disabled person

33% are receiving social security

31% are elderly households

45% are families with preschool age children in the home

15% are Native American households

Economic Impact of Weatherization in Utah:

The Weatherization program provides over 70 direct skilled jobs in Utah and many indirect jobs through the purchase of building materials and other goods and services. Public and private investment in the Weatherization program stimulates economic growth in Utah. Investment in Weatherization results in an economic multiplier effect where the annual \$5 million investment rolls over in the economy to where the economic impact to Utah increases to over \$12.5 million annually. Weatherization supports local businesses, introduces cutting-edge energy conservation technologies to the state, conserves non-renewable energy resources, reduces pollution created through the burning of fossil fuels, and helps reduce the need of low-income households for government assistance programs.

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HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE TARGET PROGRAM

HEAT stands for Home Energy Assistance Target. Its purpose is to assist eligible households meet the rising costs of home heating. HEAT is not a welfare program. It is a federally funded Energy Assistance Program that is administered by the State of Utah through the Department of Community and Economic Development and locally administered by the Five County AOG. The program runs from November 1st to March 31st of each winter season, or until the funds are exhausted. Each household can only receive HEAT assistance ONCE during this time period. The following table illustrates the number of households, by county, that were served during fiscal year 2004:



H.E.A.T. PROGRAM FY 2004		
COUNTY	NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS SERVED	DOLLAR AMOUNT
Beaver	193	\$53,461
Garfield	267	\$89,066
Iron	897	\$268,951
Kane	159	\$46,659
Washington	1,321	\$388,991
TOTALS	2,837	\$847,128

Human Services CHILD CARE RESOURCE & REFERRAL, WESTERN REGION

Child Care Resource & Referral, Western Region is part of a statewide system of Child Care Resource and Referral Agencies. The Western Region consists of eleven of the twenty-nine counties in the state of Utah including Beaver, Garfield, Iron, Juab, Kane, Millard, Piute, Sanpete, Sevier, Washington and Wayne counties. Funding for this program comes to the Five County Association of Governments through a federal Child Development Block Grant from the Department of Workforce Services and the Utah Office of Child Care.



The mission of Child Care Resource & Referral, Western Region is to improve the quality of life for the children in Southern Utah who are enrolled in child care programs, to provide support for their families and child care providers, and to serve as a resource to communities on child care issues.

Child Care Resource & Referral, Western Region provided the following services between July 1, 2003 and June 30, 2004:

- ✓ 885 parents received help finding child care and were mailed support information about what to look for in quality care and other parenting issues.
- ✓ 1,597 calls were taken from child care providers requesting technical assistance for training help or other child development issues.
- ✓ 914 slots were filled by child care providers in training classes.

The following classes were taught :

26 Child Care Orientation classes (2 hours each)

19 Basic Child Care classes (5 hours each)

13 Food Handler's classes (1 hour each)

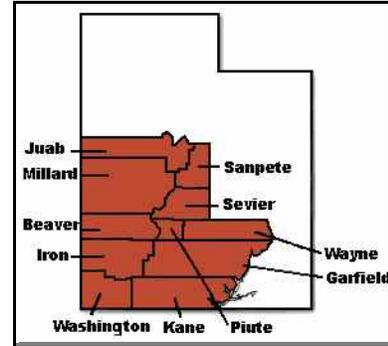
67 Career Ladder classes (10-15 hours each)

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- ✓ Provided support services to providers enabling them to receive federal funding in the following programs:
 - Career Ladder/Professional Development Program Awards - \$67,300
 - Start-Up Grants to new providers - \$12,511.16
 - Quality Improvement Grants - \$18,393
 - School-Age Grants - \$48,676
 - Baby Steps Program - \$25,020



Child Care Resource & Referral,
Western Region's eleven county
service area in central and
southwestern Utah

Total Funding to Providers in the Eleven
County Area: \$171,900.16

- ✓ Collaborated on projects in communities in the eleven county region, which included:
 - Hosting the Early Childhood Collaboration Conference at SUU on July 10, 2004;
 - Hosting two provider recognition events, one in 5 county and one in 6 county;
 - Distributing 2,400 free books through the KBYU First Book Program;
 - Compiled and distributed a list of summer programs to parents, elementary schools and libraries;
 - Gave child care presentations to high schools, universities/colleges, and civic groups;
 - Worked with DWS Employment Centers in the recruitment of new child care resources;
 - Collaboration projects with Head Start and Early Intervention to provide training.