

S.B. 50, Rural Planning and Development

Rural Development
Legislative Liaison
Committee

Governor's Rural
Partnership Board

Office of Rural
Development within
Department of
Community and
Economic
Development

Rural
Coordinating
Committee

Rural Development Legislative Liaison Committee

- Serve as a liaison between the Governor's Rural Partnership Board, the Utah Rural Development Council, rural development and planning groups, and the Legislature
- Recommend legislation if the committee determines that statute changes are in the best interest of the state and the economic and planning interests of rural Utah
- Review the operations of the Office of Rural Development and other state agencies involved in rural economic development and planning
- Help sponsor meetings and other opportunities for discussion with and between rural economic development interests

Governor's Rural Partnership Board

- Serve as an advisory board to the governor on rural economic and planning issues
- Prepare an annual strategic plan that:
 - Identifies rural economic development, planning, and leadership training challenges, opportunities, priorities, and objectives
 - Includes a work plan for accomplishing these objectives
- Solicit input from, and work collaboratively with, the Utah Rural Development Council and the Rural Coordinating Committee in the development of the strategic plan
- Present the strategic plan to the Utah Rural Development Council
- Work with the Rural Coordinating Committee to:
 - Coordinate and focus available resources in ways that effectively address the economic development, planning, and leadership challenges and priorities
 - Give direction and oversight to the Rural Coordinating Committee's programs and activities
- Oversee the implementation of the strategic plan
- Make recommendations to the Legislature's Rural Development Liaison Committee on rural economic planning and development

Rural Development Program

Governor's Office of Economic Development (HB 318 2005 Gen Session)

- Foster and support economic development programs and activities for the benefit of rural counties and communities
- Foster and support community, county, and resource management planning programs and activities for the benefit of rural counties and communities
- Foster and support leadership training programs and activities for the benefit of:
 - Rural leaders in both public and private sectors
 - Economic development and planning personnel
 - Rural government officials
- Foster and support efforts to coordinate and focus the technical and other resources of appropriate institutions of higher education, local governments, private sector interests, associations, nonprofit organizations, federal agencies, and others, to address the economic development, planning, and leadership challenges and priorities of rural Utah
- Work to enhance the capacity of the office to address rural economic development, planning, and leadership training challenges and opportunities by establishing partnerships and positive working relationships with appropriate public and private sector entities, individuals, and institutions
- Foster government-to-government collaboration and good working relations between state and rural regarding economic development and planning issues

Rural Coordinating Committee

- Coordinate efforts and available resources of appropriate state and federal agencies, institutions of higher education, local governments, private sector interests, associations, nonprofit organizations, and other entities in ways that address the economic development, planning, and leadership and training challenges and priorities of rural Utah as identified in the strategic plan
- Assist the Governor's Rural Partnership Board in the implementation of its strategic plan