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35A-9-501 Intergenerational Poverty Plan Implementation Pilot Program.

- (1) As used in this section:
 - (a) "Commission" means the Utah Intergenerational Welfare Reform Commission created in Section 35A-9-301.
 - (b) "Intergenerational poverty" means the same as that term is defined in Section 35A-9-102.
 - (c) "Program" means the Intergenerational Poverty Plan Implementation Pilot Program created in this section.
- (2) There is created the Intergenerational Poverty Plan Implementation Pilot Program to provide funding for counties to implement local solutions to address intergenerational poverty.
- (3)
 - (a) A county or a group of contiguous counties may submit a proposal to the department to participate in the program.
 - (b) A proposal described in Subsection (3)(a) shall:
 - (i) specify:
 - (A) outcomes that will address intergenerational poverty that the funding would be used to achieve;
 - (B) indicators that would be used to measure progress toward the specified outcomes;
 - (C) baseline measurements for each specified outcome and indicator against which progress will be measured; and
 - (D) the total amount of money needed to achieve the specified outcomes;
 - (ii) align with the goals of the commission's five- and ten-year plan described in Subsection 35A-9-303(2)(e); and
 - (iii) include any other information requested by the department.
- (4) The department may:
 - (a) specify the format for a proposal;
 - (b) set a deadline for a county or group of counties to submit a proposal;
 - (c) define criteria for selecting a county or group of counties to participate in the program, which may include:
 - (i) a significant number of individuals within the county or group of counties experiencing intergenerational poverty;
 - (ii) an established strategic plan to address intergenerational poverty;
 - (iii) evidence of strong engagement and leadership;
 - (iv) partnerships with agencies overseeing:
 - (A) human services;
 - (B) early childhood services;
 - (C) public health;
 - (D) public education;
 - (E) workforce development;
 - (F) economic development;
 - (G) higher education;
 - (H) behavioral health; and
 - (I) juvenile justice; and
 - (v) partnerships with organizations representing families experiencing poverty.
- (5) During fiscal year 2019, the department shall:
 - (a)

- (i) except as provided in Subsection (5)(a)(ii), select at least one county of the second class and at least one county or group of counties of the third, fourth, fifth, or sixth class to receive a grant; or
- (ii) if the department receives an appropriation for the program that is not sufficient to have a significant impact on reducing intergenerational poverty in more than one region, as determined by the department, select one county or group of counties to receive a grant;
- (b) award grants under this Subsection (5):
 - (i) on a competitive basis;
 - (ii) using criteria described in Subsection (4)(c); and
 - (iii) upon considering recommendations from the commission regarding grant applicants; and
- (c) subject to legislative appropriations, determine the value of each grant awarded under this Subsection (5).
- (6) During fiscal year 2020, if funding allows, the department may select additional counties to participate in the program.
- (7) A county or group of counties that receives a grant under the program shall:
 - (a) provide a cash or in-kind match that is equal to at least 25% of the amount of the grant;
 - (b) use the funds provided by the program and the cash or in-kind match for purposes described in Subsection (3)(b)(i) and approved by the department; and
 - (c) report quarterly to the department on progress regarding the indicators and outcomes described in Subsection (3)(b)(i).
- (8) The department shall include, in the department's annual report described in Section 35A-1-109, a description of the program, including the number and amounts of grants awarded, the recipients of the grants, and an evaluation of the progress grant recipients have made toward the indicators and outcomes described in Subsection (3)(b)(i).
- (9) In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the department may make rules to administer this section.

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