

outdoor places is why I stay in Utah."

— Utah Outdoor Partners
Survey of Tech Sector Employees,
Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute 2021

"Watching a town like Richfield invest in cycling infrastructure attracts manufacturing jobs to the community while offering endless trails to enjoy. Richfield City and Sevier County are doing a great job in establishing outdoor activities and trail systems to make it a fantastic community for both work and play."

— Jimmy Sear, the co-founder of CSS Composites

"Receiving the grant is absolutely amazing! We were floored by the kindness of (the staff of) the Utah Office of Outdoor Recreation and your willingness to work with us before we submitted our applications."

— Ryan Baldwin, Utah Olympic Legacy Foundation

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RECREATION

UTAH OFFICE OF OUTDOOR RECREATION GRANT PROGRAMS



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UORG ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The UORG Advisory Committee meets each year to award grant funding and comprises of a broad range of organizations, government officials, and private sector stakeholders. These are public meetings held in compliance with the Open and Public Meetings Act.

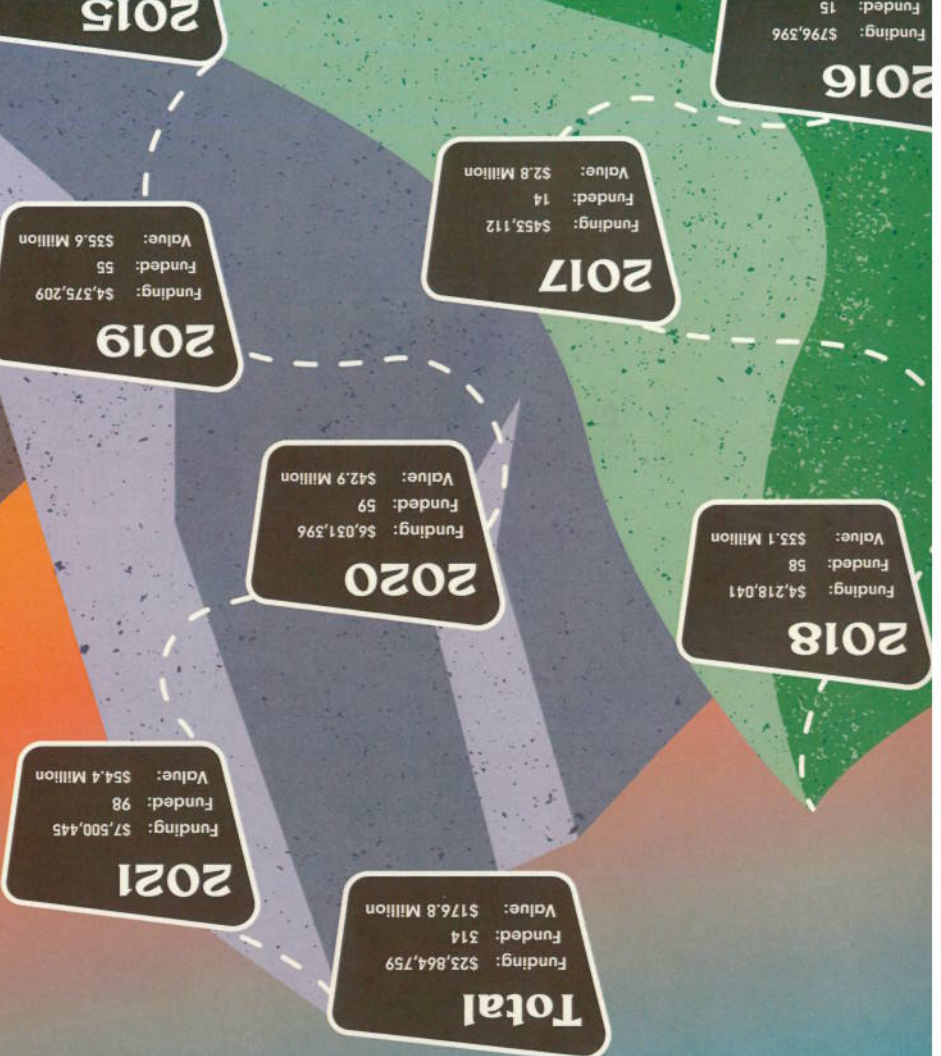
MISSION

The Utah Office of Outdoor Recreation helps ensure Utahns live healthy and active lifestyles through outdoor recreation. The office's Utah Outdoor Recreation Grant (UORG) helps communities make outdoor places more accessible through investment in new outdoor recreation infrastructure projects.

HISTORY

In 2013, Utah became the first state to create an Office of Outdoor Recreation. Since then, the office has become a national leader working to broaden the economic value of Utah's outdoors through collaboration with various business and community partners. The office hosts an annual Outdoor Recreation Summit – the largest conference of its kind – bringing together attendees from various sectors for collaboration and sharing of best practices for outdoor recreation and outdoor-focused businesses.

In 2015, the office helped communities to build trails and other recreation infrastructure by awarding matching grants through a pilot program. Funding for the program increased the following year. Success led to the Utah Legislature creating a longer-term funding source to continue the grant program, now called the Utah Outdoor Recreation Grant.



2021 GRANT IMPACTS

539 JOBS SUPPORTED

23 COUNTIES RECEIVED PROJECT FUNDING

20 NEW MILES OF TRAIL

70% RURAL FUNDING

\$14 MILLION IN FUNDING REQUESTS

161 OUTDOOR RECREATION ACTIVITY TYPES FUNDED

2015 TO 2021 ALL-TIME FUNDING NUMBERS

\$23,864,759

66% RURAL COUNTY FUNDING PERCENTAGE

7:1 PRIVATE/PUBLIC LEVERAGE

859 JOBS SUPPORTED

32 OUTDOOR RECREATION ACTIVITY TYPES FUNDED

552 NEW MILES OF TRAIL

Beaver:	\$326,661.00	Rich:	\$65,000.00
Box Elder:	\$305,139.00	Salt Lake:	\$4,000,462.00
Cache:	\$986,733.62	San Juan:	\$235,741.84
Carbon:	\$637,870.00	Sanpete:	\$523,800.00
Dagget:	\$142,000.00	Sevier:	\$1,394,089.56
Davis:	\$1,432,972.00	Summit:	\$1,195,509.00
Duchesne:	\$279,910.00	Tooele:	\$421,000.00
Emery:	\$748,069.69	Uintah:	\$514,300.00
Garfield:	\$386,058.00	Utah:	\$2,039,178.25
Grand:	\$840,407.60	Wasatch:	\$1,332,881.63
Iron:	\$1,439,028.00	Washington:	\$1,346,344.26
Kane:	\$3,455,596.14	Weber:	\$1,200,040.38
Piute:	\$55,000.00		

2015 TO 2021 COUNTY FUNDING NUMBERS