Department of Cultural and Community Engagement

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## The Department of Cultural and Community Engagement builds community.

1

Create opportunities for community understanding and civic engagement.

2

Ignite curiosity, creativity, and passion for learning and service.

3

Preserve, protect, and activate Utah's historical and cultural treasures.





Since UServeUtah launched the Senior Companion program in 15 rural Utah counties, volunteers have donated





The Library for the Blind and Disabled distributed more than

572,000

books and electronic downloads this year.

1,700 Students participated in the Utah Division of Multicultural Affairs leadership programs.



The Utah Division of Arts & Museums awarded 436 grants in 27 of Utah's 29 counties.





The State Historic Preservation Office digitized



filing cabinets' worth of National **Register of Historic** Places documents.



The Pete Suazo Utah Athletic Commission regulated more than 400 bouts in 28 events across the state, supporting 670 athletes.



annually generates nearly

The state's cultural industry **\$15** billion

in direct spending, and supports nearly 70,000 jobs in Utah.



Question: How many school buses does it take to bring 11,028 Utah students to field trips at the STEM Action Center's STEM Fest?

Answer: 170 from 103 schools.



4th-to-7th graders participated in Utah Making History Day at the Utah State Capitol, planned by the Utah Historical Society's Women's History Initiative and its partners.





"The State's \$6 million investment was leveraged in total organizational budgets of more than \$341 million in direct spending."

— Victoria Bourns, director, Utah Division of Arts & Museums





"In a time when divisions can seem too common, service has brought people together — neighbors helping neighbors, communities supporting those in need, and strangers becoming friends." — Loggins Merrill, director, UServeUtah





*"In FY24, 39 Math* Mentors served 1,792 4-8 grade students. 86 percent of these students increased their efforts and 76 percent maintained or increased their confidence in math." — Tami Goetz, director, STEM Action

Center





"Libraries are more than books. They are community hubs that connect people to information and connect people to people. " – Cara Rothman, director,

Utah State Library Division



## Educate ★ Engage ★ Unite

Counties, cities, towns, institutions, organizations Community planning and programming guide Utah State Capitol exhibit

## Museum of Utah

Becoming Utah | Inspiring Utah | Connecting Utah | Building Utah

15,500 sq ft permanent exhibition space1,000 sq ft rotating exhibition space21,110 sq ft state-of-the-art collection storage

**Opening May 2026** 

