
Federal Funds Update

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**Report to the Executive Appropriations Committee
Of the Utah State Legislature**

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Overview

During the May Executive Appropriations Committee meeting, a briefing of federal funds applications made by executive branch agencies was presented. The Committee adopted the proposed format for future presentations. The attached document lists those applications received by the Governor's Office of Planning and Budget and forwarded to the Legislative Fiscal Analyst's Office.

The report lists 75 grant applications received since Spring 2002, totaling \$93.5 million in federal funds. The Executive Appropriations Committee has requested that the report highlight those grants where FTEs will be added and those grants where continuation funding will be requested at the termination of the grant.

- ▶ There are 16 grants which would add 56-60 new FTE positions.
- ▶ There are three grants that indicate that continuation funding would be requested following the termination of the grant. Those grants represent a total of \$2.39 million in federal funds over the next one to three years that the receiving agencies would request replacement state funding.

In compiling this report, the Analyst identified a few federal awards that were significantly higher than originally authorized by the Legislature in the last general session. Also, it appears that in at least one case, an award was received that was not specifically discussed in the last general session. Apparently, the Federal Government occasionally has additional money to distribute that was not part of any official request by the State.

Therefore, the Analyst recommends that the interim Federal Funds Report to the Executive Appropriations Committee be enhanced to include any federal fund awards that exceed 15 percent of the original authorization, have had a significant change in terms, or that were given by the Federal Government but did not require a State application.