

**COMMUNITY-BASED SELF-SUFFICIENCY****GRANTS**

2007 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Jennifer M. Seelig**

Senate Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

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**LONG TITLE****General Description:**

This bill amends provisions in the Department of Community and Culture.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ authorizes the Department of Community and Culture to establish a grant program for community-based public and nonprofit organizations that establish programs to help people obtain self sufficiency;
- ▶ establishes criteria for the grants;
- ▶ requires objective measurements of outcomes for grant recipients; and
- ▶ requires a report to the Workforce Services and Community and Economic Development Interim Committee.

**Monies Appropriated in this Bill:**

This bill appropriates:

- ▶ as an ongoing appropriation subject to future budget constraints, \$300,000 from the General Fund for fiscal year 2007-08 to the Department of Community and Culture.

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

ENACTS:



28           **9-1-208**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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30 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

31           Section 1. Section **9-1-208** is enacted to read:

32           **9-1-208. Department to award grants for community-based self-sufficiency**  
33 **programs.**

34           (1) (a) Within appropriations specified by the Legislature for this purpose, the  
35 department shall make grants to public and nonprofit entities that assist persons with achieving  
36 self sufficiency and obtaining the services necessary to achieve self sufficiency.

37           (b) Programs under Subsection (1)(a) may coordinate with other state agencies and  
38 programs as permitted by Section 9-1-202, which may include:

39           (i) medical assistance programs under:

40           (A) Title 26, Chapter 18, Part 1, Medical Assistance Programs; and

41           (B) Title 26, Chapter 40, Utah Children's Health Insurance Act;

42           (ii) Chapter 12, Home Energy Assistance Target (HEAT) Program;

43           (iii) the WIC program;

44           (iv) Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Block Grant; and

45           (v) other food and housing assistance programs.

46           (c) Applicants for grants under this section:

47           (i) must be submitted to the department in writing; and

48           (ii) must comply with Subsection (2).

49           (2) Applications for grants under this section shall include:

50           (a) a statement of specific, measurable objectives, and the methods to be used to assess  
51 the achievement of those objectives;

52           (b) a description of strategies that will be used to:

53           (i) educate the targeted population to utilize resources in the public and private sector  
54 to achieve permanent self sufficiency; and

55           (ii) educate the targeted population to make effective and efficient use of preventive  
56 health care services;

57           (c) a description of the personnel responsible for carrying out the activities of the grant  
58 along with a statement justifying the use of any grant funds for the personnel;

59 (d) letters and other forms of evidence showing that efforts have been made to secure  
60 financial and professional assistance and support for the services to be provided under the  
61 grant;

62 (e) a list of services to be provided by the applicant;

63 (f) the schedule of fees to be charged by the applicant; and

64 (g) other provisions as determined by the department.

65 (3) The department may accept grants, gifts, and donations of money or property for  
66 use by the grant program.

67 (4) (a) The department shall establish rules in accordance with Title 63, Chapter 46a,  
68 Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, governing:

69 (i) the application form;

70 (ii) the process for applying for grants; and

71 (iii) the criteria it will use in awarding grants under this section.

72 (b) For purposes of Subsection (4)(a)(iii), the department shall, in addition to other  
73 requirements developed by the department, require a grant recipient to:

74 (i) describe the target population that will be served by the grant program;

75 (ii) describe the particular type of self sufficiency and measures of self sufficiency the  
76 grant recipient will target, including:

77 (A) economic self sufficiency;

78 (B) self sufficiency in daily care and life skills; or

79 (C) some other measure of self sufficiency.

80 (c) The department shall report to the Workforce Services and Community and  
81 Economic Development Interim Committee and to the Legislative Executive Appropriations  
82 Committee by November 1, 2009, and every year thereafter on the implementation of the grant  
83 program.

84 **Section 2. Appropriation.**

85 As an ongoing appropriation subject to future budget constraints, there is appropriated  
86 from the General Fund for fiscal year 2007-08, \$300,000 to the Department of Community and  
87 Culture to fund the community-based grant program established in Section 9-1-208.

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**Legislative Review Note**

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