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Nearly \$1.2 Million Dedicated to Implementing the Wasatch Choice 2050 Vision

*Local governments receive support to pursue community goals
that accomplish larger regional growth principles*

SALT LAKE CITY – The Wasatch Front Regional Council (WFRC) and its partners recently announced the award of nearly \$1.2 million in funds to 17 communities in the Wasatch Front area, enabling them to make decisions and plans that move the region toward greater mobility, smarter development patterns and stronger economic development.

The funding, provided through the Transportation and Land Use Connection (TLC) program in partnership with Salt Lake County, UDOT and UTA, will be used to advance community plans for transportation infrastructure of all modes, economic development planning, transportation analysis, and general land use and community planning.

“This process is a great example of how we get things done in our region,” said Ogden City Mayor and WFRC Chair Mike Caldwell. “We come together to think regionally about how we want to live and what opportunities we want in the future through the Wasatch Choice 2050 process. These TLC funds then provide needed resources today for individual communities to plan for that future toward which we all are striving.”

In January, WFRC unveiled the draft Wasatch Choice 2050 Vision, a blueprint for growth that supports a well-functioning, inclusive economy, improves air quality, and enhances the overall quality of life for Utahns living across the Wasatch Front.

“The TLC program helps with critical funding to build community centers, maintain open spaces, and create diverse transportation networks that fit the needs of our growing metro area,” said Salt Lake County Mayor Ben McAdams. “Planning ahead and working collaboratively is the best way to ensure what we want for the future.”

The TLC program mission is to support local governments in implementing the Wasatch Choice Vision. Program goals are as follows:

- Maximize the value of investment in public infrastructure,
- Enhance access to opportunity,
- Increase travel options and optimize mobility,
- Create communities with opportunities to live, work and play.

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For more information about the TLC program, visit <http://wfrc.org/programs/transportation-land-use-connection>. A full description of the projects receiving funding is also attached.

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