

# TRANSPORTATION 2020 Annual Report Card

#### **Mission**

The Transportation and Land Use Connection supports local governments in their planning efforts, implementing the Wasatch Choice Regional Vision.

## Goals

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





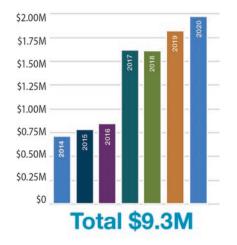






#### **INVESTMENT**

Cities, counties, and transportation agencies are partnering together to fund implementation-focused planning efforts through the TLC program. The cumulative amount of investment in fiscal years 2014 through 2019 is shown below.



## WASATCH CHOICE REGIONAL VISION

The Transportation and Land Use (TLC) Program provides technical assistance to local communities to help them acheive their goals and plan for growth. This approach is consistent with the Wasatch Choice Regional Vision, a locally driven approach in which cities, counties, community organizations, transportation partners, businesses, and the public work together to create local solutions with regional significance that improve quality of life.



# Project Development and Selection

The Transportation and Land Use Connection (TLC) Program selects projects based on a set of evaluation criteria that are based on the goals of the program. Selected projects align with local community desires, addressing both transportation and land use needs. The TLC Program aims to guide projects through to implementation and encourages locally driven, multi-jurisdictional projects that have a significant and positive regional impact.

# **Project Outcomes**

The TLC program brings together key stakeholders to make decisions that are efficient and implementable through integrated land use and transportation planning. The cumulative number and type of project deliverables awarded from 2014 through 2019 are as follows.

Q	Small Area and Transit Station Area Plans	35
	Ordinances	13
	Transportation/Active Transportation Master Plans	18
	Studies	11
	General Plan Updates	21
2	Regional Vision	6

The TLC Program supports projects that will make an impact throughout the region, and implement the Wasatch Choice Regional Vision.

• Of the 35 TLC supported small area and transit station area plans, 94 percent are located in a Wasatch Choice 2050 center.

Well designed active transportation networks support a high quality of life by allowing safe and comfortable biking and walking to neighborhood and regional attractions.

- As of 2020, 46 of the 62 communities in the Wasatch Front Regional Council (WFRC) area have completed or been funded for an active transportation plan.
- In the past four years, communities throughout Utah and the Wasatch Front have emphasized providing residents safe and attractive active transportation options. In 2016, only two WFRC cities had completed active transportation plans. Through the hard work and commitment of communities in the WFRC area, by 2020 there were 30 cities with completed or in progress active transportation plans, and 16 with newly funded active transportation plans. Of the 46 communities in the WFRC area with completed or been funded active transportation plans, 30 were directly funded by the TLC Program.



# Community Highlight: West Jordan City



West Jordan City Center Rendering.

West Jordan City has been awarded several Transportation and Land Use Connection projects since the inception of the TLC Program.

The TLC Program has helped fund a transit station area plan in close collaboration with the Utah Transit Authority (UTA), a connector study for the New Bingham Highway, a transit station area plan at the West Jordan City Center, an active transportation plan along with South Jordan, and they have just been awarded a multijurisdictional project, the Southwest

Brigham City utilized the TLC Program in order to advance their

high quality of life while preparing for growth. Through the development of

the updated General Plan, the City's priorities became clear: work toward

keeping the small-town feel, create a

balanced community with a diversity

and be equipped with the necessary

tools to prepare for their future. One

of the major strategies that advances

these priorities is to revitalize the

of land uses, improve appearance,

Salt Lake County Vision, along with Riverton, Herriman, South Jordan, Bluffdale, Copperton, and Salt Lake County.

The New Bingham Highway Connector Study addressed a desire for improved active transportation infrastructure along New Bingham Highway and Grizzly Way in West Jordan. In recent years, Copper Hills High School has faced a growing parking shortage, and active transportation modes were identified as a way to improve the parking condition. Providing access and bicycle facilities will also help create a more complete network for active transportation in West Jordan.

# Community Highlight: Brigham City



Brigham City Main Street.

Historic Downtown. The strategy to revive the historic downtown identified in the General Plan listed several approaches: Support a branding theme (zoning), collaborate with and support organizations representing downtown merchants, add incentives for building improvements to ordinance updates, and promote better financing and improvement options.

Elected officials, staff, and community members have worked and collaborated on updates to their Land Use Code. The Land Use Code will support the General Plan by focusing on select small areas, one in particular being the Main Street Historic Downtown area. This effort will ensure that Brigham City's historic downtown will maintain its character while planning for the future.

## WEST JORDAN CITY



**Awarded Independently:** \$185.000 **Multi-Jurisdictional Awards:** \$215,000

The City of West Jordan is consistently searching for ways to improve and support our growing community. By joining efforts with our neighboring cities, we have been able to view a plan and construct a strategy that will support our infrastructure, transportation and land use for many years to come. With the Transportation and Land Use Connection program, we have secured funding that will, in turn, improve our decisions and continue to make West Jordan a great place to live, work, and play."

- Dirk Burton, Mayor, West Jordan City

## BRIGHAM CITY



## **Total Awarded:** \$80,000



Brigham City has benefited tremendously from the support of the

Transportation and Land Use Connection Program. We were able to update our general plan (2015) and are now updating our land use codes using funds provided by TLC. With limited staff and resources, this assistance was critical to our ability to accomplish these important tasks."

- Tyler M. Vincent, Mayor, Brigham City



#### **COMMUNITIES REACHED**

The TLC program has significant reach across the region, evidenced by the geographic diversity of applications.



#### **PROJECTS AWARDED**

The TLC Program has been able to leverage local funds in a way that creates value for communities as shown by the number of projects awarded over the past six years.



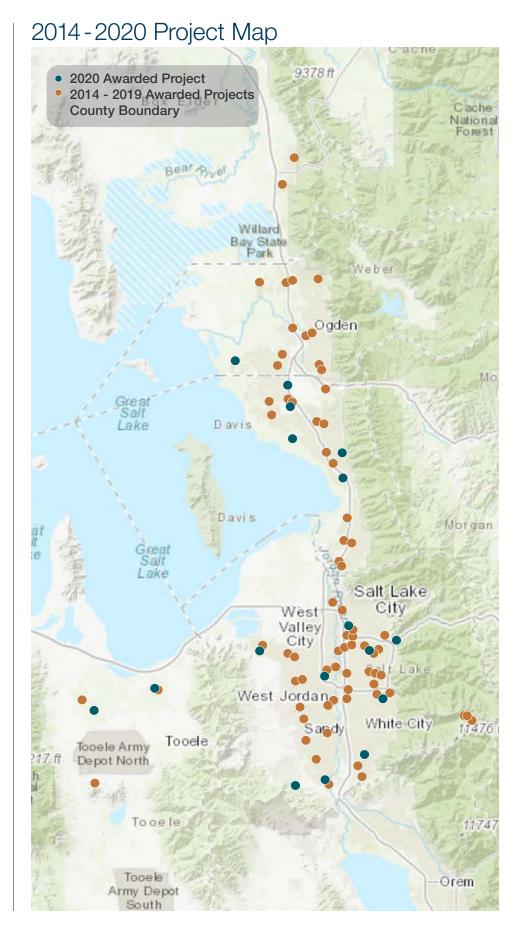
#### PARTNERS

Thank you to our partners Salt Lake County, Utah Department of Transportation, and Utah Transit Authority for their continued support which allows us to better serve local communities in the region.

#### **LEARN MORE**

Does your community have a project concept they would like to explore? To learn more, please contact **Megan Townsend**.

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