



WASATCH FRONT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

WHAT IS THE WFEDD?

The Wasatch Front Economic Development District (WFEDD) was created in 2014 under the umbrella of the **Wasatch Front Regional Council (WFRC)**. The District includes Davis, Morgan, Salt Lake, Tooele, and Weber Counties, and is federally recognized by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration (EDA).

The mission is to support economic development plans, promote long-term economic competitiveness, and attract federal monies to implement local plans.

The focus is regional economic development activities and the implementation of a regional comprehensive economic development strategy (CEDS). This is accomplished through the coordination of existing economic plans and cooperation with public and private sector organizations such as the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity and the Economic Development Corporation of Utah.

The main economic interests and geographic diversity of the Wasatch Front region are represented by local elected officials, community leaders, and representatives from institutions of higher education, small business, and Chambers of Commerce.

The Wasatch Choice Vision is the blueprint for coordinating economic opportunity, infrastructure investments, development patterns, and job opportunities in order to create great places where quality of life is high, and the economy can thrive.

WHAT IS THE CEDS?

The **Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)** is a required economic plan that guides development for a stronger, more diverse economy for Davis, Morgan, Salt Lake, Tooele and Weber Counties is the primary responsibility of the District.

The CEDS is strategy-driven, collaboratively developed, and locally implemented. The strategies serve local decision-makers with setting priorities for investment in key economic development efforts.

"The Wasatch Front Economic Development District plays a pivotal role along the Wasatch Front by bringing a regional view, and linking development with transportation and other needed infrastructure. It provides key information to local, state and national decision makers."

**- Weber County Commissioner
Gage Froerer, Chair**

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

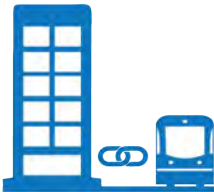
The District enables our region to apply for federal funding from the U.S. Economic Development Administration. Funding can promote innovation and entrepreneurship, provide planning and technical assistance and construct or rehabilitate infrastructure and facilities. These activities are designed to leverage existing assets, stimulate and guide economic development efforts and advance new ideas and approaches that promote economic prosperity in communities.

REGIONAL STRATEGIES

The Wasatch Front Economic Development District and the Wasatch Front Regional Council have aligned the **Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy 2018-2023 (CEDS)** with the **Wasatch Choice Vision** (WC2050), the **Regional Transportation Plan** (RTP) and local land-use planning. This analysis allows for the identification of strategies that further comprehensive planning, economies of scale, capital investments and regional competitiveness while coordinating land development, infrastructure, and open space.

STRATEGY1

LINK DEVELOPMENT WITH
TRANSPORTATION & OTHER
INFRASTRUCTURE



STRATEGY2

CREATE FISCALLY
SUSTAINABLE PLACES



STRATEGY3

PROVIDE AMENITIES
MAINTAINING QUALITY OF
LIFE ELEMENTS



STRATEGY4

ATTRACT AND RETAIN
BUSINESSES & ENCOURAGE
INNOVATION



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