



# FIVE COUNTY NEWS FROM 'R' VIEW

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## ***Director's Dialogue***

Five County Association of Governments continues to benefit from dedicated employees who make all of the services provided to residents and visitors across southwestern Utah possible.

In a recent holiday staff gathering, a number of staff were recognized for their dedication and long-term service. **Andrea Escobar** and **Doni Pack** were honored for five years of service.

**Justin Fischer** has served as the Garfield County Circuit Rider Planner for five years, and has been hired as a full time Garfield County employee. He will be serving as the Garfield County Planner. We wish him well in his new assignment.

**Carol Thomas** began working with the HEAT program before it was administered by the Association of Governments. We honored her for her service in Beaver County and being the longest-tenured HEAT worker (15 years).

**Carrie Schonlaw** was also commended for 15 years of service in the Aging programs, beginning as a case manager, and moving up to the Area Agency on Aging Director role.



Finally, **Diane Lamoreaux** was honored for more than 30 years of service to the organization. Her experience with the Association is a great example of working up the ranks. She began her service as a secretary for the MX

Policy Committee during the efforts to site the MX missile system in the west desert. At the conclusion of the MX project, she transferred to the front desk at the Association, and eventually became the Executive Secretary for the Steering Committee. Her organizational abilities and willingness to learn allowed

Diane to move into Community Development Block Grant administration, where she was promoted to Community Development Program Specialist. Diane was tested and became a Community Development Block Grant Certified Manager in 2007. She continues to serve as the Executive Secretary to the Steering Committee, and is regularly commended for her precise and detailed minutes.

## ***Senior Day at the Legislature***

The Five County Association of Governments, as the designated Area Agency on Aging for Southwest Utah, is a member of Utah Association of Area Agencies on Aging (U4A). Each year U4A sponsors a Senior Day at the Utah State Legislature where seniors from across the state come together at the Capitol to discuss key legislative issues which impact them. They are provided the opportunity to meet as a group and individually with their local Senators and Representatives.

This year's Senior Day at the Legislature will be held on Wednesday, February 13th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the State Office Building Auditorium. Registration will start at 9:00a.m. with opening ceremony at 9:30 a.m. and keynote speaker at 10:00 a.m., followed by a tour of the Capitol at 10:30 a.m. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. where legislators will be invited to enjoy a complimentary meal and meet with seniors from their local area(s). This is a great opportunity for seniors to have their voices heard, and we encourage seniors from our local communities to attend and advocate for needed resources and services.

In addition to sponsoring the Senior Day at the Legislature, U4A establishes funding priorities which are presented each year to: the Division of Aging and Adult Services, the Director of Department of Human Services, the Governor's Office and the Utah State Legislature. These priorities are also presented to the Utah Association of Counties (UAC) at their annual conference in November for their support. This year's priorities focus on two key areas: Nutrition and Caregiver Support. In particular, we are requesting that \$250,000 in one-time funding for Senior Nutrition Programs (Meals-on-Wheels & Senior Centers), which was allocated in the FY 2012 legislative session, be added to the Base Budget of the Division of Aging and Adult Services for FY

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2013. Good nutrition is a basic building block for independent living. Helping seniors remain healthy and independent by providing good nutrition, both home delivered and senior center meals, remains the highest priority for Area Agencies on Aging and local Counties. Secondly, the 12 local Area Agencies on Aging are requesting \$310,000 be added to the Base Budget of the Division of Aging and Adult Services to provide respite care, information, and support activities to caregivers statewide. On average, 44 million individuals provide care at a value of \$306 billion annually. These unpaid caregivers are meeting an estimated 90% of the long-term care needs. By providing minimal support they can continue in their caregiving role, meeting the long-term care needs of their loved ones at home, resulting in reduced taxpayer expenses today and in the future.

We ask for your support in helping U4A advocate on behalf of seniors by attending this year's Senior Day at the Legislature and/or by contacting your local representatives in the Utah State Senate and House of Representatives. We would also like to thank and express sincere gratitude to our local Counties (Beaver, Garfield, Iron, Kane & Washington) who administer and operate the 13 senior centers in our local communities and who provide a significant amount of financial support, not only for the nutrition program but a variety of other services available at the centers.

If you plan to attend Senior Day at the Legislature please RSVP to Carrie A. Schonlaw, AAA Director at The Five County Association of Governments, 435-673-3548 or [cschonlaw@fivecounty.utah.gov](mailto:cschonlaw@fivecounty.utah.gov).

### Staff Spotlights



Jana Kilgore, HEAT Intake Worker

Jana is a new member of the HEAT program staff located in the Five County AOG Cedar City office. She is originally from California, but moved to Cedar City two years ago after working for Verizon Telecommunications for 31 years. She served as a supervisor over Circuit Designers and Administrative Clerks and retired from Verizon.

Jana and her husband moved to Cedar City to get away from all the hustle and bustle of Southern California and to join

friends of theirs who introduced Jana to her husband 34 years ago. They have two sons, ages 23 and 27, and a nine month old granddaughter who just learned to walk.

Jana has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice, although she has never worked in that area. Her hobbies are gardening (still battling with what plants she can and can't grow here) and sewing. The Kilgore family is really enjoying the area and are glad they made the move to Cedar City.

### A Visit to the Utah State Capitol



**Democracy Day 2013 ~ Wednesday, January 30, 2013 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. ~ Utah State Capitol**

**Community Action Partnership of Utah** annually sponsors Democracy Day. It is a wonderful experience to come

and find out how to influence politics and impact change in your community. **Five County Association of Governments, Community Action Partnership** provided a grant for several young people involved with New Frontiers for Families' Healthy Happy U - Youth Program from Panguitch to attend Democracy Day 2012.

The young people were given a tour of the capitol and were able to hear a bill being voted on while sitting in the balcony of the Senate. The schedule also included a keynote speaker from the Hinckley Institute of Politics, a lesson on advocacy, and the young people attended a debate. The youth learned



about the legislative process, how to register to vote, and issues coming up in the current session that may affect us. The highlight of the day was having photos taken with Representative Noel from Kanab.

Representative Noel joined the group for lunch and then escorted the youth to the floor of the House of Representatives. The young people felt Representative Noel's personal time was very special and invaluable.

New Frontiers for Families' Healthy Happy U – Youth Program is an after school program for middle school age children. The program includes life skills training, parent education, and parent/family night. At the parent night, youth receive performance awards and recognition for reaching outlined goals. Youth and families are assigned a Family Resource Facilitator who works with the entire family utilizing the supportive case management services.

## 2013 Steering Committee Meeting Schedule

Date / Time	Location / Address
<b>February 13, 2013</b> 1:00 p.m.	Kane County Emergency Services Training Facility/ Search & Rescue Bldg., 30 W. Airport Dr., Kanab, UT
<b>March 13, 2013</b> 1:00 p.m.	Beaver Co. Administration Bldg. Commission Chambers 105 East Center, Beaver, UT
<b>April 17, 2013</b> 1:00 p.m.	Parowan Public Library Council Chambers 16 South Main, Parowan, UT
<b>May 8, 2013</b> 1:00 p.m.	Garfield County Courthouse Conference Room (Upstairs) 55 South Main, Panguitch, UT
<b>June 12, 2013</b> 1:00 p.m.	Kane County Emergency Services Training Facility/Search & Rescue Bldg., 30 W. Airport Dr., Kanab, UT
<b>August 14, 2013</b> 1:00 p.m.	Garfield County Courthouse Conference Room (Upstairs) 55 South Main, Panguitch, UT
<b>September 18, 2013</b> 1:00 p.m.	Beaver Co. Administration Bldg. Commission Chambers 105 East Center, Beaver, UT
<b>October 9, 2013</b> 1:00 p.m.	Heritage Center 105 North 100 East, Rooms 3 & 4 Cedar City, UT
<b>November 20, 2013</b> 1:00 p.m.	Five County AOG - Conference Room, 1070 West 1600 South, Building B, St. George, UT

## Community Impact Board Information



### CIB Project List Prioritization Meetings:

Community and Economic Development staff at the Five County Association of Governments solicits Capital Improvement Lists (CILs) from counties, cities, towns, and special service districts for the Utah Permanent Community Impact Fund Board (CIB). The individual lists are then

consolidated by staff into one list for each county which are used for funding decisions by the Impact Fund Board.

The CIB's policy is that in order to apply, your entity's project must be on the consolidated 1-Year List developed for your county. If you have not provided us with a new 1-Year List or Year-2 to 5 List, the CIB list Prioritization Meeting in your county is the final opportunity to add project(s) and make changes prior to the list being prioritized by consensus of the meeting attendees and closed. The prioritized 1-Year List (along with the Year 2 to 5 List) for each county, will then be submitted to the CIB as the official list for applications submitted in the June 2013, October 2013 and February 2014 CIB application cycles. A local representative (clerk, manager, and/or elected official) from entities planning to

apply to the CIB in these cycles needs to be in attendance to help prioritize the project list. A meeting in each county is scheduled as follows:

CIB List Prioritization Meetings	
Date/Time	Location
<b>Monday March 4, 2013</b> 9:00 a.m.	Beaver Co. Administration Bldg. Commission Chambers, 105 E. Center Street, Beaver, UT
<b>Monday March 4, 2013</b> 2:30 p.m.	Garfield County Courthouse Upstairs Conference Room 55 South Main; Panguitch, UT
<b>Tuesday March 5, 2013</b> 10:00 a.m.	Kane County Courthouse Commission Chambers 76 North Main Street, Kanab, UT
<b>Thursday March 7, 2013</b> 9:00 a.m.	Cedar City/Brian Head Tourism & Convention Bureau - East Conference Room, 581 North Main Street, Suite A, Cedar, UT
<b>Tuesday March 12, 2013</b> 10:00 a.m.	Five County AOG Office - Conference Room 1070 W. 1600 S., Building B (Tonaquint Center Hi-Tech Business Park), St. George, UT

Participation will also be made available via phone conference call if you cannot attend in-person and in case of inclement weather. Information on that option as well as formal notice of these meetings is posted on the front page of the Five County AOG Web Site: <http://www.fivecounty.utah.gov>

We look forward to meeting with you at the meeting in your county. (Gary Zabriskie)

**CIB Tutorial Workshop:** "CIB 101", an application tutorial workshop conducted by staff of the Utah Permanent Community Impact Fund Board (the "CIB") is scheduled for Wednesday, March 20, 2013 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Cedar City-Brian Head Tourism Bureau, 581 North Main, Cedar City. This tutorial discusses 'who can apply?', 'when can you apply?', 'how to apply?' and 'what comes next?' after you are funded, such as reimbursement procedures. New CIB policies and procedures will also be addressed.

Towns, cities, counties, and special service districts with firm plans to apply in the June 2013, October 2013 or February 2014 CIB application cycles are strongly encouraged to have a representative in attendance. Other jurisdictions with future application plans are also encouraged to have someone attend. Engineering and architectural firms should send staff who are directly involved in CIB application preparation. Please RSVP your attendance to Gary Zabriskie, CIB Regional Planning Program Planner, via e-mail: [gzabriskie@fivecounty.utah.gov](mailto:gzabriskie@fivecounty.utah.gov) or by phone (435) 673-3548, ext. 126.

## 2013 Dixie Transportation Expo



The 2013 Dixie Transportation Expo will seek public review and comment of several transportation projects slated in Washington County's near future. The annual expo is scheduled for February 5, 2013 and is designed to help a

number of federal, state and local governments coordinate transportation projects with the public.

Of particular interest this year are projects like Green Springs Drive, Washington Parkway, Bluff and Sunset Jug Handle, St. George Boulevard at I-15, State Route 18 bike lanes, SunTran, Traffic Fatalities, 3000 East, Southern Parkway from the airport to SR-9, and the 30-year Regional Transportation Plan. (See the insert in this newsletter for a full list).

The Expo is slated for Tuesday, February 5, 2013 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Dixie Center in St. George. This is an excellent opportunity for government officials and their constituents to communicate all things related to transportation.

Please submit articles to Diane Lamoreaux via e-mail [dlamoreaux@fivecounty.utah.gov](mailto:dlamoreaux@fivecounty.utah.gov) or in writing to: P.O. Box 1550; St. George, Utah 84771-1550.

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# 2013 DIXIE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION EXPO



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Do you know what regional transportation projects are being planned over the next 30 years? Do you know what government agencies are doing to educate the public about driving safely or what efforts are being made to expand services at the new airport, city parks and trails? If not, or if you want to know more, please join us for the:

**9<sup>th</sup> Annual Dixie Transportation Expo**  
**February 5, 2013**  
**Dixie Center Ballroom**  
**10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

A 30-minute stroll through the Expo will put you “in-the-know” on all of the developing traffic and transportation issues of the Dixie Region such as:

The Southern Parkway (airport to SR9)  
Green Springs Traffic Study  
Bluff and Sunset Jug Handle  
Bluff and Blvd. Through U-Turn Lanes  
City Park and Trail Planning and much more

Participants can register to win a Kindle Fire, free golf, recreation center, or swimming pool passes.

***Admission is Free***



