

# LEGISLATIVE NEWSLETTER

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## September Interim

Lawmakers will meet together September 14-15th for appropriations and interim meetings at the State Capitol. These meetings are open to the public and are a great way to learn about policy that impacts you! Visit [le.utah.gov](https://le.utah.gov) for more details or to participate virtually.

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# REDISTRICTING

The Legislative Redistricting Committee met on August 16 to review the newly-released 2020 U.S. Census Data and report, which shows how population shifts over the last decade will force changes to current district boundaries.

As the fastest-growing state in the nation, Utah grew by 18.4 percent since 2010. However, not all areas of the state grew evenly, therefore the need to redistrict. To meet constitutional requirements and ensure fair representation, officeholders must be elected from districts that have an approximately equal population.

The Legislative Redistricting Committee will travel the state in September and October to gather input, listen to feedback, and review public maps. You can stay up-to-date by following the Legislative Redistricting Committee on social media: [Twitter](#) & [Facebook](#), and visiting [redistrict.utah.gov](https://redistrict.utah.gov).

Read more about the Legislature's commitment to ensure that redistricting is fair and transparent [here](#) or by watching this [short video](#) from the Speaker.

Also, be sure to submit your own maps for consideration using the [state-of-the-art map drawing tool](#).

## PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, August 16 at 11:00 a.m. at the State Capitol  
Thursday, September 2 at 10:00 a.m. at the State Capitol  
Wednesday, September 8 at 6:00 p.m. in Grantsville  
Thursday, September 9 at 2:00 p.m. in Ogden  
Thursday, September 9 at 7:00 p.m. in Logan  
Monday, September 13 at 6:00 p.m. in Orem  
Tuesday, September 14 at 7:00 p.m. in Rose Park  
Friday, September 24 at 1:00 p.m. in Cedar City  
Saturday, September 25 at 10:00 a.m. in St. George  
Wednesday, October 6 at 10:00 a.m. in Richfield  
Wednesday, October 6 at 6:00 p.m. in Moab  
Thursday, October 7 at 1:00 p.m. in Price  
Friday, October 8 at 10:00 a.m. in Vernal  
Friday, October 8 at 6:00 p.m. in Park City  
Wednesday, October 13 at 6:00 p.m. in Clearfield  
Tuesday, October 19 at 6:00 p.m. at the State Capitol  
Monday, November 1 at 6:00 p.m. at the State Capitol  
Tuesday, November 9 at 9:00 a.m. at the State Capitol  
Wednesday, November 10 at 9:00 a.m. at the State Capitol



UTAH REDISTRICTING  
Legislative Committee



# LOCAL GOVERNMENT GRANT PROGRAM

The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), signed by President Biden in February, appropriated \$1.4 billion to the state of Utah and \$1.1 billion to local governments in Utah through the state and local fiscal recovery fund. To help maintain our state's long history of effectively managing government finances as we spend these dollars, the legislature passed HB 1004 during the special session, appropriating \$50 million of these funds to the Governor's Office of Planning and Budget (GOPB) to administer a local matching grant program.

This program will help local governments spend their ARPA funds prudently and encourage proactive, collaborative, and regional planning to ensure that taxpayer dollars are spent on projects that make the most difference for our communities. Local governments can apply for the funds at [gopb.utah.gov/localmatch](https://gopb.utah.gov/localmatch).

## UTAH STUDENTS ENGAGE IN THE LEGISLATIVE PROCESS

Fifth graders from Saratoga Springs joined Rep. Jefferson Moss at the Capitol to learn about the legislative process. The Utah House Majority Caucus began the program in June to help young students engage in civics and learn about state government. Contact your elected representative to get involved!



# HONORING STAFF SERGEANT TAYLOR HOOVER

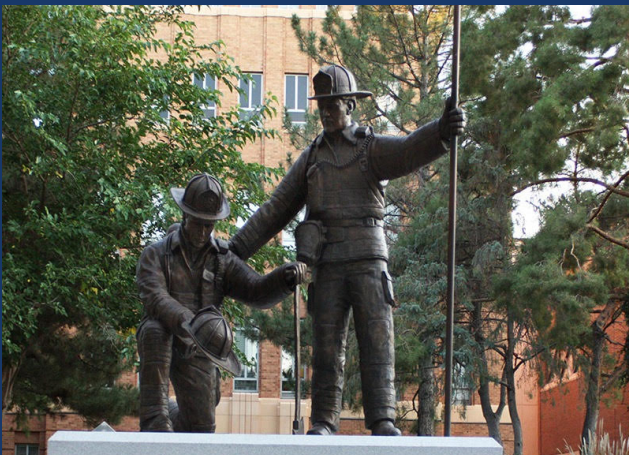
Hundreds of Utahns gathered at the Utah State Capitol to pay tribute to Staff Sgt. Taylor Hoover. State leaders, family and friends of the fallen Marine, fellow servicemen, and several others attended the vigil and participated in a moment of silence.

We grieve the loss of Utah Marine Staff Sergeant, Taylor Hoover, along with the 12 other servicemen and women, who paid the ultimate price in Afghanistan last week. We honor their selflessness and courage and send our love and prayers to their loved ones.



## TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF 9/11

The Major Brent Taylor Foundation presents an interactive commemorative museum experience highlighting the events of September 11, 2001. The event will run from September 9-11 and will be held at the Weber County Fairgrounds. The goal of the event is to serve as an educational gathering location that respectfully honors the events of 9/11 and subsequent sacrifices for and contributions to fighting terrorism. Click [here](#) to learn more.





# UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Iron County Fair Sept 2-6
- Utah State Fair Sept 9-19
- Brigham City Peach Days Sept 10-11
- Dreamscapes- Immersive Art Exhibit (Salt Lake) Now until December Thursday-Sunday
- Cedar Saturday Market (Cedar City) Every Saturday
- Tuacahn Saturday Market Every Saturday
- Tuacahn Amphitheater (St. George) Outdoor theatre shows now until October 21
- Downtown Farmers Market (Salt Lake City) Saturday's June- October
- Provo Farmers Market Saturday's now-October
- Park City Farmers Market Wednesday's now-October
- Utah Shakespeare Festival (Cedar City) now-October



## PODCAST



Head over to our [Spotify](#) or [Apple](#) Podcasts to listen to the Utah House Majority's recent podcast, covering topics from legislative audits to redistricting!