



**UCAIR Opens 2020 Grants Call for Proposals**  
*Annual funding supports action to improve Utah's air*

**SALT LAKE CITY** – June 16, 2020 – To continue progress toward improving our air quality, the Utah Clean Air Partnership (UCAIR) opens its annual grants program. The application, guidelines and criteria for the UCAIR Grants can be found at <https://www.ucair.org/grants/>. Submissions will be accepted through July 31, 2020.

Grant funding is awarded to support projects and programs that reduce pollutants that degrade Utah's air quality including:

1. Reducing emissions from area sources, including residential homes and commercial sources such as, dry cleaners, print shops, gas stations, auto body paint shops, etc.
2. Utilizing emerging technologies that result in measurable emissions reductions
3. Reducing emissions in communities that are socioeconomically challenged

Private sector companies, government entities and educational institutions are eligible to apply. Awarded grants average \$20K-\$30K and funding will be prioritized by the amount of actual emissions reduction anticipated at home, in the community and at work from the projects.

Now in its eighth year, the UCAIR grants program has awarded 59 grants totaling more than \$2 million dollars. The grants program has supported projects including:

- Reducing 1,200 pounds of emissions from 25 vehicle repairs through the Davis County Repair Assistance Program
- Exchanging more than 1,200 gas-powered mowers through the Weber State Mower/Trimmer Exchange, saving roughly six million miles in equivalent emissions
- Installing Idle Free Heat technology installed in 40 school buses within Granite District

“Utahns have so many ideas, studies and technology innovations that can help in the quest for better air, but many struggle to make them a reality because they lack the resources,” said UCAIR executive director Thom Carter. “These grants make it possible to turn concepts into practical solutions.”

Grant funding comes from private donations, grant recipients are encouraged to match a percentage of the grant amount.

**About UCAIR**

UCAIR is a statewide clean air partnership created to make it easier for individuals, businesses and communities to make small changes to improve Utah's air. Every small change adds to a collective bigger step toward better health, a better economy and better overall quality of life for all of us. For more information, visit [www.UCAIR.org](http://www.UCAIR.org).