COMMUNITY IMPACT REPORT
RURAL CO-WORKING & INNOVATION CENTER

Callie Ward and Mike Sarles received $142,109 from the Utah Governor's Office of Economic Development (GOED) to create 2 rural co-working and innovation centers in Panguitch and Escalante that are designed to act as an incubator for small businesses or startups and provide co-working space individuals in rural Utah to participate in the remote workforce.

FARMERS FEEDING UTAH

In partnership with Farmers FEEDING Utah, USU Extension Garfield County held a Virtual Family Dinner Project that fed 7 families in need for 6 weeks!

This program bridged the gap between the consumer and the producer, informing the consumer of who produces their food and where it comes from.

CREATE BETTER HEALTH

"Create Better Health" is Utah's Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program-Education, which provides nutrition education to SNAP recipients. We offer classes to expand participants' knowledge of nutrition, budgeting, cooking, food safety, and physical activity.

WE EMPLOY 1 AMBASSADOR IN OUR OFFICE FOR 25 HOURS A WEEK.
The need for a high-quality after school program was observed across the county. Funding was sought to create an after-school program at the three major elementary schools: Panguitch (PES), Bryce Valley (BVES), and Escalante (EES). This program employs 14 part-time employees with an average Pay of $13.10/hour across the three sites. Each site has had exceptional responses in participation and parent support. EES 4-H After School program is currently serving 38 actively enrolled 4-H members, which is the equivalent of 48.7% of the whole student body!

4-H inspires the next generation of leaders, inventors, entrepreneurs, and problem solvers. 4-H is the nation’s largest positive youth development program and in Garfield County we offer a wide variety of programs, projects, contests and events from livestock to sewing and leadership to robotics.

IN OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER 2020

1108 TIMES A STUDENT

had a safe & secure place to go
had a sense of belonging
received homework help
ate a nutritional meal
participated in an enrichment activity

Garfield County has been awarded $302,996 to develop and run the 4-H After School Program
The Garfield County Junior Livestock Show youth involved learn life skills as they raise high quality protein for local consumers. These life skills include: animal husbandry, fitting and showmanship, decision making, budgeting, responsibility, planning, dedication and hard work. In 2020, over $130,000 was raised for the youth participating in the show and sale, which is double what was raised in 2017!