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Task Force to Tackle Housing Crisis in Cache County

LOGAN, UTAH - Working alongside community and industry leaders, Cache County Executive David Zook has formed a Housing Crisis Task Force to tackle serious obstacles to housing in Cache County. The task force is composed of stakeholders representing a broad range of perspectives on the housing market. The group had its kickoff meeting on April 20 and was tasked with developing a report outlining recommendations to improve the situation, as well as aspects of the housing crisis that local governments and industry professionals can directly influence.

“Housing availability and affordability impact many aspects of our economy and community. One of our goals is to ensure that our kids and grandkids are able to stay here to support that economy and community.” said Mr. Zook. “I’m confident that the Housing Task Force will make recommendations that will help us address the complex issues affecting housing in our county. We’ve assembled some of Cache County’s best and brightest.”

Cache County added approximately 20,500 people during the 2020 Census and Utah was the fastest-growing state in the nation, increasing by 18.4% between 2010 and 2020. Of the new residents in Cache County, 17,500 or 86% were internal - children of current residents. Cache County has one of the lowest unemployment rates in the country, exacerbating demand for housing. Community leaders recognize that planning efforts between economics and population growth must align better. The Milken Institute recently ranked the Logan, Utah-Idaho area as the #1 best-performing small city in the country, and they also ranked the area No. 178 for housing affordability.

“Cache Valley is a beautiful place to live, work, learn, and play,” said Cache County Council Chairwoman Barbara Tidwell. “We need to plan for growth to support the needs of our community.”

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