

# VOTE YES ON

## SB165 Economic Mobility Initiative

Senator Lincoln Fillmore

### SB165 creates the Raising Expectations through Accountability, Community, and Hope Initiative, or REACH

#### Purpose

Create a grant program to support “community-based partnerships” across Utah that align locally driven community efforts into a unified economic mobility plan that will significantly **improve youth and family outcomes** (like third grade reading, high school graduation, self-sufficiency)

#### Grant Types

1

**Partnership Development & Planning**  
up to \$300K grants to solidify a cross-sector partnership and to develop an economic mobility plan

2

**Implementation & Scaling**  
up to \$2.5M grants to implement an economic mobility plan focused on driving and scaling impact

#### Administration/ Accountability

Grants are administered through a **nonprofit technical assistance provider** chosen through a competitive process by the Governor’s Office of Economic Opportunity. They must be a Utah-based technical assistance provider with capacity and expertise in community based, cross-sector partnerships. This is similar to how Florida administers their program

#### Measurement and Reporting

Through transparent, publicly available dashboards, data is segmented by region, community, neighborhood, school, strategy, and outcome. Investor updates and **an annual accountability report provide streamlined results to both public and private sector funders**

#### Appropriation

\$5M in the first year to leverage \$100M in direct local and national philanthropic funding

#### Potential Statewide Impact



24

neighborhoods, communities, or regions in five years, improving outcomes for



200,000+

Utah youth ages 0-24 years



## BENEFITS FOR KIDS & FAMILIES

- Better reading, math, and workforce outcomes
- Better health outcomes
- Increased social capital
- Safer neighborhoods
- Long-term: Increased economic mobility and decreased intergenerational poverty and homelessness

## FOR EDUCATORS & COMMUNITIES

- Enables teachers to teach and focus on core instruction
- Community support to achieve academic goals
- Increased school attendance
- Less crime and social dysfunction
- Increased social cohesion

## FOR POLICYMAKERS & FUNDERS

- Less duplication and siloed effort
- Greater efficiency and ROI for public and charitable investments
- A unified plan with clear strategies, roles, expectations and accountabilities
- Better data and results visibility for policymakers and private funders



**Every Child:**  
The opportunity to **REACH** their potential



**Every Parent & Family:**  
The support to **REACH** the American dream



**Every School:**  
The community partnerships to **REACH** success



**Every Community:**  
The infrastructure and leadership to **REACH** our goal—100% of Utah's kids and families thriving



**“**We go to see the best work in America, and I am telling you, right here in Utah, I've seen some of the best work in the country. The work that's happening here right now is a model for what could change America. **”**

-**Geoffrey Canada**, Founder and President, Harlem Children's Zone and Founder, William Julius Wilson Institute at Harlem Children's Zone.

## About REACH

The bill is modeled after the innovative work of hundreds of partners that are a part of Promise Partnership Utah ([promisepartnership.org](http://promisepartnership.org)) and community-based work done nationally as outlined in the Gardner Policy Institute's report, [Educational Achievement and Workforce Development: a Review of Community-Based Approaches](#). Promise Partnership Utah is a cross-sector partnership open to anyone in Utah committed to creating opportunity for every child. It is the civic infrastructure necessary for people and organizations to work together as a single team.

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