



CARES ACT PRIMARY ELECTION NARRATIVE

STATE OF UTAH

OFFICE OF THE UTAH LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

The federal government requires a report after each primary and general election that includes a full accounting of the uses of the CARES Act and an explanation of how the funds were used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus. **Please submit this narrative to elections@utah.gov no later than July 16, 2020.**

1. How did the county use the funds to address the pandemic?

These funds were used to inform voters of whether they had an election or not in an effort to ensure they did not go to the drive up locations under the belief that their ballot was lost in the mail. Peel & Seal envelopes were used for ballots and purchased batteries to assist ADA voters. Created drive up ballot issuance locations for voters that did not receive a ballot or needed to affiliate to receive a ballot. Purchased PPE to protect election staff and poll workers. Purchased draw string bags for drop boxes to allow for guaranteeing ballots and prevent workers from touching ballots.

2. What were some challenges and major issues the county faced in responding to the pandemic?

Locating where we could purchase PPE for staff needs
Determining how to issue paper ballots at drive up ballot issuance locations when we use touch screens for voting.
Working out details and creating needed supplies for drive up ballot issuance locations
Finding suitable locations to serve as ballot issuance locations and staffing these locations.