

HOMELESS SHELTER CITIES MITIGATION RESTRICTED ACCOUNT

Municipal and Grant Eligibility

In 2018, S.B. 235 created the Homeless Shelter Cities Mitigation Restricted Account (hereafter referred to as Account) and authorizes up to \$5.5 million in funds in the state fiscal year 2021. This bill:

1. Allows redevelopment agencies to transfer funds to a county or municipality under certain circumstances;
2. Created an application process for certain municipalities with homeless shelters to obtain Account funds to employ and equip additional personnel to provide public safety services;
3. Created a grant program with funds from the account for a municipality with a homeless shelter to pay for programs to mitigate the impact of the homeless shelter and for the Department of Public Safety to employ additional personnel to provide public safety;
4. Requires the State Tax Commission to deposit a percentage of a county's or municipality's local option sales and use tax revenue into the Account; and
5. Directs DWS on how to disburse funds from the Account.

MUNICIPAL ELIGIBILITY

*“Eligible Municipality” means a city of the **third, fourth, or fifth class**, a town, or a metro township that: has, or is proposed to have, a homeless shelter [a facility that provides or is proposed to have the capacity to provide temporary shelter to at least **200 individuals** per night; and operates year-round and is not subject to restrictions that limit the hours, days, weeks, or months of operation] within the city’s, town’s, or metro township’s geographic boundaries; due to the location of a homeless shelter within the city’s, town’s or metro township’s geographic boundaries, needs more public safety services [law enforcement, emergency medical services, and fire protection] than the city, town, or metro township needed before the location of the homeless shelter within the city’s, town’s, or metro township’s geographic boundaries; and is certified as an eligible municipality in accordance with Section 35A-8-609.” (35A-8-607)*

Eligible Municipalities

Third, fourth and fifth class cities with a qualifying proposed or existing shelter:

- South Salt Lake City (eligible for 40% of funds)
- Midvale City (eligible for 20% of funds)

GRANT ELIGIBILITY

For the Homeless Shelter Cities Mitigation Restricted Account, “Grant Eligible Entity” means: the Department of Public Safety; or a city, town or metro township that: has a homeless shelter [for a county of the first or second class, shelter has the capacity to provide temporary shelter to at least **60 individuals** per night; for a county of the third, fourth, fifth, or sixth class shelter has capacity to serve at least **25 individuals** per night and operates year-round and is not subject to restrictions that limit the hours, days, weeks, or months of operation] within the city’s, town’s, or metro township’s geographic boundaries; has increased community, social service, and public safety service needs [law enforcement, emergency medical services, and fire protection] due to the location of a homeless shelter within the city’s, town’s, or metro township’s geographic boundaries; and is certified as a grant eligible entity in accordance with Section 35A-8-609.” (35A-8-608)*

**Does not specify class of city*

Grant Eligible Entities

- Department of Public Safety
- Midvale City
- Ogden City
- Cedar City
- South Salt Lake City
- Salt Lake City
- St. George City
- Vernal City
- Richfield City