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Dear Colleagues,

This year has been unlike any other in public health. The effects of the COVID-19 pandemic have touched everyone. The theme for this year's Annual Report is "2020 Wow what a year!" There is no better way to say it. Our staff truly are public health heroes.

I am pleased to present to you our 2020 Annual Report. It has been a year of long hours, stress and worry, adjusting, remaining flexible, evolving, great accomplishments, and truly coming together to help one another. The role of public health in COVID-19 response efforts has taken center stage. Many social determinants of health—including poverty, physical environment, access to healthcare, homelessness, employment, education, transportation, and race or ethnicity—have been shown to have a considerable effect on COVID-19 outcomes. These are areas we will continue to address and focus on to provide health equity.

In this 2020 Annual Report we highlight many of our successes, some areas of concern, and what our strategies are to address these. We are always interested in learning about the individuals we serve and how we are perceived in the community, where we can improve, and what we are doing well.

In the following pages, you will find our 2020 highlights and accomplishments. This is to provide direction for success for our staff, our partners, and those who are interested in what the Tooele County Health Department is doing. None of this would be possible without the support of our Board of Health and our employees. I thank them for their service and dedication to helping make our communities a great place to live, work, and play, where individuals and families can thrive.

Sincerely,

Jeff Coombs
Executive Director/Health Officer