



WEBER STATE UNIVERSITY

Ogden City, with Weber State University and Catalyst Campus for Technology & Innovation, requests \$20 million in state funding to develop a 40,000 sf secure facility (SCIF) to support Northern Utah's defense tech ecosystem.

Overview

A multi-use Sensitive Compartmented Information Facility (SCIF) will be used by defense agencies, businesses, and universities to perform classified work for the national defense. **The SCIF is critical to creating a defense tech ecosystem that will accelerate defense solutions and catalyze economic growth.**



Benefits

- 1 Closer collaboration between defense agencies and businesses
- 2 Allows defense agencies to manage programs off base
- 3 Reduces barriers for small business
- 4 Helps universities to perform research and obtain security clearances for students

The SCIF will be developed as a public-private partnership, to be owned by Ogden City and managed by Catalyst Campus. The facility will be part of a larger defense innovation campus in downtown Ogden.

\$20 million in state funds will leverage an additional \$95 million investment.

\$20M State Funding

\$65M Private Investment

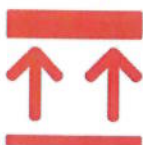
\$30M Local Funding

Impacts

The project is a generational opportunity to help Utah entrepreneurs and businesses to create scalable technology companies for the national defense.

Economic impacts of the SCIF and defense campus are projected to include **1,000 new jobs, \$125M increase in GDP, and \$25M in new taxes**, modeled on Catalyst Campus' 5-year impact in Colorado Springs. The project will have enduring benefits for Utah and will protect Hill AFB from future BRAC.

Ensure Utah remains the "Startup State"



Deliver Innovation to Hill AFB



Accelerate Defense Tech Sector



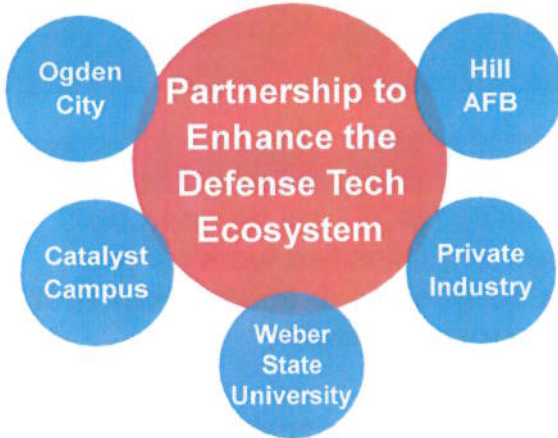
Defense Tech Ecosystem

Connects industry, government and universities to accelerate solutions for national defense

Assists Hill AFB and defense agencies to address critical needs

Supports entrepreneurs and small businesses in delivering innovative solutions

Ensures education and training programs meet rapidly evolving needs



The SCIF is a critical component of Northern Utah's defense tech ecosystem. The project advances ecosystem goals by providing a secure environment where defense agencies, businesses, and universities can collaborate to produce technology innovation.

Partners

Catalyst Campus for Technology & Innovation is a non-profit organization with a successful track record of developing defense ecosystems and catalyzing economic growth. Catalyst is based in Colorado Springs and is expanding in Ogden. Catalyst will operate and manage the SCIF and develop a defense innovation campus around the facility, working with its partner the O'Neil Group Company. **Private investment in Catalyst's defense campus is expected to total \$65 million.**



Ogden City is supporting development of Catalyst's defense campus. Ogden City anticipates financing property assemblage and public improvements required for the campus, **with an estimated value of \$27 million.**

Weber State University has already invested **\$2.6 million** in the WSU Startup Ogden building currently used by Catalyst Campus, and is supporting Catalyst's renovation of an adjacent building. WSU will partner with Catalyst to provide vital research and workforce development for the defense industry.



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