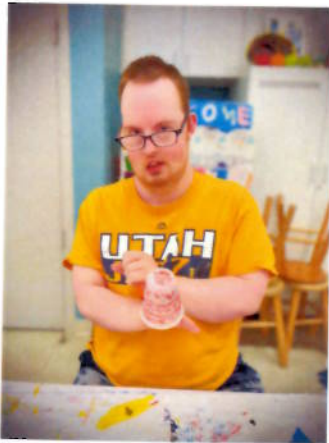




**Tanner Dance**  
THE UNIVERSITY OF UTAH

The University of Utah Tanner Dance Program requests support for sustainable programming serving adults with physical and intellectual disabilities who live below the poverty level. This funding item provides \$200,000 in on-going funding to support two fulltime professional staff for the program.



**Learning and Engaging Through Arts Discipline and Development (LEADD)** is the Tanner Dance arts education program for adults with disabilities. LEADD provides valuable life and vocational skills through integrated art forms and STEM subjects. Students work in a disciplined and supportive environment where they are challenged physically, cognitively, and emotionally.

The LEADD program partners with existing public school transitional programs. Tanner Dance has begun collaborations with universities across Utah to further post-secondary education for individuals with intellectual and physical disabilities.



**Elevate Theatre Company** is a company of adults with disabilities who meet weekly to create a musical theater production. Elevate provides a safe and inspiring environment to participate in a structured activity outside the home, interact with others, learn new art forms, and perform for an audience.



These Tanner Dance programs provide a space where adults with disabilities thrive. We hope these programs can be a statewide and nationwide model that can serve as a resource for training students and professionals who work with disabled individuals.

\$200,000 of on-going legislative support will ensure viability of these programs and allow Tanner to expand capacity for more students while working to build a statewide network for post-secondary education for people with physical and intellectual disabilities.