

FACILITATING ONGOING INNOVATION IN THE STATE OF UTAH

In the **State of Utah** there are over **1600 technology systems** (tax, State Parks, Department of Alcoholic Beverage Services, drivers licenses, etc.) that **require ongoing updating and innovation***. To lead these efforts the expansion of the **Innovation Labs at Utah Tech University** would be a tool for the Executive Branch as well as the Department of Technology Services (DTS) to guide priority projects in technology systems development in areas that require attention and meaningful innovation(s). **Technology talent (faculty, staff, and students) at Utah Tech University would provide innovation for existing needs and establish a pipeline for tech talent into state agencies.**

*Source: Utah Department of Technology Services -- DTS

BUDGET REQUEST

An expansion of Innovation Labs at Utah Tech University would be funded by the Utah Legislature with an **ONGOING AMOUNT OF \$100,000**. This funding would provide for Utah Tech University students and mentors (UT faculty & DTS project developers) to innovate public sector technology systems and projects (much like the ParksPass and DABS projects).

HOW INNOVATION LABS WORKS

