Smart Election Drop Box Pilot Program

General Government

Requester Information

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Section 1: Requester Details

Description:

The funding for this project will go towards five smart election drop boxes to be placed within two counties (Weber and Davis) in Utah as a 4 year pilot program.

Legislative designee contact information:

Name: Calvin Musselman

Organization: Utah Senate

Position: State Senator

Section 2: Funding Information

How will the appropriation be used?

Category	One-time		Ongoing
Personnel Services	2026: 2027:	$0.00 $0.00	$0.00
In-State Travel	2026: 2027:	$0.00 $0.00	$0.00
Out-of-State Travel	2026: 2027:	$0.00 $0.00	$0.00
Supplies and Equipment	2026: 2027:	$0.00 $75,000.00	$12,500.00
Technology Purchases	2026: 2027:	$0.00 $0.00	$0.00

Category	One-time		Ongoing
Infrastructure/Capital Investments	2026: 2027:	$0.00 $0.00	$0.00
Other Charges/Pass Thru	2026: 2027:	$0.00 $0.00	$0.00

Expenditure Total

One-time 2026	One-time 2027	Ongoing 2027
$0.00	**$75,000.00**	**$12,500.00**

Funding Sources:

General Fund

Amount Requested:

2026 (One-time)	$0.00
2027 (One-time)	$75,000.00
2027 (Ongoing)	$12,500.00

Revenue Total

One-time 2026	One-time 2027	Ongoing 2027
$0.00	**$75,000.00**	**$12,500.00**

Is this a multi-year project?

Yes

Is this project scalable if the Legislature does not fund the full requested amount?

Yes

A short explanation describing how the project might be scaled?

If the legislature does not fund the entire amount this project could be scaled with just one box as a pilot program instead of five.

Section 3: Agency Information

Subjects:

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Safety and Security

Agency:

060 / Governor's Office

Type of entity to receive pass-through funding:

Local Government

Grant recipient

No

Requested Direct Award Grant Recipient

Section 4: Performance Outcome Measurement

Who would benefit the most from this request (who is the target audience)?

The general public

What is this project or program intended to accomplish?

This will accomplish election security, efficiency in ballot collection, and security for real time data collection processes.

How will the Legislature know whether the project or program achieved its intended purpose?

Smart ballot box usage in comparison to other non-smart boxes will indicate success for this program. In addition, public feedback on the benefits of enhanced election security processes will indicate success.

Section 5: Other Supporting Documents

Intent Language Documents

Weber and Davis counties will be the likely counties to adminster the funds for this pilot project. Funds to be dedicated to the two counties will implement the beta program both for one-time and ongoing for the anticipated 4 year pilot. (Indicated in the attached document)

Previous Funding Documents

Full Time Employees

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