



## Requester Information

**Legislator Name:** Clancy, Tyler

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## Section 1: Requester Details

### Description:

Funding is requested to support the ongoing operation and sustainability of Utah’s community-based behavioral health clinics that provide comprehensive mental health and substance use disorder services. These clinics serve individuals with serious mental illness, substance use disorders, and co-occurring conditions, including individuals experiencing homelessness and those frequently interacting with emergency departments, law enforcement, and the criminal justice system. The funding will help stabilize the behavioral health workforce, expand access to timely care, and reduce avoidable hospitalizations and crisis-driven public safety responses. This investment is intended to improve outcomes while strengthening Utah’s behavioral health continuum of care.

### Legislative designee contact information:

**Name:** Jared Sanford

**Organization:** Valley Behavioral Health

**Position:** President

## Section 2: Funding Information

### How will the appropriation be used?

Category	One-time	Ongoing
Personnel Services	2026:	\$0.00
	2027:	\$0.00
In-State Travel	2026:	\$0.00
	2027:	\$0.00



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Social Services

Category	One-time	Ongoing	
Out-of-State Travel	2026:	\$0.00	\$0.00
	2027:	\$0.00	
Supplies and Equipment	2026:	\$0.00	\$0.00
	2027:	\$0.00	
Technology Purchases	2026:	\$0.00	\$0.00
	2027:	\$0.00	
Infrastructure/Capital Investments	2026:	\$0.00	\$0.00
	2027:	\$0.00	
Other Charges/Pass Thru	2026:	\$0.00	\$2,000,000.00
	2027:	\$0.00	

## Expenditure Total

One-time 2026	One-time 2027	Ongoing 2027
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,000,000.00

## Funding Sources:

### General Fund

Amount Requested:

2026 (One-time)	\$0.00
2027 (One-time)	\$0.00
2027 (Ongoing)	\$2,000,000.00

## Revenue Total

One-time 2026	One-time 2027	Ongoing 2027
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,000,000.00



**Is this a multi-year project?**

Yes

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

No

**A short explanation describing how the project might be scaled?**

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## Section 3: Agency Information

**Subjects:**

Health and Wellbeing

**Agency:**

250 / Department of Health and Human Services

**Type of entity to receive pass-through funding:**

State Government

**Grant recipient**

No

**Requested Direct Award Grant Recipient**

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## Section 4: Performance Outcome Measurement

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

Adults and transition-age youth with serious mental illness, substance use disorders, or co-occurring behavioral health conditions, including individuals experiencing homelessness and individuals who are high utilizers of emergency departments, crisis services, and the criminal justice system. The request also indirectly benefits families, local communities, and public safety systems by improving access to coordinated, community-based care.



### **What is this project or program intended to accomplish?**

This funding is intended to stabilize and strengthen Utah’s community-based behavioral health system by supporting clinics that deliver coordinated mental health and substance use disorder services. The program aims to expand timely access to care, reduce reliance on emergency departments and inpatient settings, and improve continuity of treatment for individuals with high behavioral health needs. By supporting workforce capacity and care coordination, the program seeks to improve patient outcomes and reduce repeat crises. Ultimately, the program is intended to improve public health outcomes while reducing pressure on hospitals, law enforcement, and other publicly funded systems.

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

The Legislature will be able to measure success through annual reporting on access, utilization, and system impact metrics. In the short term (1–2 years), key indicators should include increased appointment availability and service utilization, reductions in avoidable emergency department visits for behavioral health needs, and improved continuity of care for high-need individuals. Additional measures may include workforce retention at participating clinics and reduced reliance on crisis and inpatient services. These metrics will demonstrate whether the program is improving access to care while reducing pressure on higher-cost public systems.

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## **Section 5: Other Supporting Documents**

**Intent Language Documents**

**Previous Funding Documents**

**Full Time Employees**

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