



Requester Information

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Section 1: Requester Details

Description:

Last year, Utah County experienced the most high profile political assassination in our State's history. Because this is a state crime, the County is tasked with paying for both the prosecution and the defense. This is a high profile capital case with national interest which adds unique complexities to it.

Legislative designee contact information:

Name: Ezra Nair

Organization: Utah County Commission

Position: County Administrator

Section 2: Funding Information

How will the appropriation be used?

Category	One-time	Ongoing
Personnel Services	2026: \$2,000,000.00 2027: \$0.00	\$0.00
In-State Travel	2026: \$0.00 2027: \$0.00	\$0.00
Out-of-State Travel	2026: \$0.00 2027: \$0.00	\$0.00
Supplies and Equipment	2026: \$0.00 2027: \$0.00	\$0.00

Executive Appropriations

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

Expenditure Total

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

Funding Sources:

General Fund

Amount Requested:

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

Revenue Total

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

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?

This dollar amount only represents a portion of the total costs of the case, both prosecution and defense. Utah County residents will have to pay for any portion of this that is not funded by the state. The county is mobilizing all available resources to ensure the proper time, dedication, and resources.

Section 3: Agency Information

Subjects:

02004

Safety and Security

Agency:

010 / Legislature

Type of entity to receive pass-through funding:

State 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 nation would benefit from ensuring this case has adequate resources to be carried out properly due to its high profile nature.

What is this project or program intended to accomplish?

This project intends to ensure constitutional justice is served for both the victim's family, the defendant, and all interested parties involved. An appropriately funded case will ensure fair representation and that all facts will be made available plainly and publicly. Having sufficient funds will reduce the risk of a retrial and ultimately saving the state money.

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

The legislature will know this is successful as the case will progress vigorously and openly. The Legislature and general public will have full access as determined by the court. Optimal care will be taken with each facet of this case. Utah will avoid any appearance of embarrassment due to a lack of funds.

Section 5: Other Supporting Documents

Intent Language Documents

Previous Funding Documents

Full Time Employees

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