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2024 Session Budget Highlights

Balanced Budget

A balanced budget ensures the state government allocates resources efficiently and sustains essential public services without burdening taxpayers. By practicing good financial stewardship, Utah can foster economic growth and resilience while safeguarding long-term success for the state. It has made us the best state for economic outlook for the past 16 years. This year, the Legislature passed a balanced budget and appropriated the \$29.4 billion in FY 2025 while making strategic generational investments across critical areas such as education, social services, infrastructure, economic development, energy and water.

Budget Highlights

- [H.B. 3](#) Appropriations Adjustments
 - Appropriates \$556 million
 - \$94 million is from the General and Education Funds.
 - Added more than \$900 million to our now \$12.9 billion General Fund and Education Fund budget.
 - Adding in money we have collectively reallocated, the budget across all appropriations acts includes nearly \$2.7 billion in new investments.
- Investment includes:
 - \$1.2 billion investment in new infrastructure
 - \$832 million for Public Education; \$188 million for Higher Education
 - \$113 million for law enforcement
 - \$300 million for affordable housing
 - \$60 million for homelessness and services
 - \$170 million per year in ongoing income tax

Tax Cuts

Over the past four years, the Utah Legislature has reduced taxes by more than 1.3 billion. To continue Utah's commitment to lowering taxes and cultivating a family and business-friendly environment, the Legislature provided \$170 million in tax relief during the 2024 General Session. An income tax cut helps Utah remain competitive and makes the state an even more desirable place to live, increasing incentives to work, save, invest and spend money.

Tax Relief

- \$167.7 million – [S.B. 69](#) Income Tax Amendments
 - Lowers the individual and corporate income tax from 4.65% to 4.55%, helping Utah remain competitive and making the state a more desirable place to live and work.
- \$2.3 million – [H.B. 153](#) Child Care Revisions

- Expands the \$1,000 child tax credit by allowing families to use the credit for children up to age five, helping make Utah an even more family-friendly place to live.

Homelessness

- \$25 million – Low Barrier Shelter
- \$11.8 million (1x); \$10 million (ong) – Homeless Services/Statewide Systems Support
- \$8.2 million – Step-Down Facility for Individuals with Mental Illness
- \$2.5 million – Homeless Shelter Cities Mitigation
- \$2 million (1x); \$488,000 (ong) – HOME Court Pilot Program ([H.B. 421](#))

Mental Health and Behavioral Health

- \$25 million – Wasatch Canyons Behavioral Health Hospital
- \$2.3 million – Behavioral Health Internships for Social Services Agencies
- \$1 million – Early Childhood Mental Health Services

Affordable Housing

- \$17 million – [H.B. 572](#) Utah Homes Investment Program
 - *\$300 million in subsidized loans for affordable housing*
- \$3 million – Law Enforcement First Time Home Buyers

AI/Technology

- \$2 million – [S.B. 84](#) AI Education Grant Program Funding
- \$1.1 million – Artificial Intelligence Amendments ([S.B. 149](#))
- \$1 million – State AI Lab Office
- \$610,400 (1x); 2.3 million (ong) – Data Privacy Amendments (H.B. 491)

Transportation/Infrastructure

- \$100 million – Statewide Masterplan
- \$50 million – Point of the Mountain Transit Stop
- \$50 million – Broadband Infrastructure ARPA Funding
- \$40 million – Federal Rail Grant
- \$20 million (1x); \$32 million (ong) – Capital Improvement Percentage of Replacement Value
- \$3.9 million – State & Local Cybersecurity Grant Program Match
- \$5 million – Bus Storage & Maintenance Facility
- \$5 million – Provo Airport Terminal Expansion
- \$15 million – Saint George Regional Airport Control Tower

Public Education

- \$211.7 million – 5% increase to the Weighted Pupil Unit (WPU)
- \$150 million – [S.B. 173](#) Excellence in Education and Leadership Program
- \$101.1 million – K-12 School Property Insurance
- \$100 million; \$2.1 million (ong) – [H.B. 84](#) School Safety

- \$74 million – Educational Professional Time
- \$40 million – Utah Fits All Scholarship Program
- \$35.5 million – H.B. 415 School Fees Amendments
- \$30 – Small/Rural District Capital Needs
- \$19.8 million – Digital Teaching and Learning
- \$8.4 million – H.B. 221 Stipends for Future Educators
- \$8.4 million – H.B. 105 Teacher Supplies and Materials Increase
- \$7.3 million (ong) – Dual Language Reallocation
- \$6 million (1x); \$1 million (ong) – K-12 Computer Science Initiative
- \$5 million – Assessment to Achievement
- \$4.8 million – H.B. 431 Teacher Retention
- \$4 million – Education Software
- \$3.5 million – H.B. 22 PRIME Expansions
- \$3 million – High School Service Pilot Program
- \$2.4 million – Gang Prevention and Intervention
- \$2 million – Teacher Salary Supplement
- \$1.5 million – S.B. 205 Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Amendments
- \$1.2 million – Research Supported Social Skill Development Program
- \$1.1 million – Summer Meals for K-12 Students
- \$1 million (ong) – Pupil Transportation Rural Grants to New NESS Formula
- \$1 million – Beverley Taylor Sorenson Arts Learning Program
- \$800,000 – Effective Teachers in High Poverty Schools

Water

- \$10 million – Great Salt Lake Investments
- \$9 million – Cove-East Fork Virgin River Watershed Project
- \$5 million – Ogden Canyon Water Line
- \$3 million – Water Rights Data Management Improvements
- \$3 million (1x); \$1 million (ong) – S.B. 211 Generational Water Infrastructure Amendments
- \$2.5 million – H.B. 280 Water-Related Changes
- \$1 million (1x); 1 million (ong) – Great Salt Lake Watershed Measurements Infrastructure

Natural Resources

- \$8.5 million – Wildlife Resources Land Purchase
- \$2.5 million – Shared Stewardship
- \$2 million – Endangered Species Listing Prevention & Recovery
- \$2 million – H.B. 410 San Rafael Energy Research Center
- \$1.1 million – Energy Security Amendments (S.B. 161)
- \$1 million (ong) – Fairpark Security and Maintenance

Agriculture

- \$1.1 million – Grazing Improvement Projects

- \$1 million – Agricultural Voluntary Incentive Program
- \$1 million (ong) – LeRay McAllister Working Farm & Ranch Fund

Criminal Justice/Public Safety

- \$13 million (ong) – Certified Staff Compensation
- \$6 million – Overtime Management
- \$3 million (ong) – Jail Contracting
- \$1.9 (ong) – Law Enforcement Employee Overtime Amendments ([H.B. 271](#))
- \$1.6 million – Case Backlog Judges
- \$1.4 million (ong) – Public Safety and Firefighter Tier II Retirement Enhancements
- \$1.4 million – IT Essential Software Funding
- \$1.3 million (ong) – Judiciary Amendments ([S.B. 70](#))
- \$1.3 million (1x); \$387,000 (ong) – [S.B. 213](#) Criminal Justice Modifications
- \$400,000 (1x); \$1.4 million (ong) – Prison Safety & Risk Mitigation
- \$1.4 million (1x); \$700,000 (ong) – Court Interpreter Program
- \$1 million – Victims Services Providers Staffing
- \$1 million – County Correctional Facility Reimbursement Amendments ([S.B. 48](#))

Cultural

- \$2 million – Arts & Museums General Operating Grants
- \$2 million (1x); \$1.3 million (ong) – UServe Service Fellowship Program ([S.B. 206](#))
- \$2 million – Golden Spike Monument
- \$1 million – St. George Musical Theater Construction

Economic Opportunity

- \$5.2 million – Rural Communities Opportunity Grant
- \$20 million – San Juan Hospital Building Replacement Loan
- \$3 million – Hildale City Maxwell Park
- \$3 million – Utah Sports Commission: Sports and Olympic Event Funding
- \$2 million – Industrial Assistance Fund Replenishment
- \$1 million – Utah Workforce Housing Advocacy
- \$1 million – Central Utah Agri-Park

Health and Social Services

- \$74 million (1x); \$662,000 (ong) – Huntsman Cancer Institute Vineyard Cancer Research
- \$25 million – Wasatch Canyons Behavioral Health Hospital
- \$10.4 million (ong) – Mandated Additional Needs & Youth Aging Out of DCFS & JJYS
- \$2.4 million (1x); \$6.2 million (ong) – Placement & Services for DCFS & JJYS High Acuity Clients
- \$5 million – Services for People with Disabilities Waiting List
- \$4.1 million (ong) – Medicaid Rate Parity for DCFS & JJYS Rates
- \$42,000 (1x); \$2.6 million (ong) – Psychotropic Medication Oversight Pilot Program Amendments ([H.B. 38](#))
- \$2.3 million – Behavioral Health Internships for Social Services Agencies

- \$2.3 million – Ensuring Nutrition for Vulnerable Seniors
- \$1.1 million – Family Promise of Ogden Building
- \$1 million – Food Security Processing Grants
- \$1 million (ong) – Nursing Home Medicaid Rate Increase
- \$3 million – Shared Equity Revolving Loan Fund
- \$5 million – Services for People with Disabilities Waiting List
- \$1 million – Early Childhood Mental Health Services
- \$1 million – Grants for Adoption of Hard-to-place Kids