

SALT LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

FUNDING REQUEST TO OPEN OXBOW JAIL'S THIRD POD

APRIL 1, 2025

WHY OPEN OXBOW'S THIRD POD?

- The Salt Lake County Jail is operating near capacity, resulting in the release of approximately 10 individuals per day due to overcrowding.
- Reopening the third pod will add 184 beds, increasing capacity, and reducing the need for overcrowded releases.

WHAT IT WILL TAKE TO OPEN THE POD?

Total Ongoing Budget Request: \$6,597,841

- Staffing
- Operations
- Medical and dental care

Total One-Time Budget Request: \$249,605

Facility preparation costs

COST BREAKDOWN: \$6,597,841 ONGOING

Staffing: \$4.67M

- 34 sworn and 2 civilian employees
 - Ensures 24/7 coverage of housing units
 - Supports security, incident response, and increased transports for medical needs and court

Operations: \$1.55M

 Food, clothing, utilities, janitorial services, equipment, and general facility maintenance

In-Custody Medical & Dental: \$375K

• Medical, dental, and prescription costs for individuals in custody



COST BREAKDOWN: \$249,605 ONE-TIME

Infrastructure Upgrades

• Fire alarms, plumbing, electrical, HVAC system, ceiling repairs, window frames

Housing Needs

 Mattresses, clothing, lexan boxes, property lock boxes, clothing/laundry baskets, bed anchors

Facility Equipment and Technology

 Computers, phones, copy/scan/fax machine, radio battery charger bank, office chairs

OXBOW 3RD POD - OPENING TIMELINE

Target Opening Date: June 1, 2025

- Maintenance Work:
 - Currently underway
- Transition Planning:
 - Prepare the third pod for operation
 - Manage internal population moves to accommodate the additional 184 beds
 - Modify existing Oxbow unit to house female inmates

• Staffing:

 Initial operations covered through overtime coverage until new academy graduates are available



STATE HOSPITAL CONTRACT UPDATE

The Utah State Hospital currently operates a 22-bed Competency Restoration Unit (CRU) inside Metro Jail. The contract is ending, and the unit will be returned to general jail use. The CRU will vacate the space, and inmates can be moved in by **June 1, 2025.**

Capacity Impact:

- Adds 64 beds to jail capacity
- Helps reduce the need for overcrowding releases

• Financial Impact:

- \$1.46M annual revenue loss
- Loss will be offset by the 5th 5th local options sales tax