



Utah Homeless Services Board

March 24, 2026

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350 N. State St., Rm. #445.

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Salt Lake City, UT

1:00pm – 2:30pm

Meeting Minutes

Board Members Present: Tiffanie Price, Brandy Grace, Casey Cameron (Virtual), Ryan Beck, Spencer Eccles (Virtual), Randy Shumway, Tyler Clancy, Mayor Erin Mendenhall, Jen Campbell, Mayor Cherie Wood, Moe Egan,

Excused/Absent: N/A

Support Staff: Nick Coleman, Hannah Rivas, Lily Ward, Elliott Clark

Agenda Item	Discussion	Recommendations/Actions
Agenda Item 1	1. Call Meeting to Order <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Roll Call It was determined that a quorum was present. b. Approval of Consent Calendar *† <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Nov. 20, 2025 Minutes *† 	Randy Shumway Hannah Rivas Randy Shumway called for a motion to approve the consent calendar. Tiffanie Price made a motion to approve. Brandy Grace Seconded the motion. The board passed the motion unanimously by voice vote.

<p>Agenda Item 2</p>	<p>2. Introductory Comments: State Homeless Coordinator</p> <p>Tyler Clancy thanked the board for its work and expressed gratitude for the staff at the Office of Homeless Services. Tyler committed to being an engaged, on-the-ground board member.</p>	<p>Tyler Clancy</p>
<p>Agenda Item 3</p>	<p>3. 2026 General Legislative Session Recap†</p> <p>Nick provided an overview of the key investments and policies passed in the 2026 General Legislative Session. Total Net New Investment: \$45,600,000. Ongoing Funding: \$19 million of new ongoing funding, bringing the total to \$56 million (a 51% increase). The state of Utah spends more per capita on homelessness than any other state. One-time Funding: \$26.6 million, which includes \$23 million reappropriated from the 2024 session, resulting in a net new appropriation of \$3.6 million.</p> <p>Approximately 1,021 individuals in Salt Lake City have been identified as high utilizers, each with four or more arrests per year, collectively accounting for nearly 23,000 charges and an average re-arrest rate of every 16 days. An estimated 40% of this group are experiencing chronic homelessness, though this is likely an undercount. This population has a significant impact across multiple systems, including law enforcement and shelter services, driving high public costs and highlighting the need for more targeted, coordinated interventions.</p> <p>Tyler Clancy stated a full board briefing on High Utilizers will be prepared for the next board meeting.</p> <p>Randy Shumway recommended changing the phrasing of High-Utilizers as this focuses on the resources and not the person. Jen Campbell recommends bringing in existing groups to map out how these grant dollars will be spent. Mayor Mendenhall proposed a grant chart be brought to the board to see where the new funding comes from.</p> <p>Nick Coleman emphasized that conditions on the street may not improve without implementing the right programs. OHS is engaging partners to identify what is working and where capacity can be expanded, alongside efforts to better define and map high-need individuals. He noted that OHS is developing this approach further and plans to bring a well-informed proposal to the next board meeting outlining recommended strategies and next steps.</p>	<p>Nick Coleman</p>
<p>Agenda Item 4</p>	<p>4. Project Bridge: Future Winter Response Planning *†</p>	<p>Tyler Clancy</p>

Tyler Clancy provided an overview of the challenge that brought on Project Bridge. In 2023 legislation overflow capacity was formally allowed, however no ongoing funding was appropriated for winter overflow beds. Historically, beds have relied on one time funding, which is now set to expire April 30,2026 impacting 687 beds statewide. Maintaining the beds is critical, but presents financial burdens. These beds require \$1 million per month to maintain. Project Bridge is the response to address the financial burden. \$1.1 million dollars from the Pamela Atkinson fund has been identified to help bridge the funding gap, but also strengthen case management, improve coordination with community partners, and enable warm handoffs.

Moe Egan supports stronger coordination with providers noting that many individuals lack a plan with case management. Would like to see hands on engagement and avoid passing off individuals between providers.

Mayor Mendenhall cautioned that mass exits due to the funding cliff would be a significant setback and recommended expanding Project Bridge goals to identify underutilized and overextended resources, as well as gaps in services. She also suggested including a success measure focused on generating insights for long-term system improvement. Randy Shumway also stated that under success measured he would like to see the graduation rates of the individuals and to what extent does every individual have a plan.

Tiffanie Price expressed strong support for the plan, noting the overflow issue has existed for years and was intended to be temporary prior to winter funding. She raised concerns about downsizing and emphasized the need to better serve high utilizers to free up beds for the general homeless population.

Motion 2a: Support and Begin Implementation of “Project Bridge: Future Winter Response Planning”
Motion 2b: Direct the OHS to begin implementing “Project Bridge” in accordance with the plan presented and require OHS to develop detailed funding recommendations, including projected costs and proposed funding sources, and submit those recommendations to UHSB for formal consideration no later than April 23, 2026.

Brandy Grace made a motion to approve Project Bridge Motion 2a and 2b.

Mayor Mendenhall asked to amend the motion “to ask staff to incorporate, under goals and how success is measured, mapping of gaps or non-existing resources in the system, as well as, under success measured, insights for future system improvements, including system capacity.”

Brandy Grace accepted amendment.

Ryan Beck seconded the motion as amended.

The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Agenda Item 5

5. Adjourn *

Randy Shumway called for a motion to adjourn. Mayor Erin Mendenhall Made the motion. Ryan Beck seconded the motion. Motion to adjourn passed unanimously.

* Needs approval
‡ Had corresponding document