

## FY 2009 Issue Brief – HED – Emergency Management And Campus Security

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### SUMMARY

Due to the recent shooting on the campus of Virginia Tech, USHE institutions have looked carefully at their systems and abilities to respond to, if not prevent, such an event. All of the institutions have determined that timely notification to students, faculty, and staff is the most important thing that needs to happen if something like this were to occur. Additional security on campus is also an important part of this proposal. The Analyst recommends the Subcommittee prioritize \$4 million (one-time) to put systems in place to deal with this type of situation.

### OBJECTIVE

Systems need to be implemented on each campus to facilitate response time and efforts in the event of an emergency situation. This will help to minimize harm to students, faculty, and staff as well as damage to the campus.

### DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

One-time funding is being recommended to assist each institution with notification capabilities to respond to emergencies on campus. This may involve email messaging, text messaging, calls to individuals' cell phones, message boards, etc. The proposed distribution of funding is as follows:

University of Utah	\$1,010,600
Utah State University	647,300
Weber State University	490,100
Southern Utah University	214,500
Snow College	110,600
Dixie State College	150,400
College of Eastern Utah	57,600
Utah Valley State College	565,200
Salt Lake Community College	603,700
State Board of Regents	<u>150,000</u>
Total	<u>\$4,000,000</u>

