

Utah launches \$2 million suicide prevention campaign

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Utah leaders have announced a \$2 million suicide prevention campaign to combat a spike in teen suicides throughout the state and encourage residents to prioritize their mental health.

Lt. Gov. Spencer Cox announced the three-year campaign Monday alongside other lawmakers, representatives from <u>medical providers</u> and



The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

About 3,200 Utah residents have died by suicide in the last five years.

The campaign is set to launch sometime next year. Cox said it will feature <u>educational content</u> across print, television, <u>social media</u> and other platforms.

Private donations to the campaign came from the University of Utah, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Intermountain Healthcare and other companies.

The state is still selecting a vendor to help create content for the campaign.

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