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June 2023

On The Move
CITY NEWSLETTER

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8 am to 5 pm
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Business Licensing 801-483-6063
Code Enforcement 801-464-6757
Fire Administration 801-483-6043
Justice Court 801-483-6072
Police Admin 801-412-3606
Promise 801-483-6057
Public Works 801-483-6045
Recreation 801-412-3217
Utility Billing 801-483-6074

Emergencies 911
Police/Fire Dispatch 801-840-4000

Investing in Our Future: Budgeting Beyond FY24

Mayor Cherie Wood

Annually, I present a tentative budget to the City Council for adoption. This collaborative effort brings the needs and priorities of our community to the forefront.

I am pleased to report that our FY24 budget proposal includes many proactive steps for long-range planning and an eye on our city's future. We are not only forecasting needs but we are keeping in mind the benefits these will bring to our community for years to come.

Our residents often share that safety is a top concern. We are now supported by our City Council, residents, and businesses to ensure that stable funding will continue to be available to support our Public Safety team. With our safety needs covered, we can now focus on other important operational and infrastructure needs.

It is time to replace old vehicles with significant maintenance needs, continue to make progress on our updated Public Works campus, save for future land acquisition, and invest in our equipment and staffing needs. We are now budgeting beyond FY24, we are budgeting for our future.

The city's ability to provide quality services, programs, and amenities is dependent upon our ability to attract and retain excellent city staff members. Many simple, yet very basic needs for departments and divisions have often been postponed due to lack of funding. The FY24 Budget will better provide the necessary staffing for projected workloads and projects.

Capital Projects will bring the things our residents and businesses have been asking for. These include: LED street light replacements, a water conservation plan, sewer projects, stormwater improvements, additional bike lanes, and pedestrian safety improvements. Other asks in FY24 will go toward funding and safety upgrades at the Historic Scott School Community Center and our Animal Shelter.

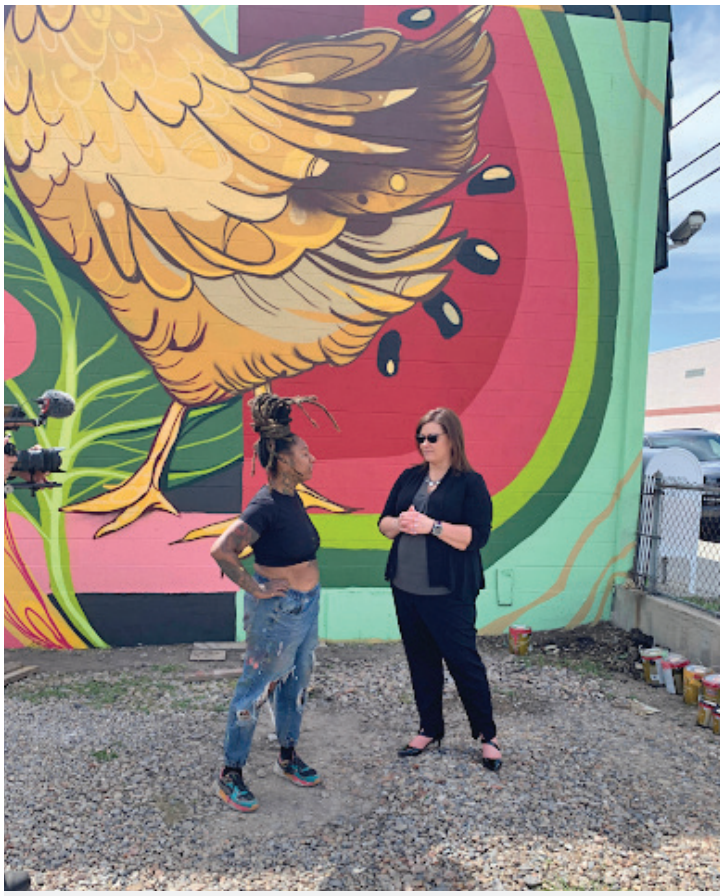
Because of inflation, material costs, and supply chain issues, some of our FY23 projects were pushed forward. With the money still available, we will reallocate them in the proposed budget and see these projects to completion.

It is also important to call out that we seek grants to support many of our projects and programs. This tentative budget includes over $14 million in grants and $3.5 million specifically for our youth and their families through the Promise SSL program.

Let's not forget to celebrate! This year we hit a big milestone as South Salt Lake is now 85 years strong! A community celebration is in the works for September. The future of our city is bright, join me as we Invest in People, Build Great Neighborhoods, and Celebrate South Salt Lake!

FY 2024 Budget Public Hearing
June 14, 7:30 pm
SSL City Hall, 220 Morris Ave
City Council Room, 2nd Floor

View the budget proposal at: www.sslc.gov



"Soul Food for SoSaLa!" Mayor Cherie Wood met with MURAL FEST '23 artist, Charity Hamidullah at her new mural "Soul Food" located at The Compound, 60 E Burton Ave, South Salt Lake. See more about the 6th annual MURAL FEST on page 7.

Public Meetings

For more info: www.sslc.gov

City Council

Wed, June 7, 7 p.m.
Wed, June 14, 7 p.m.

Planning Commission

Thu, June 1, 7 p.m.
Thu, June 15, 7 p.m.

Civilian Review Board

Mon, June 5, 6:30 p.m.

2023 SSL Municipal Election Notice

The City of South Salt Lake will hold a Municipal General Election on November 7, 2023.

The City Council has elected to use the Ranked Choice Voting method without a Primary Election. The candidate filing period is Tuesday, August 8, 2023, through Tuesday, August 15, 2023, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The candidate filing deadline is: Tuesday, August 15, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

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WAYS TO CONNECT

Stay in the know

In an emergency, things can change quickly. Here are ways you can get the most up-to-date information.

ALERTS & NOTIFICATIONS

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GET INVOLVED

CERT COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

If you want to help your community email:
certsouthsaltlake@gmail.com

South Salt Lake Neighborhood Connect
801.464.6757
connect@sslc.gov

CITY COUNCIL CORNER

New Name, Same Great Center: South Salt Lake Community Center

Sharla Bynum, District 3

Most of us have heard the adage the more things change the more they stay the same. I find this especially true for the South Salt Lake Community Center, formerly the Columbus Community Center located at 2531 South 400 East. The majority of the City Council adopted by resolution a new name for one of our city's most recognizable buildings based on survey feedback from residents. While the name is new its function and communal value are exactly the same. Housed in this beautiful and historic building are multigenerational offerings that appeal to all who call South Salt Lake home. This space is a true gem in our community with both indoor and outdoor activities and events.

The South Salt Lake City Community Center includes our Recreation Department, the Salt Lake County Senior Center, Promise SSL programs such as the Best Buy Teen Tech Center, Hser Ner Moo Afterschool Program, and The Co-Op. Lastly, our friends at Head Start Preschool are here too. The outdoor space includes Bickley Park with an all-abilities playground, a pickleball court, and a FitLot fitness course.

The happenings at the South Salt Lake Community serve each of us in different ways. I encourage you to check out this beautiful space if you haven't and get excited about the new offerings coming soon.

Note: Opinions expressed here may not be representative of all Members of the City Council.

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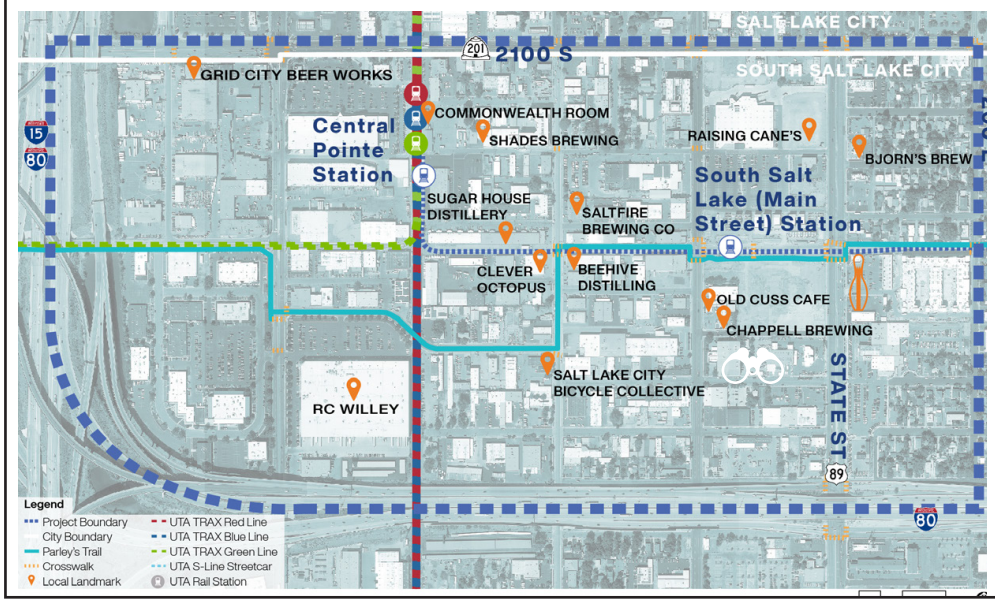

VISION & IMPLEMENTATION

This plan aims to better link the UTA Central Pointe and SSL Main Street TRAX and S Line Stations to the rest of Downtown with safe and engaging pedestrian and bike networks. As SSL Downtown continues to grow, this plan will establish a vision and implementation plan to align business, entertainment, and housing needs and interests, with the goal of ensuring the right mix for SSL Downtown.

ENGAGE ONLINE
Visit the Digital Foyer!

TAKE THE SURVEY
Share your vision for Downtown SSL!

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South Salt Lake City Council Action Report Summary

Full agendas, minutes, handouts, and video recorded meetings available at: www.sslc.gov/160/City-Council

Date	Agenda Item	Subject	Action	Next Step
		RDA Meeting		
4/26	Tentative 2023/24 RDA Budget	Review and discussion of RDA tentative budget by Community & Economic Development for 2023-2024.	Moved to a Public Hearing for the City's 2023-2024 final budget, scheduled on June 14, 2023, 7:30 p.m.	Further action needed
		Work Meeting		
4/26	Cabinet Budget Presentations	City Department heads and Division Managers presented their budget priorities for FY24.	Information provided to the Council	Further action needed
		Regular Meeting		
4/26	Information Item: Flood Preparation Update	Stormwater Manager gave an update on Spring run-off. The City has filled 25,000 sandbags. 10,000 sandbags have been placed in at-risk areas. Call the Neighborhood Connect Line with questions 801-464-6757.	Information provided to the Council	Further updates to come
4/26	A Resolution to rename a City-owned building	A Resolution of the Council renaming the City-owned building located at 2530 South 500 East from the Columbus Community Center to the South Salt Lake Community Center.	Approved	No further action needed
		Work Meeting		
5/10	Public Safety Service Fund Benefits	Fire Chief Addison and Police Chief Carruth gave an overview on how the Public Safety Service Fund has aided in recruiting and retention goals for their departments since being implemented	Information provided to the Council	No further action needed

Public Safety

Ways the SSLPD Serves Victims of Hate Crimes

In March 2021, Utah Governor Spencer Cox signed a bill into law that strengthened the state's hate crime law. The law clarifies that targeting someone based on their race, ethnicity, religion, gender, sexual orientation, or disability is considered a hate crime and increases the penalties for such. This is an important step towards ensuring that victims of hate crimes receive the justice they deserve.

Law enforcement agencies have an obligation to enforce laws and ensure that perpetrators are held accountable. This means investigating hate crimes thoroughly and treating them with the seriousness they deserve. A publication by the International Association of Chiefs of Police, reads: "Public Safety and well-being cannot be attained without the community's belief that their well-being is at the heart of all law enforcement activities." A thoughtful approach to ensuring public safety while protecting individual rights and building community trust is critical.

Victim advocates also play a vital role in ensuring that hate crime victims receive the support and services they need. The SSL Police Advocates can help victims navigate the criminal justice system, connect with resources like counseling and legal assistance, and provide emotional support throughout the process.

Some of the services provided by victim advocates include:

- **Crisis intervention:** Advocates are available to speak with victims immediately after a hate crime occurs to provide emotional support and help them understand their rights and options.
- **Safety planning:** Advocates can help victims develop a safety plan to protect themselves and their families from further harm.
- **Court advocacy:** Advocates can accompany victims to court and provide emotional support throughout the criminal justice process.
- **Referrals:** Advocates can connect victims with other resources, such as counseling or legal assistance, to help them cope with the aftermath of the crime.

While the new hate crime law in Utah is a step in the right direction, SSLPD and our victim advocates are committed to ensuring that these laws are enforced and that victims receive the support they need. We must continue to work together to build a more just and equitable community for all.

SOUTH SALT LAKE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Message from SSLPD Chief Jack Carruth

Pamela Atkinson Resource Center Updates

With warmer weather finally here, there are some changes occurring at the Pamela Atkinson Resource Center (PARC). On May 1, the winter overflow officially ended which reduced occupancy from 400 to 300 men. There are 300 beds for the remaining residents. The additional 100 men were transported to the Wiegand Resource Center for day services and connected with case managers to find housing or any available shelter space.

With warming weather, it's also likely that we'll see more camping near the river and in sheltered locations. Urban camping is against state law and our mitigation funding is incumbent upon enforcing that law. So please help if you see a camping incident or someone who is homeless in distress. Residents can email Christine Simonette at csimonette@sslc.gov or report their concerns on the Homeless Strategies page: www.sslc.gov/245/Homeless-Strategies-Resources. You can simply leave your name, email address, phone number and the location of the concern. Our Homeless Resource Officers have been very responsive to these incidents so please take a few minutes and make a big difference.

Finally, the Homeless Strategies staff have applied for a 3-year grant to maintain a licensed clinical social worker at the shelter which has greatly reduced the calls public safety responds to. Sgt. Cody Coggle pulled some quick stats which showed that of 24 calls made to the Police Department over a 3-month period, our social worker was able to respond to 22. This reduced the need for police presence by 91%. The City will know the result of our grant proposal in the coming months.

The City is also looking at other positions to reduce the impact of the unsheltered on our community. One option is to create a new Licensed Clinical Social Worker role within the city to address unsheltered calls and crisis calls that don't escalate to needing police presence.

South Salt Lake is dedicated to the health, safety, and welfare of all our residents. We invite the community to reach out to offer ways to improve our approach and to keep people and property around the PARC safe. Your input, feedback, and participation are valuable.

Volunteer at the Pamela Atkinson Resource Center

Want to get involved, donate, or find out more? Let's point you toward these two at the Pamela Atkinson Resource Center.

Liam McMullin, Volunteer Coordinator, The Road Home
801-869-7254
lmcmullin@theroadhome.org

Natalia Delgado Paredes, Director, The Road Home
385-234-5783
ndelgado@theroadhome.org

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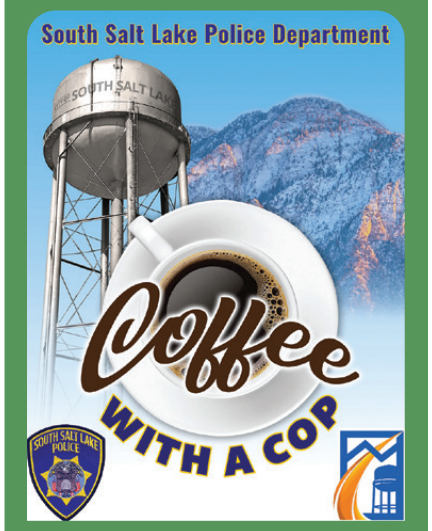
Community Meetings

Join us for a community conversation.



Coffee with a Cop

June 7, 9-10 a.m.
In-Person
Délice Bakery & Café
2747 S State Street

Business Watch

June 1, 5 p.m.
American United Credit Union
3226 S Main Street

Neighborhood Watch

June 1, 7 p.m.
Go to sslc.gov for the virtual link

Text a Tip to SSLPD

You can now send anonymous text and web tips to the SSLPD.

To send an anonymous text tip:

1. **Text your tip to 274-637 (CRIMES).**
2. **Start your text message with the keyword: SSLPD**
3. **Within a minute, you will receive a text message with your alias. This confirms that your text message was received. The alias identifier is used by the officer to communicate with you, through text, regarding the tip you submitted.**
4. **Remember, the officer does not know your identity or location.**

SSL Community Centers

South Salt Lake Community Center

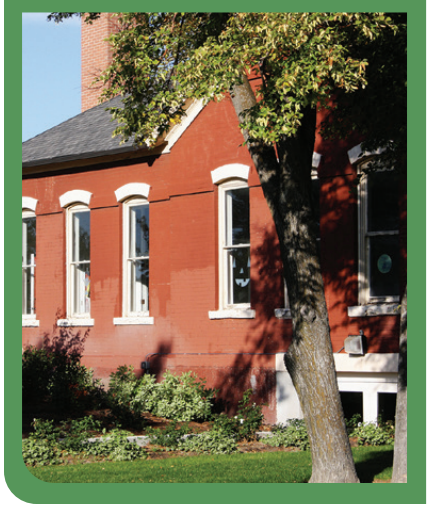
2530 S 500 East
Contact Brooke Field:
bfield@sslc.gov or 801-412-3217

Central Park Community Center

2797 S 200 East
Promise Contact,
Patrick Holman-Hart:
pholman@sslc.gov or 801-386-4949

Historic Scott School Community Center

3280 S 540 East
Promise Contact, Maisy Hayes:
mhayes@sslc.gov or 801-803-3632



10 YEARS PROMISE SOUTH SALT LAKE

Keeping our Promises of education, safety, and opportunity across 14 programs throughout the City.

801.483.6057 promise@sslc.gov /@PromiseSSL

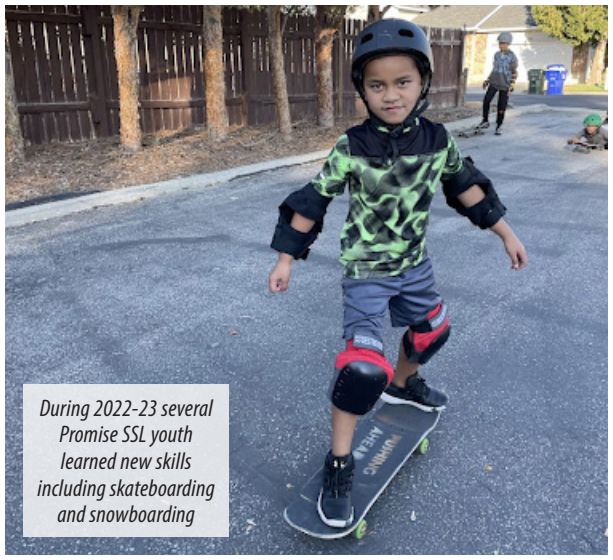
PROMISE RECAP: 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR

Our 'Season of Sharing' holiday service projects in partnership with the SSL Police Department helped us spread holiday cheer to families most in need in our community.

We've come to the end of our school year programming and are ramping up for our all-day summer programs. We wanted to give you a recap of the last school year. In many ways, it was a rebuilding year for Promise SSL. We saw COVID restrictions lifted, program enrollments began returning to pre-COVID levels, and we have gotten more excited as new employees have come to work with us. For the first summer since COVID began, every site will enter June fully staffed! Already this year, we've served nearly 900 young people across our sites. That's 900 youth and their families whose lives have been positively impacted. We think that is worth celebrating!

This school year brought many great opportunities for our youth, their families, and our staff. Some highlights included:

- Our newest program, The Co-Op, focuses on supporting emerging adults in career advancement, financial empowerment, and digital literacy.
- In partnership with Mosaic Interfaith Ministries we opened our Resource Pantry hub at Historic Scott School that offers not only non-perishable, frozen, refrigerated, and fresh food but also a place to be connected to other resources.
- Members of our team traveled across the country to share our work and learn how we can continue to provide the best programs.
- We partnered with AT&T during NBA All-Stars Week to provide 100 free new laptops to community members.
- We opened 20 brand new positions to keep enhancing our programs and strengthening the SSL workforce.
- Utah Presents brought visiting artists and performers to Lincoln Elementary for some fun activities with youth from various programs.
- We hosted our first Promise Day of Service for our team to step outside of our traditional roles and help with other community needs.
- Moss Elementary youth worked hard on projects for the National History Day Competition.
- A new Theatre club was formed at Granite Park Junior High in partnership with Salt Lake Community College.
- Promise youth from Cottonwood competed in the Utah MESA (Math Engineering Science Achievement) competition and got 1st and 3rd in the state.



During 2022-23 several Promise SSL youth learned new skills including skateboarding and snowboarding

To learn more and register for Community Art Classes visit SSLArts.org

ART55+ Creative Arts for Seniors

Instructor Laura Sharp Wilson
Every Wednesday
10:00-11:30 AM

FREE!

Lunch on the Move Comfort Bowl

Wed, June 21
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

SSL City Hall
220 East Morris Ave, Northside

Discover a new food truck each month!

Mural Fest 2023

MURAL FEST 2023 brought 10 incredible new murals to our downtown. Come stop by and enjoy them soon! To visit the 10 new murals (and the 43 from previous years, bringing our total to 53!) around town, download the MURAL FEST map at: ***themuralfest.com***.

1. Kiptoe @kiptoe1
Freeway Plaza, 2120 S 300 West

2. fatspatrol @fatspatrol
Wasatch Deli Provision, 225 W Crossroads Sq

3. Brooke Smart @brookesmartillustration
Delvie's Plastics, 133 W Haven Ave

4. Charity Hamidullah @creatingfreedomnow
The Compound, 60 E Burton Ave

5. Anna Charney @annacharneyart
Regency Apartments, 246 E on S Line Corridor

6. Cole Eisenhour @ljr3rd_
City Hall Generator, 220 East Morris Ave

7. Caro @caroznilsson
SSL City Hall Dog Park, 130 E Oakland Ave

8. Lizzie Wenger @zielizg
House of Blinds/ Emissions Time, 2432 S State St

9. FEEBEE @feebee_n_jay
80 W Robert Ave

10. Denise Duong @lildfromokc
Poor Yorick Studios, 126 W Crystal Ave

"The Extraordinary Elementals," Kiptoe @kiptoe1, Freeway Plaza, 2120 S 300 West.

By Brooke Smart

Caro's mural is inside the new dog park at 130 Oakland Ave. Cole's three-sided mural is in the parking lot at SSL City Hall, 220 Morris Ave.

What's Next? The Water Tower Neighborhood Plan

South Salt Lake is excited to create its first neighborhood plan since it's official designation of the City's 12 neighborhoods. The Department of Community and Economic Development is partnering with Master's students in the University of Utah's Department of City and Metropolitan Planning to create the plan, focusing first on the Water Tower neighborhood.

Situated around the eponymous landmark, the Water Tower neighborhood is a unique, mixed-use area located between State St and I-15 and 2700 S and I-80. Shaped by the vision and values of those who live in the neighborhood, the Water Tower Neighborhood Plan was completed in early April and will serve as a guide for growth and development in the area.

Grand Opening! Mountain American Credit Union is a new addition to South Salt Lake at 3028 S State Street.

The transformation of Downtown South Salt Lake kicks off as the One Burton project is underway. Found at 2360 S Main Street, with the new address: 1 Burton Avenue.