

# ON THE MOVE

## South Salt Lake Newsletter



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### City Offices

- Monday - Friday  
8 am to 5 pm  
801-483-6000  
220 East Morris Ave  
SSL, UT 84115
- Animal Service 801-483-6024
- Building Permits 801-483-6063
- 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

## Big Ideas in Action: South Salt Lake's Bright Future

I was recently interviewed for a podcast, which allowed me the opportunity to reflect on what stands out in our city as South Salt Lake's "Big Ideas". In this message, I hope to convey what I shared during that interview, as I believe that South Salt Lake is undergoing a significant transformation, as it is evolving into a center for art, education, and opportunity. Evolution takes time, and it's exciting to see our investments and hard work take hold and move us forward. Central to this change are the programs we've developed like Mural Fest, Craftoberfest, and Promise South Salt Lake. All of these programs highlight our dedication to enhancing the lives of our residents and the community at large.

### Revitalizing our City through the Arts

Mural Fest, hosted by the South Salt Lake Arts Council, has been a game-changer over the past seven years, giving our city a fresh look with 66 stunning murals. With artists from around the globe eager to contribute—880 applied for the 2024 event alone—our downtown Creative Industries Zone has become a focal point of creativity. These murals not only beautify our area, but also draw people to local spots and businesses. Craftoberfest complements Mural Fest with its lively fall festival atmosphere, featuring local art vendors and culinary fare, live music, and fun activities. These signature events bring our community together to celebrate all that South Salt Lake has to offer, and not only put us on the map but keep people coming back year-round.

### Empowering Youth and Families

Promise South Salt Lake (SSL) is dedicated to enhancing the lives of all residents, focused initially on youth but since expanded to support entire families. Established 12 years ago, Promise SSL's mission is rooted in three promises: ensuring educational opportunities for every child, providing safe and clean homes and neighborhoods,

and promoting health and prosperity for all. Its afterschool and summer programs have benefited thousands of our kids, while family and adult initiatives further uplift the community, highlighting the program's commitment to educational and economic well-being across South Salt Lake.

Our Community Opportunity Center (The Co-Op) at the South Salt Lake Community Center is another key part of our education efforts. Offering workshops on digital skills, financial literacy and resume building, The Co-Op empowers residents to grow personally and professionally. As a hub for businesses and nonprofits, it fosters networking and small business development thanks to partnerships with groups like Westminster University and Mountain America Credit Union.

### SSL's Big Ideas Ahead

While we're extremely proud of the progress we've made, I wish to convey a few more big ideas that are coming to fruition in the next few years for South Salt Lake. Our emerging Downtown is taking shape and paving the way for new development and affordable housing options, thanks to funding through the Housing and Transit Reinvestment Zone. Public Works has been on the move lately as they lay new pipes and upgrade our aging infrastructure, and we're excited about our new Public Works campus on the horizon. We know many of you are already aware of these initiatives, but we'll be sharing more updates about these exciting projects in the coming months.

This journey wouldn't be possible without the hard work, strategic planning, and great partnerships that have shaped our community. We are also grateful for the support and inspiration from countless volunteers, local organizations, and programs across the U.S. that have aided in our success. As we continue to dream big and tackle challenges, I hope to inspire others with our community-driven development, as South Salt Lake is always eager to share our journey with those looking to find similar success.



## Public Meetings

For more info: [www.sscl.gov](http://www.sscl.gov)

### Planning Commission

Thu, Nov 7, 7 p.m.

Thu, Nov 21, 7 p.m.

### City Council

Wed, Nov 13, 7 p.m.

If you missed last month's City Council meetings, please visit the City Council page at [sslc.gov](http://sslc.gov) for a full Action Report Summary. You can also watch past meetings, view agenda and minutes, and connect with City Council members. [sslc.gov/160/City-Council](http://sslc.gov/160/City-Council)

## City Council Members

Find out more about who your City Council representative is by visiting [sslc.gov](http://sslc.gov).

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## General Election Information for Voting



The 2024 General Election takes place on November 5. By-mail ballots were mailed to all Salt Lake County residents last month. Those must be mailed and postmarked by November 4. If you did not receive a by-mail ballot or prefer to vote in person, early voting takes place October 22 to November 1 at the County Government Center and October 29 to November 1 at satellite locations. For more information and to view a list of early and day-of voting locations, visit the Salt Lake County website at [saltlakecounty.gov/clerk](http://saltlakecounty.gov/clerk).

## Downtown Sewer Improvements



## Construction Notice

A new 30" sewer pipe is currently being installed along the east side of West Temple between Utopia Ave and 2400 S. Construction is expected to continue through spring 2025.

### When

- Monday-Friday, daylight hours
- Occasional night & weekend work as needed

### What to Expect

- Intermittent driveway access disruptions
- Lane shifts
- Noise, dust, & vibrations

### Questions

Please contact (385) 478-3144



## Citywide Cleanup



The Fall Citywide Cleanup Program takes place November 4-13. Your collection date is based on your regular garbage pickup date. This service is available only to residents who currently receive City garbage service. Curbside pickup is provided for approved items that are boxed, bundled, or bagged. Hazardous materials will not be accepted. Items not accepted or not prepared properly will not be picked up.

Please visit [sslc.gov](http://sslc.gov) to view all program guidelines and see your collection date.



## Curbside Glass Recycling

### Just \$8.50 / month billed through your South Salt Lake utility bill.

One-time activation fee of \$25 will be billed to start service and deliver your curbside collection bin.

- Monthly collection service
- All glass colors accepted
- No rinsing
- No peeling off labels
- No contract, cancel anytime

Existing customers, Momentum Recycling increased their rates from \$8 to \$8.50 / month starting December 1, 2024.



[Utah.MomentumRecycling.com/SouthSaltLake](http://Utah.MomentumRecycling.com/SouthSaltLake) | (801) 355-0334



Tree Inventory in Progress!

## SOUTH SALT LAKE TREE INVENTORY

We're currently working on an inventory of all the public trees in the city.

The inventory will help us assess and manage trees found along streets and at city parks and facilities!

### The inventory will record:

- Species
- Size and Condition
- Maintenance Needs
- Potential hazards
- Value
- New planting locations



Learn more about our Urban Forestry program at [sslc.gov/Neighborhoods](http://sslc.gov/Neighborhoods)



# Public Safety

## Time Change and Fall Safety Tips

### *Message from SSLFD Chief Terry Addison*

As you turn back your clock on Sunday, November 3, 2024, the SSL Fire Department reminds the public to review and refresh your fire safety plan. Fall preparedness tips include:

**Change Smoke Alarm Batteries** – Working smoke alarms provide early warnings so people can get outside quickly. Check each alarm's batteries and test them monthly to make sure they are working. If the smoke alarm chirps, replace the battery immediately.

**Prepare an Escape Plan** – Create a home escape plan and designate a meeting place outside to gather in the event of an emergency.

**Be Warm and Safe** – Cooler months are just around the corner. Keep anything that can burn at least three feet away from heating equipment like the furnace, fireplace, or space heater. Never use your oven to heat your home, and have your heating equipment cleaned and inspected by a qualified professional.

### Use turkey fryers outdoors.



Never use them on a wooden deck or in a garage.

Learn safety tips at [www.usfa.fema.gov](http://www.usfa.fema.gov)



**Thanksgiving Preparation** – Enjoying a Thanksgiving meal with family and friends is a holiday custom we all love—but safety first! Thanksgiving is the leading day for home fires involving cooking equipment by at least three times the average number per day. If you plan to use a deep-fryer to cook your turkey this year, remember that turkey fryers must always be used outdoors and at a safe distance from buildings. Make sure the fryer is placed on a flat surface and never leave it unattended. Don't overfill the fryer with oil and keep an all-purpose fire extinguisher nearby. Never use water to extinguish a grease or oil fire.

The men and women of the Fire Department hope you and your family have a wonderful, safe Thanksgiving Holiday!

## Protecting Yourself & Your Property During the Holiday Season

### *Message from SSLPD Chief Danielle Croyle*

As the days get shorter and the holiday season approaches, it's important to stay vigilant and take the necessary steps to protect yourself and your property. Here are some crime prevention tips to help implement this holiday season.

**Secure Your Home:** As holiday travel picks up, many homes are left unattended. Make sure all doors and windows are locked, even if only leaving for a short time. Consider using timers on lights to give the appearance that someone is home. Have a neighbor or family member check in on your home, bring in mail and/or newspaper. For an extended absence put a hold on your mail.

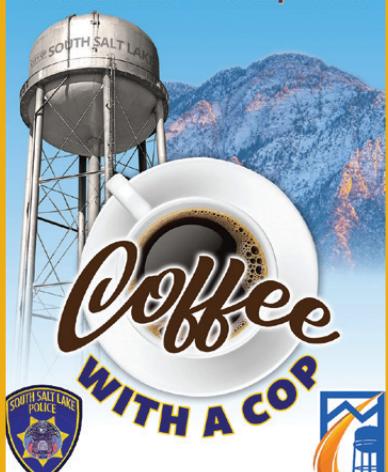
**Be Careful with Social Media:** Avoid posting travel plans or updates on social media that indicate your home is vacant or unoccupied. Wait until you return home to share your photos and experiences.

**Stay Alert to Suspicious Behavior:** Whether you're home or out in public, be alert to any suspicious behavior. Report any unusual activity to law enforcement. Call (801) 840-4000 for the non-emergency line, and 911 for immediate or active emergencies.

These few tips can help you reduce your risk of falling victim to a crime. Wishing you a festive and safe holiday season.



South Salt Lake Police Department



**Coffee with a Cop**

**Nov 6, 9-10 a.m.**

**In-Person**

**Délice Bakery & Café**  
2747 S State Street

**Business Watch**

**Thurs, Nov 7, 5-7:30 p.m.**

**Office Depot**  
281 W 2100 S

### NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH



We strengthen our community by reporting all suspicious activity to the South Salt Lake Police Dept.

**Neighborhood Watch**

**Thurs, Nov 7, 7-8 p.m.**

Go to [sslc.gov](http://sslc.gov) for the virtual link

### CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARD



Apply Today!

Scan the QR code

or visit [SSLC.gov](http://SSLC.gov)

**Civilian Review Board**

**Mon, Nov 4, 6:30 p.m.**

**Mon, Dec 2, 6:30 p.m.**

The public is encouraged to attend in-person at City Hall in the Council Chamber, or through a virtual link at [www.sslc.gov](http://www.sslc.gov).



**BREAKFAST WITH SANTA**  
 SAT DEC 7TH  
 From 8 AM Until 11 AM  
 SSL Community Center 2531 S 400 E  
 \$5 a person, \$20 family of 5  
 Gifts for kids under 12  
 Live entertainment and activities  
 Photos with Santa and Mrs. Claus for nominal fee

**SPECIAL THANKS TO**  
 SSL Lions Club 

**Skip the line**  **Pre-register here**



**QUIET TIME WITH SANTA & MRS. CLAUS**  
 Some seasonal cheer in a calm atmosphere.

**December 5, 2024**  
 6-7:30pm  
**SSL Community Center**  
**2531 S 400 E**

Families and youth with special needs are invited to reserve a 10-minute private visit with the Clauses.

**SOUTH SALT LAKE RECREATION DEPARTMENT** 

To reserve your time slot,  
 please e-mail [bfield@sslc.gov](mailto:bfield@sslc.gov)



**South Salt Lake Senior Center**  
 EVENTS FOR NOVEMBER 2024

**Live Entertainment**  
 • TBD | Fri, 11/08 at 11:30 am  
 • Heart & Soul | Fri, 11/22 at 10:30 am

**Health & Wellness**  
 • Monthly Blood Pressure Checks | Wed, 11/13 at 9:15 am  
 • Vital Aging | Wed, 11/20 at 10:30 am

**Workshops**  
 • Craft with Vickie | Wed, 11/06 at 10:30 am  
 • Reece Stein Presentation: Albania | Thur, 11/07 at 10:30 am

Mon - Fri | 8:30 am - 4 pm  
 2531 South 400 East  
 (385) 468-3340  
[slco.org/aging](http://slco.org/aging)





**REGISTER ONLINE AT [SSLARTS.ORG](http://SSLARTS.ORG)**



**ART November PROGRAMS**

**ZENTANGLE CLUB**  
 with Linda Rios  
 @ SSL Community Center  
 Monday, November 25 from 6:00-8:00 PM  
 Monday, December 30 from 6:00 - 8:00 PM

**TANGLED UP IN THE HOLIDAZE**  
 with Linda Rios  
 @ SSL Community Center  
 Tuesdays, November 5, 12, 19 and 26 from 6:00 - 8:00 PM

## Community Comes Together for Craftoberfest



The South Salt Lake Arts Council would like to extend a heartfelt 'thank you' to all of the organizers, volunteers, and attendees who made Craftoberfest 2024 an artful success. From the live music to the delicious food and drink, there was something for everyone. With over 60 vendors and six custom barrels and kegs hand-painted by local artists, this year's event was truly a celebration of SSL's creative community.



## Celebrate South Salt Lake with Community

Thank you to all who came out on September 27 to Celebrate South Salt Lake! The music, the games, and the drone show were all great, but the true highlight was all of you—the wonderful community that came out to join us in celebrating our City on the Move.



## Auto Zoning Ordinance Update Aims to Improve Public Safety & Quality of Life

South Salt Lake has its fair share of car dealerships, repair shops, storage lots, and other auto-related establishments. Residents have long voiced concerns about the appearance that some of these businesses inflict upon our city. While it's important to celebrate our diverse business community that have been part of the city for decades, it is also important to continue the necessary investments to keep our streetscape attractive and reduce visual blight for the well-being of everyone in our community. By and large, most businesses are respectable partners who care for our city, but there are the chronic code violators that must be addressed.

South Salt Lake is committed to protecting the health and safety of our residents, which is why the City Council recently reviewed potential updates to our zoning ordinance for auto-related businesses. The ordinance includes updates to requirements for minimum lot size, minimum lot frontage, and minimum interior display

for car dealerships. Along with the updated ordinance come resources to enhance enforcement through both our Community Development Department who processes business licenses, and from Code Enforcement who is in charge of education and violation notifications. These updates are intended to restrict street parking in and around neighborhoods for residents, prohibit outdoor storage of parts and wrecked cars to clean up the city, and protect groundwater by keeping vehicles on pavement and off dirt or other porous surfaces. Automotive businesses play a critical role in our community by providing essential services, offering gainful employment, and helping maintain a diverse tax base. South Salt Lake values good business partnerships that keep our City on the Move and improve the quality of life for residents. If you have any feedback or questions about these ordinance updates, use the Contact Us page on our website at [sslc.gov](http://sslc.gov).



### SOUTH SALT LAKE CHAMBER CORNER

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To connect with the SSL Chamber, email:  
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[sslchamber.com](http://sslchamber.com)

### Cozy Coffee Lounge Celebrates a Year of Brew and Community

Cozy Coffee Lounge, nestled in South Salt Lake, has quickly become a beloved community spot. Originally from Bosnia, Dzenef's journey took him through Berlin and eventually to Utah in the late 90s. After years of running a successful cleaning business with his family, he turned his childhood dream of opening a coffee shop into reality. Cozy Coffee Lounge offers more than just great coffee—though its signature brew, coffee brewed in hot sand, is a nod to Eastern European tradition and a must-try for visitors. The shop also serves a delicious assortment of Balkan and European pastries, alongside modern favorites like avocado toast, teas, and hot chocolate. But what truly sets Cozy Coffee Lounge apart is its role as a cultural and community hub. From hosting Cars & Coffee meetups to Balkan/Arab Nights, it provides a space where people from all walks of life can come together and connect. It's a safe and welcoming environment where cultures are shared and relationships are built.

On October 5, the South Salt Lake Chamber of Commerce celebrated the shop's 1-year anniversary with a ribbon-cutting ceremony, highlighting Cozy Coffee Lounge as a unique gem in the city's small business scene. For Dzenef and his mother and sister, it's not just a coffee shop, it's a lifelong dream built from hard work and a deep desire to bring people together.





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## Teens Bringing the Beat



Meet Kervz, an up-and-coming young band composed of local teens Kaia, Emma, Ruth, and Lil Vz. This talented group came together through a shared love of music at the Promise SSL Best Buy Teen Tech Center. Recently, they performed at South Salt Lake's Craftoberfest, captivating the audience with their impressive performance and serious musical chops!

The Teen Tech Center has been a crucial part of their journey, offering a safe and welcoming environment where they can grow, collaborate, and stay focused on their passions. It's a space that fosters positive engagement, keeping teens involved in productive activities and helping them stay out of trouble. The center has been a pillar of support for Kervz and countless other young people. We couldn't be prouder of Kervz and their hard work, and we're excited to see where their musical journey takes them next!

## Dry Creek Charity Continues to Step Up for Youth

Since the early days of Promise South Salt Lake, the Dry Creek Charity has provided our programs with reliable funding opportunities to be able to go the extra mile for youth and families. This partnership has allowed us to expand our summer soccer league, establish video game clubs, fund makerspaces, sustain cooking curriculums, and has supported other clubs and activities throughout our programs.



Now, over a decade later, our relationship remains strong as Dry Creek has again provided us with funding to continue or introduce unique programming opportunities in South Salt Lake. This school year, Dry Creek has chosen to support a Gardening Club at Historic Scott School, a STEM Exploration Club at Granite Park Jr. High, a Culture Club at Woodrow Wilson Elementary, a Cooking Club at Hser Ner Moo Community Center, and an Arts and Crafts Club at Walker Elementary. These clubs provide invaluable opportunities for youth to learn and to be able to engage creatively with others and their surroundings. We're incredibly grateful for our staff who help to lead these groups, and we thank Dry Creek for another year in working with us to provide high quality, engaging programs.



Youth from the Promise South Salt Lake afterschool program at Olene Walker Elementary pose with UFC champions Justin Gaethje, Miesha Tate, and Belal Muhammad, during a fun day of reading and learning together!

## SEASON of SHARING



### Help Spread Holiday Cheer!

Give back and support families with the highest needs through the holiday season in the following ways by Tuesday, December 10th. Contact Edward at [elopez@sslc.gov](mailto:elopez@sslc.gov) or 801-455-1729 with questions.



#### 1. Make a tax-deductible donation

Let us do the shopping. Scan the QR code and add a note that says "Season of Sharing"



#### 2. Sub for Santa

Donate new and unwrapped items - toys, gift cards, basic needs items, giftwrap, etc. Scan the QR code to see details and wish list.



#### 3. Volunteer

Help us set up and organize the space, greet families and guide them through picking their gifts, wrap gifts, and more. Keep an eye out on GivePulse for volunteer shifts.