

ON THE MOVE

South Salt Lake Newsletter



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City Offices

Monday - Friday • 8 am to 5 pm
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City Offices and Community
Centers will be closed on Friday,
July 4, and Thursday July 24 in
celebration of Independence Day
and Pioneer Day.

Public Meetings

For more info: www.sslc.gov

Planning Commission
Thu, July 10, 7 p.m.
Thu, July 17, 7 p.m.

City Council
Wed, July 9, 7 p.m.
Wed, July 23, 7 p.m.

Starting next
month, the South
Salt Lake On the
Move newsletter
will be reduced
from seven
pages to four.



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Mayor Cherie Wood

Shaping a Water-Wise Community

Water conservation is crucial for Utah residents, particularly in July when water usage peaks. Strategies like replacing old toilets, swapping turfgrass for water-efficient, native plants, and taking shorter showers are important and result in broad community impact. Conserving water allows us to support local water bodies, including streams, rivers, and the Great Salt Lake.

Our city is committed to water conservation. Last year, the City Council enacted a Daytime Outdoor Watering Restrictions Ordinance, prohibiting outdoor watering between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Additionally, we've enabled residents to qualify for Utah Water Savers rebates by replacing traditional grass with desert-tolerant plants, drip irrigation, and other "localscape" elements. During the summer, we host the Beautiful Yard Award, emphasizing water conservation, inviting residents to nominate themselves or others for a chance

to win \$300 toward garden equipment and plants, as well as priceless bragging rights. This month we're excited to introduce EyeOnWater, a digital app that integrates with your water utility meter to more efficiently track water usage.

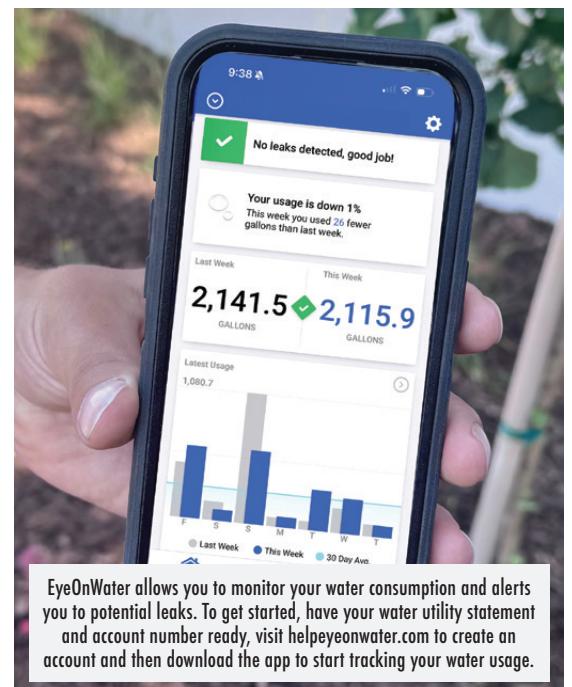
While testing the new EyeOnWater app, I have gained a better understanding of the efficiency that my drip irrigation system offers and have seen the benefits of the other localscape efforts in my own yard. I have found it very rewarding to track my water usage and watch patterns daily, weekly, and monthly. This tool can also help detect potential leaks and inefficiencies. On those days when you run a few extra loads of laundry or the sprinklers in the yard, the app provides clear insights into usage, which can help to make informed decisions about your future use.

By incorporating smart water-saving practices with insights from this new app, we can greatly contribute to conserving water, saving money, and reducing energy use in our area. I encourage you to create an EyeOnWater account today and join the collective effort toward sustainability—these small changes can lead to a significant positive impact on our environment and community.

DOING OUR PART TO SAVE WATER



Take Action and Find Resources at
SLOWTHEFLOW.ORG



The Power of Community



Last summer, a South Salt Lake resident received a notice from SSL Code Enforcement informing her that the overgrown weeds in her front yard were in violation of City Code. Limited by a fixed income and mobility restrictions, this resident was unable to address the problem herself. Alarmed by the notice and hoping to explain her situation, the resident called the number on the notice, and spoke to our Code Enforcement Secretary, Deidre Rioux.

Through their conversation, Deidre learned that this resident was completely homebound. Deteriorating pipes in her home resulted in significant sediment in her water, which meant that she was unable to drink or bathe with the water in her home. At the point when she spoke with Deidre, she was living off of biweekly deliveries of food and water, and was unable to attend medical appointments for lack of transportation.

The same day, hoping to provide assistance and learn more about her situation, Deidre visited the resident in her home, bringing water jugs and frozen food. She connected the resident with the Promise South Salt Lake Housing Navigator, Rebecca Yund, who has extensive experience with critical home repair programs. Rebecca was able to secure funding to replace the pipes in this resident's home, giving her clean water for the

first time in years. Additional work with Promise enabled connection to transportation resources to attend medical appointments, Meals on Wheels, a free cell phone, and even connected her with Saint Ann's church, who now sends a deacon to the home weekly to visit and provide communion.

We wish to thank the SSL Code Enforcement team, whose compassionate approach resulted in significant improvements to the quality of life for one of our long-term residents. Speaking to Deidre about the experience, she said, "Of course we care about enforcing the codes, but at the end of the day, people come first." We also extend thanks to Promise South Salt Lake, who work tirelessly to ensure that every member of our community has access to the tools needed to be healthy and prosper.

Before speaking with the responding Code Enforcement officer, the neighbors of this resident had no idea of the conditions she was living in. Since learning more, many have stepped up to help clean her yard, and regularly check in to visit and provide companionship. Our community is our greatest asset here in South Salt Lake, and one that must continually be fostered. Whether checking on a neighbor, throwing a block party, or attending a city event, we encourage all community members to take time this month to strengthen their neighborhood.

Kindness in Action in SSL

As part of the City of Kindness initiative in South Salt Lake, we've launched an internal program to recognize and celebrate kind acts performed by our own city employees. This program is called Kindness in Action, and calls on staff to nominate their coworkers who go out of their way to spread kindness in our city. Though the scale of this project may be small, our hope is that it will inspire others to cultivate kindness in all areas of their lives.

Our first recognition goes out to Deidre Rioux. As her nominator said, "Deidre is such a kind-hearted person. Several examples that come to mind include hiding little toy animals around City Hall to make people smile, posting inspirational quotes around the building on sticky notes, and handing out mini tic tac boxes to staff, just because 'they're so cute.' She does all of this just to make people smile and feel loved. Her presence makes the workplace much brighter."

Deidre's approach to life has affected so many in our community. She is an example of the positive impact one person can have when they approach everyday with kindness, and we hope others will be inspired to follow in her footsteps. To quote Mayor Wood, "Let's start a ripple of kindness that grows into a tsunami."



Kindness in Action



- Find Your District
- View Meeting Dates & Agendas
- Watch Virtually
- Read Monthly Summary Reports



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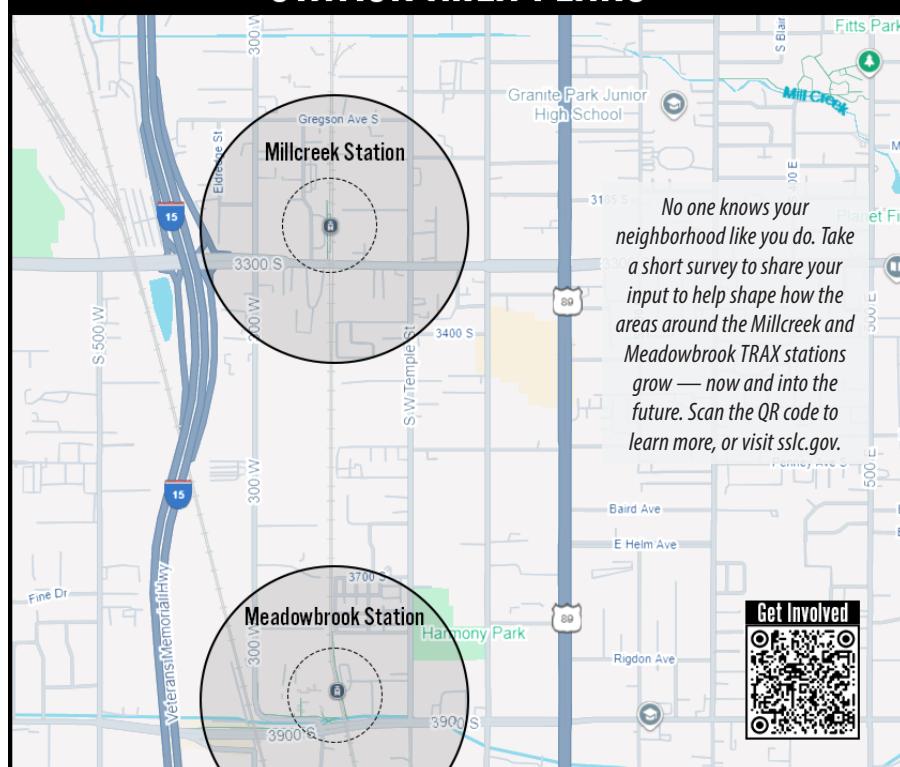
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Conserve By Watering the Right Way, Not Everyday

The Utah Division of Water Resources publishes weekly lawn watering guides that help you save money by conserving water, while ensuring you apply the appropriate amount of water to your landscape. Still not sure? Sign up for the Water Check program through Slow the Flow to have a professional analyze your sprinkler irrigation system and provide watering recommendations. The most important thing you should be watering this summer is your trees! Trees need water too, and they help your lawn and landscape retain water by shading the ground. TreeUtah offers a great Tree Guide to help with tree selection, planting, and care tips. To access information and resources, visit sslc.gov and click on the water conservation graphic on the homepage. If conserving water for conservation sake isn't compelling you, think about the cost savings to your utility bill. Save water, save money!



STATION AREA PLANS



Business Spotlight

studio-de-Verre



Studio-de-Verre is a glass studio and gallery located in the heart of the South Salt Lake Creative Industries Zone. Owner and artist Kerry Transtrum has been using heat and gravity for over 35 years to form glass creations for a wide variety of customers. Last month, studio-de-Verre welcomed international fused glass artist Narcissus Quagliata. Narcissus is considered one of the most significant glass artists in the world. During his visit to studio-de-Verre, Narcissus spent time with Kerry to produce a unique body of work that was commissioned, and hosted a public reception to talk about his artwork, techniques, and new body of work series. Learn more see current artwork at studiodeverre.com.





MONDAYS with the MAYOR



Get to know your
city with Mayor
Cherie Wood!

FREE: Ice Cream Social

Monday, July 14
6:00 pm
Fitts Park
3050 S. 500 E.



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STUDIO

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COUNCIL

Phone Photography Class



Learn to take better photos on
your phone.



Monday, July 7th
6 - 8 PM
Scan the QR code or
visit sslarts.org to
register.



movie in the park

August 1

Karate Kid (2010)



August 15

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★ Friday Evenings

Central Park Community Center

7:00 PM: Activities ★

★ Dusk: Movie Starts

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South Salt Lake
**POETRY
LAB**



Registration
Required

Thursdays in July
6:30 - 8:00 PM

South Salt Lake
Community Center
2530 S. 500 E.

FREE poetry group led
by Cadence Summers.

Join other people who love
words as much as you do.

You'll get daily poetry
prompts via text or email
and weekly group
discussions to help you
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JOIN THE ANNUAL 4TH OF JULY PARADE AND COMMUNITY CELEBRATION!

10 AM - 11 AM: PARADE

11 AM - 1 PM: CELEBRATION AT FITTS PARK

VISIT SSLC.GOV OR SCAN THE QR CODE FOR PARADE MAP AND MORE INFORMATION.

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PREVENTT2

A PROVEN PROGRAM TO PREVENT OR DELAY TYPE 2 DIABETES

The PreventT2 lifestyle change program can help you lose weight, become more physically active, and reduce stress. This year-long program provides weekly and monthly meetings with a lifestyle coach.

For more information or to sign up, scan the QR code



Starting July 31st 2025

6:30pm-7:30pm

Central Park Community Center



Summer Sport Camps

Basketball Camp



July 14-17
Grades 2-7
\$10 - Closes July 7

Baseball Camp



August 4-7
Grades 2-4
\$10 - Closes July 25

Register online at
[sslc.gov](http://SSLC.GOV), or scan the
QR code.





Get Involved



South Salt Lake Public Safety Meetings

Civilian Review Board

Monday, July 7 at 6:30 pm
Monday, August 4 at 6:30 pm
Visit sslc.gov to learn more about the Civilian Review Board, or apply to be a member.



Neighborhood Watch

Thursday, July 3 at 7:00 pm
Neighborhood Watch meets virtually on the first Thursday of every month. Visit sslc.gov for the zoom link or more information. Please call 801-412-3600 with questions.



Community Connect

Wednesday, July 16 at 9:00 am
Join us at Bjorn's Brew to have a treat and connect with members of the SSLPD and South Salt Lake Chamber of Commerce.



SSLPD Homeless Resource Officers Create Safe Spaces for All



Our Homeless Resource Officer team specializes in assisting community members experiencing homelessness in our city with compassion and dignity. These dedicated officers attend enhanced crisis intervention training to serve individuals in crisis more effectively, and work closely with community partners including the Huntsman Mental Health Institute, Mobile Crisis Outreach Team (MCOT), and The Road Home-Pamela Atkinson Resource Center to address mental health, behavioral, and housing issues.

To help better serve those experiencing homelessness, our HROs work with the South Salt Lake Justice Court to hold Community Court at the Pamela Atkinson Resource Center (PARC), which aims to divert individuals out of the criminal justice system and prevent the cycle of constant book and release.

Our HRO's go above and beyond, working with local case managers and transporting individuals to critical appointments such as mental health evaluations, court dates, and the local homeless shelters. This unique approach to community-oriented policing results in positive outcomes and a safer environment for all.

Firework Safety in South Salt Lake

As firework season begins, we encourage all community members to review safety tips around these dangerous explosives. Personal fireworks are a leading cause of home fires, wildfires, and personal injury. The best way to stay safe from fireworks is to not use them, and attend a professional firework display instead. If you do use fireworks, be sure to use them only during approved times and in approved areas. Visit sslc.gov to view an interactive map of where fireworks are allowed in South Salt Lake.



Fireworks in South Salt Lake

Discharge Days
July 2-5 & July 22-25, until midnight

Respect your neighbors. Follow the laws.
Learn more at SSLC.gov.



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South Salt Lake Teens Bring Home Award from San Francisco Invention Contest

Nine talented teens from the Promise SSL Best Buy Teen Tech Center traveled to San Francisco to participate in Demo Day—an invention contest hosted by Project Invent that aims to foster creativity and inclusion in teenagers through inventions that address health and accessibility needs. Participants work in teams, developing inventions based on needs seen in their own communities.



The Promise South Salt Lake group was split into two teams: the first created a product called Safe Step: a low-cost device designed to help facilities monitor physical accessibility in a simple, efficient way. The second team worked with a community member who lives with seizures to create Biobadge, a wearable device that measures the severity of seizures by tracking the frequency of muscle contractions.

Both teams presented their inventions to a panel of judges, and the creators of Biobadge received the Explorer Award, presented to the team that most embraced exploration and learning through the invention process.

This incredible experience was made possible by the dedicated staff and volunteers who worked with the teams for five months, helping to identify needs, then develop and fine tune the inventions. Their commitment was instrumental in helping these teens bring their visions to life, and provided an experience that will leave a lasting impact in each of their lives. If you are interested in volunteering with the Best Buy Teen Tech Center, or any other Promise South Salt Lake program, please contact Patrick Holman-Hart at pholman@sslc.gov.



Congratulations to the SSL Mayor & City Council Scholarship Recipients!



At the Cottonwood Highschool graduation ceremony, four South Salt Lake teens were awarded with \$1,000 scholarships from Mayor Wood and the South Salt Lake City Council to support them on their educational journey. Their applications highlighted their achievements, skills, experiences, and plans for the future. These youth had strong recommendations from their teachers and mentors who have seen the potential in them. We're excited to see what the future holds for them. Congratulations Oscar, Gaven, G.O., and Steven!

Want to make a lasting impact on your community?

BECOME A FOUNDING MEMBER OF
THE SOUTH SALT LAKE CARES COALITION!

Help make a difference in areas like:

- Increasing student graduation
- Reducing substance misuse and gang problems
- Improving mental and physical health for community members

Scan for more information or send questions to sslcoalition@sslc.gov



Orientation in August!

