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On The Move

CITY NEWSLETTER

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Animal Service 801-483-6024
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Code Enforcement 801-464-6712
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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

New Year Brings New Opportunities to Listen



Mayor Cherie Wood

This past fall, I learned so much from canvassing and meeting you at your doorstep. More than ever, I realize that receiving feedback in such a personal and direct way is key to understanding and knowing what you value. It is my promise that every resident has a safe, clean home and neighborhood. A strong city is built of neighbors who feel a strong sense of belonging. And this is fostered by getting involved.

In 2021, we gathered input from hundreds of you through our Community Values Survey and the General Plan process. We restarted hosting Neighborhood Night public gatherings, grew our social media, and increased direct correspondence. But we aren't stopping here. We are working on new online tools, including integrated website-app tools for regular, direct outreach, including mini-polls, topic-based surveys, alerts, and more. Stay tuned while we fine-tune our outreach. We are bringing the city to you in 2022!

I am most excited to announce a new neighborhood-focused outreach effort. 'Mondays with the Mayor', which will be held once a month starting in February. We will announce a neighborhood location and take a short walkabout to see the changes, the issues, and share ideas for making things better. Look for me in front of the Columbus Center on Monday, February 28 at 6 p.m. for our first meeting.

I close this month's message by sharing a recent correspondence from a nine-year-old resident. Her comments on the City echo what I have heard from many of you, and make me double down my commitment to safer neighborhoods. This young resident is a prime example of the power of words. In the letter, they report that the lack of street lighting, stop signs, and other issues on the street contribute to ongoing safety concerns, including theft and speeding. After reading through the message, it was forwarded to our City Engineer, several city staff, and the Police. From this single letter came collaborative responses, which will lead to real and meaningful change in the neighborhood. Thank you to this young resident for reminding us how to civically engage and seek solutions! (PS, you could run for mayor someday, too!)

**"Dear Mayor, We need
some improvement in
our neighborhood."**



This cute illustration above accompanied a letter from a nine-year-old resident, which led with, "Dear Mayor, We need some improvement in our neighborhood." A response was sent from myself, the City Engineer, and the Chief of Police, as we shared our collective plans to take action to increase safety measures and bring changes to her neighborhood.

Let's Celebrate! 21st South S-Line Neighborhood



South Salt Lake
Neighborhood Connect
801.464.6757
connect@sslc.gov

Mondays with the Mayor

Whether you want to connect with your neighbors, learn more about City Services, or share an idea that will benefit your community, this is a great way to connect and have a fun evening together.

Monday, Feb 28, 2022
Columbus Center Auditorium
2531 S 400 East
6 - 8 p.m.



SSL City Council Meetings

Check sslc.gov for details

Watch Live stream of meetings:
video.ibm.com/channel/sslc

Wednesday, Feb. 9, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 23, 7 p.m.

SSL City Planning Commission Meeting

Thursday, Feb. 3, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 17, 7 p.m.

Holiday Closure

City Offices will be closed

Monday, Feb. 21 in observance of Presidents Day.

There are no residential garbage pickup delays in February.

What Not to Flush

You might be wondering about wet wipes. Sewer pipes getting clogged from “flushable” wipes are a serious problem. Toilet paper breaks down as it travels through the wastewater system, “flushable” wipes do not and will clog or plug up the system. Remember the 3P Rule!



Take the Survey!

In our Riverfront Neighborhood, the Tracy Aviary Jordan River Nature Center has plans to expand in big ways! But before they do, they want to know what you want to see here. Take the quick, anonymous survey: Jordanrivernaturecenter.org



CITY COUNCIL CORNER

LeAnne Huff, District 1

Life continues to present challenges and obstacles to test our strength and resiliency, and many of us have been forced to accept tough situations that we have had little to no control over. As a prime example, the impact of the global pandemic has forced us to cope with situations we never imagined, and a lot of us have struggled with our mental health as a result.

If this impacted your mental health or someone you care about, you aren't alone. In fact, of the almost half a million individuals that took an anxiety screening at mhanational.org, 79% showed symptoms of moderate to severe anxiety. The good news is there are tools and resources available to support the well-being of individuals and communities.

A great starting point for prioritizing mental health is to take a free, confidential screening on the Mental Health America website (mhanational.org). Beyond identifying symptoms of mental health problems, after you are finished you will be given information about the next steps you should take based upon the results. A screening is not a diagnosis, but it can be a helpful tool for beginning a conversation with a doctor or a trusted friend. This site can also lead you to helpful resources and self-help tools. For more information, visit mhanational.org.

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



Your neighborhood, made stronger by YOU!

The Department of Neighborhoods is your first stop for getting involved and building a better place to live and work.

From reporting illegal dumping to broken streetlights, get connected to the resources that can help address common problems and issues impacting your neighborhood.



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Thank you, Kyle Kershaw

SSL's Director of Finance for 17 Years

Very well-loved and respected, a fan of Seinfeld, and keen on wearing sweater vests, Kyle Kershaw announced his



retirement after working as an SSL City employee for 37 years and serving as the Director of Finance for 17 years. Kyle has helped in immeasurable ways during this time with the City, seeing it through the last decade of unprecedented and dramatic growth. As the Director of Finance, what he found most rewarding was working with the Mayor and City Council to adopt the annual balanced budget. In his words, “There are always more requests and needs than

there are resources available to meet those needs. Through discussion and cooperation at multiple levels, a financially responsible budget, which met the most urgent needs, has always been adopted.”

Our most sincere thanks to you Kyle, best to you in your future endeavors, and please, come back and visit often.

Meet Our New Director of Finance, Crystal Makin

As the newly appointed Director of Finance for South Salt Lake, Crystal Makin brings over 25 years of accounting experience to the City. She has served as an accountant in the City's Finance Department for the last five and a half years.



Crystal loves working for South Salt Lake and sees it as a vibrant and visionary community. She says, “While the city is small, it is leading the way in so many creative and progressive ways, and I love being a part of it.”

Crystal's background includes public, corporate, and tax accounting. She earned her Bachelor's degree in accounting from Utah State University and a Master's from the University of Utah. She has been a licensed CPA for 13 years. In her spare time, Crystal serves as a foster parent, travels, creates handicrafts, attends hockey games, and enjoys spending time with her family.

South Salt Lake City Council Action Report Summary

Full agendas, minutes, handouts and video recorded meetings available at: sslc.com/city-government/council-meeting

Date	Agenda Item	Subject	Action	Next Step
1/12/22	Appointments by the Mayor	Reappoint Chad Ewell and Jeremy Carter to Planning Commission	Approved	No further action
1/12/22	Ordinance amending Consolidated fee schedule	An Ordinance to modify fingerprinting fees, discovery fees and a minor change to utility billing.	Moved to Unfinished Business for January 26, 2022	Further discussion

Public Safety

Helping Our Community

Message from SSLPD Chief Jack Carruth

The Community Resource Division recently added Lt. Ryan Cram and Business Watch Officer Britney Warner. Both of these dedicated officers are committed to providing their expertise and best service to the community.

Lt. Cram is the commander of the Community Resource Division and will be actively involved with the Civilian Review Board, Homeless Resource Unit, and the Community Resources Unit (CRU). As part of the CRU, we have a school resource officer, neighborhood watch officer, and business watch officer.

Business Watch Officer Warner has over 16 years of law enforcement experience. She

has worked in various capacities including; the Salt Lake County Gang Project, bike patrol, street crimes, school resource officer, and now as the newly assigned business watch officer. Officer Warner recently completed an in-depth Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) training. This training will help her assess a property to address crime prevention techniques and practices.

Officer Warner is a trained crisis negotiator and serves on the Unified multi-jurisdiction law enforcement critical incident response team. With a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice, Officer Warner has the qualifications to meet the demands of her job and will put her expertise to use to assist the SSL business community.



SSL Business Owners are welcome to connect: Business Watch Officer, Britney Warner — bwarnersslc.gov

CERT in 2022

Message from SSLFD Chief Terry Addison

A few decades ago, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) created the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program to give community volunteers the skills and resources needed to assist first responders in dealing with a large-scale disaster. The curriculum is designed to train volunteers in the same basic skills firefighters master, such as search and rescue, first aid, establishing a medical treatment area, suppressing small fires, etc. The State of Utah worked with FEMA to create a new (hybrid) online and in-person CERT learning format that takes less time for volunteers to complete. After completing the online portion, volunteers attend an in-person training which gives them the opportunity to practice any hands-on skills.

The SSL Fire Department adopted the new hybrid format in 2021, and four residents completed the CERT program. Our graduates preferred the hybrid format because it allowed them to go through the online portion at their own pace. The in-person training spanned two Saturdays and consisted of several hands-on activities. Additionally, the Millcreek CERT program ran their training on the same schedule, so we agreed to merge for an emergency simulation exercise. This increased the number of participants to 11 and helped make the simulation more realistic.

Another CERT training is scheduled for this spring. If you are interested in becoming a CERT member, contact BC Blaine Daimaru at 801-464-6726 or bdaimaru@sslc.gov.



NEW! Homeless Strategies in SSL

The SSL Homeless Strategies Department was recently created with support from the state's Homeless Mitigation fund. In coordination with the Men's Resource Center (MRC) and the SSLPD Homeless Resource Officers, they plan to expand services for both residents who are housed and those unsheltered. Newly appointed Director, Christine Simonette brings experience from Utah's Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health and has managed several programs across the state, including serving those who are in substance recovery or gaining reentry into society from prison. Allison Brotherton is the Homeless Strategies Coordinator and has worked on obtaining funds for mental health and the homeless, along with working with other social reform campaigns.

To expand their role and influence in the city, the Homeless Strategies team would like to invite citizens to get involved. The Men's Resource Center Neighborhood Meeting is held every third Wednesday from 4-5 p.m. and is open to the public. These virtual meetings will include Police, Fire, EMS providers, community-based partners, and City Administration to ensure that the clients and surrounding community are safe and informed. This is also an opportunity for all parties to discuss ways to improve the shelter and keep people and properties surrounding the MRC safe.

The number of people experiencing homelessness in the Salt Lake Valley area has grown exponentially in recent years. Homeless Strategies Director Christine Simonette says, "We want to follow the state of Utah's lead by working towards making homelessness rare, brief, and non-recurring. To accomplish this, we need to make sure the MRC continues to be a safe space for healing." Their primary goal is to maintain good relationships with community partners to provide creative housing solutions and rehabilitation resources moving forward.



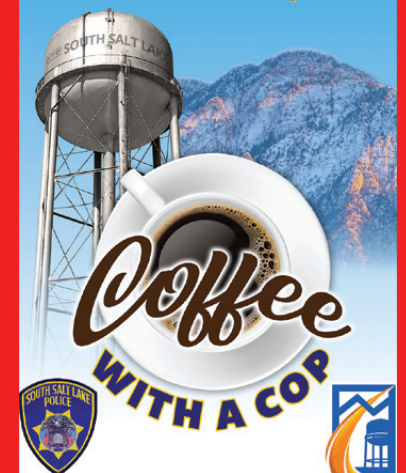
Homeless Strategies Director
Christine Simonette



Homeless Strategies Coordinator
Allison Brotherton



South Salt Lake Police Department



Wednesday, February 2, 2022
9-10 a.m.

Délíce Bakery & Café
2747 S State Street

Join SSLPD and community members to enjoy the morning and get to know our local law enforcement better.



Neighborhood Watch Meeting

Feb. 3, 2022 7:00 p.m.

Visit sslc.gov for virtual event link.

Men's Resource Center Neighborhood Meeting

Feb. 16, 2022 4:00 p.m.

Join us for a monthly conversation via Zoom. Visit sslc.gov for the link.



All Night Parking Prohibited. No person shall park a vehicle on street for a period longer than one hour between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. of any night when removal of snow from the streets may be necessary.

What Neighborhood Do You Live In?

What is a neighborhood? What makes a neighborhood great? How do residents define their neighborhood? When South Salt Lake began the process of a General Plan revision almost 2 years ago, these were some of the questions we set out to have our residents and stakeholders answer.

Throughout the General Plan process, we learned the City has several unique areas deserving of its own identity as a neighborhood within South Salt Lake. The General Plan names these individual areas of the City as neighborhoods. Much

consideration was given to the names and boundaries. This said, do you know the name of your neighborhood?

As South Salt Lake celebrates 2022 as the 'Year of the Neighborhood', we encourage you to identify your neighborhood and take note of what makes it special. The Community Development Department would love to hear your feedback. Tell us what makes your neighborhood great, what you might change, or what needs some TLC. Send your thoughts to Sean Lewis, Deputy Community Development Director at slewis@sslc.gov.



SOUTH SALT LAKE NEIGHBORHOODS

This map is to help you identify your SSL Neighborhood. Adapted from the SSL 2040 General Plan, here you can find the locations and names of our neighborhoods and their approximate boundaries running north to south; west to east. Take a glance and mark your place on it!

21st S Line – 2100 South to I-80; State Street to 500 East

Downtown SSL – 2100 South to I-80; I-15 to State Street

Water Tower – I-80 to 2700 South; I-15 to State Street

Southgate – 2700 South to Mill Creek; I-15 to State Street

Central Park – I-80 to 3300 South; State Street to 300 East, expanding to 500 East and north of 2800 South

Fitts Park – 2800 South to 3300 South; 300 East to 700 East

Granite Legacy – 3300 South to 3900 South; State Street to 700 East

Millcreek Station – Mill Creek to Guest Ave; I-15 to State Street

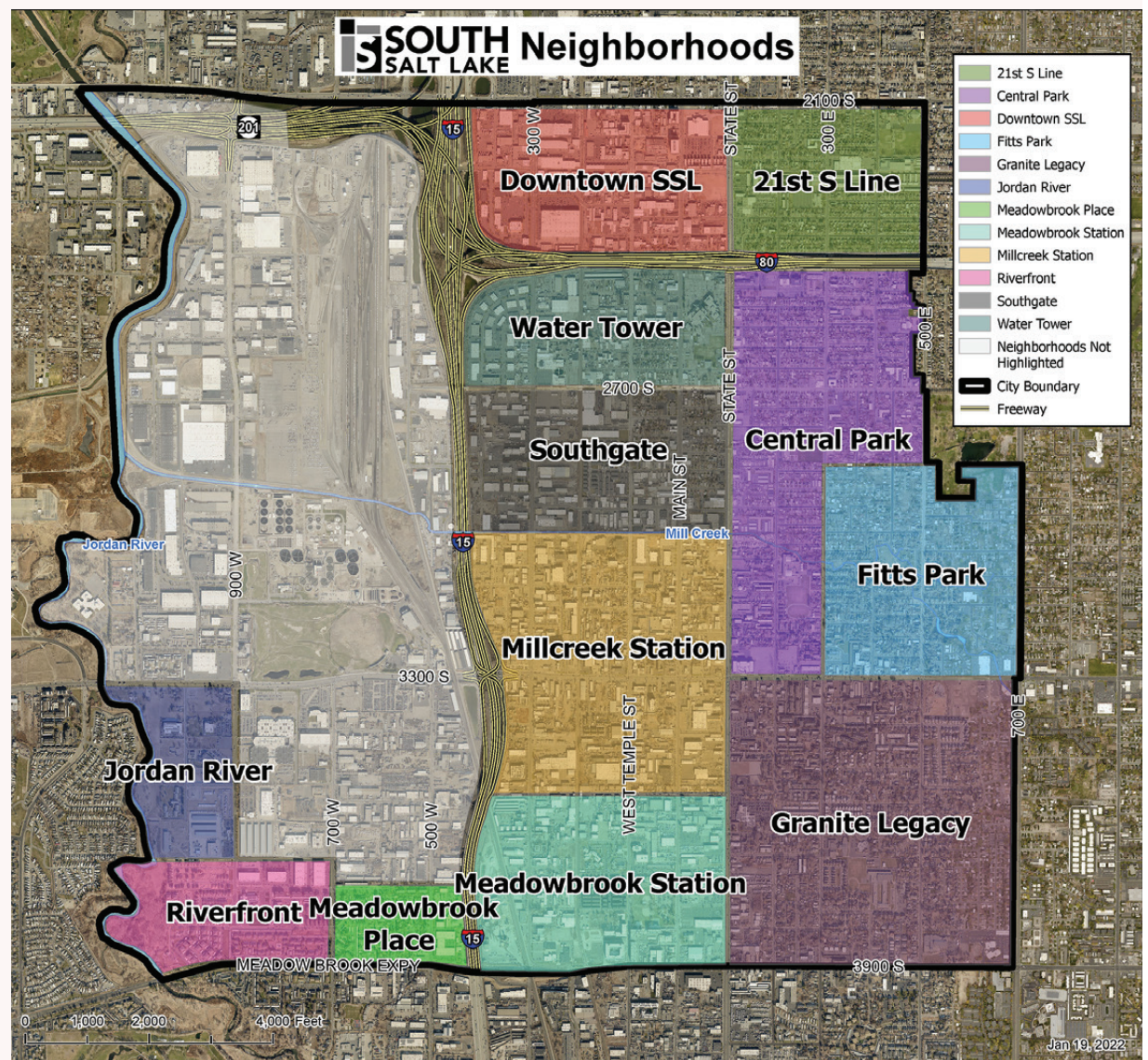
Meadowbrook Station – Guest Ave to 3900 South; I-15 to State Street

Meadowbrook Place – Fine Drive to 3900 South; 700 West to I-15

Jordan River – 3300 South to Carlisle Street (UTA Operations); Jordan River to 900 West

Riverfront – Carlisle Street (UTA Operations) to 3900 South; Jordan River to 700 West

***Other neighborhoods including West Central, Oxbow, 900 West, and Roper Yard are primarily non-residential and industrial in nature.*



New Planning Commissioner, Meet Olivia Spencer

Representing District 5, Olivia Spencer is our newest South Salt Lake Planning Commissioner. The Planning Commission is a local municipal committee that reviews proposed developments, as well as land uses, and offers insight and advice that impacts the current and future success of South Salt Lake.

Olivia grew up in the Millcreek area and graduated from Granite High. She has been a resident for ten years. She holds a master's degree in public administration (MPA) from the University of Wyoming. Since earning her MPA, she has committed her career to work in the field of education. She currently coordinates a medical education program with the goal of increasing doctors and medical professionals in rural, tribal, and medically underserved communities in the State of Utah.

Planning Commission Meetings are held monthly the 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 7 p.m.

Find out more at www.sslc.gov.

Community Happenings



New SSL Arts Council Board Members

Over the years, the South Salt Lake Arts Council has sponsored arts and cultural activities such as the Mural Fest, Creative Arts for Life Classes, and Craftoberfest to provide our residents with opportunities to engage in the creative process. The SSL Arts Council is a non-profit 501(c)(3) and is organized and managed by the City of South Salt Lake with a volunteer Board of Directors. This year, the SSL Arts Council Board is excited to include two new additions, Erik Ostling and Maranda Hawkes.

ERIK OSTLING

Erik Ostling has been a commercial advertising photographer in the Salt Lake valley for nearly 30 years. With a local and national clientele, he's traveled extensively in the US and overseas on a variety of projects. More recently, he and two friends started Beehive Distilling, a craft distillery based in South Salt Lake's Creative Industry Zone. In his free time, Erik enjoys biking in the foothills and skiing Utah's amazing mountains. Biking to work on the S-Line path with murals as a backdrop is his favorite way to start a summer day.



MARANDA HAWKES

Photo Credit: Tew Treasures Photography

With a love for art and creating, Maranda Hawkes grew up in a family that participated in community theater and spent much time behind the scenes painting backdrops and murals for various productions. Studying Art and Theatre at the University of Utah, Maranda has a BFA in Performing Arts Design. Also passionate about pets, Maranda has worked with 'No More Homeless Pets in Utah' for many years and was on several committees for large pet adoption events and fundraisers. For fun, she has painted murals at their dog kennel. She also has experience with special event decorating, and floral design.

Maranda has volunteered with different organizations over the years and has been able to share her creativity and design background. She says, "I find it exciting when our community can come together to share our ideas and talents. It creates value and meaning in our day-to-day lives, and we appreciate each other more! After living in SSL for 20 years, I am looking forward to being more involved!"



Creative Arts for Life



Mixed Media Journaling

Tuesdays, March 1, 8, 15, 22, 2022 • 6:30-8:30 pm

Location: Historic Scott School

Instructor: Nicole Lavelly
Bad Dog Arts

Visual journaling can be described as, a creative way to express and record life's experiences, feelings, emotions, or our inner world.

We will begin by hand binding a sketchbook with the Pamphlet Stitch that will become the space you create for the duration of this workshop series. Nicole will expand your

creative vocabulary through collage, Gelli plate printing, stencils, drawing prompts and mixed media painting techniques.

Classes will be jam-packed with inspiration! Come prepared to jump in, explore and play! All materials included. No experience is necessary. Registration starts on sslarts.org in mid-February.



MURAL FEST 2022

LOOKING FOR WALLS

The South Salt Lake Arts Council is looking for businesses that are interested in receiving one of the 10 murals for Mural Fest 2022.

Murals are a great way to attract visitors and engage the community. Murals are also an effective graffiti abatement tool!

Contact allen@sslc.gov for more info.

HELP US TRANSFORM SOUTH SALT LAKE!

For a map of the current murals, visit themuralifest.com

Celebrate SOUTH SALT LAKE!

Apply now for a grant from the South Salt Lake Arts Council to host an event that celebrates our City's arts, character, and diversity!

Applications due **March 1, 2022.**

Apply online today!



For more information or help applying, contact the SSL Arts Council.
arts@sslc.gov | 801.421.3223



What is Tech Connect?

At the new Community Opportunity Center (The Co-Op), volunteers meet one-on-one with community members to help address their digital needs from acquiring a low-cost computer to signing up for internet service to learning fundamental tech skills. For more information, connect with Lucas Horns at lhorns@sslc.gov.

The Community Opportunity Center
2530 S 500 East

Open to the Public:

Mon, Weds, Fri 3 to 7 p.m.

TECH CONNECT



Get a low-cost computer



Sign up for free or low-cost at-home internet service



Meet one-on-one with a digital navigator for free IT help and support



Use our free, public Wi-Fi

CONEXIÓN TECNOLÓGICA



Obtenga una computadora de bajo costo



Regístrese para obtener un servicio de internet en hogar de bajo costo



Reúnanse personalmente con un navegador digital para obtener ayuda y soporte tecnología gratuita



Utilice nuestro Wi-Fi público y gratuito

SEEKING FITNESS INSTRUCTORS



2508 S 500 E

Email: Aaronawiet@sslc.gov for details and application.



Celebrate Black History Month

Black History Month was first observed in 1970 and is an annual celebration designed to recognize the importance of African American history, culture, and contributions to society. There are many SLC community Black History events throughout the month of February. To learn more, please visit: useve.utah.gov/black-history-month

Support Black-Owned Businesses

The Utah Black Chamber of Commerce lists several Black-owned businesses in the Salt Lake area. dev.utahblackchamber.com/list



YESTERDAY, TODAY, TOMMOROW

WWW.UTAHBLACKCHAMBER.COM

BLACK BOLD & BRILLIANT



The Utah Film Center (online event)

Black, Bold, & Brilliant: Hearts and Minds Edition

A legendary conversation between James Baldwin and Nikki Giovanni about Black-centric films and media.

Reserve your tickets: utahfilmcenter.org

Love is an action
Never Simply a feeling.

-bell hooks

The University of Utah, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion

Tribute to bell hooks

Thursday, Feb. 24, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

LNCO 1110

255 Central Campus Drive

New Sports Teams at UICS

It has been an exciting semester at Utah International Charter School's (UICS) Promise afterschool program. They formed a new partnership with SSL's Recreation Department, which has facilitated several intramural youth sports leagues. Youth have been able to participate in both a soccer and basketball league, with indoor soccer and flag football to come. These sports focus on the importance of self-discipline, teamwork, and physical fitness. The pride and excitement around these UICS sports teams have been palpable.



The program has also offered credit recovery courses such as health and computer science, giving students the opportunity to earn credits towards graduating high school during afterschool hours. The UICS Promise team has also partnered with 4H to offer courses such as sewing, cooking, and gardening. The gardening program ended the harvest season by showcasing their tomatoes, eggplants, and peppers at the SL County Fair.

We are excited to see what the rest of the year holds here at the UICS Promise afterschool program!

To learn more, connect with Kristen VanRiper:
801-520-7175, kvanriper@sslc.gov.

FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT CENTER



Have financial goals? We can help!

FREE 1-ON-1 FINANCIAL COACHING



- Reduce your debt
- Improve your credit
- Create a budget
- Build your savings \$\$

Free virtual or in-person sessions **Mondays - Fridays** during regular business hours at the Co-Op (2531 S. 500 E.)

TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT CALL
801.455.1729 OR VISIT THE CO-OP
FOR MORE INFORMATION



FREE ENGLISH CLASSES

The following classes are held in partnership with the English Skills Learning Center.
Call 801-328-5608 or visit eslcenter.org/learn



BEGINNING LITERACY

Tuesday and Thursday
9:30 - 11:30 am
Historic Scott School
3280 S 540 E, South Salt Lake

BEGINNING / MIXED LEVEL

Tuesday and Thursday
6:00 - 7:30 pm
Columbus Center Co-Op
2530 S 500 E, South Salt Lake

The following classes are held in partnership with Utah Community Action and Horizonte.
Please bring proof of residency.



BEGINNER*

Monday - Thursday
9:00 - 11:00 am
Central Park Community Center
2797 S 200 E, South Salt Lake
*Childcare provided

ADVANCED*

Monday - Thursday
11:00 am - 1:00 pm
Central Park Community Center
2797 S 200 E, South Salt Lake
*Childcare provided

SOUTH SALT LAKE EARLY LEARNING NETWORK



CHILD DEVELOPMENT TIP

EARLY LEARNING BOOST

Give your child an early learning boost by setting aside time to read a book or play a learning game together for 15 minutes a day, five days a week. This simple step will help your child quickly develop a genuine sense of accomplishment, and the benefits are ongoing!

Waterford.org

EARLY LEARNING BOOST



Visit waterford.org/upstart to register your child for Waterford Upstart, a no-cost school readiness program with reading activities, games, and more!



South Salt Lake has 13 neighborhood centers serving our community.

Hser Ner Moo Community Center
2531 South 400 East (Columbus)
801-828-7245

Olene Walker Elementary
3751 South 900 West
801-828-8219

Historic Scott School Center
Commonwealth Youth Center
3280 South 540 East
801-803-3632

Lincoln Community School
450 East 3700 South
801-657-0416

Utah International School
350 East Baird Circle
801-520-7175

Central Park / PAL Center
2797 South 200 East
801-386-4949

Best Buy Teen Tech Center
2531 South 400 East
801-455-0994

Woodrow Wilson School
2567 South Main Street
801-386-0589

Granite Park Jr. High
3031 South 200 East
801-440-4499

Meadowbrook Center
1125 West 3300 South
801-828-8219

Cottonwood High Promise
5715 South 1300 East
385-630-9748

Kearns Saint Ann Promise
430 East 2100 South
385-630-9754

Moss Elementary
4399 South 500 East
385-258-6360