

# ON THE MOVE

## South Salt Lake Newsletter



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### SSL 'ON THE MOVE' HIGHLIGHTS

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Cherie Wood, Mayor  
801-464-6757  
mayor@sslc.gov

**City Offices**  
Monday - Friday • 8 am to 5 pm  
801-483-6000  
220 E Morris Ave, SSL, UT 84115

**Public Meetings**  
For more info: [www.sslc.gov](http://www.sslc.gov)  
**PLANNING COMMISSION**  
Thursdays, Oct 2 & 16, 7 pm  
**CITY COUNCIL**  
Wednesdays, Oct 15 & 29, 7 pm  
**CIVILIAN REVIEW BOARD**  
Monday, Oct 6, 6:30 pm  
**COMMUNITY CONNECT**  
Wednesday, Oct 15, 10 am

**Fall Leaf Bag Program**  
Starting October 1, residents can get free leaf bags as part of your SSL Waste Collection services. Residents can pick up five free leaf bags from the Public Works Office at SSL City Hall (220 E. Morris Ave, 4th Floor). You must show a valid ID with a South Salt Lake address in order to claim your bags. Help us keep leaves out of our storm drains and waterways by raking and bagging your leaves this fall. If you have questions, please call 801-483-6045.

### COMMIT: City Departments Working Together for Safer, Cleaner Neighborhoods

#### Message from Mayor Cherie Wood

Creating safe, clean, and welcoming neighborhoods is one of my highest priorities in South Salt Lake. Every resident deserves to live in a community that feels safe and cared for, and every property owner should feel supported in maintaining and improving their property.

To achieve this, we've developed an innovative, collaborative approach called COMMIT—our Community Impact Team. This effort brings together experts from multiple City departments, including Community Development, Building, Code Enforcement, Police, Fire, Stormwater, and the Salt Lake County Health Department. Together, they work to address complex property issues that affect not just one address, but the safety and well-being of entire neighborhoods.

Some of the challenges we see include properties in disrepair, vacant or abandoned buildings that have become eyesores, breaches of vacant structures, or businesses operating without proper licenses. Through COMMIT, we are able to combine resources, take a comprehensive approach, and most importantly, work directly with property owners and tenants to find lasting solutions.

This year alone, our COMMIT team has addressed 75 property issues, including 4 abatements, 9 encampments, 4 building breaches, and 3 board-ups. We identified and responded to more than 47 vacant buildings, many of which were converted into licensed businesses or rentals, contributing to safer, more vibrant neighborhoods.

What makes COMMIT unique is our "front porch" approach. Our team meets with property owners and residents, explains the issues, and provides guidance and resources to help them bring their property into compliance. We respect the delicate balance between property rights and neighborhood safety, following an

"Ask, Tell, Make" philosophy: first asking for voluntary compliance, then explaining requirements clearly with outlined consequences, and finally taking necessary enforcement action only when all else fails.

One example highlights the importance of this work: A property in South Salt Lake was occupied by an individual unable to care for himself. The home fell into disrepair and attracted drug activity, putting both the resident and the neighborhood at risk. Our COMMIT team worked to relocate the individual to a safer environment, abated the property, and restored it to community standards. This outcome not only improved safety but also demonstrated compassion and collaboration.

The COMMIT program shows what's possible when City departments and residents work together. It's about more than fixing properties—it's about strengthening neighborhoods, protecting residents, and ensuring South Salt Lake continues to be a place we're proud to call home.

*The COMMIT Team has addressed 75 property issues, building stronger, safer neighborhoods for all residents.*





## South Salt Lake Recreation



**Youth Basketball  
Grades Pre-K. - 6th  
Registration closes  
October 20**

**Visit [sslc.gov](http://sslc.gov) or  
scan the QR code  
to register**



## Know Your CITY COUNCIL

- Find Your District
- Contact Your Council Member
- View Meeting Dates & Agendas
- Watch Council Meetings Online



**[sslc.gov](http://sslc.gov)**

**At-Large**  
Clarissa Williams

**At-Large**  
Ray deWolfe

**District 1**  
LeAnne Huff

**District 2**  
Corey Thomas

**District 3**  
Sharla Bynum

**District 4**  
Nick Mitchell

**District 5**  
Paul Sanchez



### Corey Thomas, Council Member, District 2

This year is an election year for several City Council seats and the Mayor, and I want to share some important information regarding the upcoming election. Mail-in ballots will be sent to registered voters in mid-October. It is free to mail your completed ballot, but please remember to sign it before mailing.

You can also drop off your ballot prior to Election Day at the Salt Lake County Office (2001 South State Street, Salt Lake City), where in-person voting is also available. On Election Day, several polling places will be open; voting closes at 8 PM. If you are in line before 8 PM, you will still be able to cast your vote. Visit the Salt Lake County Clerk website to find Election Day mail-in ballot drop off locations, and to register to vote online. In-person registration is also available at the Salt Lake County building or at any polling location on Election Day. Please remember to bring the correct identification documents with you if you plan to register in person.

### Step Into the Ring At Central Park



The Promise SSL-PAL Boxing Program is gearing up to get youth competition-ready this year at Central Park Community Center. This is a free afterschool program for youth 6th-12th grade looking to start a new sport, or advance their skills in a safe, structured environment. Boxers will learn boxing fundamentals, sparring skills, and strong training techniques, whether or not they choose to pursue competitions.

Outside of the gym, we work to ensure that the whole athlete is supported by offering a daily academic hour for homework help, free dinner, and college and career readiness workshops to explore life after high school. The program focuses on the values of teamwork and support by ensuring that all in the program are working together, no matter their skill level or goals in the gym.

To learn more and to sign up for the program, contact our Center Coordinator, Sarah Gregory, at 801-386-4949 or [sgregory@sslc.gov](mailto:sgregory@sslc.gov).

### Curbside Cleanup Program

The South Salt Lake Curbside Cleanup Program is available to all city residents who receive city garbage service (this does not include apartments and multiplex units that contract their own garbage service). Curbside pick up will take place November 3-12 for approved items that are boxed, bundled or bagged. Items may be placed in the park strip up to one week before your scheduled pick up day, and must not obstruct sidewalks, gutters, storm drains, or roadways. View your exact pick up date and all program guidelines at [sslc.gov](http://sslc.gov).

12 PM-5 PM | LIVE MUSIC | ARTISTS | CRAFT BEER | COCKTAILS | FOOD TRUCKS

OAKLAND AVE. (2460 S.) BETWEEN MAIN & WEST TEMPLE | MORE INFORMATION AT [SSLARTS.ORG/CRAFTOBERFEST](https://sslarts.org/craftoberfest)

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**FREE**

YOU'RE INVITED TO

# TRUNK OR TREAT

WEAR YOUR BEST COSTUME

OCT 23 2025  
5:30 - 7:30 PM

CENTRAL PARK COMMUNITY CENTER  
2797 S. 200 E.

Contact Patrick at [pholman@sslc.gov](mailto:pholman@sslc.gov) to host a trunk

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## HALLOWEEN SPOOKTACULAR

Krank + It + Up PRODUCTIONS

FRIDAY 17 OCTOBER

4:30 PM TO 8:30 PM  
2531 S 400 E, SOUTH SALT LAKE

TRUNK OR TREAT WITH CLASSIC CARS  
MAGICIAN \* DANCE PERFORMANCE  
PUMPKIN PATCH \* GAMES \* TACO TRUCK

FREE ADMISSION! CANS FOR FOOD DRIVE ARE APPRECIATED

JOIN US... IF YOU DARE!

## SPOOKY City Hall

- OCTOBER 31 | 3:00-4:45 PM
- 220 E. MORRIS AVE
- TRICK-OR-TREAT AT SSL CITY HALL
- AGES 12 & UNDER
- COSTUMES ENCOURAGED!

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## October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

At the South Salt Lake Police Department, we're committed to serving and protecting every member of our community. That commitment goes beyond responding to calls; it's about providing steadfast support to those who have been impacted by crime. Recognizing the immense courage it takes to come forward, we've built a dedicated program to walk alongside victims every step of the way.



Our Victim Advocates work hard to educate survivors about resources available to them, such as crime victim reparations, counseling resources, emergency shelters, phones, and so much more. By offering guidance through the legal system and connecting them with community resources, advocates help survivors regain a sense of control and stability during incredibly difficult times.

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. We encourage all members of our community to recognize the signs of domestic intimate partner or dating violence, and to have the courage to speak up or report it. Visit [sslc.gov](http://sslc.gov) to learn more about the signs of domestic violence, and find resources that can help.



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## FALL PREPAREDNESS CONFERENCE

Gain insights from local preparedness experts, participate in interactive breakout sessions, and network with fellow community members.

**SATURDAY**  
**OCT 25**

**TRAINING**  
8:30 - 12:00

**SIMULATION**  
12:00 - 4:00

**SOUTH SALT LAKE COMMUNITY CENTER**  
2531 S 400 E, SSLC

**SCAN HERE TO REGISTER**



### MORNING WORKSHOPS:

#### HAM it Up: Radio Essentials

Learn about your area HAM group, basic radio operation, get general questions answered.

#### Stop the Bleed

Hands-on Stop the Bleed training presented by Jamie Troyer, U of U

#### Moulage

Learn how to apply realistic mock injuries. Leave with a few fun supplies and help at your local simulations!

#### CERT Skills Station

Triage, cribbing, carrying, and fire extinguisher training and practice.

### AFTERNOON:



#### CERT Disaster Simulation

Practice all your skills (new or old) by participating in a disaster simulation.

Questions? Email: [yabbyad@sslc.gov](mailto:yabbyad@sslc.gov)



**CERT**  
**SOUTH SALT LAKE**  
**COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM**

**JOIN THE TEAM** >> 



The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) is a volunteer program that educates community members in emergency response techniques specific to potential disasters in our area. To become a member of CERT, you must complete an at-your-own-pace online training, attend four in-person trainings, and participate in a large-scale disaster simulation. Our next series of in-person CERT trainings will begin on October 2. Scan the QR code above, or visit [sslc.gov](http://sslc.gov) to sign up and find more information.

