



MAYOR'S MESSAGE



As we look forward to a new year ahead of us, creating the vision for the future for our city never stops. Our quality of life

and finding ways to connect us is a priority. One of the major planning efforts in 2023 has been working with Landmark Design and our city staff in gathering data and critical information to finalize the adoption of the Bluffdale City Parks, Trails, Recreation, and Open Space Master Plan.

It has been almost 10 years since we last updated our parks, trails, and recreation plan. A lot has changed since then! Ten years ago, we had a population of 7,500 and today we have close to 20,000. The Parks Plan update allows us to evaluate the desires of the residents and assist in prioritizing funding and other resources for future amenities. It helps us to understand the needs of the community and to plan for those needs.

A statistically valid survey was conducted this year by Y2 Analytics

to help us understand the needs and desires of the residents regarding these valuable assets. The following are the top 6 key findings:

1. Overall use of Bluffdale recreational amenities is high, with 77% of residents using Bluffdale parks and 66% using trails at least once a month. Residents prefer parks and trails that are close to home. Residents also report high levels of participation in city events, with 64% having attended a city event in the past year.

2. While the vast majority of city residents are satisfied with the number of parks in the city, there is a significant portion who say there are not enough recreation programs (45%), trails (40%), and natural open spaces (36%), indicating that those might be good areas of focus for the City.

3. In terms of improvements that residents would make to trails and parks, residents express the most interest in making trails more connected and complete, more lighting, trees, shade structures, and overall maintenance/cleanliness.

4. The majority of residents are interested in both youth and adult



recreation programs in Bluffdale. For youth recreation programs, residents are most interested in soccer, basketball, and swimming, while pickleball is the most popular adult recreation program.

5. When it comes to recreational facilities, residents consistently express interest in a City rec center and/or public pool. The vast majority (83%) express interest in having a public rec center in Bluffdale, and over half say they would visit such a facility regularly (a few times a month or more).

6. Not only are residents enthusiastic about having additional rec facilities and programs in Bluffdale, but they are also willing to help fund it. Nearly two-thirds of residents say they would be willing to pay a monthly usage fee to fund parks, trails, and

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ELECTED OFFICIALS

Mayor: Natalie Hall

City Council: Wendy Aston, Steve Austin, Traci Crockett, Alan Lord, Greg Wilding

Meet with the Mayor

1st Wed., 5-6:30 pm

Council Chat:

3rd Wed., 5-6:30 pm

CITY CONTACTS

2222 W 14400 S | 801-254-2200 | info@bluffdale.com

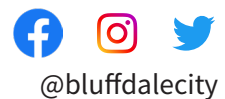
Monday-Friday | 8:30 am-5:00 pm

Emergency 911

Police Non-Emergency 801-798-5600 | **Public Works After Hours** 801-559-7783

SLCo Animal Control 801-743-7000 | **Utility Billing** 801-254-2200 x 403

Business Licensing 801-254-2200 x 414 | **Justice Court** 801-254-2200 x 417



@bluffdalecity

Continued from front facilities in Bluffdale and most are interested in paying a monthly or family pass for rec center admission.

The best way to live the city's motto of "Life Connected" is to focus on creating integrated and connected parks, trails, and open space system. These efforts will provide connections to neighborhoods across the city and allow opportunities for residents to enjoy the open space we all value. The city is regularly working with many state, county, and other planning partners to assist in funding and planning for parks, trails, and recreation opportunities.

Please visit the city website to provide any additional comments or feedback on your desires for the updated Parks Plan. We hope to adopt the final plan in 2024. By participating, we are working together to build our community and enhance our already amazing quality of life here in Bluffdale.
www.bluffdale.com/Parks.

HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE TARGET (HEAT) PROGRAM

The Home Energy Assistance Target (HEAT) Program offers year-round energy aid to qualifying low-income households across Utah. It runs from October 1st to September 30th or until federal LIHEAP funds are depleted.

To qualify for HEAT Assistance:

- The total household income should be at or below 150% of the Federal Poverty Level.
- The household is responsible for home energy costs.

- The household must have at least one adult (18 years or older or emancipated).
- The household should include at least one US citizen or qualified non-citizen (refer to sections 202 and 203 of the HEAT Policy Manual).

The application is online or you can call the Salt Lake office at 801-359-2444. Links to the form and eligibility requirements can be found at www.bluffdale.com/HEAT.



NOW HIRING

SPRING 2024 SOCCER

Site Supervisor (18 yrs +) - start at \$12.50/hr
(plus 50% discount off registration)

Game Officials (14 yrs +) - start at \$10.50/hr

bluffdale.com/soccer



2023 FUN FACTS

In 2023, Salt Lake County Animal Services, as the largest no-kill municipal animal shelter in Utah, has remained a bustling hub for a diverse range of animals. Our dedicated staff encounters an array of creatures throughout the year, spanning from horses and goats to pigs, snakes, pet spiders, turtles, and, of course, the more conventional dogs, cats, guinea pigs, and rabbits. Amid this lively mix, here are some delightful Fun Facts from this year.

From January 1, 2023, to December 1, 2023, Salt Lake County Animal Services has achieved remarkable milestones. We proudly announce that over 2000 wonderful pets have found forever homes through adoptions, while more than 600 animals were successfully placed with Reputable Rescue Organizations. Our in-house clinic

has sterilized over 3,500 pets, contributing to responsible pet ownership. The Humane Educator engaged with thousands of children in Salt Lake County, imparting valuable lessons on Responsible Pet Ownership and How to Approach a Dog. Our dedicated volunteers and fosters have devoted an incredible 43,000 hours to the well-being of our shelter pets. Furthermore, our exceptional Animal Control Officers responded to over 18,000 calls this year alone, showcasing our commitment to the welfare of animals in our community.

To discover more about opportunities for involvement, adoption, licensing, microchipping, or donating, please visit www.AdoptUtahPets.org.

Field Related Calls

Our Animal Control Officers responded to over **18,000** calls this year alone!



Spay/Neuter Clinic

3,500 pets were sterilized by our in-house clinic.



Adoptions and Rescues

Over **2,600** pets were adopted or sent to rescue!



Volunteers and Fosters

A dedicated team of fosters and volunteers spent over **43,000** hours with our pets.



Join The Hang Ten Shelter Club

We've been riding the no-kill wave for a decade! All donations of **\$100** or more will be eligible for this year's Hang Ten Shelter Club merch!



BLUFFDALE CITY DOG LEASH ORDINANCE

Keeping your dog on a leash is crucial for their safety, the safety of others, and the well-being of the community. Leashes provide control, preventing dogs from darting into traffic, getting into altercations with other animals, or approaching strangers unexpectedly. Additionally, it respects public spaces and the rights of others who might be uncomfortable around unrestrained animals. Animal Services often addresses leash-related issues through education and enforcement.

Enforcement measures, such as fines for non-compliance, serve as deterrents, encouraging responsible pet ownership and promotes a safer community.

Animal Services also offers humane education classes to local schools teaching the importance of responsible pet ownership, bite prevention, and what to do when encountering a stray animal.

Ultimately, the goal is to create a harmonious environment where both pet owners and non-pet owners can coexist safely and comfortably.



Animal Services encourage citizens to call dispatch at 801-840-4000 if you witness a stray running at large and dispatch will send an animal control officer.

The community has two separate leash or control ordinances, one for in parks and trails, and the other for city-wide applications:

You can explore our leash code details on the website at www.bluffdale.com/AnimalServices.

BLUFFDALE BUSINESS BUZZ

Every month, we happily greet new faces in our community—local businesses run by dedicated entrepreneurs with a passion for serving and contributing. Your support means the world. Visit, use their services, and share the love with friends and family. By backing our local businesses, you're investing in a vibrant community we're all proud to call home.

This month, we are pleased to announce the following new businesses:

Deliberate Marketing

Wall Service Inc

Blissful Thread

MUNDO by US Agency

LN Marketing

Mavyn Digital Marketing

Nostalgic Photobooth LLC

If you're a Bluffdale business owner and would like to be featured on our Shop Local - Bluffdale Facebook page, we encourage you to reach out to us at businesslicense@bluffdale.com.

Also, Mayor Hall would like to visit your business. Email us to set up a time to show off your business.



Follow @Shop Local-Bluffdale on Facebook

BLUFFDALE TIMES PODCAST

Join Mayor Hall each month as she delves into the articles featured in our newsletter. Find links to all the listening platforms at www.bluffdale.com/Podcast.

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BLUFFDALE CITY SNOW ORDINANCES

DO NOT PARK ON THE STREET DURING A SNOW STORM

Cars parked on the street make it difficult for the snowplows to do their job. If there are cars parked on the street in a cul-de-sac, the plows will not enter.



HOME OWNERS ARE RESPONSIBLE TO REMOVE SNOW FROM SIDEWALKS, MAILBOXES, AND FIRE HYDRANTS

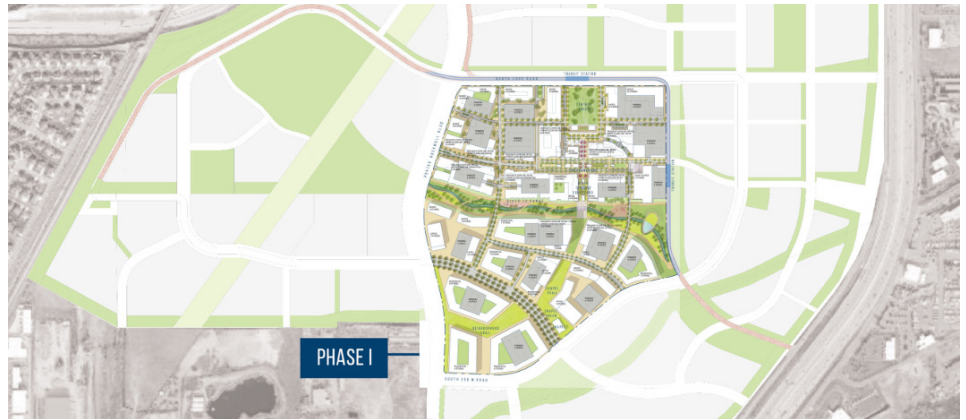
Do not shovel snow into the street, please keep it on your property.



TRACK THE SNOWPLOWS AT BLUFFDALE.COM/SNOW

Live tracking of our city snowplows is only available when they are being used during a storm.

THE POINT PHASE I DEVELOPMENT PLANS RELEASED



The Point of the Mountain State Land Authority (Land Authority) recently released detailed plans for the first phase of redevelopment at The Point. Located at the heart of The Point, the first phase encompasses approximately 100 acres. Development plans include world-class retail, shopping and entertainment venues, a people-focused main street with biking, walking and transit options called “The Promenade,” and a place for the first elements of the Innovation District efforts dubbed “Innovation Alley.”

The construction of critical backbone infrastructure will quite

literally lay the groundwork for future development. Major transportation projects will extend Porter Rockwell Boulevard and planned transit service through the site, and construct most of the “River-to-Range” 1.4-mile regional trail. The Central Green, a 3.2-acre public park, stands as a centerpiece of the site, offering a blend of urban living and outdoor recreation coupled with an adjacent entertainment venue to host thousands of Utahns for year-round events.

You can find more information about the The Point project at www.thepointutah.org



Goodbye flu, hello vacation days.

Get your flu shot, and lower your risk.



Getting a yearly flu shot is the most effective way to protect yourself from the flu virus. It's even covered by Medicare and most health plans.

Learn more, scan the QR code to visit Intermountainhealth.org/flu.

COMMUNITY UPDATES

MOUNTAIN POINT ELEMENTARY

Dear Bluffdale Community,

As we close this year, we at Mountain Point Elementary wish you all joyous holidays and a prosperous New Year.

Your support this past year has been crucial to our mission of nurturing our students' growth and development. We thank you wholeheartedly for your trust and active participation.

As we look to the rest of the school year, we're excited to continue creating engaging learning experiences for our students.

Here's to a New Year filled with discovery and success. Thank you for being part of our community.

Happy Holidays and a Prosperous New Year!

Best Regards,

The Team at Mountain Point Elementary

SUMMIT ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL

"Summit Academy High School excites a student's desire to learn and succeed now and in the future. Our dynamic student-teacher-family community sees each student as a whole person and together creates a challenging individualized educational journey toward intellectual success and personal well-being."

Open Houses for the 2023-2024 school year will be held on January 18th and January 26th from 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM. At the open house you will have the opportunity to see what SAHS has to offer to your potential student. Representatives from our administration, teachers, clubs, athletics, counseling, and support services will be present to answer any questions you may have. Looking forward to seeing you there! Go Bears!

sahs.summitacademyschools.org/

Choice in Learning Options >>>



SYNCHRONOUS

Daily live lessons on Zoom with peer learning interactions and teacher support.



ASYNCHRONOUS

Student driven, teacher supported daily lessons with learning support.



SELF PACED

Personalized curriculum for students and parents. Optional learning support.



ROCKY PEAK VIRTUAL ELEMENTARY

ABOUT US

A one of a kind virtual, public elementary school in Jordan School District for all students! Perfect for someone who desires more choice for their path of learning.

SUMMIT ACADEMY INDEPENDENCE

There is no place like school for the holidays, and at Summit Academy Independence the weeks before winter break were packed with memorable events. The boy's basketball team thrilled everyone who watched them win their way through the playoffs and into the tournament finals. The school band and choir brought the holiday spirit and showcased the diverse talent of our students as they performed in concert. The junior high theater department left us laughing again with their most recent production of the play Curtains, and our first graders ventured out to see a performance of The Nutcracker. A

highlight our German DLI students look forward to each year is singing at the Christkindlmarkt celebration in Salt Lake City, and this year they gave additional performances at both Bluffdale City's "Santa and the Lights" event and BYU. We are proud of the continuing accomplishments of our amazing student body. We are also grateful for the generosity of our community and our Summit families whose contributions to our Brighten the World giving tree program enabled the school to provide Christmas for 12 families, as well as distribute Thanksgiving and Holiday meals for several more. Summit Academy Independence wishes you all a safe and happy holiday season.

NATIONAL RELIGIOUS FREEDOM DAY

is dedicated to celebrating and safeguarding religious freedom and diversity

JANUARY 16, 2024



MEETING SCHEDULE	CITY COUNCIL January 10, 24, 6 pm February 14, 28, 6 pm	PLANNING COMMISSION January 3, 17, 6 pm February 7, 21, 6 pm	YOUTH COUNCIL January 16, 5:30 pm February 20, 5:30 pm	HOLIDAY SCHEDULE City Offices Closed: New Year's Day, January 1 MLK Day, January 15 Presidents' Day, February 19
	COUNCIL CHAT January 17, 5 pm February 21, 5 pm	MEET WITH THE MAYOR January 3, 5 pm February 7, 5 pm	SECTION LEADER MEETING January 2, 6:15 pm February 6, 6:15 pm	HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE February 1, 5:30 pm
	ANIMAL LICENSING CLINIC January 3, 2-4 pm February 7, 2-4 pm	HEALTHY BLUFFDALE January 18, 6:30 pm February 15, 6:30 pm	HAM CLUB MEETING January 9, 23, 7 pm February 13, 27, 7 pm	

IMPORTANT DATES

More information on events at bluffdale.com/events

Spring Soccer Registration

Dec 12-Feb 12

Games Start April 13
3 yrs - 7th grade
Resident: \$45
Non-resident: \$50
bluffdale.com/soccer



LITTLE MISS BLUFFDALE REGISTRATION

JANUARY 1 -20



www.bluffdale.com/MissBluffdale

PREP & PROSPER

Free Class Every Month

January 8 @ 7pm

CAR BASICS
Master AutoTech Headquarters
(14647 Porter Rockwell Blvd, Ste B)

February 12 @ 7 pm

FINANCIAL PREPAREDNESS
Bluffdale City Hall
(2222 West 14400 South)


March 11 @ 7 pm

72 HOUR KITS
Bluffdale City Hall
(2222 West 14400 South)


April 8 @ 7 pm

INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL SAFETY TIPS
Bluffdale City Hall
(2222 West 14400 South)

bluffdale.com/EmergencyPrep



Blood Drive



January 16

Bluffdale City Hall
9 am - 3 pm
redcrossblood.org

COMMUNITY BINGO NIGHT

MONDAY, JANUARY 22

Sponsored by
Bluffdale
Youth Council &
Healthy Bluffdale



FREE!

City Hall (2222 W 14400 S) 5:00 - 7:00 PM



CREATING YOUR IDEAL BLUFFDALE YARD

FEBRUARY 10, 10 AM
FEBRUARY 22, 7 PM
BLUFFDALE CITY HALL
(2222 W 14400 S)

bluffdale.com/SaveWater

BLUFFDALE YOUTH HOEDOWN



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24
7-9 PM • All Youth 14-18
CITY HALL COMMUNITY ROOM
LINE DANCING LESSONS
LITE REFRESHMENTS

BLUFFDALE YOUTH COUNCIL NEEDS YOU!

Join Bluffdale Youth Council to learn more about government, to serve in our community, and have fun!

Meetings are the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 5:30 pm.