



BLUFFDALE TIMES

MAYOR'S MESSAGE

I recently had the opportunity to meet at Camp Williams with other local leaders to learn about the mission of the Utah National Guard and how we as local leaders can support that mission. One of the presenters stated that we all need to focus on domestic preparedness and as citizens, we need to be better personally prepared for anything that may happen at home.

September is National Preparedness month. Before I became mayor, I worked for the city as the Emergency Manager. Bluffdale has an excellent reputation for being prepared but I know I personally can always do a little more to be ready for any emergency. When I talk to business owners and residents, the first question about planning is, "where do I start because it is very overwhelming." My advice is to choose to do one thing. Once you have completed that, choose one more. If we make a big list of all the things we should do, we usually don't do any of it.

Bluffdale has an excellent Neighborhood Emergency Plan. Each neighborhood has a "Section Leader." If you would like to know who your



section leader is, you can email emergencyprep@bluffdale.gov with your address. You can also find the city maps at www.bluffdale.gov/Neighborhood-Emergency-Plan

The plan is this. Help your family first. Make sure everyone is safe, and they have what they need. Next, reach out to your group (we need volunteer group leaders too). Usually, your group is a handful of neighbors living on the same street. Once your immediate neighbors are accounted for, reach out and help your section.

There are so many things we can do to become more prepared. Remember that you only need to choose one and then come back and choose one again. If you really don't know which one to pick, start with water storage.

Thank you for all working together to make sure we are prepared and can take care of each other during a power outage, snowstorm, flooding, earthquake, fire or even lost children.

I would love to know what you chose to work on this month. Send me an email, nhall@bluffdale.gov, by October 10th to be entered into a drawing for preparedness prizes.

WHERE DO I START?

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BE INFORMED - EMERGENCY ALERTS

Sign up for emergency alerts through the Bluffdale City website: www.bluffdale.gov/Signup

Register your cell phone number with Bluffdale's emergency dispatch, Valley Emergency Communication Center (VECC) through their website: www.smart911.com/smart911/registration/registrationLanding.action

Download relevant hazard alerts and warnings apps onto your phone such as earthquake, weather, American Red Cross, and FEMA.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Mayor:

Natalie Hall

City Council:

Wendy Aston

Alan Lord

Steve Austin

Greg Wilding

Traci Crockett

CITY CONTACTS

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

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



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12 AREAS OF PREPAREDNESS

Learn how to prepare for each area at www.beready.utah.gov/family-preparedness/12-areas-of-preparedness/
Choose one area to work on this month. Repeat until you have planned for all areas.

 Shelter, Clothing & Fire	 Water	 Food	 Hygiene & Sanitation	 Light & Power	 First Aid
 Communication	 Safety & Security	 Tools & Personal Items	 Cooking	 Important Documents & Money	 Transportation & Navigation

HAM RADIO IN BLUFFDALE

Ham radio, or amateur radio, is a hobby and service that connects people through wireless communication. Unlike broadcasting or cell phones, ham operators use designated frequencies to talk across town, around the world, or even into space—without relying on the internet or phone networks. It's a vital tool for emergency communication, technical experimentation, and global friendship.

The Bluffdale Ham Club is a community of licensed enthusiasts who share a passion for learning, service, and connection. The club welcomes all experience levels, from curious beginners to seasoned operators. Members promote emergency preparedness by coordinating with local agencies, joining drills, and practicing real-world communication during "field days."

Education is also key. The club helps newcomers prepare for FCC exams and offers mentorship on equipment, antennas, and radio etiquette. They also enjoy radio contests and volunteer at community events.

Whether you're drawn to electronics, public service, or making friends worldwide, the Bluffdale Ham Club offers a welcoming space to explore amateur radio.

UPCOMING CLASSES TO HELP YOU PREPARE FOR EMERGENCIES

HAM OPERATOR'S LICENSE WORKSHOP
Thursday Nights
October 2-30
6:30-8 pm • Station #92

STOP THE BLEED CLASS
Monday,
November 11
7:00 pm • City Hall

HAM OPERATOR'S LICENSE EXAM
Saturday, November 1
12-3 pm • Station #92
bluffdale.gov/HAM



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TIPS FOR PET EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

By Salt Lake County Animal Services

- **Create a Pet Go-Bag:** Include food, water, medications, vaccination records, leash, carrier, litter/litter pan, waste bags, updated photo, and comfort item.
- **ID & Microchip:** Make sure your pet has up-to-date ID tags and is microchipped. Salt Lake County residents can receive a free microchip at Salt Lake County Animal Services with proof of license.
- **Plan Ahead:** Identify pet-friendly shelters, hotels, or friends/family who can help.
- **Practice Evacuating:** Get pets comfortable with carriers or crates before an emergency.
- **Stay Informed:** Sign up for local alerts.

Preparing now can make all the difference when every second counts!

WILL YOUR BUSINESS SURVIVE A DISASTER?



- Bluffdale has over 700 businesses operating in the city. Economic development is vital to our community and we want to see your company survive an emergency. There are many resources available to help write continuity plans and prepare for disasters and emergencies. A list of resources can be found at www.bluffdale.gov/ReadyBusiness. You can also reach out to our Emergency Preparedness Manager for more help.
- Make sure you have a disaster preparedness plan on hand and resolve to dust it off, update it, and exercise it.



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HOW THE NEIGHBORHOOD EMERGENCY PLAN WORKS

Household

- Take care of yourself & your family first
- Stabilize your home
- Report to your Group Leader

Group

- Take care of your Group (neighbors work together)
- Group Leaders report to Section Leaders

Group

- Take care of your Section (Groups work together)
- Section Leaders report to the City

Bluffdale City

- Manages the Emergency Operations Center
- Planning & directing emergency response

Become a group or section leader!

<https://www.bluffdale.gov/Volunteer>

Q: What is my role as a group leader?

A: Check on your assigned families by text or a visit in an emergency.

Q: I want to be involved, but don't have a lot of time.

A: This role does not take a lot of time. You are just a point of contact for your neighbors

Q: I see that we don't have a section leader. I would like to help, what are the steps?

A: The Section Leaders meet once a month for just an hour. We coordinate the plan and get to know each other. CERT training is encouraged.

Q: How do I find out who my section leader is?

A: Email emergencyprep@bluffdale.gov to find out who is your section leader.

ARE YOU PREPARED?

You should be. Sometimes, nature doesn't call first.



- Do you have an evacuation route and meeting point picked out?
- Is your emergency kit well stocked with food, water, first aid kit, and a radio?
- Does everyone in the family have an out-of-state contact's phone number saved in their phones?



Come visit us at our Bluffdale location and see what makes us more than just great food! We're proud to support our community through sponsorships and fundraising opportunities—ask us how we can help your team or organization!

13847 S Redwood Rd, Bluffdale, UT 84065



COMMUNITY PAGE

NORTH STAR ACADEMY

North Star Academy kicked off the 2025–2026 school year with the theme: “Finding the Leader Within – Discovering a World of Possibilities.” Administrators visited elementary classrooms to read *Imagine* by Juan Felipe Herrera and *What Do You Do With an Idea?*—stories that spark creativity and vision. The week ended with a powerful visit from Paralympic champion Blake Leeper, who inspired students across all grades with his message of perseverance and turning adversity into strength. Each student received one of his books: *Why Not Me?* or *Make It Happen*. North Star Academy is off to a strong start!

Families interested in joining our tuition-free public charter school can apply through our lottery system at www.north-staracademy.com

MOUNTAIN POINT ELEMENTARY

There is a new Administrative Team at Mountain Point Elementary School! Myself, along with Assistant Principal Yancey, are elated to join the vibrant and dedicated Bluffdale community. We are eager to begin working alongside stakeholders to support the success of every student through collaboration and relationship building. Our vision of leadership will focus on effort and responsibility, while putting systems in place to foster growth in all aspects of schooling. We encourage you to check out our website at <https://mountainpoint.jordandistrict.org/> for important dates and events happening at school. We look forward to meeting you and the kids!



Hosted by The Bluffdale Lions Club

MEET THE CANDIDATES



Tuesday, Sept 30, 2025



7:00–9:00 P.M.
City Hall

2222 West 14400 South
Bluffdale, UT 84065

Come Hear From Those Who Want to Lead Our City!

Mayor (4-Year Term)

City Council (4-Year Term, 2 Seats)

This is your chance to meet the candidates face-to-face, hear their visions for Bluffdale, and ask the questions that matter most to you. Let's shape the future of our community together!

All are welcome—come get informed and engaged!



BLUFFDALE LIONS CLUB TRAP SHOOT

Saturday September 20, 2025
10 AM—2 PM

Wasatch Wing & Clay
8002 North 16800 West ST
Cedar Fort, UT 84013

* **FOOD * FUN * PRIZES ***

***Proceeds will go towards our Sub For Santa Fundraiser ***

My Summit Adventures with Bluffdale City Present

Community TRUNK or TREAT

Oct 28
5:30 to 7 PM

Free Admission
COME JOIN US!
at
Day Ranch Park
15345 Puma Mountain Way,
Bluffdale, UT 84065

Food Trucks
Pumpkin Contest
Local Vendors
and more!

Smith's Marketplace

Grand Opening CELEBRATION

New BLUFFDALE LOCATION!

You're **INVITED**

Saturday, September 27

Ribbon-cutting ceremony @ 7:30 a.m.

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2026 SEASON OF THEATRE

Spring Production-2026



Summer Production-2026



Spring Production-2026



The Percy Jackson Musical
Teen Production-2026



Children's Summer Production-2026



Christmas Production-2026



Visit www.bluffdale.gov/arts
for audition and performance
information

OLD WEST DAYS WITH THE YOUTH COUNCIL!

By Keeley Henderson, Bluffdale City Youth Council Communications

August was such a blast for the Youth Council! We decorated our own float for the parade with balloons and hand-painted signs. Thank you to Kjersti and Todd Jarman for lending us their tractor and flat bed trailer. It was a lot of fun to interact with the crowd by throwing out candy and handing out Youth Council fliers with a QR code for 14-18 interested in joining this awesome leadership opportunity.

After the parade, we offered hair tinsel and wild west-themed temporary tattoos in addition to the opportunity to dunk one of our members or be dunked... things got pretty wild! From

all the chattering teeth, we could tell the water was really cold!

We love participating in Old West Days, it's one of our favorite events of the whole year. We're very excited to help out with Bluffdale's very first Bull Riding Rampage on September 1st, a one night rodeo with a whole bunch of bull riding and mutton bustin' for the littles!

The Youth Council Parent meeting will be on Tuesday, September 16th at 5:30 in the Community Room at City Hall. If you are a youth ages 14-18 or a parent/guardian of a child who is interested in joining, we'd love to see you there!



Stay safe this summer

Summer is full of fun and adventure, but it also brings increased risks for preventable injuries—especially for kids. Stay alert, make safe choices, and help keep this summer full of memories, not mishaps.



Be Smart. Stay Safe. Win Big.

Scan the QR code to learn top summer safety tips and to make your safety pledge. You could win great prizes!



HEALTHY BLUFFDALE COALITION

Thanks for Making Old West Days a Hit!

We loved connecting with so many of you at our booth and during the parade. A big shoutout to Atomic Athletics—your energy and support helped make the event a success and kept wellness and connection at the heart of Bluffdale!

Coming This Fall: Screenagers Film Series

We're excited to partner with FatCats Bluffdale and the Salt Lake County Health Department to host eight special screenings of the Screenagers documentary series. These powerful, research-based films explore screen time, mental health, and substance use—and offer practical tools for families navigating today's digital world.

Bonus!

The first 100 people to register for each showing will receive free popcorn, a drink, and a food item. Plus, all attendees will be entered into door prize drawings!

Whether you're a parent, teen, educator, or community member, these screenings are a great way to come together and learn how to



support one another in a tech-driven world. Stay tuned for dates and details on the Bluffdale City website and social media.

Get Involved!

We meet the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 PM at Fire Station 92. Everyone is welcome! If you're passionate about promoting health, wellness, connection, and resilience in Bluffdale, we'd love to have you.

Together, we're building a healthier, more connected Bluffdale—one event, one conversation, and one partnership at a time.

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We extend our heartfelt appreciation to All West Communications and CoBank's Sharing Success program for their generous donation for Bluffdale Old West Days. Our partnership is a shining example of how we can achieve great things together.



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MEETING SCHEDULE

CITY COUNCIL @6:00 PM September 10, 24 October 8		PLANNING COMMISSION @6:00 PM September 3, 17 October 1, 15	
SECTION LEADER MEETING @6:15 PM September 2 October 14	YOUTH COUNCIL @5:30 PM September 16 October 21	HAM CLUB MEETING @7:00 PM September 9, 23 October 14, 28	HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION @5:30 PM September 4
ANIMAL LICENSING CLINIC @2-4 PM September 3 October 1	ARTS ADVISORY BOARD @8 AM September 13 October 11	HEALTHY BLUFFDALE @6:30 PM September 9, 23 October 14, 28	City Offices Closed: Labor Day, September 1 Columbus Day, October 13

SEPT 27

CITYWIDE EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION DRILL

Ever wonder how Bluffdale would communicate in an emergency? You can help us find out!



Just tell your group leader how many fire extinguishers you have before Sept 27.

The Ham Club will send the info to the City as part of this drill. Together, we'll test where our communication gaps are and build a safer community.

Not sure who your group leader is? Email emergencyprep@bluffdale.gov



Bluffdale
Join us for Bluffdale's Get to the River Events

September 2, 2025
Get to the River - Walk with the Mayor
Springview Farms Trail Head

6:30 to 7:00 Activities for all ages at the Trailhead
7:00 Walk with Mayor Natalie Hall and kick off our Photo Scavenger Hunt.

September 9, 2025
Bluffdale Get to the River Fest
Day Ranch Park

6:30 to 8:00 Food Trucks, Presentations, Games, and Entertainment

All Month
Photo Scavenger Hunt
Painted Rock Hunt - Junior Ranger

For more info visit - www.bluffdale.gov/river

BLUFFDALE OLD WEST DAYS THANK YOU

We extend a special thank you to the Old West Days Committee members for their time, dedication and invaluable contributions to our community. We recognize your leadership in providing service and helping make our city a great place to live. Along with the Committee members, thank you to more than 100 volunteers who make Old West Days possible.

Old West Days Committee


- Natalie Hall: Mayor
- Paula Pemberton: Event Coordinator
- Amanda Luker: Advertising
- Kjersti Jarman: Sponsors
- Jen Robison and Evan Wright: Park Management
- Sandy Hall: Parade Chair
- Trisha Wilstead: Entertainment Chair
- Ulises Flynn: Vendor Chair



MAY 26- SEPT 30

FOOD TRUCK TUESDAYS

5:00 P.M.
Day Ranch Park



SEPT 23

BLOOD DRIVE


9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.
City Hall



SEPT 11

DAY OF SERVICE

6:30 - 7:30 P.M.
Community Garden
Bring gloves



SEPT 16

LIVE READING OF US CONSTITUTION

8:30 A.M.
City Hall



OCT 7

FIRE DEPT OPEN HOUSE

6:00-8:00 P.M.
Station #92

- Tracey Condie: Trading Post
 - Vivian Hamner: Hospitality Suite and Greenroom
 - Amanda Drussel: Mid-Way Games
 - Tom and Julie Seymore: Water Games
 - Steve Austin: Bingo
 - Debie Wangsgard: Information Booth
 - Rich Pemberton: Youth Night Chair
 - Theone Kartchner: Senior Dinner Chair
- Also, we express endless gratitude to Bluffdale City Public Works Department, Bluffdale Police Department, Bluffdale Fire Department, Emergency Preparedness, Bluffdale Arts Advisory Board, Healthy Bluffdale Coalition, and local church congregation volunteers.