City Requests State Funding to Support Homeless Resource Center

South Salt Lake is asking the Utah State Legislature for public safety funding to address anticipated impacts of the proposed homeless resource center at 3380 S 1000 W. My team began working on this request after the announcement was made of the center’s location last March. After months of study and research, the City has officially made a request for $1 million in one-time funds for equipment and $2.6 million in ongoing funds for two new full-time police officers and two firefighter/paramedics to staff the area at all times. This will allow us to not only respond to incidents, but to be proactive about public safety.

My goal is to make sure South Salt Lake is not adversely impacted by this state-mandated resource center and to help ensure the appropriate resources are in place for its success. This funding also meets the City’s approach to helping people avoid homelessness and recover if they become so. We know there are people out there who are homeless not by choice, but by circumstance. There are many more who could be in that situation with just one more blow to their personal situation. We are working with our partners to identify and intervene when people are most vulnerable. I have worked hard as your Mayor to invest in people, no matter where they are in life. I firmly believe our prevention work can have the most impact for the long term. I’m grateful for the work of our partners who make the Promise South Salt Lake work possible, ensuring doors of opportunity are open to our residents for education, health, housing, and jobs.

The center is slated to begin construction this year, pending zoning and building approvals, and is anticipated to be open in July 2019. The legislative bill, which was not complete as of this writing, is critical to South Salt Lake’s future. We cannot afford to do this alone and I encourage you to contact state legislators to support this bill that we hope to pass by the end of the session on March 8. More information is available at sslc.com.
On June 6, 1968, the Columbus Community Center opened its doors with eight students in the Columbus Elementary School at 2531 South and 400 East in South Salt Lake. The Center was established by a group of visionary parents who started a grassroots effort to create a better life for their children with disabilities. In true grassroots fashion, the families leased the Columbus building for $1 a year from the Salt Lake City School District. Their vision grew to become a viable, community-based educational and activity program for their young adult children with disabilities. A meaningful highlight for Columbus and South Salt Lake was on November 3, 1974, when President Gerald Ford paid a visit to Columbus while on his 3-hour stay in Utah.

In 2001, Columbus built a new campus in South Salt Lake at 3495 South West Temple. This year, Columbus is breaking ground on campus at the 3900 South TRAX Station with housing and job opportunities.

As they prepare for their 50th anniversary gala in June 2018, do you have a memory about Columbus you would like to share? If so, email Monica Owen at mowen@columbusserves.org. Or visit their website at www.columbusserves.org.

Coffee with a Cop is part of a national initiative to create a place for community members and police officers to come together. There are no agendas or speeches; just the opportunity to ask questions, voice concerns, and the chance to get to know the officers in their local neighborhoods. The South Salt Lake Chamber supports the program to help businesses increase their involvement in the community’s safety. The event takes place on the first Wednesday of each month from 9-10 a.m. at Village Inn, 2929 S. State St. The next session is Wednesday, March 7.

Remember When? – Columbus Community Center

South Salt Lake City Council Action Report Summary

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There is a new plan for Harmony Park.

More safety, more fun and new activities.

See the plan, take the survey and tell us what you think.

Projects will be funded by ZAP.

survey at sslc.com - City News or call 801.464.6757

Preschool Info & Registration Playtime, Games and Prizes Egg Hunt at 10:05 am

Saturday March 31 2018
9:00-11:00 a.m.
at Central Park 2797 S 200 East in SSL
Public Safety

Protect your Property from Illegal Camping

For the past several months, South Salt Lake has experienced an increase in illegal camping. In August of 2017, the South Salt Lake Police Department in partnership with State of Utah, Salt Lake County, Millcreek City, Taylorsville City and West Valley City conducted a cleanup operation of the Jordan River corridor. There were hundreds of abandoned encampments cleaned up. More than ten tons of solid waste was removed. While many campers were directed to services at Volunteers of America and The Road Home, some campers dispersed into our city seeking new shelter. Since then the South Salt Lake Police Department’s Community Resource Unit has responded to over 25 reports of illegal camps, most of which are located on private property.

Many people experiencing homelessness have turned to camping on private property rather than public property as it can be more difficult for law enforcement to remove them. Our Police Department is focused on deterring illegal camping, and we will need your help. Every ounce of prevention saves countless resources spent on impacts to the entire community.

Please see our tips for avoiding this problem, “Prevent Illegal Camping.” If you do encounter illegal camping on your property, please contact the South Salt Lake Police Department’s Dispatch at 801-840-4000 and an officer will respond. For your safety, we ask that you avoid making direct contact with any individual trespassing on your property.

I appreciate the hard work of businesses and residents who keep our department informed and who participate in Business Watch and Neighborhood Watch. Thank you for your ongoing support in keeping our community safe.

Newly sworn firefighters, thank you for your service to South Salt Lake.

There will be a Business Watch meeting on Monday, March 26 at 5:00 p.m. Christensen Industries, located at 2990 South Main St.

The following Neighborhood Watch Meetings will take place in March:

Tuesday, March 20 Columbus Community Center, Room 101, 7 p.m., Community Policing Zones 3-4

Thursday, March 8 Columbus Community Center, Room 101, 7 p.m., Community Policing Zones 1-2

Thursday, March 29 River Run Condo Clubhouse located at 3807 South River Run Way (990 W), 7 p.m., Jordan River Parkway and Community Policing Zones 5-6

Tuesday, March 27 Waverly Townhomes Clubhouse, 7 p.m., Waverly, Plymouth and Huntly Manor Townhome communities, Community Policing Zones 5-6

A recording with updated information can be heard by calling 801-412-3668.

Volunteer

The SSL Victim Services Unit is looking for volunteers to help in the office, in court, with special programs, with language interpretation and on crisis response teams. If you are interested in making a difference in the SSL community, please contact the volunteer coordinator, Tina, at 801-412-3624.
The Zellar – East Streetcar Neighborhood to Welcome Residents

The residences rising up at 2255 South 300 East are nearly open. The 292-unit project includes studio, one, two and three bedroom apartments with ground-floor units. The Zeller apartments takes its name from the former property owners, Zellerbach Paper, and puts a modern, young vibe forward on a site that long held a warehouse connected to a rail line. Today, the rail line is the S-Line streetcar and the developers have pushed instant access to the S-Line and Parley’s Trail as one of the project’s assets. They also expect residents to be drawn to the easy, walking distance access to shopping, grocery stores, restaurants and nightlife. To sweeten the deal, they have included premier amenities, including a contemporary rooftop deck with views of the Wasatch peaks, a large ground-floor swimming pool and hot tub, outdoor fireplaces, two community clubhouses, a pet wash station, bike storage and fitness center with yoga studio. South Salt Lake’s premier location and easy access to a variety of transportation modes make it an ideal place for these urbanites to call home.

Some of the finishing touches going in are landscaping, street trees, public art, lighting and space for the double track of the S-Line on this block so the streetcar can run more frequently. The east end of the building will open first, while interiors on the west end are finished up. Pre-leasing is on and the first residents are moving in this month. For more information, see liveatthezeller.com

Hub of Opportunity

Even as Columbus looks back on the last half-century, they are looking forward to the next century. The leaders of the non-profit have embraced a vision for the future that makes the most of today’s opportunities. The Hub of Opportunity is a transit-oriented development designed to ensure a new level of integration for individuals with a wide range of disabilities. It is an intentional community that promotes inclusion and accessibility so individuals with disabilities can live in an urban center and have access to all the opportunities afforded there.

The 157-unit project has units designed for accessibility for its clientele, as well as market rate units for lease. On the main floor of the building, Columbus will include the “NextWork Innovation Hub,” a new live/work space that will provide services tailored to the needs of those with autism. This will focus on employment in high-tech industries. The project will be one of the first of its kind in the country, nothing new for this organization known for breaking ground. Since its founding 50 years ago, Columbus has been at the forefront of education and advocacy for people of all abilities. The Hub of Opportunity complements their day center at 3495 S. West Temple that offers a range of activities, employment, and integration for their community. Find out more at Columbusserves.org.

Rock Star

Jim Hignite

Since coming to work for South Salt Lake 4 years ago, Jim Hignite has become a lead building inspector. He goes above and beyond to improve his inspector skills. Jim is always willing to rise to the occasion and make sure projects are completed on time. His co-workers have a lot of respect for him and know that they can go to him with any issue and he will get it resolved. Construction contractors frequently praise Jim and his ability to listen and help resolve difficult building code issues. The Community and Economic Development Department are proud to call Jim their Rock Star.
Central Park Graffiti Banner Project

With the completion of the Central Park pavilion, new restroom and playground, the SSL Arts Council and the Hip Hop Education & Resource Center (HERC) brought nationally recognized graffiti artist Chew together with youth from Promise SSL to create an original work of graffiti art for the park. Chew and the youth collaborated on a theme and design for the art display. With spray paint cans in hand, the youth and Chew went to work creating a 32 foot long banner that is now hung on the fence at Central Park. The youth celebrated with a ribbon cutting for the playground in December. We love how the banner brightens the playground and celebrates SSL youth!

MOSAIC ART

Create a stepping stone to keep while you learn the tools and materials for creating mosaic artworks.

FREE CLASSES

Wednesdays
10:00-11:30 a.m.
March 7, 14, 21, 28.

The Columbus Center
Senior Center Art Room
2530 South 400 East
South Salt Lake

Classes are FREE and supplies are included. Registration required through SSL Recreation at jhedin@sslc.com or 801.412.3217.

VOLLEYBALL ‘REC’ CLUB STYLE

Grades: 5-12
Games: March – May Wed & Thurs
Time: 5:00 – 6:45 p.m.
SSL Recreation 2531 S. 400 E.
Fee: $25 per player
Deadline: March 2

3 ON 3 MARCH MADNESS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Saturday, March 3
Time: 10:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Columbus Center Gym
2531 S. 400 E.
Fee: $20 per team (max 4)
Age: 18 and older
Deadline: March 2

YOUTH COED BASEBALL

Age: 7-8 Machine Pitch Wed & Sat
Age: 9-10 Minors Tues & Fri
Age: 11-12 Majors Mon & Thurs
Games: April 2 – June 2
Home Field: Central Park 2797 S. 200 E.
Traveling Teams: must provide transportation
Fee: $25 SSL Resident or $30 Non-resident
Deadline: March 9

TEE-BALL

Age: 4-6 Years Old
Practices Start: Week of April 17
Play: Tuesday & Thursday Evenings
Central Park Ball Field 2797 S. 200 E.
Fee: $25 SSL Resident or $30 Non-resident
Discounts for additional children
Deadline: March 30

Register at the Recreation Office
2531 S. 400 E. SSL. UT 84115
Office hours: M-F 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
For more information call 801-412-3217
Young Artist Explore at Second Annual Arts Festival

In February, Promise South Salt Lake held the Second Annual Elementary Arts Festival at the Columbus Center. This year, the Arts Festival consisted of eight different activities including watercolor painting, origami, breakdancing, and printmaking. Students were given a map of the building and activities, and were allowed to jump from activity to activity on their own terms. This format gave students the option to invest as much or as little time as they wanted in each project, allowing them to learn at their own pace.

The goal was to expose students to new mediums, which they may not have had the opportunity to work with before. A great example of this was the printmaking station. This medium was provided by Art Access, a local organization offering a diverse collection of mission-driven programs, including workshops and community outreach. The station was setup to allow students to carve a design of their choice into a special block of foam, which was then covered in ink and placed onto special paper, thus creating their very own print!

With an incredible turnout of over 200 students, all eight activities were extremely successful throughout the day. Students left with multiple art projects in hand and smiles of accomplishments on their faces!

Lincoln Elementary Serving Over 200 Students

The Promise South Salt Lake program at Lincoln Elementary has grown to its biggest size ever! This past year, over 200 students have enrolled in the after-school program and/or a specialized club.

From homework help to STEM activities to dramatic performances to career days (with even more activities in the works, including a visit from Olympian Jeremy Holm this month!), students have access to an incredible range of opportunities.

The program partners with many outside organizations to provide a wide variety of programming, free of charge for students. Currently, students can choose to participate in Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, soccer (funded by CHG Healthcare), computer coding, basketball, theatre (from Utah Children’s Theatre), chess, and dance (from Bridges of Magical Dance). Multiple teachers, school staff members, Westminster College students, and community volunteers contribute to these clubs and also bring their expertise to the academic tutoring and homework help portions of the program. Additional volunteers are always needed; contact promise.volunteer@sslc.com for more information.

Students also have the opportunity to attend weekly educational field trips. This month, students will be going to the Leonardo Museum, the Utah Museum of Contemporary Art, the Dannon yogurt factory, and the Loveland Living Planet Aquarium.

In addition to the programming provided for students, Promise South Salt Lake and United Way collaborate to meet the needs of families as a whole in the community, from meeting basic needs requests to running a food pantry to bringing in outside service providers related to vision, health, and dental care.

Now Open: Connect Care Kiosk

Visit the Connect Care Kiosk for a face-to-face online doctor’s visit! No appointment necessary for this LOW-COST option. Get a diagnosis and prescription for common ailments, including cough, sore throat, rash, headache, minor sprains or strains, etc. Immediate interpretation available in many languages!

10:00 AM to 7:00 PM
Monday - Friday
Columbus Center
2531 South 400 East
South Salt Lake, UT 84115

Questions? Call Lauren Levensen 385-630-9753