



Photo by Patrick Fink of concrete spill in Mill Creek, [published by KSL Radio](#)



NEWS

Announcements

PUBLIC MEETINGS

Canyon Rim Citizens Association

Wed., 8/4/21, 7 pm
Join Virtually [HERE](#)

East Mill Creek Community Council

Thurs., 8/5/21, 6:30 pm
City Hall, 3330 S 1300 E

CONCRETE SPILL IN MILL CREEK DANGEROUS TO PEOPLE AND PETS

MILLCREEK. A spill of concrete slurry yesterday into Mill Creek just below I-215 has traveled today as far west as 500 East. The spill raised pH levels sufficiently high that authorities are warning people and their pets to stay away from the stream until clean-up is complete -- hopefully by next week, but stay tuned.

The Salt Lake County Health Department, which is monitoring the stream, says that it has

**Mt Olympus
Community Council**

No meeting in the
month of August

**Millcreek Community
Council**

Meeting will be held
8/10 to allow members
to participate in the
Night Out Against Crime
activities on their regular
meeting day

observed nothing that would indicate secondary use for lawns and gardens is a concern, assuming people wash produce before consuming it. Highly alkaline water will kill plants, of course, but according to the Health Department, recent precipitation has sufficiently diluted the stream water so it is no longer dangerous for your plants.

If you or your pets do come into contact with the water, especially with the foam floating on the surface, health officials recommend flushing the affected area with clear water, and then contacting your health care provider should that not resolve any skin irritation issues.

The spill occurred as a part of UDOT's joint I-215 / I-80 reconstruction project. A discharge of concrete slurry into the stream was discovered late Thursday afternoon by a resident walking along Mill Creek Canyon Road below the freeway. The resident reported the problem to the City, whose employee DeeJay Allen was able to trace the spill to its source at the I-215 construction site, and get UDOT involved immediately.

UDOT is currently working on clean-up. They anticipate that the concrete will mostly have to be removed by hand-shovels in backyards throughout Millcreek and South Salt Lake. As of this afternoon, they've worked their way from Virginia Way down to about 3000 East. This work will continue throughout the weekend.

So far, investigators have determined that more than 100 fish were killed, with about four more miles of streambed to clean out.

UDOT is also in investigative mode -- how did the spill happen and how can they prevent it from happening again? We will report on those issues as we learn the answers.

Officials from Millcreek and South Salt Lake, as well as Salt Lake County, Utah's Department of Environmental Quality, UDOT, and Ralph L. Wadsworth Construction, the contractor working on the UDOT project, will continue to meet to ensure the public's safety, and the clean-up's completion. In the meantime,

you can call the hotline at [844-909-3278](tel:844-909-3278) to express concerns and get answers to your questions.



Water Conservation Programs With Cash Incentives Now Available for Millcreek Residents

The Central Utah Water Conservancy District (CUWCD) has announced the launch of two new water conservation programs: Flip Your Strip & Localscapes Rewards. Cash incentives are available to residents who want to become more water wise by replacing their lawn or turf-prevalent landscapes and/or park strips.

The CUWCD's mission is to responsibly plan for the future by developing, delivering and efficiently using our limited water resources. Founded in 1964, the CUWCD manages and operates a network of facilities including water treatment plants, major storage reservoirs and extensive conveyance systems. Any qualifying owner-occupied single-family household in Millcreek, whether they receive water from Salt Lake City Public Utilities or Jordan Valley Water, are now eligible for these programs.

"We can't ignore outdoor water waste, and with our rapid growth we need to focus on more sustainable landscapes that not only save water but look good too," said Gene Shawcross, General Manager of the CUWCD. "Central Utah Water is committed to water conservation and continues to offer and develop programs to ensure we can extend our limited water supply."

FLIP YOUR STRIP

The Flip Your Strip program entails removing lawn from your park strip and replacing it with water-efficient plants and a drip irrigation system.



According to the CUWCD, doing so will save an estimated 5,000-8,000 gallons of water each year - and homeowners can get cash for doing it with an award of \$1 per square foot (\$1.25 per square foot if a free park strip class is attended) of lawn converted to a water-wise design.



LOCALSCAPES

Localscapes is a landscaping approach that uses a series of patterns and practices well suited for Utah's unique climate.

Homeowners looking to install a new landscape or revamp an existing one can qualify for Localscapes Rewards. The reward amounts will vary based on lot size, project size, and overall water savings. Those interested in Localscapes Rewards must attend a free Localscapes class, offered in various locations and by various organizations throughout the growing season.

Both the Flip Your Strip and Localscapes Rewards program will be available on August 1st.

[Learn More or Start Your Application HERE](#)

Election Candidate Declaration

The following municipal offices are up for election this year: Council District 2 and Council District 4. The period for eligible candidates to file a declaration of candidacy is **8 am - 5 pm** at Millcreek City Hall on **August 10-13, 2021 (Tues through Fri)**, and **August 16-17, 2021 (Mon and Tues)**.

What are the ways an individual can declare candidacy during the declaration period?

1. The candidate appears in person at the Recorder's Office.
2. The candidate designates an agent to appear in person at the Recorder's Office on her or his behalf. The candidate must be located outside of Utah

during the entire declaration period to qualify.

3. An individual nominates a candidate by filing a petition in person at the Recorder's Office.

These methods require specific paperwork be completed and a \$50 filing fee be paid. Valid photo identification is required.

Can an individual declare candidacy for more than one office?

No, an individual cannot file a declaration of candidacy for more than one office in Utah during any election year. This does not prohibit an individual from filing as a write-in candidate for the same office, nor does it prohibit an individual who currently holds another elected office from declaring candidacy for a municipal office.

What are the qualifications to become a municipal candidate?

- The candidate is a registered voter in Millcreek.
- The candidate is a United States citizen.
- The candidate has resided within Millcreek for the 12 consecutive months immediately before the date of the election.
- If the candidate has been convicted of a felony, her or his right to hold office has been restored in accordance with Utah Code 20A-2-101.5(3).
- If the candidate is seeking a city council position that is elected from a district, she or he must be a resident of the district.
- If the candidate has been convicted of treason or crime against the elective franchise (i.e., crimes defined in state election law), her or his right to hold office has been restored by meeting the requirements of Utah Code 20A-2-101.3.
- If the candidate resides in an area that was recently annexed by Millcreek, they must have resided in the annexed area for the 12 consecutive months before the election.
- The candidate must not be mentally incompetent.

Want more information? Visit the [Elections page on Millcreek's website](#).



EXCITING THINGS HAPPENING ON MILLCREEK COMMON!!

Sharpen your skates and your ice skating skills!

Crews have been busy pouring the concrete for the Millcreek Common ice ribbon and barring any unforeseen delays, ice skating will be happening in time for the holidays.

The building that will house Pizza Nono and an ice cream shop is also well underway and is very visible from 33rd South. This is exciting, we can hardly wait!



Members of the Millcreek Youth Council cleaning up the Naturescape at Canyon Rim Park. The MYC also helped raise over \$3,000 for the Utah Schools for the Deaf and Blind!

"Canyon Rim Cares" Wrap-Up

MILLCREEK. On July 17, Canyon Rim residents and local businesses came together to support six causes for the annual Canyon Rim Cares Day of Service. Highlights included:

- Between donations from individuals and local businesses, they raised almost \$19,000
- Much of the litter and potential fire hazards were removed from the Naturescape at Canyon Rim Park
- Volunteers gave the Maliheh Free Clinic a much-needed deep clean and donated boxes of snacks to assist their volunteers
- Six Little Free Libraries were installed throughout the city.
- Dozens of gifts and thousands of dollars were donated to the YWCA to support their annual Candy Cane Lane event to assist victims of domestic violence
- Hundreds of letters were written to full-time residents of Millcreek's assisted living centers
- Thousands of dollars were donated to purchase equipment (e.g. white canes, hearing aids, etc.) for students of the Utah Schools for the Deaf and Blind

The generosity of so many of Millcreek's residents and businesses proved that if everyone does a little, a lot can be accomplished.

MONDAY!

ROCK & SOUL MUSIC IN THE PARK

MILLCREEK. The Millcreek Summer Jam Concert Series continues each Monday through the end of August. Enjoy free live music in the shaded open-air amphitheater in Canyon Rim Park at 3100 S 2900 E. Join the Millcreek Arts Council for melodious performances on Monday evenings at 7pm. Sponsored by Salt City Homes, the City of Millcreek, and Venture Outdoors. Please visit www.millcreekartscouncil.org for more on these and other artistic events in our community

August 2nd:
Memphis McCool
(Rock & Soul)



Best described as "Power Soul," Memphis McCool is a modern take on soul and groove music highly influenced by the music that came from Memphis, Detroit, Chicago, New Orleans, and Muscle Shoals. Make no mistake however, this is all new and not just simply a tribute or cover band. Memphis McCool's new original music is based on body shaking grooves, and is upbeat, positive and fun. www.facebook.com/memphismccool/

TUESDAY!



By popular demand, last year's rolling car show will be repeated as part of this year's Night Out Against Crime activities. Join your friends and neighbors on the TBA parade route or at Big Cottonwood Park to see the show!

AUG 3 | 5:00-8:00 PM
NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME
ROLL & STROLL CAR SHOW
BIG COTTONWOOD PARK
4300 S 1300 E

Want To Be Part of the Show? Reserve your spot [HERE](#)



Granite School District Backpack and School Supply Drive

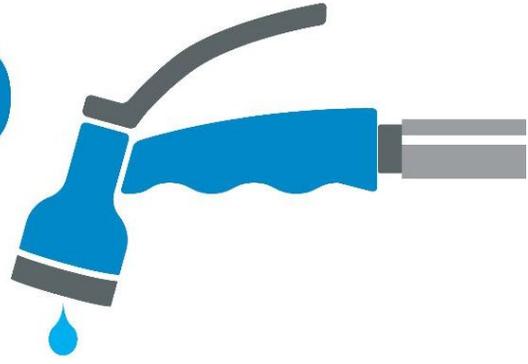
The annual Granite Education Foundation Backpack and School Supply Drive is underway.

MILLCREEK. The Granite Education Foundation, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, organizes a supply drive each year to collect backpacks and school supplies for kids in their schools to make certain that every student in need has the necessary tools to attend school and fully participate.

Please join Millcreek's friendly competition with Holladay in this important effort and fill a new backpack with paper, pencils, and crayons or make a monetary donation. If you choose to make a cash donation, please indicate that you are a Millcreek resident so we can keep track.

[BACKPACK & SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE INFORMATION OR TO DONATE, CLICK HERE](#)

Water to survive, not thrive.



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COTTONWOOD HEIGHTS
PARKS & RECREATION SERVICE AREA



EXTENSION
UtahStateUniversity.

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**MOST OF US HAD SOME RAIN!!
TURN OFF YOUR SPRINKLERS**

REMEMBER - WATER TO SURVIVE, NOT THRIVE!!

VACCINE FACT #4



The vaccine was not rushed through testing.

The COVID-19 vaccine is safe and effective, and based on almost 20 years of scientific research.



Know the facts, then get the shot.
Visit [ThisIsOurShot.com](https://www.thisisourshot.com) for vaccine locations.

HOW IS COVID IMPACTING MILLCREEK?

Case Counts through yesterday (7/29/21)*:

Millcreek (surrounding cities) cumulative and current cases by zip code

- 84106: 3723 total cases (62 current cases)
- 84107: 4598 total cases (75 current cases)
- 84109: 2669 total cases (30 current cases)
- 84117: 2779 total cases (28 current cases)
- 84123: 5108 total cases (73 current cases)
- 84124: 2340 total cases (35 current cases)

TOTAL: **21,217** (increase of 132 since 7/22/21, our last reported data).

* [Click here for the County's most recent information.](#)

Meetings with the Mayor

Fridays from 2-4pm have been set aside for citizens to meet with Mayor Silvestrini (virtually for now). Please call 801-214-2700 to schedule a slot.



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