



NEWS

Announcements

Public Meetings

Millcreek Community Council

Tues., 2/1/22, 6:30 pm
City Hall, 3330 S 1300 E
Join Virtually [HERE](#)

Canyon Rim Citizens Association

Wed., 2/2/22, 7 pm
For virtual meeting info,

JORDAN RIVER PARKWAY TAKING SHAPE IN MILLCREEK

MILLCREEK. Millcreek is working to bring the Jordan River Parkway to our side of the river.

Our city stretches from the mountains in the east to the Jordan River in the west. Yet, the Jordan River Parkway has historically mostly skipped Millcreek, jumping across a pedestrian bridge just to the south of 3900 South over to Taylorsville on the west side of the river, where it continues on south through Taylorsville.

The lack of trail through the Millcreek section not

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only limits recreation opportunities, it makes our side of the river more difficult to patrol for illegal activities that take place outside of public view.

**East Mill Creek
Community Council**

Thurs., 2/3/22, 6:30 pm
Join virtually [HERE](#)

The City has been working for a number of years to solve the problem. We have been able to compile funds from a variety of sources to begin to make the Millcreek section of the trail a reality.



Transient camps on Millcreek side of Jordan River have proven difficult to patrol.

Last summer, a \$40,034 LeRay McAllister Open Space Grant provided by the Utah Quality Growth Commission purchased the private properties needed to connect the publicly owned parcels along the river in Millcreek. Trail construction has commenced using funds from the following sources:

- \$210,000 from Community Development Block Grants through the City of Millcreek.
- \$117,000 from the Utah Division of Forestry, Fire, and State Lands, and the Jordan River Commission.
- \$200,000 from Salt Lake County Capital Funds.
- \$250,000 grant to Millcreek from Utah Outdoor Recreation.
- \$80,000 from Millcreek's capital funds.

Construction costs are projected to be approximately \$1.6 million. The funding gap is proposed to be bridged by a contribution from the state of Utah. State Senator Jani Iwamoto, whose district includes most of Millcreek, is currently pursuing that appropriation.



Mayor Silvestrini, testifying this past Tuesday at the Senate Business, Economic Development and Labor Appropriations Committee meeting at the Capitol, in support of the City's request for funding for the extension of the Jordan River Parkway into Millcreek. Mayor Silvestrini is flanked on the left by Jordan River Commission Executive Director Soren Simonson, and on the right by Senator Jani Iwamoto.

The project will include a new trailhead that will include parking, restrooms, and picnic tables. A mid-block bridge will connect the Millcreek portion of the trail with the Taylorsville portion, resulting in a one-mile loop for Millcreek residents to enjoy, especially those in our nearby refugee community.

Many thanks to Senator Iwamoto, as well as Soren Simonson, executive director of the Jordan River Commission, and Silvia Catten, Millcreek City Councilmember (D1), who represents the City on the Jordan River Commission, for their support and help.

U.S. Presidential Scholar candidates from Skyline:

Christina Dong *
Mingjing Huang
Alan Mo *
Thushar R. Reppale
Tracy Y. Sheng

*Candidate for U.S. Presidential Scholar in
Career and Technical Education (CTE)



U.S. Presidential Scholar Nominees

MILLCREEK. Every year, each school district in the state has the opportunity to nominate students as U.S. Presidential Scholars. The Utah State Board of Education then screens all nominations from across the state and puts forward a list of state nominees to the national selection committee. This year's list of candidates includes five students our very own Skyline High School.

Two of the state's five Career and Technical Education (CTE) nominees for U.S. Presidential Scholars, Alan Mo and Christina Dong, are Skyline students.

The U.S. Department of Education [explains](#), "The U.S. Presidential Scholars Program was established in 1964, by executive order of the President, to recognize and honor some of our nation's most distinguished graduating high school seniors.... In 2015, the program was ... extended to recognize students who demonstrate ability and accomplishment in career and technical education fields. Each year, up to 161 students are named as Presidential Scholars, one of the nation's highest honors for high school students."

These prestigious nominations represent years of work. Congratulations to each of our Skyline students for their tremendous accomplishments.

FREE FARE FEBRUARY

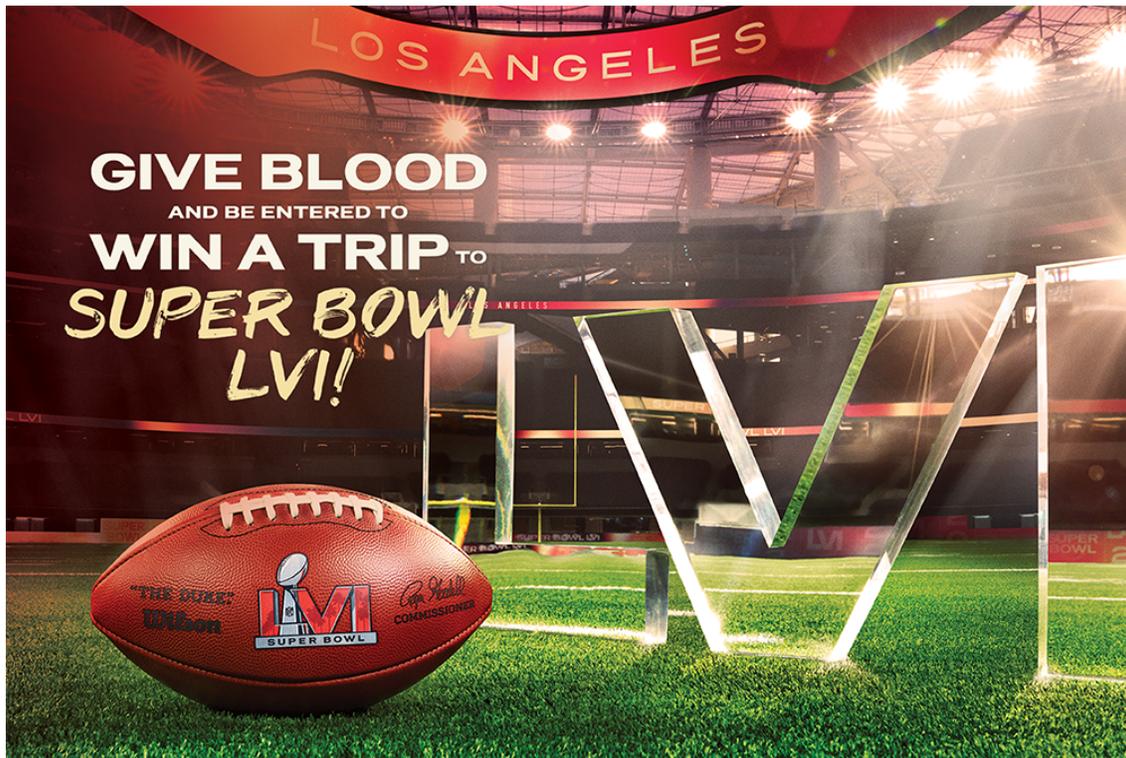
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MILLCREEK. Numerous local governments, including Millcreek, joined with partner government agencies and private businesses, to convince UTA to make all fares free during the whole month of February. This will apply to all buses, trains, and light rail, including ski buses, paratransit, and microtransit options.

"We all need to try to ride [public transportation]," Mayor Silvestrini said at a recent press conference at the Capitol. "[T]his initiative for a fare-less February will make people like me and you 'fearless in February,' so we can venture out on transit.... In order to make our future work, we're going to need to embrace transit."

[Click here](#) for more information on Fare Free February, and tips on how to make public transit a part of your life.



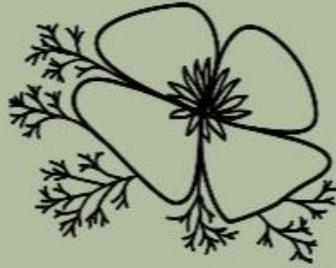
Give Blood, Get Super Bowl Tickets!

The American Red Cross is facing a national blood crisis - its worst blood shortage in over a decade, posing a concerning risk to patient care. Doctors have been forced to make difficult decisions about who receives blood transfusions and who will need to wait until more products become available. Blood and platelet donations are critically needed to help prevent further delays in vital medical treatments.

To thank donors for helping during a time when the Red Cross blood supply is at historically low levels, those who come to give in **January, 2022**, will **automatically be entered to win two tickets to Super Bowl LVI in Los Angeles, California!**

Those who come to give in January will **also automatically be entered to win the Big Game at Home package**, which includes a smart, short-throw laser projector; projector screen; sound bar; subwoofer; gift card for tech support with installation and a \$500 e-gift card to put toward food and fun!

There are Only a Couple of Days Left -- Schedule Your Appointment TODAY



WATERWISE PARK STRIP LANDSCAPING CLASS

Looking to switch out the lawn in your park strip for something more water-efficient? Led by Central Utah Water Conservancy District, this class will give you the guidance you need to get started. Together, we will learn about the types of plants and maintenance techniques best suited to park strips, as well as the park strip conversion rebate incentive known as “Flip Your Strip.” Become eligible for a greater rebate just by attending this class!

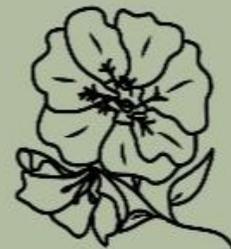
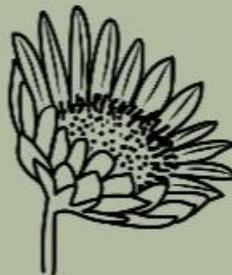
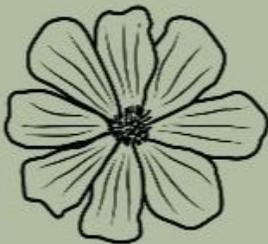
DATE: MARCH 8, 2022

TIME: 7:00 P.M.

HOSTED VIRTUALLY

Please register in advance at:

www.cottonwoodheights.utah.gov/sustainability





Thanks to Everyone who Joined the Betty White Challenge

SALT LAKE COUNTY. Salt Lake County Animal Services has let us know that the goal of \$2,500 set for the #BettyWhiteChallenge was SMASHED with funds raised of \$10,000. All donations will go directly towards the Betty White Lounge at the shelter and towards making further improvements to the Cattery.

If you weren't able to donate during the challenge period but would still like to support the Animal Services Shelter, please click on their website [HERE](#).

Bird Scooters

MILLCREEK. Bird scooters are currently in hibernation in Millcreek. Bird's priority is the safety of riders, and vehicles will not be deployed if it is not safe to ride. Bird will continue monitoring the weather and will be prepared to launch the vehicles again as soon as they are able.





Pick Up Your Free KN95 Masks at City Hall

MILLCREEK. Free KN95 masks are available for pickup at City Hall (3330 S 1300 E). We are open Monday-Friday, 8AM - 5PM. Households of less than 4 people will receive one pack of 10 masks. Households of 4+ may receive two packs.

KN95 masks provide a better level of protection than cloth masks and are currently being recommended for use. Thanks to the Salt Lake County Health Department for providing these high-quality masks at no charge to our residents.

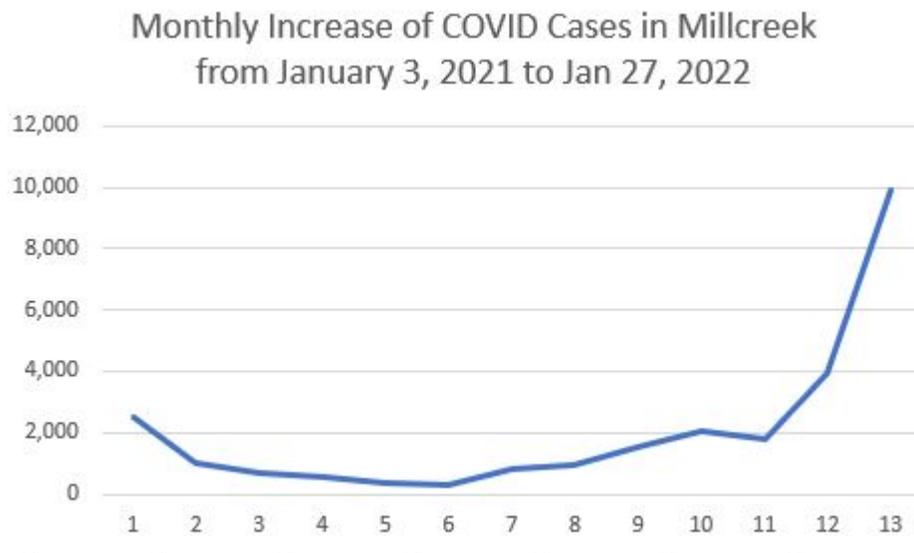
HOW IS COVID IMPACTING MILLCREEK?

Case counts through 1/27/2022

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

- **84106:** 7,555 total cases (880 current cases)
- **84107:** 8,929 total cases (1,146 current cases)
- **84109:** 5,327 total cases (662 current cases)
- **84117:** 5,623 total cases (690 current cases)
- **84123:** 9,536 total cases (1,106 current cases)
- **84124:** 4,681 total cases (647 current cases)

TOTAL: **41,651** (increase of 1,977 since 1/20/2022, our last reported data).



Millcreek had 15,235 cumulative COVID cases as of the 6th of January 2021. A year and three weeks later, we're at 41,651. The graph shows the amount of each month's case count increase over the previous month, with the past three weeks shown between 12 and 13 on the chart. The monthly cumulative case count increases remained below 2,500 during 2021, but jumped from December 3 to January 7, 2022 by almost 4,000 new cases. In just the past three weeks, Millcreek's case count has increased by almost 10,000 -- *quadruple 2021's highest monthly increase*

"This is getting very tiring, and I'm being very polite in saying that," said Dr. Robert Glasgow of University of Utah Health, which has hundreds of workers out sick or in isolation.

-- [Spectrum News NY1](#)

High-quality masks are available for free at City Hall, or at Salt Lake County libraries and senior citizen centers. Please, please, wear them in public inside spaces.

Locations for vaccinations and testing are on the [Salt Lake County Health Department website](#). Find out more about free at-home testing at <https://www.covidtests.gov>.

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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