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MILLCREEK COMMON: PHASE II

More Great Venues For Our Community to Enjoy Each Other and the Outdoors

On May 13, Mayor Silvestrini and the City Council broke ground on Phase II of the popular Millcreek Common. Other civic and business leaders are praising the bold vision and exciting potential of this once-in-a-generation project for Millcreek's new City Center. In fact, they have helped our community receive millions in grant and other dollars to pay for most of this impressive new project!

"I have personally visited the project area and look forward to seeing the amenities that will be part of Millcreek Common Phase II," said Congresswoman Celeste Maloy. "From the Splash Creek to the Skate Canyon, and from the Milo the Moose Play Area to the 19-hole Mini Golf, this will be a unique open space and recreation area that will make Utah proud," she said. Utah's Congressional delegation helped Millcreek win a \$2.5 million open space grant from the National Park Service to help fund this phase of Millcreek Common.

"I am a frequent visitor to the Common, and have seen firsthand families from all around the state and beyond coming here for community events, ethnic celebrations, to experience the largest outdoor ice rink in Utah, or to scale the tallest outdoor climbing wall in the state," said State



Besides great places to eat and hangout, enjoy a Splash Creek, a Skate Canyon, a Tree House, Milo's Playhouse, and Miniature Golf

Blooming Businesses & Spring Fair
May 8, 5pm-8pm at Millcreek Common

SHOP, EAT, MEET, LOCAL BUSINESSES!

Free Event. Food Trucks, Roller Skating, Climbing Wall, Local Shops, Live Performances, Giveaways Every Hour, Job Fair.

Senator Nate Blouin, whose Senate District includes Millcreek's city center. "As a state legislator, I am impressed when communities can leverage state dollars to accomplish good. There is no better example in the state than Millcreek at taking precious state dollars and

making them multiply." Millcreek is being considered for a \$1 million Utah Outdoor Recreation Grant to help fund this project. The city already received \$500,000 from that state program to pay for the Skate Loop and \$250,000 to pay for the Climbing Wall.

Rep. Sahara Hayes, who represents this area in the Utah House, noted, "Millcreek is experiencing rapid growth, bringing much-needed housing and economic development to the area. With this increased density comes a critical need for open space—places *cont. on page 2: Phase II*

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE JEFF SILVESTRINI

An Education and Millcreek Advancement Week



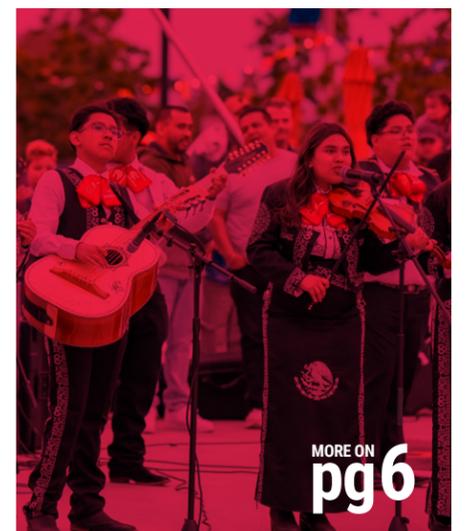
Recently the city council, city manager and I travelled to Washington DC to visit the members of our federal congressional delegation and to attend the spring convention of the National League of Cities. We attended a variety of seminars and meetings presented by NLC to learn how other cities like ours are navigating similar issues and to learn from members of the new administration how its policy changes may affect the federal funding sources Millcreek relies

upon for things like transportation, wild-land firefighting, after-school programs and recreational facilities. In addition, I was invited to present at one such session to share how Millcreek Promise instituted after-school programming for Millcreek kids at five locations in our city.

We had good visits with each member of Utah's congressional delegation, meeting with all four members of the House of Representatives (Millcreek is represented by all four), Senator Curtis and Senator Lee's Chief of Staff. We thanked them for the support they have previously provided to enable Millcreek to receive federal grants for wildfire fighting capability and flood plain mitigation at the Neffs Canyon trailhead. We encouraged them to help us maintain the funding stream which supports the five after-school programs our Promise Program supports for Millcreek kids at the elementary, junior high and high schools they attend.

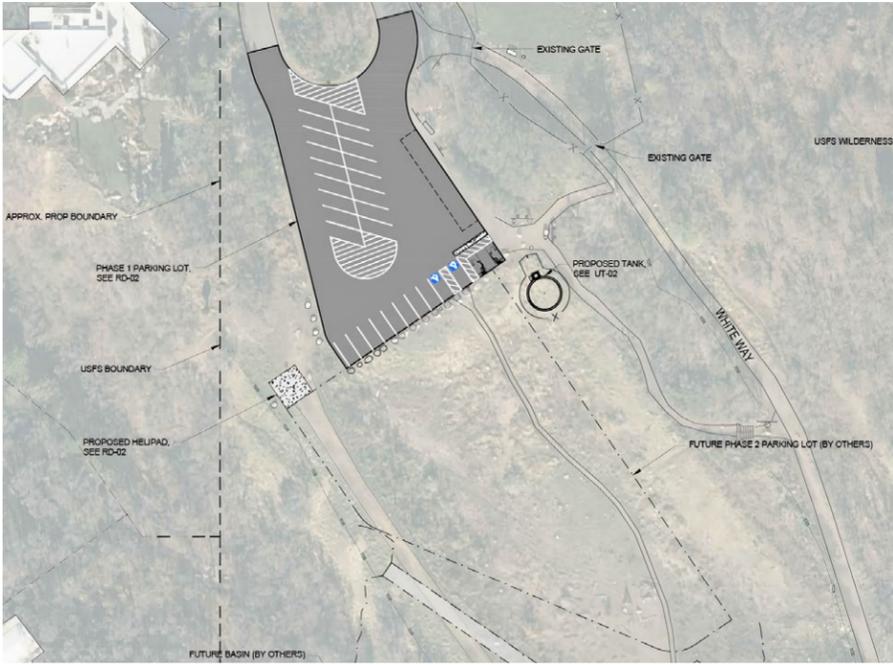
I also discussed *cont. on page 8: Mayor*

CINCO DE MAYO
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May 3rd 4-10pm
Millcreek Common



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Improvements Coming for Neffs Canyon



After a flood event in May 2019 and a challenging fire incident in the late summer of 2020 in Neffs Canyon, Millcreek leaders recognized serious emergency response limitations. The increasing flood events and wildfires across the West further emphasized the need to study and improve flood and wildfire management strategies there.

In coordination with the U.S. Forest Service, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Utah Division of Emergency Management (DEM), Salt Lake County Flood Control, and other stakeholders, Millcreek plans to undertake facility improvements at the Neffs Canyon trailhead through a multi-phased initiative. Objectives include:

- Reconstructing the existing parking lot to create designated spaces for all users and emergency vehicles
- Installing a water tank (heliwell) and supply system for emergency response
- Adding a designated area for a helipad to accommodate helicopter operations
- Constructing a debris basin to address flooding concerns in the area
- Expanding the parking lot to provide additional space for first responders, ultimately increasing the number of parking stalls at the end of the project

PARKING LOT IMPROVEMENT AND FUTURE EXPANSION

Current parking reaches full capacity quickly. The first phase will focus on a complete reconstruction of the existing parking lot by removing and replacing the deteriorating asphalt with new pavement and adding designated parking stalls such as ADA users and emergency vehicles.

The second phase will add approximately 50 parking spaces, creating more space for emergency and public parking.

EMERGENCY RESPONSE FACILITIES

The primary purpose of this project is to enhance emergency response capabilities in Neffs Canyon. This involves creating a dedicated water tank to ensure fire fighters have immediate access to water and a designated landing pad for first-response helicopters, which will enable swift air support during These enhancements ensure that our responders are well-equipped to handle various situations effectively.

DEBRIS BASIN

The need for a debris basin has become increasingly critical for communities downstream from Neffs Canyon. Extreme cases of snowmelt, heavy rain, and debris flows in addition to wildfire landscape disruption can lead to uncontrolled water entering the Mount Olympus community and the Millcreek valley.

Currently, any sediment or debris carried downstream is deposited randomly, which creates anxiety for nearby neighborhoods. The proposed debris basin will be near the mouth of the canyon to collect debris, sediment, and floodwater from the canyon's catchment area. The design will allow the water to flow through the basin and into a new storm drainpipe. The pipe will then

transport floodwaters beneath local roads to Wasatch Boulevard and back to Neffs Creek.

The debris basin's primary goals are to mitigate the flood hazards identified by FEMA and remove the current FEMA regulatory floodplains from properties.

HOW IS THIS FUNDED?

Millcreek contacted our congressional delegation to seek support for a federal earmark. As a result, Congress awarded Millcreek \$800,000 for the project's first phase, along with approximately \$58,000 in funding from the city. Additionally, we received funding for the debris basin and the expansion of the parking lot through federal grants. This includes approximately \$24 million, with 75% from federal funding and a 25% local match, allocated for the design and construction of the debris basin project.

WHAT TO EXPECT?

The project will be implemented in several phases to minimize disruption for the community and canyons users. We are coordinating with the U.S. Forest Service regarding the construction schedule. We anticipate that the initial phase of clearing and preparing the existing parking area for new asphalt, will begin in the summer of 2025.* More timelines and updates will be provided as we progress.

Starting early spring and summer of 2025, the city and other entities will collaborate with an engineering consultant to design the debris basin project. This includes ensuring we meet environmental documentation requirements and conducting a geotechnical investigation. The entire project to be completed within three to five years.

To stay up to date with all construction projects in Millcreek, go to millcreekut.gov/543/Capital-Improvement-Projects.

**Project schedule is subject to change due to delay*

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where residents can gather, play, and enjoy the outdoors close to home." State leaders helped Millcreek receive \$2.5 million in a COVID open-space grant that is also helping to pay for this.

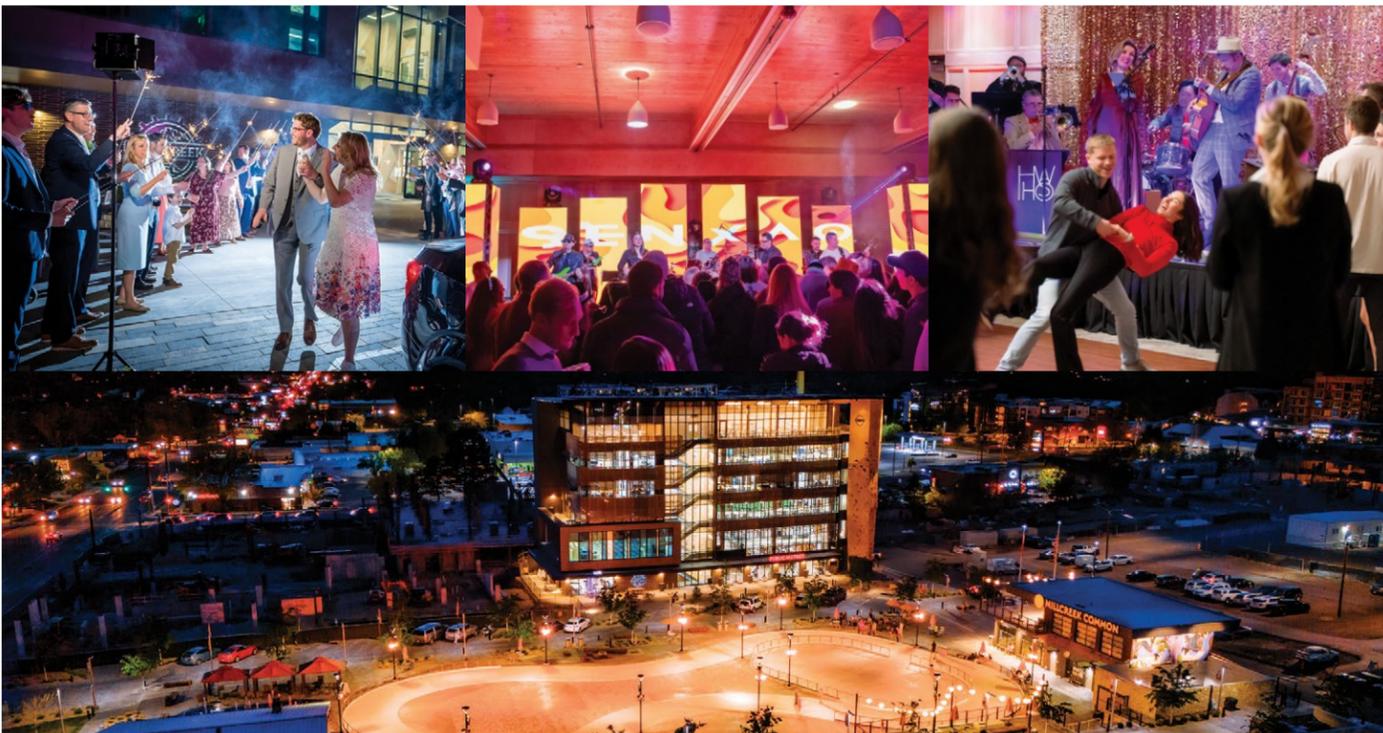
"Millcreek Common Phase II is a transformative project that will serve as a regional hub for culture and recreation here in Salt Lake County," said Salt Lake



County Mayor Jenny Wilson. "As Mayor, I'm especially excited to see engaging, developmentally enriching amenities for children, such as the Splash Creek and the Moose play structure," she said. The county is supporting this project with \$1.5 million from a Tourism, Recreation, Culture, and Convention Grant.

"Millcreek is a showpiece in the state of

how to achieve the Governor's vision of new housing, smart growth, and vibrant outdoor recreation for all," said Jake Boyer, CEO of The Boyer Company, which is developing one of several mixed-use housing and retail shopping buildings adjacent to Millcreek Common. "This is a public outdoor recreation amenity that will benefit many," he said. Nearly \$900,000 in park impact fees paid by developers like Boyer is also helping to make Millcreek Common Phase II a reality.



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Millcreek Community Life

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Millie Millcreek



There's no better time than May to shake off those winter blues and embrace the wind in your hair—on two wheels! May is National Bike Month, a celebration that goes all the way back to 1956. Originally a safety campaign for kids, it's since evolved into a nationwide festivity for cyclists of all ages. Whether you're a seasoned rider or just dusting off your bike from the garage, this is the perfect time to join the fun and explore Millcreek!

I'll be the first to admit it: I had a serious love affair with my bike as a kid. It was my main mode of transportation, and I have countless fond memories of pedaling around town. Sure, I took a break from biking when I got my driver's license (let's face it, a car was a game-changer), but now I'm ready to give cycling another go—at least to my favorite local coffee shop!

And let's not forget how lucky we are to live in Utah, the 8th most bike-friendly state in the country! If you're new to cycling or your bike could use a little TLC, Millcreek has you covered. Local bike shops like Hangar 15 Bicycles, Hyland Cyclery, and Highlander Bike are here to help you get set up. Whether you need a new ride or a quick tune-up, these shops have the tools and expertise to get you back on the road in no time.

Looking for a little adventure? We are surrounded by incredible bike paths and trails. One of my favorites is the Mill Creek Pipeline Trail—it's scenic, peaceful, and perfect for an afternoon ride. If you're into mountain biking, be sure to head to Mill Creek Canyon, where mountain bikes are allowed on the upper trails on even-numbered days. It's a beautiful, challenging ride with a small daily fee of \$5, or you can opt for an annual pass to keep the fun going all year long.

Now, let's talk about National Bike to Work Week (May 12-18), with Bike to Work Day happening on Friday, May 16. This is the perfect opportunity to ditch the car, skip the traffic, and pedal your way to work. Not only is it a great way to get your exercise in without needing to squeeze in a workout before or after work, but you also won't have to stress about finding a parking spot!

I'm already planning my ride with Milton. We're going to dust off our bikes and head to Millcreek City Hall for a quick ride. It's always fun to watch the roller skaters there, grab a treat, and let's not forget the DIY bike repair stations! It's a great spot to stop, use a few tools, and get back on the road if you run into any issues.

So, what are you waiting for? This May, join the thousands of people who will be hopping on their bikes to celebrate National Bike Month. It's fun, it's healthy, and it's better for the environment. Plus, who needs a car when you have the whole world to explore on two wheels?

Hop on, pedal away, and don't forget that helmet!

XOXO,
Millie



Come Play!

Granite Credit Union Adventure Hub
1354 E. Chambers Ave., Millcreek

<p>ROLLER SKATING OPEN DAILY Sunday-Thursday: 11:00 AM-9:00 PM Friday & Saturday: 11:00 AM-10:00 PM</p> <p>CLIMBING WALL OPEN DAILY Sunday-Thursday: 11:00 AM - 8:00 PM Friday & Saturday: 11:00 AM - 9:00 PM</p> <p>SPLASH PAD OPEN DAILY 10 AM - 10 PM</p>	<p>Best to book tickets in advance. Some sessions may sell out, or the Skate Loop may be closed for special events.</p>
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Season Passes are available to purchase. Join us!

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5.2
CRAFT LAKE CITY MAKERS MART
OPENING CELEBRATION


6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Public Market at Millcreek Common
Mingle with the best of Utah's local makers, artisans, vintage vendors, and craft foodies. Enjoy discounted roller skating and rock climbing, food trucks, and DJ Robyn Banks.


CINCO DE MAYO
5.3

4:00 pm - 10:00 pm Plaza at Millcreek Common
Celebrate Cinco de Mayo at an exciting night filled with dancing, singing, games, and delicious food. Plus, free roller skating all night long! See ad on page 6 for more info.

5.8
BLOOMING BUSINESS & SPRING FAIR


5:00 pm - 8:00 pm Plaza at Millcreek Common
Shop, Eat, Meet, LOCAL businesses! This market is hosted by the Millcreek Business Council.


FAMILY SKATE DAY
5.10

11:00 am - 10:00 pm Skate Loop at Millcreek Common
Make fun memories with your favorite mom at Millcreek Common (\$2 off skate admission).

5.10
GOLDEN SPOKE


9:00 am Check-in at Tracy Aviary Nature Center at Pia Okwai (3310 S 1000 W, 84119) 10:00 am Ride Starts
Celebrate Utah's 170+ miles of connected multi-use trails. The bike ride starts at Tracy Aviary Nature Center and goes along the Jordan River. Millcreekers can end the ride early at the Millcreek's Jordan River Trailhead (1015 W 4000 S). Learn more at: JordanRiverCommission.gov


GRATEFUL DEAD FESTIVAL
5.10

1:30 pm - 9:00 pm Canyon Rim Park Amphitheater
It is a family-friendly event for dead dancing (three bands, six music sets). Hosted by the Millcreek Arts Council and Grateful Utah.

5.13
MILLCREEK COMMON PHASE II
GROUND-BREAKING


10:00 am - 10:30 am Plaza at Millcreek Common
See what's coming next at Millcreek Common! We can't wait to show you the fun we have planned. Show your support and view plan renderings.


FREE FITNESS CLASSES ON
THE COMMON BEGIN
5.17 & 5.18

Starting May 17 8:00 am - 9:00 am Sat. Mornings on the Skate Loop
Dance Fitness Class with Chrystine Gonzalez

Starting May 18 8:30 am - 9:30 am Sun. Mornings on the Skate Loop
Yoga for All with Yoga Assets

5.18
SUMMER BAZAAR BEGINS


11:00 am - 4:00 pm Public Market at Millcreek Common
A vibrant flea market is held every Sunday, featuring an eclectic mix of vendors offering vintage clothing, unique jewelry, original artwork, and handmade crafts of all kinds.


PRIZE BINGO NIGHT: BEACH
BLANKET BINGO
5.21

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm The Grandview at Millcreek Common
Hosted by @Shannanigans, @Melonmonologues, and Big Bad Bill. This month's big prize is a Standup Paddle Board! Doors open at 6:30 pm, Games 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm. Everyone can play! \$5 per bingo card (suggested donation).

5.26
MEMORIAL DAY SKATE DISCOUNT


11:00 am - 10:00 pm Skate Loop at Millcreek Common
Make some memories! Celebrate the unofficial start of summer with \$2 off all day skate admission. Use code MDSK825 at MillcreekCommon.org for a discount.

MAY EVENTS AT A GLANCE

1ST FLOOR OF CITY HALL **PUBLIC MARKET** 1330 EAST CHAMBERS AVE
AT MILLCREEK COMMON



April 16 - May 26 11:00 am - 9:00 pm

The second annual Craft Lake City Makers Mart at Millcreek Common aims to elevate Utah's creative community by showcasing local artisans, vintage vendors, and handcrafted goods and food.



Sundays, May 18 - September 28

11:00 am - 4:00 pm

An eclectic mix of vendors offering vintage clothing, unique jewelry, original artwork, and handmade crafts of all kinds. Whether you're searching for one-of-a-kind treasures, locally made goods, or just a lively shopping experience, this is the place for you.



June 2 - July 6 11:00 am - 9:00 pm

Co-hosted with the Utah Division of Outdoor Recreation. The market showcases Utah-based outdoor apparel, gear, and products, preparing participants to access and recreate in our state's natural spaces.

Checkout Kiosk Call for Vendors
Come One, Come All, But Keep It Small

The Public Market at Millcreek Common is seeking vendors to sell their wares at the central checkout kiosk. Inventory will be displayed on a 24" x 24" x 60" four sided revolving slot wall merchandiser. Looking for small accessories and printed materials. Items must be smaller than 5 x 7 in size. Display materials will be provided by the Public Market at Millcreek Common. Email hello@millcreekut.gov.

— MILLCREEK —
FARMERS MARKET
FRESH & LOCAL AT THE COMMON

MILLCREEK FARMERS MARKET APPLICATION NOW OPEN

Fresh and local at the Common returns July 2025 on the Plaza. Millcreek is seeking local farmers and Artisan Food Purveyors. Full season and day stalls are available!



UPCOMING SUMMER MARKETS

Plan your summer with the Public Market at Millcreek Common in mind.

June 2- July 6: Great Outdoors Market at Millcreek Common with Utah Division of Outdoor Recreation

July 14 - Aug 18: Chambers in Common at Millcreek Common with specialty products from Utah's Chambers of Commerce members

Sept 1 - 28: 1330 Design Collective with Fashion Week Runway Show on Sept 26

Explore millcreekcommon.org/publicmarket or [@millcreekpublicmarket](https://www.instagram.com/millcreekpublicmarket)

FRIDAY NITE FOOD TRUCKS
AT MILLCREEK COMMON

5:30-8:30 PM EVERY FRIDAY IN APRIL AND MAY
Millcreek Common is bringing the ultimate foodie experience with unique themes, fun games, and free crafts/activities.

5.2 Pizza Pie Off- Cheer on your favorite pizza trucks as they compete for the title of BEST IN MILLCREEK! Buy a slice to cast your vote for your favorite pizza vendor and be entered to win a gift card to Millcreek Pizza House. May the best pie win.

5.9 Flavor and Flow- Hip hop beats and delicious eats. Experience the perfect blend of music and cuisine as you enjoy mouth-watering dishes and vibe to the rhythm of live hip-hop performances.

5.16 Fantasy Feast- Calling all adventurers! Step into a world of fantasy at our Bard's Banquet Night. Dress up in your best original character costumes and join us for an evening of magical fun. Get to know your local LARPing Kingdoms and dress to impress for a Kingdoms Costume Contest.

5.23 Breakfast for Dinner- Did someone say Pajama Party Skate Night? Our food trucks will be serving all your breakfast favorites. We'll be mixing up your favorite PJ Pop from the early 2000's. \$2 Off Skating for Anyone with Pajamas On!

5.30 Food Trucks in Paradise- Island-inspired dishes from food trucks that bring the flavors of the tropics to our landlocked state. It's a paradise you won't want to leave!

COMMONLY SCENE



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EXPLORE MORE!
Visit millcreekcommon.org for more event details.

SUMMER DAY CAMP

at Millcreek Common



Skate Loop & Climbing Wall at Millcreek Common

Online Registration opens April 1st at 10:00 AM at millcreekcommon.org

Campers will enjoy roller skating, climbing wall instruction, and other activities on the Plaza. Activities are led by Millcreek's sports managers who are specially trained in their respective fields.

Two age groups: 6-8 & 9-12

Weekly Fee: \$185

Weekly Sessions M-F 9 am-12 pm:
 June: 2-6 • 9-13 • 16-20 • 23-27
 July: 8-11 • 14-18 • 28-Aug 1 • Aug: 4-8

Register at MillcreekCommon.org



Milo May Flower Puzzle

April Showers brings May Flowers! Help Milo identify some types of wildflowers he might find in Mill Creek Canyon!

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1. Purple Coneflower 2. Common Yarrow 3. Blue Verain 4. Arrowleaf Balsamroot 5. Chicory



Millcreek Youth Council Accepts Award

During the Millcreek Youth Council's March 3rd meeting, Jennifer Holmberg, the Director of Community Outreach for Project Connection, presented the youth with her organization's Champion of Connection and Mental Health in Our Community Award. This distinct honor was given to this amazing group of youth for their dedication in serving Project Connection clients during the last few years through the organization's Sub for Santa program.

During the last four years in the month of December, the Youth Council has gone out to shop, fulfill wish lists, provide necessities, and more for families that are unable to purchase gifts during the winter holiday season. Every time they have done this, each recipient has let Project Connection know how grateful they are to have their kids' wish lists fulfilled and that the youth gave them exactly what they needed to make their lives a little easier. The Youth Council always looks forward to doing this service project each school year and finds it the most meaningful. Millcreek is proud of their dedication to Project Connection's Sub for Santa program and the impact that their service has on the residents of the city and the Salt Lake Valley.



Youth Council Goes to Leadership Conference

In March, the Millcreek Youth Council attended the USU Youth Council Leadership Conference for the first time. The conference was three days of workshops, keynote speakers, and team-building activities. Youth from Millcreek enjoyed learning from other youth councils across the state and making new friendships. This was a great opportunity to build their leadership skills and to bond with one another. There were opportunities for advisors to learn from long-established youth councils to continue improving and building on this relatively new council in Millcreek. We look forward to seeking more leadership opportunities for youth council members to better prepare for future college and career opportunities.



Apply to **YOUTH** Council

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT YOUTH COUNCIL OR TO APPLY FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR, SCAN THE QR CODE OR GO TO THE YOUTH COUNCIL PAGE ON THE MILLCREEK WEBSITE




MILLCREEK PROMISE PROGRAM

MULTIPLE OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE!

Donations

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Produce Pals Food Collection

Many families in our area are facing food insecurity. Your efforts towards the Produce Pals Program can make a real difference. Explore volunteer opportunities on our GivePulse page. Go to givepul.se/1m54ag or use the QR code below. Questions? Contact Kayla Mayers at kmayers@millcreekut.gov.





Saturday Morning Climbing Classes at the Common

Basic Climbing Skills (1st Sat. of each Month)

May 3 10:00 am - 11:00 am
Age Requirement: 10+
\$12 includes climbing equipment
\$7 without equipment
Focus on fundamental claiming techniques

Top-Rope Belay Class

May 10 9:00 am - 11:00 am (2-hour class)
Age Requirement: 14+
\$19 includes climbing equipment

Lead Climbing Class

May 17 8:00 - 12:00 pm (4-hour class)
Age Requirement: 16+
\$33 includes climbing equipment

Classes are included with Climbing Season Pass

CINCO DE MAYO FIESTA

May 3rd 4-10pm
Millcreek Common



Celebrate Cinco de Mayo at Millcreek Common on May 3rd from 4:00 PM to 10:00 PM! An exciting night filled with dancing, singing, games, and delicious food. Free skating all night long!

Savor the flavors of Mexico with a delicious array of food, including tacos, tamales, antojitos, and refreshing aguas frescas. Bring your friends and family for an unforgettable fiesta filled with music, culture, and community spirit. Don't miss out—come dance, sing, feast, and celebrate with us! Loteria games, Giant Pinatas, and more.

More at MillcreekCommon.org



VENTURE OUT WEEKENDS AT CAMP TRACY

IT'S A MILLCREEK CAMPOREE!

If you love our Venture Out! Festivals and Movie Nights, you'll have so much fun at our weekends up Millcreek Canyon. Unplug and relax with family and friends. There are classic camp activities and new adventures to bring out the kid in everyone. All ages are welcome. No camping experience is necessary. Though it's just ten minutes up the canyon, you'll feel a world away and make lifelong memories. Stay in a cabin, pitch a tent, or just come up for the day.

Learn More at MillcreekCommon.org

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Unified Police Department
NON EMERGENCY Number
801-840-4000

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Adoption, Licensing, Lost & Found
385-468-7387

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Active Aging, Meals on Wheels,
Senior Transportation
385-468-3200

Assessor
Property Taxes, Audit
385-468-8000

Clerk
Elections, Passport, Marriage
385-468-7400

Division of Wildlife Resources
Removal of live Raccoons, Skunks
385-419-3405

Flood Control
Creeks, Rivers, Canals
385-468-6600

Justice Court
Tickets, Small Claims Court
801-273-9731

Millcreek Common
Granite Credit Union
Adventure Hub
801-214-2615

Parks & Recreation
Park reservations
385-468-7275

Public Works
Storm drains, Snowplowing,
Streetlights, Pavement
385-468-6101

Rocky Mountain Power
Outages
877-508-5088

SLC Public Utilities
Waterline break emergency
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UTAH'S 1ST! GRATEFUL DEAD FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, MAY 10TH, 2025
CANYON RIM PARK
1:30P-9P
3 BANDS : FOOD TRUCKS : VENDORS

ALL ALONG THE WASATCH : 2025
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SUMMER JAM

CONCERT SERIES IN CANYON RIM PARK
3100S GRACE STREET, MILLCREEK UT.
MONDAY EVENINGS
JUNE 2ND - AUGUST 11TH

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WWW.MILLCREEKARTSCOUNCIL.ORG

CALL FOR ARTISTS

The Artist Application for the 2025 MILLCREEK ARTS COUNCIL is now open!
APPLY NOW!
apply online at www.millcreekartscouncil.org

MILLCREEK UT 2025 ARTS FEST

MAKE YOUR MARK!
SAVE THE DATE
8/16/25

MEET WITH THE MAYOR

Meet in-person with Mayor Jeff Silvestrini on Fridays from 2-4 PM for 15 minutes. Call 801-214-2700 to schedule.

ENGAGE WITH YOUR COMMUNITY AND CITY COUNCILS

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For all community council meeting times and locations please Visit millcreekut.gov and go to calendar

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MAYOR JEFF SILVESTRINI

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Join us for City Council meetings every 2nd and 4th Monday at 7 PM. Work meeting times at millcreekut.gov Millcreek City Hall, 1330 E Chambers Ave Meetings are live streamed at millcreekut.gov

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Celebrating a decade of culinary excellence, Sicilia Mia has become a cherished destination for authentic Sicilian cuisine

in Millcreek, Utah. Founded in 2014 by the Miranda family, who brought their rich culinary heritage from Sicily, the restaurant quickly gained acclaim for its warm hospitality and traditional dishes. Signature offerings like the tableside-prepared spaghetti alla carbonara, tossed in a flaming wheel of Parmigiano Reggiano, have delighted patrons and showcased the family's dedication to genuine Italian flavors. Over the years, Sicilia Mia has expanded its legacy with sister establishments such as Antica Sicilia and Basta Pasteria, further enriching Utah's dining scene. As they commemorate this 10-year milestone, the Miranda family continues to share their passion for food and family with the community.



JOHN CURTIS
U.S. SENATOR

MAY BUSINESS OF THE MONTH



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Hometown Values

Healing Pathways Therapy Center, an outpatient mental health clinic, has helped thousands. Kristan Warnick, the founder and owner of Healing Pathways, is trained in evidence-based trauma and attachment counseling modalities such as EMDR (Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing) and Emotionally Focused Therapy (EFT). In 2012 she expanded her practice and created Healing Pathways Therapy Center. At the same time she founded their associated non-profit organization, the Trauma Informed Care Network of Utah which has the goals of educating, networking, and providing access to effective trauma and resilience-based resources and treatments.

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One of the true joys of my job as your Senator is welcoming Utahns to the U.S. Capitol, sharing our state's rich history, and discussing the future we are building together. Recently, I had the privilege of hosting many of Utah's mayors and city council members in Washington, D.C., including Mayor Silvestrini of Millcreek. Our conversations were meaningful, centered on the priorities of our communities, our state, and the best ways to collaborate on solutions that strengthen Utah's cities and towns. Before our meetings, I had the opportunity to take this group on a tour of the Capitol, including a visit to Utah's newest statue—Martha Hughes Cannon.

Martha Hughes Cannon was a formidable woman who built alliances and broke barriers. She was the first female state senator in the United States, winning her seat by defeating her own husband. At a time when women couldn't even vote, she convinced an all-male delegation to include women's suffrage in Utah's state constitution. Utah had already been denied statehood three times, and many feared that granting women the right to vote would lead to yet another rejection. But Martha didn't attack or alienate those who disagreed—she built bridges. She persuaded rather than provoked. She proved that bringing people onto your team, rather than pushing them away, is how progress is made. Her story isn't just history—it's a roadmap. It serves as a powerful reminder that we can accomplish more when we work together, find common ground, and unite around shared values. Today, her statue stands in Washington, D.C., not just as a tribute to her achievements but as a call for us to embrace the power of collaboration.

As a former mayor, I know firsthand the unique challenges local leaders face. I was honored to share this experience with so many fellow mayors because I understand the critical role that partnerships between local and federal leaders play in achieving city goals. Whether we're talking about economic growth, infrastructure, public safety, or housing, these conversations matter. They shape the decisions that impact our daily lives, and they ensure our communities continue to flourish.

As your Senator, I am committed to being an ally for you in Washington, D.C. But this work is not mine alone—it's ours. I invite you to reach out, share your ideas, and be part of the team moving Millcreek and Utah forward. By working together, we can continue building strong, vibrant communities that reflect the values we hold dear.

I look forward to the work ahead and to hearing from you soon. Residents can get in touch by visiting the Senator's website at Curtis.Senate.Gov and clicking Contact.

Two Millcreek Council Seats Open This November Election

This year, the offices to be voted on in the Municipal General Election on November 4th to serve four year-terms will be Council District 2 and Council District 4. The period for eligible candidates to file a declaration of candidacy will be August 12-19, 2025, during regular business hours, Monday through Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., at Millcreek City Hall with the Recorder's Office. Millcreek will be participating in the Municipal Alternate Voting Methods Pilot Project (ranked choice voting), and will utilize vote by mail through Salt Lake County.

Ranked choice voting is a nonpartisan electoral reform that gives voters the freedom to rank candidates in order of choice. Instead of choosing only one candidate, ranked choice voting allows voters to rank all candidates according to their preference (1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc., though voters may also choose not to rank some or all candidates). If one candidate does not receive an absolute majority (50%) vote in the first round, then the runoff begins. When a voter's

number one choice is eliminated, their second choice is included in the count for the second round. In each round of ranked choice voting, the candidate with the lowest number of votes is eliminated. This process continues until one candidate receives an absolute majority vote. To learn more, visit: millcreekut.gov/161/Elections.



Adopt a Shelter Pet

In 2024, Salt Lake County Animal Services welcomed 6,926 animals into the shelter, with 2,449 finding new homes through adoption. The most compelling reason to adopt is the opportunity to save a pet's life. But they also make really good companions. Choosing a shelter pet gives them a second chance and helps break the cycle of pet overpopulation.

We need folks to adopt a pet to free up some of our kennel space for the stray pets that come in every day.

Visit our website at AdoptUtahPets.org to explore our adoptable pets or come see us Tuesday through Saturday from 10 am to 6 pm to meet your new furry best friend. Our friendly Adoption Team will help find the perfect match for you. All pets are spayed or neutered, vaccinated, microchipped, and will go home with a new leash and collar. All this is included in our affordable adoption fees.

Salt Lake County Animal Services provides a diverse range of pets, including dogs, cats, guinea pigs, rabbits, ferrets, reptiles, and birds. Our collection includes various breeds, ages, genders, and personalities.

Interested? Questions about adopting? Email us at adoptions@slco.org.



HISTORIC SPOTLIGHT

Millcreek's Archaeology

Arie Leeflang, Millcreek Historic Preservation Commission

When most people think of Utah's archaeology, they probably envision the stunning Ancestral Puebloan structures of Cedar Mesa or the "world's longest art gallery" of Nine Mile Canyon. While Millcreek City may not have a similarly rich archaeological record, it certainly has a deep cultural history worth considering.

A quick review of the state's archaeological database shows only a handful of officially documented archaeological sites within our city limits. Most of these "sites" are from the historic period and range from old artifact scatters to historic ditches and flood control systems. (Note – an archaeological site is generally classified as a concentration of artifacts or feature remains, older than 50 years old.) There are a few recorded Indigenous-affiliated sites within city limits that are several hundred to thousands of years old. Other ancient

sites are found in the mountains and foothills above the valley.

Due to the urbanization of Millcreek over time, most evidence of Indigenous use of the area is long since destroyed. Despite the limited archaeological record of Indigenous use of the Millcreek area, we know the area was consistently used by people prior to the arrival of the Pioneers. The Great Salt Lake area and surrounding valleys were rich in resources. The landscape of Millcreek, with its perennial streams and flora and fauna, was undoubtedly an area of both seasonal resource gathering and short and long-term villages.

Given mirrored resource interests, it's likely many of the early Pioneer settlements in the Salt Lake Valley and the Millcreek area directly coincided with locations Indigenous people had utilized for millennia. There are examples in Utah of arriving settlers reusing or rehabilitating ditches, small canals, or fields built by the Indigenous people before them.



While most of the archaeological sites in Millcreek affiliated with Indigenous groups are long since destroyed by urbanization, it's important to acknowledge descendants of Millcreek's original residents are still here.

The month of May is Utah Archaeology and Historic Preservation Month. If you're interested in learning more about Utah

archaeology or helping protect Utah's cultural heritage, check out the Utah State Historic Preservation Office's (located in Millcreek) list of events on their website. There you can also sign up to be an archaeological site steward to help keep an eye on Utah's important cultural heritage. Beyond that, take some time to consider the deep history of our community that extends beyond 1847.

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technical issues with Senator Curtis related to our non-attainment status for ozone along the Wasatch Front (as I am a member of Utah's Air Quality Board). We discussed whether we might expect the new administration to consider more favorably the points we in Utah, Arizona, Colorado and California have made concerning the problems we face in mitigating ozone to comply with EPA standards, given the substantial progress we have made as a state to reduce human-caused pollution and also given the challenges created by western geography and altitude and the fact that many of the precursors to ozone in our states come from natural sources such as conifers (and now fires), which are beyond our ability to control. We all want to breathe clean air, and we know the harmful effects of ozone, however, to suffer penalties when much of the non-attainment problem occurs naturally is unfair to Utah and other western states. Senator Curtis described how he is working to address this issue with the EPA.



We have been advised by the members of our federal delegation that they appreciate the commitment we in Millcreek have shown toward collaboration with them by the fact that our entire council makes the trip and all of us engage with them when we meet. Our actions as a council are geared to maximizing our influence with Utah's delegation in Washington in our effort to bring the best for our residents and ensure the return of the federal tax dollars our residents pay so that they can be reinvested in our community.

★ February Officer of the Month: Detective Victor Shaw ★

Detective Victor Shaw has been an Officer with Millcreek since 2014. He currently serves as a Millcreek property detective. Additionally, he routinely investigates fraud cases, an area he is exceptionally skilled in.

Recently, a business was the victim of check fraud and sustained a loss of several thousand dollars. This fraud was repeated in eleven other locations spanning from Box Elder County to Utah County. After reviewing the evidence, and outside agency reports, Det. Shaw identified a person of interest in similar cases. Working with financial institution investigators, Det. Shaw



gathered surveillance and one of the fraudulent checks used by the suspect. Subsequently, this check was sent to UPD Forensics for fingerprint analysis

and the potential suspect's identity was confirmed. After compiling the evidence, and a meticulous investigation, Det. Shaw ultimately solved this case.

This is just one example highlighting Det. Shaw's dedication and thorough investigative skills. Det. Shaw has solved an exceptionally high number of cases, bringing justice to the victims and holding suspects accountable. He always ensures all avenues are investigated and stays in contact with the victims of these unfortunate events. We are grateful for Det. Shaw and his dedication to his assignment and the citizens of Millcreek.

First Tuesday of Every Month
8:00 to 9:00 AM
Millcreek Coffee Roasters
1330 E Chambers Ave 1st Floor

Building Safety Month: Raising Awareness About Safe Structures



Have you ever considered the safety of the buildings where you live and work? Have you wondered what measures are in place to protect you from potential hazards in those spaces? Most people don't think about the codes and standards that protect us in the places we frequent most.

May is Building Safety Month, an annual campaign organized by the International Code Council (ICC) to raise awareness about the importance of building safety codes and standards. This initiative encourages everyone to understand how building codes protect the places where we live, work, and play, ensuring safety, sustainability, and resilience in the built environment.

Many people don't think about building codes until a disaster strikes, but these codes are crucial for protecting lives and property. The International Codes (I-Codes), developed by the ICC, guide

construction professionals in creating buildings that are safe, energy-efficient, and disaster-resistant. These codes cover key areas like:

PLUMBING CODES: Ensuring clean drinking water and safe waste disposal.

STRUCTURAL CODES: Designing buildings to withstand natural disasters.

ENERGY CODES: Reducing carbon footprints and promoting sustainability.

FIRE SAFETY CODES: Protecting buildings and people from fire hazards.

These codes help prevent accidents and ensure that buildings can handle the challenges of a changing world, making them essential for community safety. Through Building Safety Month, the ICC promotes education and encourages everyone to get involved in learning about building codes.

2025 BUILDING SAFETY MONTH THEMES

Each year, Building Safety Month follows a series of weekly themes to highlight different aspects of building safety. The 2025 theme is, "Game On!" and includes these special weekly themes.

Week 1: The Warm Up, May 1-3

Discover how building safety impacts our daily lives including the places where we work, learn and play.

Week 2: Build Your Offense, May 4-10

Create a plan to actively support building safety programs in your community.

Week 3: Build Your Defense, May 11-17

Stay prepared for natural hazards such as severe weather, wildfires, earthquakes and more with our disaster toolkits.

Week 4: The Starting Lineup, May 18-24

Meet building safety professionals and learn about careers in building safety.

Week 5: Going Into Overtime, May 25-31

See what's next for the building safety industry, including global trends, artificial intelligence and more.

Building Safety Month is about everyone, not just professionals. The ICC offers various resources, including safety tips, promotional materials, and educational activities for kids. These resources make it easy for individuals, teachers, and families to get involved and promote building safety in their communities.

By participating in this campaign and supporting the International Code Council's efforts, we can help ensure that the structures we depend on are safe, resilient, and built to last. Whether you're a builder, homeowner, or student, there's always a way to contribute to building a safer world for everyone.