



# Newsletter

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## Office Closure

The city offices will be closed on Monday, September 1<sup>st</sup> for Labor Day and will reopen on Tuesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9:00 am.

## Holiday Garbage Schedule

Garbage pick up the week of Labor Day will be delayed by one day. Monday collection will be on Tuesday, the 2<sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday collection will be on Wednesday, the 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please have cans curbside by 7:00 am.

## August Meeting Schedule

08/07 Special Regular City Council Meeting 5:30 pm  
08/07 Public Hearing & City Council Meeting 7:00 pm  
08/12 Development Review Committee 10:00 am  
08/12 Planning Commission Meeting 7:00 pm  
08/19 City Council Work Session 5:30 pm  
08/19 City Council Regular Meeting 7:00 pm  
08/26 Development Review Committee 10:00 am  
08/26 Planning Commission Meeting 7:00 pm  
09/02 City Council Work Session 5:30 pm  
09/02 City Council Regular Meeting 7:00 pm

Santaquin City public meeting agendas are posted on our website and on Facebook:

<https://www.santaquin.gov/meetings>  
<https://www.facebook.com/santaquincitygovernment>

Santaquin City Council, PC, and DRC meetings are streamed LIVE on YouTube at:

<https://www.youtube.com/@santaquincity>

All of these meetings are now held in the new Santaquin City Hall building located at 110 S Center Street.

## Food and Care Coalition Needs

### A Community of Care

The Food and Care Coalition is a nonprofit organization based in Provo, dedicated to alleviating poverty and homelessness in Utah County through compassionate service and a holistic approach to care. Since 1988, we've provided daily meals, transitional housing, medical and dental services, employment support, and personalized case management to individuals facing difficult circumstances. To date, we've served more than **3 million meals** - each one made possible by the generosity of our community.

But we're about more than just meeting basic needs. Our mission is to restore dignity and hope—empowering individuals to rebuild their lives with confidence and self-reliance.

Over 90% of our funding comes from public donations, and volunteers are vital to our daily operations. Santaquin residents, churches, businesses, and schools can all play a meaningful role in supporting our mission. We're always looking for new friends to join the cause.

### Current Donation Needs:

- Shampoo & Conditioner
- Deodorant
- Toilet Paper
- Paper Towels
- Heavy-Duty 33-Gallon Trash Bags

**We need you!** Whether you're able to donate, volunteer, or host a collection drive, your support makes a real difference. Together, we can offer hope, healing, and a fresh start to those in need.

Learn more or get involved at [foodandcare.org](http://foodandcare.org)  
Questions? Email us at [volunteer@foodandcare.org](mailto:volunteer@foodandcare.org)  
Or call 801-373-1825

## Property Damage Information

To report damages by xfinity to your property, please contact: MasTec/WYCO at 385-432-6894 or [utahinfo@wycofs.com](mailto:utahinfo@wycofs.com).

*Give blood.*

Every 2 seconds someone  
in the U.S. needs blood.  
**American Red Cross**



## Santaquin Fire Department **BLOOD DRIVE**

**Wednesday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**1:00 pm – 7:00 pm**  
**110 S. Center St.**

For an appointment go to [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) using  
**SPONSOR CODE: Santaquin Fire**



Contact Tiffany Christensen @801-717-8971 with any questions or to schedule an appointment online \*\*  
*Thank you for your time, your donations and your service!*

1-800-RED CROSS | 1-800-733-2767 | [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) | Download the Blood Donor App

## Green Waste Disposal



**2025 GREEN WASTE DISPOSAL SCHEDULE**  
**SECOND SATURDAY**  
OF EACH MONTH FROM APRIL-NOVEMBER FOR SANTAQUIN RESIDENTS

APRIL 12  
MAY 10  
JUNE 14  
JULY 12  
AUGUST 9  
SEPTEMBER 13  
OCTOBER 11  
NOVEMBER 8

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At the city landfill,  
1100 w 200 n  
(lark lane/rd)

From 8 am to 4 pm

## Join us this summer for the Santaquin Hometown Market!

Everyone is invited to enjoy this year's Santaquin Hometown Market and Sounds of Santaquin at Centennial Park running through September 15th. Food trucks start lining up at 5:00 PM, the Market opens at 6:00 pm, and the live band begins at 7:00 pm.

August schedule:

8/11/2025: "Medieval Excitement"

Band: Intense Country

Movie: Brave

Activities: Medieval Excitement

8/25/2025: "Pets in the Park"

Band: Ridin Shotgun

Movie: NO Movie

Activities: Petting Zoo, Petco, Humane Society,  
Vets-adopt a pet

## August 2025 Volunteer of the Month – Jackie Karlberg



Santaquin City is proud to recognize Jackie Karlberg as our August 2025 Volunteer of the Month for her outstanding dedication and service to our community's youth and recreation programs.

For the past eight years, Jackie has generously and consistently volunteered as a coach for soccer, softball, and basketball, leaving a lasting impact on the lives of over 400 young athletes in our community. This season alone, she is coaching an incredible four soccer teams—a true testament to her commitment, energy, and love for the game. (continued on next page)

## Photo Contest Winner



Congratulations to the winner of the June 2025 Photo Contest, Mikenna Penrod!

She titled her photo "Butterflies in Santaquin Meadows." Congratulations, Mikenna!"

For information on entering the monthly contest you can visit: <https://bit.ly/3NBNjum> . We look forward to seeing what you love about Santaquin!

## Hidden Picture Contest

If you spot a hidden ice cream like the photo on the right in this newsletter, email: [kmortensen@santaquin.gov](mailto:kmortensen@santaquin.gov) or [bshupe@santaquin.gov](mailto:bshupe@santaquin.gov) with the location and your contact information by August 31st.



Congratulations to Lisa Peterson for winning June's Hidden Picture Contest!

## My Hometown Introduction



SCAN THE QR CODE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT  
WHAT WE DO IN MYHOMETOWN

*Coming Soon!*

**myHometown** 

Jackie's contributions extend beyond the field and court. She is known to support various local races throughout the area and played a vital role in organizing the SANTAquin SANTA Run 5K & Fun Run. She is also the owner and driving force behind two popular regional events: the Payson Orchards Triathlon and the Splash Summit Triathlon.

In addition to her volunteer work, Jackie serves as the head swim coach at Spanish Fork High School and teaches Professional Presentations as an instructor at Brigham Young University–Idaho (BYUI).

Jackie holds a Bachelor's Degree in Communication from BYUI and a Master's Degree in Education from the University of Phoenix. She grew up in California and Arizona and has called Santaquin home for the past eight years. Jackie is married to Pär, and together they are raising their four children.

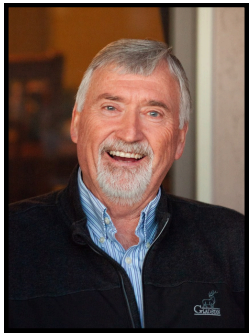
When she's not coaching or teaching, Jackie enjoys playing soccer and volleyball, and is an avid triathlete who races competitively.

John Bradley, Santaquin City's Community Services Director, shared his admiration, saying:

"Jackie has coached dozens of sports teams during the time I have been with Santaquin City. She has been very generous with her time and dedicated to helping our recreation programs succeed. Her volunteer efforts are very appreciated in our department."

Jackie Karlberg exemplifies the spirit of volunteerism in Santaquin. Her leadership, passion, and service continue to strengthen our community and inspire those around her. We are grateful for her remarkable contributions and honored to recognize her this month.

## Mayor's Newsletter | August 2025



August is here and summer is coming closer to the end of the high heat. Even though it is nice, it is good to start welcoming in the fall season. With this newsletter, I want to highlight some big accomplishments and add a reminder of our truth in taxation public hearing with the scheduled meeting in August.

In the last week of June we attended the Utah Transportation Commission meeting in Roy, Utah. Slated on the agenda was the final proposal to move forward two big projects for Santaquin. We have worked to bring a big change in the transportation plans and added new twists in the past three years.

I am proud to announce the approval of the projects and funding for the widening of I-15 to three lanes from Payson 800 south interchange to mile post 238 in Juab County. All of this was brought on because our current interchange at mile post 244 (Santaquin Main street) is no longer able to carry the traffic load.

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We have worked to get it on the approval list, finish the 20% design, purchase some of the corridor needed, and fund the Environmental Assessment. All of this is finished with the Transportation Commission approving it for the upcoming 5 year plan to fund, replace, and upgrade I-15 in our area and especially our Main Street interchange. We will have a new overpass sooner than was anticipated when I took office.

Also, in the next couple of months we anticipate the completion of the ULS (CUP) pipeline. The last pipe is slated to be installed in mid-September. Three years ago, I was told not to worry about this project, and here it is being completed soon. This project will bring new water resources to our City next year. 2026 will be a test year for the ULS pipeline system.

For two years, we have been building a new and upgraded Santaquin Main Street. This project increased in price as soon as it was ready to start. The first project bid was nearly double the originally estimated cost. We were able to find funding in less than two months and are now able to complete the entire project. This is a huge win for Santaquin City.

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### **Upcoming City Council Meeting: Public Hearing on Property Tax Proposal**

Following Orchard Days, I want to draw your attention to an important City Council meeting on **Thursday, August 7, 2025 at 7 p.m.** This meeting will be held at **Santaquin City Hall , 110 South Center Street, in the City Council Chambers.** This meeting will include a **public hearing on a proposed property tax increase**—a topic I addressed in the June and July 2025 newsletters.

I, along with City Council members and staff, will be present to answer your questions. We strongly encourage your attendance and input.

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### **What are the reasons and the costs**

As a fiscal conservative, I don't take any tax proposal lightly. Over the past three and a half years, we've worked hard to strengthen Santaquin's fiscal foundation. We've focused on bringing new businesses to town, helping diversify revenue, and trying to limit the need for higher property taxes.

Thanks to that diligence, Santaquin City holds a **AA+ credit rating from S&P Global**, which saves residents thousands of dollars through lower interest rates.

### **The proposed tax increase would:**

- Cost the average household about \$2.23 per month
- Generate \$164,000 annually
- This tax will fund:
  - ½ of a new police officer position
  - ½ of a new firefighter supervisory position
  - A part-time position for our city library

**Mayor Dan Olson**