



Newsletter

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Holiday Office Closure

The city offices will be closed on Thursday, January 1, 2026 for New Year's Day and will reopen on Friday, January 2nd. from 9 am to 1 pm. We will also be closed on Monday, January 19th for Human Rights day.



January Meeting Schedule

- 01/06 City Council Work Session 5:30 pm
- 01/06 City Council Regular Meeting 7:00 pm
- 01/13 Development Review Committee 10:00 am
- 01/13 Planning Commission Meeting 7:00 pm
- 01/20 City Council Work Session 5:30 pm
- 01/20 City Council Regular Meeting 7:00 pm
- 01/27 Development Review Committee 10:00 am
- 01/27 Planning Commission Meeting 7:00 pm
- 02/03 City Council Work Session 5:30 pm
- 02/03 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/santaquinicitygovernment>

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

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

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



Santaquin Fire Department BLOOD DRIVE

Wednesday, January 7th, 2026

1:00 pm – 7:00 pm
110 S. Center St.

For an appointment go to redcrossblood.org using
SPONSOR CODE: Santaquin Fire



Contact Tiffany Christensen @801-717-8971 with any questions or help with online appointments**

Thank you for your time, your donations and your service!

Schedule your blood donation appointment today!

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Santaquin City Inauguration Day

Santaquin City Inauguration Day will be on Monday, January 5, 2026 at noon in the Multipurpose Room at the city hall, 110 S Center St.

Garbage & Recycling Info.

New Year's Day and Human Rights Day will not affect regularly scheduled garbage and recycle days. Please make sure cans are curbside before 7:00 am on pick up days.

You can find and print the garbage and recycling schedule here:

<https://bit.ly/43E7wYa>

Winter Parking

Parking is not permitted on City Streets or in right-of-ways from November 1–March 31. For detailed information, see the City Code here:

<http://bit.ly/3WPsh5s>

Snow Removal Guide

Public Works spends hours plowing, often through the night. Please be patient as they work their way around town. Residents are responsible to clear their own driveways, sidewalks and access areas in front of their homes and mail boxes. Please use caution around the snow plows.

Santaquin City has more than 77 miles of road. Main Street and SR 198 are plowed by UDOT. The City's three large snow plows are used in the following priority: First, the hillsides and main roads are cleared. After that, arterials (primary access roads) are plowed. Side streets and subdivisions are next, with dead ends and cul-de-sacs being plowed last. For small areas such as cul-de-sacs, where there is not enough room to turn one of the larger plows around, the City's smaller plow is brought in.

Miss Santaquin Pageant Registration



Join us for our
Miss Santaquin
Registration
Information Meeting
over \$7,000 awarded
in scholarships!!
January 26th | 6 PM
FOR WOMEN AGES 17-25
Santaquin City Hall
LOCATED DOWNTOWNS
LOOK FOR SIGNS
Come learn about our program!
NO COMMITMENT REQUIRED
FEEL FREE TO BRING A FRIEND & A PARENT/GUARDIAN

Community Services Winter Activity Guide

Scan the QR code to the right to check out Community Services' Winter Activity Guide!



Library Activity Link

Visit the link below to see what activities the library has to offer. There is something for everyone! <https://bit.ly/4qaOQYA>

Photo Contest Winner



The winner of the November 2025 "What Do You Love About Santaquin?" Photo Contest is Chelsey Reynolds.

She included this description about her photo "I took this photo at Theodore L. Ahlin Park around 11:00pm tonight. That's no sunset, it's the Northern Lights! Santaquin skies are magical!"

Congratulations, Chelsey!

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 the hidden sled like the one on the right in this newsletter, email: kmortensen@santaquin.gov or bshupe@santaquin.gov with the location and your contact information by January 31st.



Congratulations to Jaysha Garcia for winning November's Hidden Picture Contest!

myHometown Santaquin Classes

HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM myHometown SANTAQUIN!

Our Community Resource Center has completed the first term with great success. We have had almost 100 volunteers and students there on Thursday nights who have loved the classes as well as the energy we share. We are excited to introduce our new classes for Winter Term beginning January 8th.

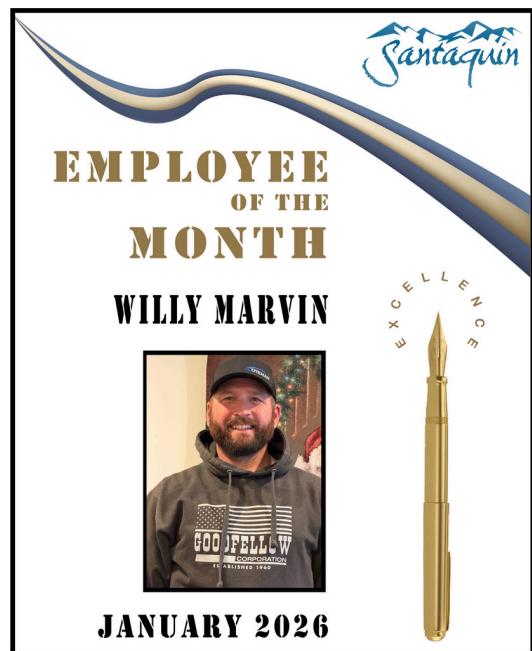
A new Beginning Watercolor class will be taught and it has been a favorite. We also have a Finance class teaching things like how money works, strategies for purchasing your first home, and more. There is an amazing English as a Second Language class too. And for the first time we will be holding consecutive two-week classes including Empowered Parenting, Herbs for Winter Wellness, Introduction to AI Tools & Using AI for Job Success, and Character Design Sketching. Check out the full class descriptions and dates using this new QR code.



The Piano and Sewing classes from the Fall Term are designed for participants to continue through Winter and Spring Terms. So, for these two classes, new students will not be accepted until Fall of 2026. All classes are held on Thursday evenings from 6:30pm – 8pm at the building on the corner of 100 North and 300 West.

We hope you will join us as we “Listen, Love, and Lift” each other in our hometown of Santaquin.

January 2026 Employee of the Month – Willy Marvin



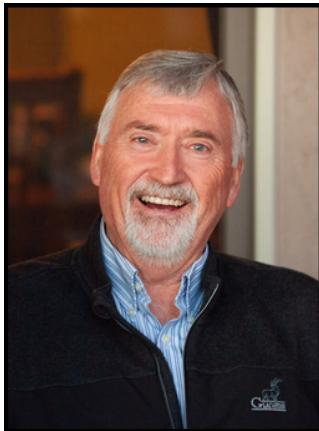
Our January 2026 Employee of the Month is Willy Marvin.

Willy has worked for Santaquin City for four years as a journeyman electrician and wastewater operator. His expertise with electric motors, VFDs, SCADA, and controls has saved the city significant costs. Like all our public works employees, Willy wears many hats. He has fully embraced learning and operating our state-of-the-art Water Reclamation Facility and is working toward his Grade IV treatment certification, which he will receive this coming year. He also oversees streetlight installations in new subdivisions, ensuring proper conduit placement and functionality.

Willy has lived in Santaquin with his wife, Lacy, and their four boys for the past 21 years. He was born in Santaquin, graduated from High School in Spanish Fork and finished his

education at MATC. He's an active volunteer coach for multiple sports through Santaquin Recreation and enjoys hunting, camping, and supporting his kids' activities.

We truly appreciate Willy's dedication and look forward to his continued growth with Santaquin City.



Happy New Year to one and all!

It is the first of January 2026! With all the mild weather leading up through this past fall to now, we are certainly hoping for some very good snowstorms.

Snow is critical to our community. Snow in the mountains provides the water for local farming and recharging our drinking water springs and aquifers. I want to ask you all to think about your neighbors as the storms will eventually bear down on us and especially those that are most vulnerable. Let's take care of each other as best we can and provide service to each other in every way we can. This is a great community, so please don't leave anyone out.

Four years ago, when I took over as the Mayor for Santaquin, I found we had a great new city hall under construction with many possibilities for enhancing much needed office space, a beautiful community center with a multi-purpose room and kitchen. Room for all our staff; engineering, building, planning and community services under one roof. I discovered the inside of the west wing of city hall had not been funded and was an uncompleted building shell on that side. Our hope for a new library upgrade and learning center, which would benefit our children, adults, youth, and our community would still need a lot of work.

I did not want to raise taxes to complete the library, nor did I want to raise money through bonds or other means that would still require each family and business to help get this project finished. We, as a council, were looking at several million dollars to finish the west wing of the building. But I also did not want to give up.

We petitioned the state legislature, several philanthropic organizations, and others to help us take on this monumental funding task. We've really had no luck in any of those avenues. We continue to try to find ways to pay for it without new taxes.

A presentation to the council, whom all jumped aboard, was to utilize the industrial zoned City owned land and create a new industrial park. Santaquin Peaks Industrial Park has successfully been implemented. The plan included our City CDRA (Community Development and Renewal Agency) which was designated and approved under state law to develop and create for multiple City purposes. The CDRA allows the board to work with businesses and industry to invite those who want to bring their company to Santaquin and to work with us.

This story is a wonderful City success! More will be shared in the coming months. I do want to say that in 2026, Santaquin City will have a new Library and learning center that will be state of the art. My goal right now is to ensure the final cost will be paid when we move in. What a gift to this City.

Happiest ever of 2026,

Mayor Dan Olson