



Ogden Makes Forbes' List of America's 20 Fastest Growing Cities

Ogden ranked 20th on Forbes' list of "America's 20 Fastest Growing Cities" in 2012. Forbes rated geographic areas based on population growth, job growth, and rate of economic growth. The magazine also factored in federal unemployment data and median salaries for local college-educated workers.

According to Forbes, "Utah boasts an economy that has expanded 2.3 percent annually since 2006, compared to a national rate of 0.5 percent. It logged the fifth-highest rate of population growth last year, according to the Census Bureau."



Community Police Partner with Citizens

Strengthening relationships between Ogden police and the community is the goal of the City's community policing program. Law enforcement officers work one-on-one with citizens in the community, focusing on visibility, problem solving, and developing an informational working relationship.



Ogden has eight community policing areas, each with its own assigned officer. Additional officers monitor the downtown central business district and work with the Weber Morgan Narcotics Strike Force to help with crime and drug prevention and awareness.

View the map of community policing areas at www.ogdencity.com to discover who your community police officer is and how to reach him or her should you need to. With citizens and officers working together, we can identify, prioritize, and solve current problems while improving overall quality of life.

Get updates on Ogden Canyon Waterline Rehabilitation Project

Commuters and residents may sign up for real-time traffic updates on their cell phones by texting "ogdencanyon" to 25827 (message and data rates may apply). Information is also available on the project website at www.ogdencanyonh2o.com and the project's Twitter feed @ogdencanyonh2o.

Email us at ogdencanyonh2o@horrocks.com or call the hotline at 801-675-8198 with any questions. We are committed to adapting to travelers' concerns while staying within the constraints of the project that will refurbish the waterline that runs through Ogden Canyon.

Free Trees for Ogden City Homeowners

Beginning April 2, Ogden City will provide over 200 free trees for residents to plant in the parking strip areas in front of their homes. The trees will be distributed on a first-come-first-serve basis and are limited to one tree per household. At homes without sidewalks, residents may plant the trees five feet from the curb.



A variety of trees will be available at no cost to residents. The nursery is located at 1845

Monroe Blvd, at the Green Waste site, and is open Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays 8:30 a.m. to noon, excluding Saturday, April 20.

Residents must provide information about overhead power lines, the width of their parking strip, their lot location, and be present at pick up. Proof of residency, such as a current city utility bill and a driver's license is required.

For more information, call 801-629-8271.

Animal Control Joins Ogden Police

In an effort to protect Ogden's pet population, the City's five animal control officers have joined forces with Ogden's Police Department.

Having both departments under one roof will ensure the safety of pets, citizens, and officers. The two departments will work hand in hand. Police officers will receive training on animal behaviors, and animal control officers will have access to police's internal database providing them with information about a certain address before they arrive such as any prior criminal behavior or gang activity.

Is your pet licensed?

Beginning April 1, animal control officers will issue citations to residents who have unlicensed pets on their property—warnings will no longer be issued. Register your pet online at www.ogdencity.com.

Free Bonneville Chamber Music Festival at Weber State University

RAMP is sponsoring a free night with the Bonneville Chamber Music Festival at Weber State University's Allred Theater on Saturday, March 16, at 7:30pm.

Conducted by Mark Henderson, the lively mix will include musical selections of Beethoven, George Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue," The Beatles' "I am the Walrus," and the Weber State University Chamber Choir.

Free general admission seating; arrive early. Well-behaved children eight and older are welcome.

Additional Bonneville Chamber Music Festival performances will be held Monday, March 18, Friday, March 22, and Saturday, March 23, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$5 and \$6 and can be purchased online at weberstatetickets.com or by calling the Dee Events Center ticket office at 801-626-7000.



WEBER STATE UNIVERSITY



City Programs to Help with Spring Cleaning

Ogden City is offering residents an incentive to clean out their garages, basements, and yards this spring by giving away free access passes to the Green Waste Site as well as free dump passes to the Weber County Transfer Station.

Both types of passes are available for pick up at the Community Service Building at 1875 Monroe or the Public Works Building at 133 West 29th Street, Monday through Saturday 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Bring a current utility bill and picture ID.

- **Green Waste Site:** Access passes are required to dispose of green waste. Use this pass to recycle grass, weeds, leaves, and branches 6 feet or shorter with a diameter of 24 inches or smaller. Roots, stumps, sod, and dirt are not accepted. Compost, mulch, wood chips, rock chips, logs, and split firewood can be purchased without an access pass.
- **Weber County Transfer Station:** Get two free dump passes for up to 640 pounds. Use these passes to dispose of items not allowed in at the Green Waste Disposal Site. Passes are available through June 15 and expire June 30. Own multiple Ogden properties? Call 801-629-8271 in advance to expedite the process.

Find more info about the Dump Pass, Dial-A-Dumpster program, and the Green Waste Disposal Site at www.ogdencity.com or call 801-629-8271.

Open Burning Allowed with Permit

Ogden City's Fire Department has established two open burn periods when residents are allowed to burn plant items from their yards: March 30 through May 30 and again September 15 through October 30 as environmental conditions allow.

Burn permits are required and must be obtained prior to burning. To obtain a permit, complete the online application at the Utah Department of Environmental Quality website www.airquality.utah.gov/Compliance/OpenBurning. Those without internet access may call 801-629-8074 for assistance. Ogden Fire Department will contact you within 7 days to inspect and approve the burn site and issue a city permit. Permits are \$5. Make checks payable to Ogden City Fire Department.

Items that may be burned are thoroughly-dry clippings, bushes, plants, and tree prunings from property cleanup. Absolutely no trash, rubbish or tires may be burned in the fire; oil may not be used to start the fire.

Any fire deemed to be offensive or objectionable due to smoke or odor emissions shall be prohibited and the fire department will extinguish it. Civil citations may be issued.



Citizen Corps: The Great Utah ShakeOut

Ogden residents are being encouraged to **DROP, COVER, and HOLD** during the 2013 Great Utah ShakeOut being held Wednesday, April 17, at 10:15 a.m.

The fake earthquake drill is held every year to help residents prepare for an actual disaster. You may only have seconds to protect yourself; practicing helps you be ready to respond. The Ogden Citizen Corps offers the following practice tips:

- **DROP** to your hands and knees because during a strong earthquake the ground will move violently and possibly knock you down.
- Take **COVER** under a sturdy piece of furniture such as a table or desk for protection against falling objects.
- **HOLD** onto that protective cover for 60 to 90 seconds. If you can't get under something, crouch down and protect your head and neck with your arms. You can learn more at <http://shakeout.org/utah>.

For help with your family's disaster plan, emergency preparedness training, neighborhood safety, or to volunteer with Citizen Corps, call 801-629-8948 or e-mail citizencorps@ogdencity.com.



Safe Kids Day Fair

Ogden firefighters will help kids and families learn how to be healthy and safe at the Safe Kids Day Fair on Saturday, April 20, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Weber County Fairgrounds, 1000 North 1200 West.

This free community event promotes injury prevention, emergency preparedness, and health and wellness. Free t-shirts will be given to the first 500 kids and free bike helmets will be available in a limited supply.



Spring Cleanup at Ogden City Cemetery

Holiday and floral arrangements will be removed from the Ogden City Cemetery on Monday, March 18. Patrons who wish to keep their flowers and grave decorations must pick them up before that date; remembrances can be placed back on the sites after March 22. Ogden City Cemetery office: 801-629-8231.

Green Spring Cleaning Tips

Ogden City urges residents to Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle.

Break the disposable habit. Try reusable cleaning cloths instead of disposable products.

Donate items to a thrift store, sell them online, or have a garage sale instead of throwing them out in the trash.

Reduce by using less cleaning supplies; you may not need as much as you think.

Recycle your papers and plastics. Take advantage of Ogden City curbside recycling. Place a container near your wastebasket to conveniently separate appropriate paper, plastic, cardboard, and cans prior to taking them outside to the recycling bin.

Fly from Ogden Airport and Get Away Today

Need to get out of the cold? Fly direct to sunny Arizona from Ogden-Hinckley Airport. Book flights at www.AllegiantAir.com.

Friends and family looking for an affordable ski vacation?



Bring them to Ogden with ski and lodging packages available at www.getawaytoday.com/tickets/SkiPackages.

Down Payment Assistance

The Own in Ogden program offers down payment assistance for low to moderate income home buyers in targeted areas.

Call 801-629-8940.



Home Sweet Ogden



Ogden City refurbishes homes and sells them at a great bargain. Visit ogdencityhomes.com for a listing of homes for sale within the program or call 801-629-8940.

Useful Ogden City Contacts

• 801-629-8000 Ogden City Corp main line
• 801-629-8159 City Council agenda

• 801-629-8961 Code Enforcement
• 801-629-8752 Graffiti Task Force

• 801-395-8221 Non-Emergency Police & Fire
• 801-629-8244 Animal Services

• 801-629-8271 Waste and Refuse