

At Your Service

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2012 Pickup Schedule

Four holidays in 2012 will see a delay in trash and recycle pickup service: 4th of July, Pioneer Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. Service will not be delayed for the entire week, only for the day of the holiday and each day thereafter within the week.



- Jan 1, New Years Day: No Delay
- Jan 16, Human Rights Day: No Delay
- Feb 20, Presidents' Day: No Delay
- May 28, Memorial Day: No Delay
- **Jul 4, Independence Day:** No pickup service on Wednesday. Wednesday's pickup will be on Thursday; Thursday's will be moved to Friday, and Friday's to Saturday.
- **Jul 24, Pioneer Day:** No pickup service on Tuesday. Tuesday's pickup will be on Wednesday, and each day for the remainder of the week will be delayed one day.
- Sep 3, Labor Day: No Delay
- Oct 8, Columbus Day: No Delay
- Nov 11, Veterans Day: No Delay
- **Nov 22, Thanksgiving:** No pickup service on Thursday. Thursday's pickup will take place on Friday and Friday's pickup is moved to Saturday.
- **Dec 25, Christmas:** No pickup service on Tuesday. Tuesday's pickup will be on Wednesday, and each day for the remainder of the week will be delayed one day.
- **Jan 1, 2013, New Years Day:** No pickup service on Tuesday. Each day for the remainder of the week will be delayed one day.

Questions? 801-629-8271

Winterfest Celebration Transforms Downtown Ogden Streets

Historic 25th Street and the Ogden City Municipal Gardens will be transformed into a winter wonderland full of snow games, activities, and competitions for this year's Winterfest celebration Friday and Saturday, January 27 and 28.

Ogden City hosts the celebration that is said to be "Where Cold is Cool." Everyone is invited to watch and participate in this one-of-a-kind, statewide snow celebration! A ceremonial street closing at Washington Boulevard will kick off Friday's festivities at 6pm followed by a toboggan parade; Saturday from 9am to 8pm traditional, unique, and entertaining activities will be offered for all ages; most events are free. Individuals are encouraged to sign up early and recruit friends and family. Snow tubing, human dog sled racing, a winter 5K, polar bear swim, flag football, kid's corner, dog costume contest, a new winter tug-of-war, and the much anticipated skjoring event (skiing behind a horse through a series of jumps) are among many options.

Winterfest is a celebration for the community, by the community. All events and activities are funded and supported by generous local businesses and organizations. Businesses and the general public are encouraged to get involved: sponsor an event, form a team to participate in events, or sign up to volunteer with event functions. Visit www.ogdenwinterfest.com, call 801-629-8337, or e-mail winterfest@ogdencity.com.

OGDEN WINTERFEST

where cold is cool



Ordinance of the Month: Crosswalk Safety

While motorists must always exercise due care to avoid colliding with a pedestrian, regardless of the situation (Utah Traffic Code—Pedestrian Laws 41-6a), crossing streets on foot requires sound judgment. Citizens should be defensive pedestrians to improve their own safety. Ogden City police officers will issue warnings in January to motorists who fail to yield as they should for pedestrians. Learn and practice crosswalk safety laws; in February, police officers will issue citations for those who do not comply.

Motorists:

- Vehicles should stop at the stop-line painted directly in front of the crosswalk, not within the crosswalk, because this obstructs the free passage of pedestrians.
- Motorists should yield to pedestrians on sidewalks when turning off the street and into a driveway or parking entrance. Likewise when exiting, a motorist must stop before the sidewalk and yield to pedestrians before driving over the sidewalk.
- Speeding is the primary cause in nearly a third of fatal motor vehicle crashes. Slow down and use extra caution in residential and school areas, near playgrounds, parks, bus stops, and other places children and pedestrians are common.
- At school crosswalks, drivers must come to a complete stop if the reduce speed zone sign is flashing and a pedestrian is anywhere in the crosswalk. Vehicles shall not proceed until the pedestrian reaches the other side of the road.

Pedestrians:

- Pedestrians rarely have the right-of-way. It is always safest to walk to the nearest intersection and cross in a marked crosswalk. Crosswalks are deemed to exist at all intersections even if no lines are painted.
- If no intersection or crosswalk is available, pedestrians may cross at any location unless specifically prohibited. The pedestrian has the duty to yield to motor vehicle traffic.
- Make eye contact with drivers before walking in front of vehicles. Even when pedestrians have the right-of-way, they should never walk or run into the path of a vehicle which is still moving. Having the legal right to cross will not protect a person. There is such a thing as being dead right; and in an accident, the pedestrian—right or wrong—always loses.
- Always use a pedestrian pushbutton when available; it provides more time to cross. With the WALK symbol, begin crossing. When the DON'T WALK symbol flashes, do not begin crossing, but if already in the crosswalk continue with hast and due caution.

Whether driving or walking around town, practice crosswalk safety. Being alert and aware of everything around you is a prudent way for motorists and pedestrians to share roadways safely.



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Ogden City Recreation in 2012

Ogden City Recreation is now on Facebook! We will keep our friends and customers apprised of open registration periods as well as upcoming events, programs, and leagues. You can even view pictures of our fun activities. Become a friend of Ogden City Recreation on Facebook to keep up to date on all of our great activities, like these programs now open for registration:

Adult Softball Leagues: Register through April 30. Team fee: \$380. Choose a league: Women's Upper/Lower, Coed, and Men's D and E. Games played at 4th Street Ball Park May 14 through August.

Adult Flag Football Spring League: Register through March 19. Team fee: \$325; games played Saturday mornings beginning April 7. This is a one-pass league.

Youth Recreational Baseball, Softball, and T-Ball: Leagues are offered for boys age 5 to 15, and girls age 5 to 16 (age determined as of April 30, 2012). Leagues range from T-ball to Senior Baseball and Fast Pitch; all are designed so every player enjoys the game and learns the skills for their age. Registration is by individual player and is open now. Depending on the league, season is April/May through June.

Youth Competitive Baseball: Register January 16 through March 12. Registration is by team only; fee for leagues 8u and up is \$625. Games are played at 4th Street Ball Park and Bonneville Park. Ten games guaranteed, league and end of year tournament included.

For more information about these and other Recreation programs, contact Ogden City Recreation at 801-629-8253 or 1875 Monroe Blvd. Register in person or online at www.ogdencity.com.

Citizen Corps Corner: Winter Storm Awareness and Preparedness

Last month's powerful windstorms in the area created a timely introduction to this month's message. Citizen Corps is reminding residents of the importance of being prepared *ahead of time* for winter storms and the problems they can bring.

- **Have an emergency plan and a good 72-hour kit which can provide useful items of comfort and security in the event of power loss, strong winds, or heavy snowfall.**
- **Before severe storms catch you unprepared, be sure your automobile is in good condition for winter driving.**
- **While preparing for your own winter needs, also care for vulnerable neighbors. Help shovel snow and check to make sure they have adequate supplies.**
- **Pay attention to weather reports and winter emergency information on radio and TV, or check the National Weather Service website, www.weather.gov so you can be prepared.**

In an actual emergency, our greatest strength will be our concern for each other and our ability to help. For information about Ogden's Citizen Corps, to receive emergency preparedness training, or to volunteer with us, phone 801-629-8948 or email citizencorps@ogdencity.com.

Resolve to be Good to your Pets

With the beginning of a new year, we naturally look toward the future and consider resolutions. It's a good time to resolve to be a more responsible pet owner.

Resolve to Renew Licenses and Vaccinations: The start of a new year is a great time to check to see when pets' licenses and rabies vaccinations are due for renewal. Licensing a pet and having him or her always wear that license is the easiest way for Animal Services Officers to return pets to their owners. Dogs, cats, and ferrets are mandated by Ogden City and Utah State law to be licensed. Pet license renewals are offered at the City Municipal Building (2549 Washington Blvd, Suite 220), at the City Recreation Building (1875 Monroe Blvd), and now conveniently online at the City's website (<http://petlicense.ogdencity.com>).

Resolve to Keep Pets Warm: As outdoor temperatures drop, pets need extra attention. Do not leave pets in the car while shopping; a vehicle acts as a refrigerator in the wintertime and traps the cold inside. Outdoor animals should have adequate shelter—a smaller dog such as a Chihuahua cannot survive in the same size shelter as a larger Lab or a Great Dane. The shelter needs to be small enough to trap the dog's body heat inside while still allowing him or her to move around and lie down comfortably. Also, ensure the roof of the shelter is sound with no holes where heat may escape.

Resolve to Clean their Paws: When indoor pets have been outside and return inside, their paws should be wiped clean to remove any salt. Their paws pick up salt and other chemicals used for ice melt on sidewalks and can be dangerous for pets to ingest.

Resolve to Provide Enough Water: Pets need plenty of water in the wintertime. Staying hydrated during colder months is just as important as in the summertime because pets expend more energy just to stay warm. Pets that don't get enough water will resort to eating snow, but this is hazardous. The snow will not provide enough hydration before it lowers the pet's internal temperature to dangerous levels.

Become a Friend of
Ogden City Recreation



Holiday Recycling

Recycle gift wrap, cardboard tubes, and boxes of all kinds (tear into 2'X2' pieces) to help keep unnecessary items out of the landfill. Recycling is a no-fee service. Need a blue recycling can? Call 801-629-8271.

Recycle natural Christmas trees (clear of decorations) at the Green Waste Site, 1845 Monroe Blvd. Open Monday through Saturday, 8:30am to 5pm excluding extreme storm days and holidays.

Get a CO Detector

Carbon monoxide detectors save lives. Carbon monoxide, or "CO", is an odorless, colorless, and tasteless gas; it is very dangerous because it can go undetected until those exposed to it experience ill symptoms including nausea, headache, fatigue, and cramping. It can interfere with cognitive functions causing patients to be unaware of what may be happening to them.

Discounted detectors are available to residents for \$10, about half the regular cost, at Ogden City's Cashier's office (2549 Washington Blvd, Ste 240). Bring a current utility bill to prove residency. Contact Ogden City Fire Department for more information, 801-629-8074.

Down Payment Assistance

The Own in Ogden program offers down payment assistance for low to moderate income home buyers in targeted areas. Call 801-629-8906 for more information.

Emergency Home Repair



Ogden City offers emergency home repair loans for low to moderate income, owner-occupied households in need of financial assistance to correct sudden, unexpected emergency life- and health-threatening housing conditions.

For information call 801-629-8906.

Home Sweet Ogden

Ogden City refurbishes homes and then sells these remodeled homes at a great bargain. Visit <http://homesweetogden.ogdencity.com> for a listing of homes for sale within the program or call 801-629-8940 for more info.



Useful Ogden City Contacts

• 801-629-8000 Ogden City Corp main line
• 801-629-8752 Graffiti Task Force

• 801-399-HELP Ogden City answers hotline
• 801-629-8159 City Council agenda information line