AT YOUR SERVICE

A bulletin of community news

For information or updated news

regarding COVID-19 related items,



Census Deadline Extended to October 31st, Make Sure You're Counted

Surrounding circumstances of COVID-19, the U.S. Census Bureau has extended the deadline for responding to the 2020 Census. It has been adjusted to ensure the health and safety of the public, to implement guidance from Federal, State, and local authorities regarding COVID-19, and to ensure a complete and accurate count of all communities. Utahns have until October 31st to respond to the Census, whereas the response deadline is regularly the beginning of July. Utah's current response rate is 66.1%. A high rate of response is important because Census data impacts funding and decisions made toward infrastructure, education, public safety, healthcare, and many other important programs and services. Areas with lower Census participation often face problems such as underfunded and overcrowded schools. You can complete the Census survey in 12 different languages online or by phone. For more information or to take the Census please visit:

2020census.gov my2020cenusus.gov

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Request a Free Water Audit

Schedule your free water audit during the irrigation season and let us help customize an irrigation plan based on your landscape watering needs. You may also request your water audit online.

801-629-8864 www.ogdenwater.com

Discount Smoke Detectors Available for Ogden Residents

Smoke detectors are available for \$10 at the City Municipal Building (2549 Washington Blvd) with proof of Ogden City residency.

ogdencity.com/fire

Own in Ogden

Own in Ogden down-payment assistance loans are available for qualifying individuals and properties.

801-629-8940 ogdencity.com/OwninOgden

HELP (Home Exterior Loan Program)

HELP provides low-interest home improvement loans for eligible projects to all qualifying **801-629-8940**

ogdencity.com/HELP

Emergency Home Repairs

Loans are available for low income, owner-occupied households to correct unexpected emergency housing conditions.

801-629-8903

Fair Housing

Everyone is protected under the fair housing Act of 1968!

www.hud.gov/fairhousing

Ogden City Is Pleased to Launch the Ogden CARES Business Grant Program

This new program will provide grants to support businesses impacted by COVID-19. Ogden CARES grants can be used for two purposes:

- To help businesses located in Ogden City with unmet financial needs due to the impacts of COVID-19.
 Grant funds will help to cover the shortfall between necessary business expenses and existing funding sources (e.g., business revenue, federal or state assistance).
- To help retail and foodservice businesses located in Ogden's Central Business District make physical modifications to accommodate physical distancing requirements at their place of business.

To qualify for Ogden CARES Grants, businesses must be located within Ogden City and have a current Ogden City business license. Businesses having received other federal, state, and/or local COVID-19 assistance may apply for an Ogden CARES grant, provided they demonstrate the business still has an unmet financial need.

Grant applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until funds are exhausted. Businesses are encouraged to apply as soon as possible for the best chance to receive funding. Find the full program information and evaluation criteria at OgdenCARES.com. If you have any questions, email us at:

ogdencares@ogdencity.com.

Cut Energy Bills and Clear the Air: Upgrade to a Smart Thermostat!

Weber State's Empower Northern Utah program is offering Weber and Davis County residents smart thermostats for under \$60 (originally \$169) to cut energy bills and reduce air pollution. The program is brought to our community by the Weber State Energy & Sustainability Office in partnership with UCAIR, Ogden City, the H.E.A.T Program, Utah Clean Energy and others. The program is designed to increase energy efficiency, reduce utility bills, and help clean Utah's wintertime air



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by reducing natural gas emissions. The Nest Thermostat can cut heating bills by up to 12% and cooling bills by 15%, saving the average household from \$131 to \$145 a year! Supplies are limited and will be offered on a first come first served basis at the Weber. edu/Empower website, starting on September 16, 2020. Also, free LED lightbulbs will be distributed through the program to increase efficiency in low to moderate-income households.

Weber.edu/Empower











All Recreation events are currently suspended due to the circumstances surrounding COVID-19 (Coronavirus). This may change within the month. For updates and changes regarding any activities, registrations, or events, we encourage you to call 801-629-8253 or you can visit our website at:

ogdencity.com/Recreation

All Events Scheduled are Subject to Change **August**

- Farmers Market Ogden | Downtown 9 a.m. 2 p.m. Ogden Nature Center, Free Admission | RAMP Summer Saturdays
- 5 8 Weber County Fair Weber County Fairgrounds 11 a.m. - 11p.m.
- 7 First Friday Art Stroll | TBA 6 -9 p.m.
- 8 Farmers Market Ogden | Downtown 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- 15 Farmers Market Ogden | Downtown 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- 22 Farmers Market Ogden | Downtown 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- 28 Mayor's Awards in the Arts Nomination Deadline
- 29 Farmers Market Ogden | Downtown 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

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- First Friday Art Stroll | TBA 6 9 p.m.
- 5 Farmers Market Ogden | Downtown 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- 9 Jazz at the Station | Union Station 7 - 8 p.m.
- 12 Farmers Market Ogden, Final Day Downtown 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

See more at ogdencity.com/events

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- Instagram: @OgdenCityUtah
- Web: OgdenCity.com

City Council Meetings

Council Chambers | Tuesdays 6 p.m.

Ogden Trails Network

Public Works Building | Third Thursdays 4:30 p.m.

City Planning Commission

Municipal Building | First Wednesdays 5 p.m.

A Message From Your Fire Department: Protect That Brain!

One afternoon the Ogden City Fire Station was dispatched to a bicycle accident involving a child. When they arrived, they found the child had just regained consciousness and had severe road rash. Witnesses claimed that he had crashed when he was riding his bike, went over his handlebars onto his head, and slid to a stop. He was



not wearing a helmet. The Fire Department asked the child guestions about his crash, but he had a hard time even remembering what happened. He was guickly transported to the hospital where he was diagnosed with a severe concussion and was held overnight for observation.

We must take precautions to stay safe, even though we never know when an accident may happen. Parents have daily arguments with their kids concerning wearing a helmet when riding their bikes. The Fire Department wants to help ensure the safety of your kids and their futures, so we ask that you have them wear their helmets. Helmets prevent long term injuries and save lives. The child in the story above made a full recovery and had no longterm damage, but it could have been much worse. Weber-Morgan Health Department has access to reduced cost child helmets. Stay safe out there! To make an appointment to get your reduced cost helmet, call: 801-399-7186

Emergency Preparedness: Prepare to Go Powerless

Prepare your home base to remain secure and reasonably comfortable during short or **extended periods of electrical power failure.** This is one of the more likely events to follow in the wake of both natural and man-caused emergencies. Alternate lighting, communication, heating, and food preparation resources should be a part of the basic emergency response plan.

There are many things you can do to prepare for a power outage. Some of them include:

- Place battery-powered lights and back-up batteries strategically around the home.
- Have extra blankets, sleeping bags, and warm clothing on hand.
- Install carbon monoxide detectors on all levels of the home.
- Use alternate fuel lamps in the event of a prolonged outage. If using fuel lamps, plan for fresh air sources and ventilation as fuel lamps consume some of the oxygen supply and produce carbon dioxide.

Storing flammable fuels requires special attention. Kerosene is less volatile than others. Outdoor propane and charcoal grills are excellent cooking alternatives, as well as camp stoves and dutch oven systems. At least one adult family member should remain awake and on watch when alternate lighting/heating devices are in use. Make sure you have a fire extinguisher available as well. Gasoline or other combustible fuel generators may greatly extend the ability to compensate for the loss of commercial power. Always follow safe operational procedures and guidelines.

Here are additional important tips for your consideration:

- Keep freezers and refrigerators closed.
- Only use generators outdoors and keep them away from windows.
- Do not use a gas stove to heat your home.
- Disconnect appliances and electronics to protect from damage in case of a power
- Have an alternative plan for refrigerating food or medicine.
- During times of extreme temperatures, consider going to an alternate location for heating or cooling.
- Check on your neighbors.

For additional information, visit:

https://www.ready.gov/power-outages

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