



Hello, friends.

Are you feeling the rush of back-to-school routines? 📚 I want to wish all of our students and teachers a smooth and stress-free start to the new academic year. Summer may be winding down, but there's so much to look forward to this fall.



**FRIDAYS &
SATURDAYS
IN SEPTEMBER
4-10 PM**



Open Streets at the Granary

We're not done with Open Streets this year! Every Friday and Saturday in September, we're teaming up with the Granary District Alliance to create a pedestrian promenade.

From 4 to 10 p.m., enjoy food from local vendors, live music, street soccer and family-friendly activities. You'll even get a chance to check out another Green Loop demo along 500 West from 700 South to 900 South. An interactive road mural will be installed to define potential green space areas and how the Green Loop could transform this wide road into more usable spaces for our community.

The focus in this neighborhood was industrial for many years. Seeing it now, bustling with small businesses, excites me for our city's ability to evolve and thrive.

We can't wait to see you on 5th West and 7th South.

[Learn more about Open Streets](#)

New Improvement Projects

This week, the Salt Lake City Council approved [Capital Improvement Program \(CIP\) projects](#) for Fiscal Year 2024-25, dedicating more than \$58 million to transform our city's infrastructure. There are many exciting projects that will impact our city from vital repairs at Memory Grove Park to restoring the iconic Liberty Park Greenhouse to continuing our work on the Green Loop. Stay tuned to learn more about specific projects.

Safe Routes

As the Salt Lake City School District closed four elementary schools this year, boundaries shifted for 14 schools. I'm incredibly grateful to our city departments for their hard work evaluating nearly 800 school crosswalks affected by these changes. Thanks to their efforts, we've added new crosswalks, updated signage, and prioritized ADA compliance at dozens of crosswalks to ensure the safety of our kids as they travel to and from school.

In partnership with the school district, we also created 800 new bilingual signs reminding drivers to slow down and obey traffic laws. Pick one up for your neighborhood at any Salt Lake City



elementary school or the City and County Building (451 S. State Street).

Welcoming Week

On Sept. 16, Salt Lake City Mayor's Office of Access and Belonging will host its second annual Welcoming Walk and Tree Dedication as part of Welcoming Week, a global campaign to celebrate access and belonging. Join the celebration, beginning at 10 a.m. at Washington Square.

Upcoming ACE events

Since 2012, the Office of the Mayor has provided Arts, Culture and Events (ACE) funding to support and grow neighborhood and community events in Salt Lake City. ACE sponsored events contribute to Salt Lake City's unique and vibrant culture and bring communities together to celebrate and learn.



8/31 – Unity Block Party: Noon-10 p.m.
at Granary Live (742 S 500 W)

9/7 – KRCL's Day in the Park: 1-7 p.m.
at Jordan Park/International Peace Gardens
(1000 S 900 W)

**9/7 – Latinx/Hispanic Heritage
Health & Heritage Fair:** Noon-8:30 p.m.
at The Gateway (400 W 200 S)

9/14 – Avenues Street Fair: 9 a.m.-6
p.m., 3rd Avenue between D and I Streets

As always, feel free to reach out to me at mayor@slc.gov

Your friend,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'E. Mendez', with a stylized, flowing script.



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