



## Happy holidays, Salt Lakers!

As we close out an incredible year in Salt Lake City, I'm proud of everything we've accomplished together. From welcoming the NHL to our city to our work toward hosting the Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games in 2034, it's been a year of exciting steps forward.

We've opened our new [Tenant Resource Center](#), expanded [clean air initiatives](#), and made meaningful progress toward a healthier, more equitable city for all.

This momentum doesn't happen by accident—it happens because of you. Thank you for your engagement, support, and commitment to making Salt Lake City a better place to call home. Be safe in your travels and celebrations this holiday season.



## It takes a village

This afternoon, we celebrated a historic milestone—the opening of Utah’s first-ever tiny home village, The Other Side Village. For the first six of many Salt Lakers moving in today, these homes represent a new beginning and a path to stability.

While the Village is just one piece of the broader effort in Salt Lake City to address housing and homelessness in Utah, it’s a powerful example of what’s possible when we put people at the center of our solutions. Getting to this moment took a tremendous amount of collaboration, ingenuity, and hope. I’m so grateful to our partners at The Other Side, and the Salt Lake City Council for making this vision a reality.

[Find out more about The Other Side](#)



## The next chapter of our Olympic & Paralympic legacy

Earlier this month marked the [final official meeting](#) of the Salt Lake City-Utah Committee for the Games. Now, the real planning for 2034 begins.

What excites me most about hosting the 2034 Games is the chance to inspire the next generation of Utah athletes and leaders. My children are too young to remember the excitement of the 2002 Games—they weren't there to see the Olympic torch blazing in the heart of our city or to watch snowboarding in its second-ever appearance at the Winter Games. To them, the Hoberman Arch is just a marker we pass on the way home from the airport.

But in 2034, that will change. A new generation—more than a million children and young adults across this state—will grow up alongside our preparations for the Games. And they won't just watch history unfold; they'll help create it. I couldn't be more excited to see what they bring to the table—how they redefine possibility, embody the Olympic spirit, and showcase to the world what Utah is all about.



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## Arts, Culture, and Entertainment (ACE) Grant

As we step into the new year, we're proud to announce \$300,000 in Arts, Culture and Entertainment (ACE) grant funding was awarded to support 171 events across Salt Lake City in 2025. These grants reflect our city's commitment to showcasing the creativity and passion that make our city a hub for arts and community connection.

Stay tuned for the full list of events—we can't wait to see you at each one of them!

## State of the City

Salt Lake City's State of the City Address is an annual tradition when the current mayor reflects on our city's achievements, shares progress on key initiatives, and outlines a vision for the future.

I will deliver the 2025 State of the City to Salt Lakers at 7 p.m. on January 28th.

You can watch it on live on the City's [YouTube channel!](#)

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