

Mayor's Message

The Utah Taxpayer's Association came out with their 2011 Cost of Government report on Utah cities. It was interesting to note that Taylorsville was the most inexpensive government per capita. (See table below.) That means taxpayers in Taylorsville pay less than residents of other cities.

I am grateful that our city staff and elected officials are fiscally responsible. Our city budget is one of the leanest budgets around and residents should be proud that their tax dollars are

spent frugally here at City Hall.

Sometimes spending less means we've had to let some things go. For instance, over the past 10 years, the city has not spent much money on investing in economic development. We've realized that error and last year the council passed a bond to better fund economic development. The city will need to increase our efforts as we "invest" into the future of our city. Having healthy businesses provides the city with sales tax revenue, which means lower property taxes for residents.



Mayor Russ Wall

Many of you have expressed a desire for greater quality of life here in the city as you've helped us put together our 10-year Strategic Plan. Though the Taylorsville portion of your property taxes is a small amount, those funds affect you more than almost any other tax. They fund public safety, parks, roads, and many other things. I will be looking closely at these items when putting together my 2012-2013 budget. We cannot let our quality of life decline. A decline hurts our economic development efforts, ramps up crime, and hurts your property values. We will do all we can to ensure that your tax dollars are spent in an efficient manner!

Russ Wall

Kids and Cars

As the warmer weather approaches, please keep your children safe by not leaving them alone in a parked car. On a 70 degree day, the inside of a car can reach 125 degrees. A hot, stuffy car is no place for a youngster.

Other unexpected hazards could include children activating power windows and getting stuck, or a child climbing into the front seat and accidentally putting the car in motion.

Drivers should be aware of children who may be behind their vehicle when they are backing up and going forward. A child may be hiding in the 6 to 8 foot blind spot that is in the front of a vehicle.

Children will be out more frequently with these warmer temperatures and summer vacations on the horizon. It is our signal to be on the alert and help keep these youngsters safe.

Taylorsville is the least expensive city for taxpayers!

2011 Cost of Government Report Utah Cities and Counties

Prepared by the Utah Taxpayers Association in cooperation with the Center for Public Lands and Rural Economics at Utah State University

If government were a business citizens would be consumers purchasing services with tax dollars and fee payments. But, how much does each citizen end up paying for government services? What is the price of government?

Cost Per Capita (Population over 20,000)

City	Population (2009)	Total Government Revenue (2009)	Price of Government Per Capita
Population over 20,000 (30 Cities)			
Salt Lake City	178,100	\$217,247,666	\$1,233.66
St. George	68,735	\$84,361,289	\$1,227.34
Draper	36,499	\$39,683,026	\$1,085.13
Lehi	41,680	\$37,455,260	\$898.64
Ogden	80,688	\$67,847,399	\$840.86
Murray	45,406	\$38,152,301	\$840.25
South Jordan	47,625	\$39,157,527	\$822.21
American Fork	26,007	\$20,621,411	\$792.92
Logan	45,867	\$35,955,713	\$783.91
Cedar City	26,225	\$20,256,135	\$772.40
West Valley City	121,559	\$92,874,728	\$764.03
Sandy	94,943	\$66,595,400	\$701.43
Clearfield	26,509	\$15,969,162	\$602.41
Orem	92,071	\$54,958,182	\$596.91
Provo	106,820	\$62,788,825	\$587.80
Midvale	27,060	\$15,789,880	\$583.51
Springville	27,289	\$15,742,537	\$576.88
West Jordan	101,394	\$57,512,735	\$567.22
Tooele	29,233	\$16,156,547	\$552.68
Holladay	25,000	\$13,583,434	\$543.34
Riverton	37,036	\$18,774,477	\$506.93
Pleasant Grove	32,220	\$15,831,360	\$485.14
Spanish Fork	26,948	\$13,992,375	\$483.36
Layton	64,117	\$30,408,301	\$474.26
Bountiful	43,008	\$20,339,265	\$472.92
Cottonwood Hts	34,962	\$15,860,244	\$447.92
Roy	35,264	\$15,891,531	\$444.97
Syracuse	20,590	\$9,129,597	\$443.40
Kaysville	24,624	\$9,967,669	\$404.39
* Taylorsville *	57,770	\$21,880,902	\$378.76 *
Mean of all cities (population over 20,000)			\$728.62
Median of all cities (population over 20,000)			\$539.95

Top Ten Highest Cost Cities Per Capita (By population groups under 20,000)

City	Population (2009)	Total Government Revenue (2009)	Price of Government Per Capita
Population 5,000 - 19,999 (49 Cities)			
Park City	8,015	\$33,164,919	\$4,137.86
Moab	5,070	\$7,023,707	\$1,385.35
Vernal	8,282	\$11,437,886	\$1,381.06
S. Salt Lake	19,177	\$24,069,159	\$1,256.11
Tremonton	6,445	\$7,486,262	\$1,161.98
Richtfield	6,492	\$7,369,362	\$1,135.15
Herriman	16,225	\$17,393,309	\$1,072.01
Riverdale	8,039	\$8,281,787	\$1,030.20
Price	7,412	\$6,804,467	\$918.03
Hurricane	12,486	\$10,603,952	\$849.27
Mean of all 49 cities (population 5,000-19,999)			\$698.53
Median of all 49 cities (population 5,000-19,999)			\$648.11
Population 1,000 - 4,999 (63 Cities)			
Napies	1,490	\$3,980,637	\$2,671.70
Monticello	2,212	\$3,337,621	\$1,508.87
Ferron	1,507	\$2,201,299	\$1,460.72
East Carbon	1,376	\$1,829,377	\$1,329.49
Roosevelt	4,848	\$6,432,009	\$1,326.73
Filmore	2,310	\$2,259,351	\$978.07
Gunnison	1,600	\$1,357,848	\$848.53
Midway	3,384	\$2,816,369	\$832.26
Blanding	2,955	\$2,457,420	\$831.81
Kamas	1,845	\$1,503,785	\$815.07
Mean of all 63 cities (population 1,000-4,999)			\$596.85
Median of all 63 cities (population 1,000-4,999)			\$618.99
Population under 1,000 (94 Cities)			
Alta	19	\$1,536,019	\$80,843.11
Brian Head	52	\$2,561,029	\$49,250.56
Scotfield	28	\$666,267	\$23,795.25
Vineyard	133	\$713,889	\$5,367.59
Springdale	574	\$1,492,560	\$2,600.28
Emery	401	\$1,041,708	\$2,597.77
Garden City	409	\$670,615	\$2,128.64
Lyman	312	\$640,075	\$2,051.52
Milton	633	\$1,272,013	\$2,009.50
Snowville	118	\$219,838	\$1,861.34
Mean of all 94 cities (population under 1,000)			\$721.08
Median of all 94 cities (population under 1,000)			\$460.80

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THEN & NOW



Lions Club House and Douglas Home

This month's exciting historic photos are from the location on the west side of Redwood Road and 4700 South. The photo on the right is that of Dick and Margene Douglas' first home in June 1952. (Notice to the left of the photo is a side view of the Taylorsville Recreation Hall.)

In 1949, through the efforts of the Taylorsville Lions Club, a government labor building (Camp Kearns Army barracks) was moved to this 10 acre property at 4700 South. The Lions Club was instrumental in renovating and making it into a fine recreation building with heat and all other facilities. The Lions Club used the building for their monthly meetings, as well as other civic organizations from 1943-2004. It was also rented out to private parties. It was soon referred to as the "Club" House.

Earlier this year, the club house was demolished and as yet, nothing is on the site.

IF YOU HAVE ANY IDEAS FOR FUTURE SUBMISSIONS,
PLEASE EMAIL MUSEUM@TAYLORSVILLEUT.GOV

He who plants a tree plants a hope.

- Lucy Larcom



2nd Annual Taylorsville Arbor Day Celebration

Saturday April 28, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.
2700 West 5400 South
(East of Taylorsville City Hall)

This years celebration will include fruit and nut tree plantings and garden bed construction at the new community gardens located at Taylorsville City Center.

Please bring your own shovels, rakes, etc.

Contact Mark McGrath at mmcgrath@taylorsvilleut.gov or
(801)963-5400 for more information



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City Council Corner

PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE...

TAYLORSVILLE AREA CLEAN-UP DUMPSTER WILL BE AVAILABLE SEPTEMBER 21, 2012 – OCTOBER 23, 2012

In the past, Taylorsville residents have received dumpsters in their neighborhoods during the spring. Every year the Sanitation department rotates the schedule and this year the dumpsters will be available in Taylorsville September 21, 2012 - October 23, 2012.

This year we are trying to divert as much green (yard) waste as possible and free up room in the containers for bulky items. If you have large amounts of green waste you can call Salt Lake County Special Service District #1 (Sanitation) at 385-468-6325 to make arrangements for collection.

You will receive a postcard at least four weeks before to let you know the exact days they will be in your neighborhood. Please help us spread the word!

Your Taylorsville City Council,
Ernest Burgess (District 1), Kristie Overson (District 2), Jerry Rechtenbach (District 3), Dama Barbour (District 4), Larry Johnson (District 5)

PLEASE JOIN US THE FIRST AND THIRD WEDNESDAYS OF EVERY MONTH AT 6:30 p.m. FOR OUR REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS. THE PUBLIC IS WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND!!

Taylorsville Calendar of Events

April 2012

28	9 a.m.	Go Green Arbor Day Event City Center, 2600 West Taylorsville Blvd
	10 a.m. - 2 p.m.	Healthy Kids Day YMCA Community Family Center 4223 South Atherton Drive
	10 a.m. - 2 p.m.	Turn in your unused or expired medication for safe disposal. Taylorsville Police Dept 2600 West Taylorsville Blvd

May 2012

1	6 p.m. - 10 p.m.	CPR Training - City Council Chambers, 2600 West Taylorsville Blvd
2	6:30 p.m.	City Council Meeting - City Council Chambers, 2600 West Taylorsville Blvd
8	7 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting City Council Chambers, 2600 West Taylorsville Blvd
9	6 p.m.	City Council Work Session City Hall, 2600 West Taylorsville Blvd
16	6:30 p.m.	City Council Meeting City Hall, 2600 West Taylorsville Blvd
22	6 p.m.	Planning Commission Work Meeting City Council Chambers, 2600 West Taylorsville Blvd
30	6 p.m. - 7 p.m.	Mayor's Town Hall Open House City Hall, 2600 West Taylorsville Blvd

Annual Awards Banquet Winners

On March 23, the city held it's annual awards banquet. For details on these award winners, visit the city blog at taylorsvilletidbits.com. Congratulations to the following winners:



Lee Yates Outstanding Community Service as a Volunteer	Grayson Van Leeuwen and Shannon Bennett Meritorious Service in the Line of Duty
Roger Barker Outstanding Community Service as a Volunteer	Sherri Winder (posthumous) Legacy Award
Taylorsville Walmart Outstanding Business Contribution	Brian Gale Outstanding Service to the City
Senate President Michael Waddoups Meritorious Service to the Community as a Legislator	Jean Gallegos and Penny Knight Special Recognition for Exemplary Work
Michael Gull and Marlene Bolt Meritorious Action by a Citizen	Mark McGrath Supervisor of the Year
U.S. Marshals Service Joint Criminal Apprehension Team Outstanding Service Provider	Troy Martinez Police Officer of the Year
	Lisa Schwartz Employee of the Year

Odds and Ends

Healthy Kids Day is hosted by the YMCA on Sat., Apr. 28 from 10 am-2 pm at the Community Family Center (4223 S. Atherton Drive, Taylorsville). It will feature activities such as Dr. Seuss Family Fun Run, Bounce Houses, Baseball and Tennis Clinics, Cooking Demonstrations and more. This event is free and open to all.

"Got Drugs?" Turn in your unused or expired medication for safe disposal on Apr. 28 from 10 am -2 pm. For more info visit www.dea.gov or stop by the Taylorsville Police Department at 2600 W. Taylorsville Blvd (5320 S.).

The road rebuild on **1300 West** between 5400 - 5550 South is almost completed! It should be open by May 15. Thank you for your patience!!

City officials and staff had a successful experience with the **Utah Shakeout** - the state's largest earthquake drill. Thank you to our CERT teams and many volunteers who helped make this a great learning experience for the city. For details, check out taylorsvilletidbits.com.



City of Taylorsville & Taylorsville Arts Council sponsored
SUMMER YOUTH DRAMA CAMP
hosted by Director Wendy Dahl-Smedshammer
Millrace Park at 1200 West 5400 South

YOUNGER CLASS
5 - 8 yrs. old
June 25-29
11am - noon
\$25.



OLDER CLASS
9 - 14 yrs. old
June 18-22, 25-29
9 am - 11am
\$50.

Here's what to expect:

Improvisation, games, learn about musical theatre, write and perform an original production, learn a song for future auditions, and you'll have the opportunity to perform on-stage at Taylorsville Dayzz.

Any questions, please call Susan Holman 801-966-8376

Submit applications (one per child) along with your tuition to:
Taylorsville Arts Council, Taylorsville City Offices
2600 West Taylorsville Blvd.
Taylorsville, Utah 84129

Applications must be received by June 1, 2012 (See form on page 2)

Taylorsville Dayzz 2012

FREE CONCERTS

JUNE 28 8:00 PM

Patriotic Concert
UTAH SYMPHONY



& Wasatch Cannoneers

JUNE 29 6:30 PM

Taylorsville Symphony

JUNE 29 8:00 PM

SURF CITY ALLSTARS



JUNE 30 8:00 PM

NEIL DIAMOND TRIBUTE



JUNE 30

7:00 AM

BENNION LIONS CLUB BREAKFAST

5434 South Redwood Road

8:20 AM

5-K FAMILY FUN RUN

Race starts & ends at City Hall.

9:00 AM

EXCHANGE CLUB PARADE

From 5400 S. Redwood to 2700 W. then N. on 2700 W. past Midwest Dr.

EVENTS AT VALLEY REGIONAL PARK

8100 S. 2700 W.

11:00 AM-5:00 PM

CAR SHOW

Barnard-12:00 Noon

11:00 AM-11:30 PM

CARNIVAL RIDES, FOOD & EXHIBIT BOOTHS, & ENTERTAINMENT

6:00 PM

K-9 DEMONSTRATION

8:00 PM

JAY WHITE NEIL DIAMOND TRIBUTE

10:00 PM

FIREWORKS EXTRAVAGANZA

CONTACTS:

Jim Damigan-Taylorsville Dayzz Chair-801-410-1800

Steve Ashby-Taylorsville Dayzz Vice Chair-801-291-0932

Registration forms and more information at www.taylorsvilletut.gov

Call 801-963-3400