



Hello, Salt Lakers.

Last night, I delivered the 2025 State of the City address from The Salt Lake City Main Library—an incredible space that embodies our city's spirit of innovation and inclusion. Thank you to everyone who attended, tuned in, and contributed to making this event possible.

In case you missed it, here are some key takeaways:

Housing Affordability

A great city is one where everyone has a place to call home. Since 2020, Salt Lake City has funded or completed over 6,500 affordable housing units. To keep us accountable, we launched a new Affordable Housing Construction and Preservation Dashboard—a tool that provides you updates on our progress in closing the housing gap.

Every unit we build, every dollar we invest, and every policy we enact moves us closer to a future where affordability isn't out of reach for Salt Lakers.

See the new housing dashboard here

Centering Families

Salt Lake City is growing, and we are ensuring that growth is intentional, sustainable, and family-focused.

✓ Green Loop Civic Campus – We are developing a full design for a new Civic Campus portion of the Green Loop at Washington Square & the Library Square corridor, integrating people-first design with green space and trees, lanes to bike and stroll on, and new recreation opportunities. Reimagining this space will improve the festivals we know and love and add a new, daily front yard experience for downtown families.

✓ **Ballpark Redevelopment** – We're turning the historic Smith's Ballpark site into a thriving cultural district by utilizing the partial adaptive reuse design. This scenario will create new parks, gathering spaces, and mixed-use development in the project area. The Ballpark will be a place where families grow, and businesses thrive. Stay tuned—we will present a more detailed version of the design this spring.

Public Safety & Homelessness Solutions

Public safety remains one of my top priorities. When state leaders asked us to draft a strategic plan for our capital city, we got to work and delivered. Our Public Safety Plan plan takes a realistic, solutions-based approach to our challenges. It recognizes the need for more shelter and treatment facilities, and it reinforces our commitment to arrest those who are breaking the law.

Sustainability

Salt Lake City has always led on sustainability, and we're not slowing down.

- We have cut water use by 36% since 2000 while our population has continued to grow.
- 80% of the City's municipal operations are now powered by renewable energy, reducing emissions by 100,000 metric tons annually.

- The Clean Air SLC landscaping equipment exchange program removed over 6,000 pounds of pollution last year—and it's coming back again this year!
- In 2024, we also launched our first-ever e-bike voucher program, making clean transportation more accessible across the city.

Looking Ahead

Salt Lake City doesn't wait for change—we make it. Thank you for being a part of this journey. Let's get to work.

Watch the full State of the City address here

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

Your friend,



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