



Dear Salt Lake County Residents,

Salt Lake County balances its budget every year. [My 2024 Budget Speech](#) outlined a comprehensive plan that **prioritizes essential services, employee support, and community well-being** in the face of economic challenges.

This budget is a **balanced approach** that considers the challenges we face without compromising our optimism for a brighter future. It is a budget that believes in the resilience and potential of our community.

[Watch my Proposed 2024 Budget Address](#)

## Budget Overview

Our objective is clear: Spend money strategically without compromising the essential services our community relies on.

Despite a challenging budget this year, **I am committed to continuing to provide outstanding services to our residents and supporting the staff who provide those services.**



**Free Rec Center Passes for Every  
Child Aged 5-18**

**Support Our County Employees,  
Who Always Go Above and  
Beyond for Residents**



**Provide High-Quality Services,  
Such as Our Libraries, Parks &  
Trails, and Housing Programs**

**Main Takeaways from Mayor Wilson's 2024 Budget Speech**

**“The budget recognizes the critical role of recreation centers  
in enhancing children’s well-being, both physically and  
mentally”**

I want all kids, regardless of their parents' paychecks, to have the opportunity to access rec centers for free. To that end, **I am proposing FREE Recreation Center passes for ALL KIDS ages 5-18.**

At a time when our kids are too often consumed by their cell phones and iPads, our rec centers are places where these young people can come explore new hobbies, discover new passions, and build community. This is important, especially at a time when we read report after report of record numbers of children struggling with their mental health.

## Investments in Quality of Life

The budget emphasizes **investments in libraries, open spaces, parks, recreation facilities**, and aims to **improve residents' quality of life**. It highlights the completion of recreational trails and a \$20 million investment last year to address **housing affordability and homelessness**.

## Next Steps

The proposed budget will now undergo a series of hearings before the County Council, who will then vote on the final budget December 5, 2023.

Sincerely,



**Jenny Wilson**  
Mayor of Salt Lake County





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