

# News & Views



SPRUCE RESIDENTS

FEBRUARY 2024



## OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Friday  
8:00am–4:30pm

[apartments.utah.edu](http://apartments.utah.edu)

## MAINTENANCE

801-581-8668

## MAIN OFFICE

801-581-8667

## AFTER HOURS EMERGENCY

Pager: 801-339-0304  
Cell: 801-560-1434

## Main Office Closed

1:00pm–2:00pm  
Wednesday, February 14th

## Main Office & Maintenance Closed

Monday, February 19th

## ON-TIME PAYERS RENT REDUCTION MONTHLY WINNERS

**Samuel Rex** ..... \$60  
900 Court

**Maher Eid** ..... \$50  
Cottonwood

**Touhidul Islam** ..... \$40  
1400 Court

**Osei Boateng** ..... \$30  
Spruce

**Conner Walker** ..... \$20  
800 Court

## Director's Message

While the snow and ice are beautiful outside, the cold, dark winter months can make us feel chilly inside our homes. Here are some tips to help you stay warm this winter:

1. **Cover Bare Floors** with an area rug. A little cushion underfoot will also keep your toes warmer while you're walking around.
2. **Dress in layers** to help you stay warm and cozy. Consider wearing a moisture-wicking base layer, sweater, and even a hat indoors. Wear warm socks and house slippers to keep your feet from being cold.

3. **Close window blinds** to keep warmth inside. Consider placing a towel or draft stopper along the base of the front door.

4. Use a warm wool or fleece **blanket** to wrap up while studying or watching Netflix. Keep an extra blanket on your bed to stay warm at night.

I hope these tips will help you stay comfortable in your apartment until spring arrives!

Wendi Carlson-Kenley  
Director, Family and Graduate Housing

## POLICY INFORMATION

### Parking Policy Update

Beginning March 1, 2024, the hours that parking permits will be required for Sunnyside Apartment parking lots (East and West Village) are changing to 7:00 AM – 8:00 PM, Monday through Friday.

Visitor permits are available for purchase through Commuter Services. Daily, 1-week or 2-week visitor permits are offered. <https://commuterservices.utah.edu/permits>

For more information on parking regulations please read the Resident Handbook. <https://apartments.utah.edu/resident-handbook/index.php#parking>

### Eligibility Reminder

The minimum number of credit hours to remain eligible for Sunnyside Apartments housing is 9 credit hours for undergraduates and 6 credit hours (3 if thesis hours) for graduate students. Enrollment is verified each Spring semester and each Fall Semester. <https://apartments.utah.edu/resident-handbook/index.php#eligibility>

If you have questions about your specific situation or about eligibility in general please contact [eligibility@usa.utah.edu](mailto:eligibility@usa.utah.edu).

## SUNNYSIDE EVENTS

### FAMILY SWIM DAY

**Saturday, February 10th | 2:00pm-4:00pm**  
**Student Life Center | 1836 Student Life Way**

Swim some laps or play in the Crimson Lagoon with friends and family! Children who are not potty trained must wear swim diapers.

Parking around the Student Life Center is free on Saturdays.

### PIZZA & BOWLING DAY

**Saturday, February 24th | 10:30am-1:30pm**  
**Union Building**

Enjoy a bowling game with your neighbors, play billiards, ping pong, and video games! ASUU will provide pizza and drinks!

Open to all residents of Sunnyside Apartments.

### FRIDAY NIGHT HYPE AT THE U

**Every Friday Night**

All students are invited to take part in "Friday Night Hype", a series of events spanning campus and encompassing experiences from live music events to snowshoeing under the full moon. Find a list of events at:

[belong.utah.edu/friday-night-hype/](http://belong.utah.edu/friday-night-hype/)

Local Band Night  
February 2nd  
7:00-10:00pm  
Union Ballroom

Check out live music, student bands and local talent. Free pizza, t-shirts & giveaways!



# Campus and Community Resources

## Resident Council Updates

This month, Resident Council met with the Sunnyside Apartments Resident Life Advisory Board. This board meets five times per year and includes three representatives from University administration and your elected council members. The board provides the opportunity for members of the Main Campus community to interact with Sunnyside staff and elected Resident Council leaders, to learn about ongoing operations, and to provide input into policy and programs for student families and single graduate students.

Our meeting this time focused heavily on how free speech is guaranteed on campus and how we can make sure that everyone in our community can have a voice. We also discussed posting policies around campus including the Solicitation and Sales policy in the Resident Handbook.

If you want to have your voice heard and represent your community, Resident Council elections are coming up beginning in March! More information will be available soon. If you have a desire to serve your neighbors and be an advocate to administration, you should consider running for one of the four elected positions. It is a great way to gain leadership skills and learn more about university and Sunnyside Apartments

operations. Elections are open to all adults that live in Sunnyside Apartments, not just students!



## Career Fest 2024

### February 5th-16th

Join U Career Success for workshops and events designed to help you explore career options, hone your job search skills, build a network, and land that dream job or internship.



## Financial Wellness Center

The Financial Wellness Center (FWC) is a free resource for all University of Utah students to assist them in making smart, informed decisions about their money. Whether students are struggling to make ends meet or whether their finances are in pretty good shape, there is always room to improve one's financial situation. The FWC was created to help students in a safe, competent and confidential atmosphere with one-hour consultations to address their financial concerns.

FWC provides free tax assistance, regular free financial workshops, as well as budgeting and financial aid advice.

Located in the Olpin Student Union Building Room 317, the FWC is open Monday-Friday 8am-5pm. Walk in appointments are welcome or contact them to book an appointment [financialwellness@sa.utah.edu](mailto:financialwellness@sa.utah.edu) or 801-585-7379.

Financial Wellness Home Buyers Seminar  
Tuesday, February 13th  
3:00pm-5:00pm  
Union Building  
For more information go to:  
[financialwellness.utah.edu/events](http://financialwellness.utah.edu/events)

## CONSTRUCTION UPDATES



Construction is moving along in the West Village. The cement pour at the new grad student building is on schedule. The concrete slab floor should be completed by mid-February and we expect to start seeing walls go up by the end of February.

We will continue to see intermittent road closures and power outages as utility lines are put into place for the new buildings. We will keep you informed of those closures and outages as they happen.

To complement the indoor tips to stay warm in the Director's Message, here are a few outdoor winter safety tips:

- **Dress in layers** by starting with a moisture-wicking base layer, adding an insulating layer, and finishing with a waterproof and windproof outer layer.
- **Stay hydrated** even if you don't feel thirsty. Drink plenty of water and avoid alcohol and caffeine, which can dehydrate you.
- **Walk like a penguin** on icy surfaces. Wear shoes with good traction and

take small steps.

- Keep an eye on the weather forecast and **stay informed** about any winter weather advisories or warnings in your area.
- **Keep an emergency kit in your car** in case you become stranded. This kit could include a portable charger, extra batteries, warm clothes, shovel, flashlight, first-aid kit, food, and water.