News & Views

SUNNYSIDE APARTMENTS

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Sunnyside Office Upcoming Closure Dates:

Monday
January 19th
MLK Jr. Day

Monday
February 16th
Presidents Day

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Director's Message

As we start a new year, thank you for making Sunnyside Apartments such a welcoming and vibrant place to live. Your care and connections truly make this community special.

2025 was an incredible year! We opened our newest single graduate building and welcomed many new faces. Our food pantry supported 260 families, our community centers hosted 418 reservations, and Resident Life organized 169 events with over 9,700 participants—amazing community building!

Looking ahead to 2026, big changes are coming. We will say goodbye to the Cedar West 800, 900, and 1000 courts, which have served student families since 1972.

These units will close on May 31, with demolition starting shortly thereafter. At the same time, we're excited to open the 254-unit Cottonwood building for student families. Plus, the Sunnyside Childcare Center opens in March, bringing UKids and Head Start programs right to our community.

There's so much to look forward to, and we're grateful to have you with us. Thank you for choosing Sunnyside as your home; we can't wait to see what 2026 brings!

Wendi Carlson-Kenley
Director, Sunnyside Apartments

POLICY ANNOUNCEMENTS

ACH Payments
Paying rent by adding your bank account/ACH as a payment option was introduced in July. We've given everyone time to get used to this new payment method and have waived all insufficient funds (NSF) fees during the transition period.

Starting January 2026, a $25 NSF fee will apply to any returned ACH payment.

We appreciate your understanding and encourage you to double-check account details before submitting payments.

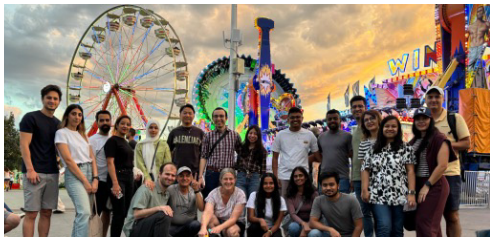
Snow Removal Policy
We would like to remind all residents of the snow removal procedures:

- Early Morning Snow Clearing: The Sunnyside Apartments Grounds crew may begin snow removal as early as 5:00 AM, depending on the amount of snow that has fallen overnight.
- Plowing Order: The crew will start by plowing the roadways and parking lots, followed by sidewalks and the interior of the courts.
- Resident Tools: Shovels and ice melt are available in each Cedar laundry room for residents to use. Please return the shovel and ice melt to the laundry room when finished.
- Parking Next to Sidewalks: Please park at least one foot away from the curb to allow snow removal equipment to clear the sidewalks and to avoid possible damage to your vehicle.
- Clearing Parking Stalls: Parking stalls will be cleared as vehicles are moved.
- Heavy Snowfall: In the event of a heavy snowfall, residents may be asked to move their cars to another parking lot to facilitate snow removal.

Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our community safe during the winter season.

On- Time Payers Rent Reduction Monthly Winners

September		October		November		December	
Matthew	$60	Nathan	$60	Bethany	$60	Madelyn	$60
Carter	$50	Indu	$50	Yuhang	$50	Matthew	$50
Samantha	$40	Ali	$40	Yuanyuan	$40	Ciara	$40
Gerald	$30	Jack	$30	Nikolas	$30	Husaib	$30
Mosimiloluwa	$20	Kathyrnn	$20	William	$20	Nicole	$20



Resident Life News

Happy New Year!

Resident Life has a great line up of spring activities planned for our community including ice skating, zoo tickets, a spring egg hunt, our annual Emergency Preparedness Fair, and a Disney Character event. Additionally, we have some educational events about tax preparation, home buying, mental health, and health insurance on the calendar.

This spring we will partner with the Financial Wellness Center and VITA to provide income tax assistance at Sunnyside. You will be able to make an appointment with tax volunteers to get help filing your taxes!

Resident Life continues to partner with campus colleagues to provide a monthly Mobile Feed U Pantry and a monthly diaper delivery. If you are struggling with food insecurity, we welcome you to access our food pantry in the Main Office! In February, we will host our annual Food Drive to allow residents to donate to our onsite food pantry. The Community Assistants will place donation bags on your doors and then pick up your donations a few days later.

Non-perishable foods like canned goods, pasta, rice and hygiene products are all gladly accepted.

The Resident Life team is also happy to provide a free English conversation group each Tuesday night from 6:30 -8:00 PM in Cottonwood 796, 5th Floor Study Room. You can meet friends, practice your pronunciation, learn about US culture and have fun with residents from all over the world. Email residentlife@apartments.utah.edu or just stop by the class!

Are you receiving the weekly email *"This Week at Sunnyside"?* It's a great way to stay connected to Sunnyside resources and events and to learn about university and community happenings. Ensure that your email is up to date in your Resident Portal if you are not receiving the weekly email.

Resident Council Corner

Recent Sunnyside Events
This past quarter, the Resident Council hosted two wonderful community events.

Our *Men Together:* Navigating Life, Emotions, and Identity workshop supported meaningful conversations around men's emotional well-being, and our *Sunnyside Smiles:* Dental Education Event in partnership with U of U dental students gave kids a fun, hands-on way to learn about oral hygiene. Thank you to all who participated and helped make these events a success.

Beating the Winter Blues
Winter in Utah can feel long—especially if it's your first one here. If you need help getting connected or finding friends, please reach out to the Resident Council.

A few simple ideas to stay connected and boost your mood include:

- Reserve a community center to play games, host a book club, or have tea with friends
- Visit the local library (1135 S Foothill Drive) and attend their events: https://events.slcpl.org/events
- Bundle up for a short walk around Sunnyside Park or towards This Is the Place Heritage Park

If you feel like your needs are more severe than the winter blues, please contact the U of U Counseling Center for resources: https://counselingcenter.utah.edu/

Resident Council Elections This Spring
Interested in getting involved and representing your community? Elections for the 2026–2027 Resident Council will take place this spring. Watch your inbox for details on applications and deadlines.

We'd Love to Hear from You
Your ideas help shape Sunnyside. If you have suggestions or questions, please reach out—your Resident Council is here to support you and help keep Sunnyside a wonderful place to live.

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