## Cache County CONNECTION

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## FROM YOUR COUNTY EXECUTIVE

We have a secret treasure in this valley that is virtually unknown. It is our own Cache County Library, which is located in Providence.

This little gem is accessible to all citizens of Cache County, wherever you live. If you live in a town or city with its own library, in a town without a library, or an unincorporated area of the county, you can pick up a free Cache County Library card and enjoy the many books and amenities it has to offer.

One of my favorite amenities at the Cache County Library is its e-collection, which can be accessed through the Libby app. Because it is not on the same network as all other libraries in the county, wait times for ebooks and audio books tend to be much shorter, and in many cases, there is no wait time at all. And the collection is growing daily.

I encourage you to visit the library, located at 15 N Main in Providence, pick up a card, and get reading (or listening).

Come visit our county's best-kept secret!

## **CACHE COUNTY HAS A LIBRARY?**

Hi! My name is Brynnan Sainsbury and I am the director of the Cache County Library. You might not have heard of us, as we seem to be the county's best kept secret, but we truly are everyone's local library.

There's always something happening at the library from fun and educational displays to programs.

Join us for preschool story times Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 10:30 am.

For the month of April, we have Battle of the Books happening where you can fill out a bracket and vote for which is the best book. You just might win a prize!





On June 3rd, we will be starting a summer reading program full of adventures for kids, teens, and adults.

I look forward to seeing you at our little library

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https://www.instagram.com/cache countylibrary? igsh=cHU0c21tdnA0cWII

## \$2 Million Secured for New Western Bypass Road

Cache County received notice this week of the approval of a \$2 million grant for early-stage planning and environmental analysis for the Cache Parkway Western Arterial transportation project. The funds come from Federal Community Project Funding requested by the County and secured by Congressman Blake Moore as part of H.R. 4366, the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2024, which was recently signed into law.

"We are so grateful for Representative Moore's help in securing these funds that will help us address critical transportation needs," said Cache County Executive David Zook. "This road will help us to alleviate traffic from Main Street, 10th West and play an important role in supporting our economy."

The funding will allow for the planning and early environmental review process for the Cache Valley Parkway, a proposed multi-modal road that has been in local and regional plans for more than 20 years. Initial stages of the project will determine the final alignment and characteristics of the roadway.

"Sometimes traffic can make us forget how wonderful Cache Valley is," added Executive Zook. "At some times in our history, our leaders have done a great job of planning and building transportation infrastructure, while at other times, leaders may not have anticipated coming needs. Our kids and grandkids will be thankful for those who've been working to construct this critical transportation connection."

A robust future transportation system that provides multiple choices maintains the quality of life for residents. Best practices in transportation planning suggest that "right-sized" and appropriately spaced arterial roads are critical to reducing overall travel delay and ensuring travel time reliability.

For more information see <u>https://tinyurl.com/CacheParkway</u>



Cache County's Mission is "To Make life better for our residents."