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## Recycle Utah Unveils Vision for New Community Recycling and Sustainability Hub

**Park City, Utah** (August 25, 2026) – Recycle Utah is excited to share preliminary renderings for Recycle Utah's future recycling and sustainability hub for Summit County.

At the organization's 100 Mile Meal fundraiser on Saturday, guests got a first look at the programming and design plans for Recycle Utah's new facility in Silver Summit. The 4.18-acre site, made possible through a partnership with Summit County and Park City Municipal, is a significant expansion of Recycle Utah's impact on waste diversion. The facility is designed to meet the community's needs for decades to come and will increase material diversion and sustainability programming.

Community members are invited to learn more and see the renderings in person at Recycle Utah's upcoming [Green Drinks](#) event on Tuesday, September 15 from 6–8 p.m. at Recycle Utah. The free event will include a presentation from staff on the future facility, an opportunity to view the designs up close, and time for questions and discussion.

The organization worked throughout the spring and early summer to gather feedback from residents, which directly informed the design and priorities reflected in the renderings. Results of a survey conducted by Recycle Utah emphasized the importance of community input in shaping the project.

"Recycle Utah has always been more than a place to drop off recycling, it's a community resource built by and for the people who live here. As we look toward this next chapter, it was incredibly important that our community have a voice in shaping it. What we heard clearly was that our community wants Recycle Utah to be more than a place just to recycle, they see it as a place to learn, connect, reuse and engage more deeply in sustainability. This really is our community helping shape the future of Recycle Utah," said Board Chair Heleena Sideris.

The renderings offer a glimpse into a modern, purpose-built facility that integrates recycling operations with public-facing community spaces. Plans include expanded areas for material drop-off and processing, as well as dedicated spaces for education, repair, and reuse. The design emphasizes accessibility, safety, and a smooth user experience for residents and businesses. Features highlighted in the renderings include a public-facing education wing with classrooms, a hands-on repair space, an expanded thrift store, and an indoor-outdoor café and event area.

Central to the vision for the new facility are partnerships with local organizations that will bring sustainability and community connection to life within the space. As part of this vision, Recycle Utah will partner with Lucky Ones Coffee, which will operate an on-site cafe to create an inclusive gathering space for the community. The organization will also partner with Wasteless Solutions to rescue and redistribute edible food, further advancing local food waste diversion efforts.

“This project is about much more than building a bigger recycling center. We have an opportunity to create a community “third space” where sustainability becomes part of everyday community life—a place where people can recycle and reuse materials, learn about and participate in sustainability, repair what they already own, rescue good food from going to waste, or simply meet a friend for coffee. We want this facility to serve Summit County for generations to come and make sustainable choices easier, more accessible, and more connected to the community,” said Andy Hecht, Executive Director of Recycle Utah.

Recycle Utah plans to remain at its current Woodbine Way location until March 2027 while a temporary facility is constructed on the new site to ensure uninterrupted service.

More details and registration to attend Green Drinks on September 15 can be found on Recycle Utah’s website at [recycleutah.org](https://recycleutah.org).



## About Recycle Utah

Recycle Utah empowers our community to live sustainably by connecting people with the knowledge, resources, and opportunities to reduce waste and protect our environment. As Park City's community sustainability hub since 1990, Recycle Utah operates a recycling center and delivers hands-on education programs that inspire environmental action. Serving over 400 cars a day and diverting more than 3.5 million pounds of material annually—including everything from sneakers to food waste to plastic bags—Recycle Utah helps residents and businesses make a tangible difference every day. Learn more about recycling, donating, and supporting local sustainability at [recycleutah.org](https://recycleutah.org).

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