

## PRESS RELEASE

### ***Ogden City's Marshall N. White Community Center Set to Re-open***

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**Ogden, UT**—Ogden City and its Recreation staff proudly welcome the community to the Ceremonial Ribbon Cutting and Dedication of the new Marshall N. White Center on May 22nd from 5 to 7 p.m. at 222 28th Street, Ogden. This newly constructed facility honors the legacy of fallen Ogden Police Officer Marshall N. White and his enduring commitment to community service.

Following the Ribbon Cutting, Ogden City will host an Open House featuring guided tours of the 68,000-square-foot facility, which includes a pool, indoor track, gym, classrooms, a kitchen, and many other amenities. During the open house, visitors can enjoy interactive program demonstrations, view vibrant murals celebrating Officer White's legacy, and sign up for membership or programs offered through Ogden City Recreation. The Marshall N. White Center will be officially open for public use the following day, Friday, May 23rd, starting at 6 a.m.

"From the fields surrounding it to the art on its walls, the new Marshall N. White Center was designed with the Ogden community at its heart," said Justin Anderson, Ogden City's Executive Director of Public Services. "We've built a place where residents of all ages can keep learning and growing—whether through swimming, cooking, exercising, the arts, or the many other programs we're proud to offer. The Marshall N. White Center truly has something for everyone."

The original Marshall N. White Center was constructed in 1968, five years after Officer White was killed in the line of duty in 1963. It became the first city-owned building in Utah named for a person of color and served for over 50 years as a vital gathering place for generations of Ogden residents. With the support of Officer White's family, the Ogden City Council decided to demolish and rebuild the center on its historic site, ensuring it continues to meet the needs of this growing community.

Marcia White, Ogden City Council Chair, said, "We couldn't be more excited for this facility to be open to the Ogden community. We can't thank those who were involved enough for the hard work, attention to detail, and community focus that went into making this project possible."

With considerable community involvement, from the building design to the programs taught at the Marshall N. White Center, the opening of this space celebrates community collaboration and a shared vision of a thriving community where we connect, grow, and succeed. For generations, the center has been a cornerstone of community life in Ogden; now, future generations can carry that legacy forward.

While serving as a City Council Chair, I listened to residents and worked to keep the Marshall N. White Center in the same neighborhood because of the history and pride it fostered," said Ogden City Mayor Ben Nadolski. "Our renewed Marshall N. White Center is where folks of all ages and

backgrounds can come together, make meaningful human connections, and grow. Our residents now have year-round access to affordable recreation that will improve their physical and mental well-being, creating a stronger, healthier Ogden City."

**May 22, 2025**

**Ribbon Cutting & Dedication – 5 p.m.**

**Open House & Tours of the Facility – 5-7 p.m.**

**Register for Memberships & Meet Instructors – 5-7 p.m.**

**May 23, 2025**

**Grand Opening - Noon**

**Social Media Information:**

Instagram: @marshallwhitecommunitycenter

Facebook: Marshall N. White Community Center

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