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**Join the St. George Police Department during Roll With Patrol Community Bike Ride along the Virgin River Trail, May 6**

**ST. GEORGE** — The St. George Police Department, in collaboration with the St. George Active Transportation Committee, is celebrating National Bike Month by hosting the 3rd annual [Roll With Patrol Community Bike Ride](https://www.sgcityutah.gov/activity/active_transportation/roll_with_patrol.php), May 6 at Crosby Family Confluence Park (1953 S. Convention Center Drive).

Festivities begin at 5:45 p.m.; the main ride starts at 6:30 p.m. The course travels along the scenic Mayor's Loop, spanning 5.3 miles of the Virgin River Trail. Members of the Police Department’s [ECHO Unit](https://www.sgcityutah.gov/departments/police_department/bike_patrol.php) will lead the ride.

“Roll With Patrol is such a fun event showing off St. George’s incredible system of trails,” said Lloyd Sutton, Active Transportation Coordinator for the City of St. George. “Every time I'm on the Virgin River Trail I’m amazed by the gorgeous scenery and the comfort of being able to bike for miles without crossing a road. This event highlights the importance of our community’s commitment to promoting active transportation and fostering a culture of wellness.”

Roll With Patrol is open to cyclists of all ages and skill levels. No registration is required. Additionally, a shorter 1-mile out and back option will be available for those seeking a more leisurely ride. Attendees can enjoy complimentary refreshments including hot dogs, chips and drinks, while testing their skills on a cone course starting at 5:45 p.m.

Several partner organizations are joining in the Roll with Patrol effort:

* St. George Bicycle Collective will be on site to help inflate tires and provide any last-minute, minor mechanical support.
* Southwest Utah Public Health Department will hold prize drawings.
* Utah State University Extension and the Healthy Dixie Committee will be present with the “Bike Blender” — creating a smoothie powered by you!
* Southern Utah Bicycle Alliance has information regarding local bicycle advocacy efforts and is hosting an aid station along the course.

The City of St. George has 73 miles of paved trails along its trail system. Buoyed by the voter-approved [Trails, Parks and Recreation General Obligation Bond](https://www.sgcityutah.gov/departments/parks_and_community_services/trails_parks_recreation__bond.php) (G.O. Bond), the City has plans to add 11 new trails or trail connections over the next several years.

**More information**

[www.sgcityutah.gov](http://www.sgcityutah.gov)

**About the City of St. George**

St. George is the largest city in Washington County and the fifth-largest city in Utah with more than 100,000 residents. In recent years, people from across the United States have been attracted to St. George’s world class healthcare, active lifestyle, access to university education and proximity to unrivaled recreation. Scenic beauty abounds throughout the city and region including Snow Canyon State Park, Quail Creek and Sand Hollow Reservoirs, and Zion National Park. With an average of about 300 days of sunshine per year, the community welcomes all to live, work, play and eat and experience the ‘Brighter Side’ in St. George, Utah.

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