# Intermountain Cemetery Re-Envisioning Project

Utah's Community Development Office (CDO)

Utah's Community Development Office builds local capacity to help communities become selfreliant, self-determined and prepared for the future.

This is accomplished through partnerships with associations of government and various programs, tools, guides and resources developed through our office.

# INTROS

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### • What about you?

- Private or Public?
- Municipalities, Counties, or State?
- Why?



# CURRENT CEMETERY USE

- How often do you go to
  - Your local cemetery?
  - A cemetery your ancestors may be buried in?

Cemeteries in the U.S. are primarily used for the interment of the remains of those who have passed on and are highly underutilized as a result.





#### HISTORY OF CEMETERIES: 600s AD

- Under the control of the Church.
- Mass graves until decomposition.
- Final remains were exhumed and stored within boundary of graveyard or church.



#### HISTORY OF CEMETERIES: EARLY 1800s

- Industrial Revolution led to concentration populations with outbreaks of disease.
- Limited space within church graveyards required the creation of new place of interment.



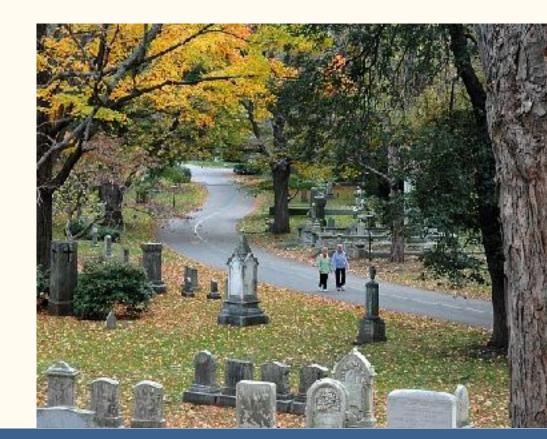
#### HISTORY OF CEMETERIES: 1804

- Cemeteries pushed out to the suburbs morph into garden cemeteries.
- Père Lachaise, France is created.



#### HISTORY OF CEMETERIES: 1831

- Mount Auburn Cemetery
- Rural cemeteries are built before public parks and botanical gardens.
- Visitors enjoy picnics, hunting, shooting, and carriage racing.



#### HISTORY OF CEMETERIES: MID 1800s

 Burial experience and preparation move out of individual homes and into funeral parlors.



#### HISTORY OF CEMETERIES: LATE 1800s

- U.S. Botanic Garden opened in 1850.
- Botanical gardens continue to grow in popularity and spread throughout the United States.



#### HISTORY OF CEMETERIES: 2000s

- Stagnation in the innovation of cemeteries.
- Turn community dead zones to beautiful historical remembrance places.



#### THREE PROJECT COMPONENTS



### PLANNING

• Expansion & Growth

- Sample Ordinances and Policies
- Record Management
- Legislative Compliance
- Best Financial Practices



### **HISTORY & PRESERVATIO**

- Macro History
- Micro History
- Ensure as much of an area's history is represented as possible



### MACRO HISTORY

- Community History
- Periods of Community Macro History
  - Local Native American
  - Pioneer History
  - War History
  - Modern History
- Examples of Implementation
  - Art installations
  - Plaques
  - $\circ$  Memorials
  - Monuments



### MICRO HISTORY

- Individual History
- Ensure as much of an area's history is represented as possible
- GIS plots, link to family history apps



- Conserve water
- Provide beneficial ecological sanctuaries
- Preserve memorial pieces



#### **ROUGH RENDERING**

- Key Elements
  - Walkability
  - Monuments/memorials
  - Planned expansion space



PLANT LIST

- Separated into three different Utah biomes
  - Deserts 33%
  - Forests 24%
  - Steppe 40%
- Three different plant options for each different plant and biome.

	DESERTS	FORESTS	STEPPE
	Dry, Rocky or sandy soil and scarsily of available surface water. <u>10% of</u> <u>III.ab.</u>	High number of frees and other plants grow together, 24% of Utsh.	Occur between desert margins and higher mountain regions. Grasses, sagebrash and woody plants grow here. 40% of Utah.
Large Trees	Palo Verde (Parkinsonia aculeata) Western Catalpa (Catalpa speciosa) Blue Ghoat (Fucalyptus microtheca)	Paperbark Maple (Acer griscom) Fringetree (Chlonanthus virginicus) Celerado Blue Spruce (Ploea pungens)	Green Vase Zelkova (Zelkova sorrata) Common Hackberry (Celtis accidentalis) Yellowood (Cladratus kentuckea)
Medium Trees	Chaste Tiee (Vitex agnus castus) Tevas Honey Mesquite (Prosopis alba) Rod Rock (Tak (Querous buckley!)	European Beach (Fagus sylvatica) Amur Maple (Acer ginnala) Dakota Pinnade Birch (Berula platyphylla)	Sensation Box Hider (Acer negundo) Canada Red Chokechenry (Prunus virginiano) Rig Tooth Naple (Acer grandidentatum)
Small Trees	Desert Willow (Chilopsis linearis) African Sumac (Khus Luncea) Texas Nountain Laurei (Dermatophyllum secudiflorum)	Cornelianchenry Dogwood (Cornus mas) Japanese free Lifac (Syringa reticulata) Chokechenry	Playon Junipers (Juniperus ostoosperma) Hot Wings Maple (Acer tartaricum) Alleghany Serviceberry (Amelanchier laevis)
Focal Point Tree	Joshua Tree (Yucca brovifolia) Yellow Paloverde	Yellowwood (Cladrastis kentuckea)	Weeping Blue Attal Cedar (Cedrus attantica)

- Planning Project #1: Collect and analyze various ordinances and policies from other communities and cemeteries. Create sample ordinance.
- Planning Project #2: Create record keeping GIS guide geared toward cemetery record management.

Finance Project #1: Collect and analyze income/expense projections for cemetery maintenance for growing cemeteries and zero-growth cemeteries.

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