



## **Provo – the Central Business District of Utah County**

Provo was founded in 1850 and is Utah's 2<sup>nd</sup> oldest City! As Utah County's largest City with nearly 120,000 residents, Provo has always been and will continue to be the center of Utah County. This is clearly demonstrated by the following information:

**Provo is Utah County's Hospitality Center:** There are 3 major convention / conference centers in Provo – Utah Valley Convention Center, Marriott Hotel & Convention Center and the BYU Conference Center. These facilities host hundreds of events annually and attract tens of thousands of attendees. BYU alone has over 1,000,000 visitors each year for sporting events, performing arts, graduation, etc. To accommodate this huge demand, Provo provides over 1500 motel/hotel rooms.

**Provo is Utah County's Medical Center:** Provo is home to Utah Valley Hospital the State's largest (385 beds) and busiest (17000 annual discharges) hospital outside of Salt Lake County. It is the only Level II Trauma Center south of Salt Lake County and 900 doctors are on the Intermountain medical staff at this hospital. Other medical facilities in Provo include Utah Valley Clinic, Utah Valley Outpatient Center, Utah Valley Physician Plaza / Utah Valley Eye Center and the Revere Health Medical Center.

**Provo is Utah County's Education Center:** Provo is home to Brigham Young University with 35,000 students and 7500 annual graduates. BYU is rated the #1 college in the US "Worth the Cost" (Wall St Journal). The adjoining Utah Valley University has 41,000 students and is the largest university in the State of Utah. The new Noorda Medical College will soon open. And thousands of additional students attend Provo's other colleges – Rocky Mountain University, Provo College, and Mountainland Technical College.

**Provo is Utah County's Transportation Center:** The Provo Airport is the 2<sup>nd</sup> busiest airport in Utah with 46 weekly flights and 7000 weekly passengers. The expanded Provo Airport opens in 2022 with added destinations and increased flights. New airlines will be part of the airport expansion. The Provo UTA Frontrunner Station is the 2<sup>nd</sup> busiest Station in Utah. Also, Provo currently has the Utah's only Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system – UVX - with over 7000 weekday boardings.

**Provo is Utah County's Government Center:** The new 200,000 square ft Provo City Hall opens in June 2022. Provo is the Utah County administrative seat and is where the main office for the Utah County Health Department is located. The State of Utah has the Provo Regional Center and the Department of Workforce Services Regional Headquarters. In addition, Provo is home to the 10-story 4<sup>th</sup> District Courthouse. The BLM Region 7 Headquarters is in Provo as are other regional government services.

**Provo has Utah County's most viable, livable, and historic downtown:** Downtown Provo is a destination environment – a desirable place to spend an enjoyable day or evening. Eat at one of the 78 individually owned restaurants, take a stroll and visit the 35 artistic murals, attend one of several live entertainment venues, or just have fun walking around, shopping, and enjoying the culture. Downtown Provo has been so attractive that over 1000 residential units have been built in last 3 years and hundreds more are in the planning stages.

**But don't take our word for it.** Come to Provo and see the Provo Advantage for yourself. Provo has been the center of attention for over 170 years and will continue to be the Central Business District for Utah County, the fastest growing county in the fastest growing state in the country!