

# The Faces of Urban Forestry



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## Trees Provide Quality Park and Educational Opportunities

Lisa Hanussak is something of a citizen expert when it comes to South Jordan City Park. Lisa works in a school next to the park and regularly walks in it. She sees how much use it gets on a daily basis from walkers and joggers that use its pathways, students that study and socialize under the trees, recreationists that use its playing fields, and teachers that view it as a living laboratory.

“I walk a lot and I see people using the park all the time,” says Lisa. She also notes, “It’s a big park but the trees are strategically planted.” In fact, this is part of the success in providing South Jordan residents with a high quality recreation area. The City of South Jordan, with assistance from the Utah Division of Forestry, Fire & State Lands, uses research plots and recommendations from other forestry programs to assure healthy tree growth and a wide range of species diversity. The park is both a testing ground for sustainable practices and a springboard for educating area residents about trees and tree care.

Dedication to quality is providing not only a great park, but a sustainable community tree program and more tree-conscious residents.

“How much fun would it be to go to a community park without trees?”

– Lisa Hanussak



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