



Copperton became a township in 1998 and has not experienced a great deal of change and development in the past five years, while Salt Lake County as a whole has experienced significant changes in population, development, transportation, and employment. However, significant growth is anticipated within and surrounding the community in the future. Recognizing this, Salt Lake County and the Copperton Township decided to engage in a proactive community process to prepare a comprehensive General Plan for the Copperton Township. Citizens express widespread satisfaction with Copperton as a place to live; however, they also want to manage growth and development to ensure that the qualities they value are not destroyed in the process of accommodating change.

This *Copperton Township General Plan* serves as a roadmap for the future by establishing goals, objectives, and implementing policies to direct growth responsibly, solve problems, and improve the quality of life for current and future residents. The plan's main objectives are to:

- Preserve and promote stable, sustainable, safe, attractive neighborhoods where residents share a sense of pride.
- Safeguard the choices residents expect for living, employment, recreation, and circulation.
- Create a pattern of development that is pedestrian friendly, representing a departure from past land development patterns and practices.
- Coordinate strategies for economic development, transportation, and housing so that a link is created between the places where people work and live.
- Protect the unique natural resources, ecosystems, and habitats.

Not only will the *Copperton Township General Plan* guide land use decisions, but it will also serve as a comprehensive reference and blueprint for community programs, as well as for public-and private-sector initiatives. This plan is driven not only by issues that citizens have identified as critical, but also by long-range goals based on a collective vision for the future.

