



PAL Boxing Neighborhood Center

Our Community

Nearly 50 percent of students that participate at the PAL Boxing Center lack proficiency in language arts, and only 30 percent of the students are proficient in math. The PAL Boxing Center provides junior high students with structured tutoring and homework help time and has a strict policy about maintaining good grades to participate in boxing activities. PAL Boxing Center enforces this academic policy and the students meet high academic expectations. After participating in tutoring and homework help, youth box, train, participate in other enrichment activities, and are provided dinner through Utah Food Bank's Kids Café program. Mentors at PAL provide the opportunity for a caring adult to be part of the lives of youth who participate at the Center.

The PAL Boxing Center provides productive, alternative activities for junior high youth in the community by including: mentoring, tutoring, and boxing opportunities.

Our Promise

To encourage self-discipline, self-esteem, and leadership skills.

Our Goals

1. Every student achieves on grade level in math and literacy
2. Every student aspires to attend and graduate from college
3. Chronic absence rates decrease
4. Parents are engaged in their students' education

Promise Partners

- City of South Salt Lake
- City of South Salt Lake Police Department
- Granite School District
- United Way of Salt Lake

For more information about PAL Boxing Center, contact:

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Give your time. Lend a hand. Every minute counts toward making a positive impact in others' lives.

To volunteer now, contact:

Heather MacDonald, Volunteer Engagement Director
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Log on to uw.org/volunteer, or dial 2-1-1



"Since 2007, we have seen a 60% reduction in juvenile crime—that's huge! It truly has been a collaborative effort of everyone in our community; the Mayor, police and fire chiefs and other officials, city council, and teachers. Without United Way working behind the scenes to bring it all together and make it work, we wouldn't have all these great opportunities for our kids in South Salt Lake."

Officer Jerry Silva
PAL Center Coordinator