

HILDALE, UTAH & COLORADO CITY, ARIZONA



*driving/walking
tour*



The Free Tour, sponsored by the Washington County (Utah) Historical Society, is **Saturday, May 9, 2026** from 10 a.m. to noon.

STARTING LOCATION:

Hildale City Hall,
320 Newel Avenue,
Hildale, Utah



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

Historic Buildings | Local Landmarks
Cultural Stories | Hidden Gems |

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Come experience the rich history of the City and uncover the stories that shaped this community on the Hildale-Colorado City Field Trip.

Saturday, May 9, 2026 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. Noon

Washington County Historical Society-sponsored field trip to visit historic public buildings, etc., in Hildale, Utah and Colorado City, Ariz.

10 a.m. Meet at Hildale City Hall, **320 E. Newel Avenue**

Orientation and Welcome

Meet at the Water Depo at **Jessop Ave and Louis St.**

Spring Water Depo – Free “ancient” water, bring a water bottle

Settlers, Ranchers, Homesteaders, Refuge

Hildale Home Birthing Center – Largest Natural Birth Centers

Store House History Cavern to Tilt-Up

School History

Hildale Cemetery at **Jessop Ave and Canyon St**

Law and Rules around burial in state vs out of state

Discuss the Family Sunday School Buildings vs Ward Houses

Finney Farm at **1320 N. Canyon Street.**

Licensed Raw Milk Production Brown Swiss Cows

Raw Milk, Cheese and other products

John W. Powell exploring “Vermillion Towers”, Cannon Cliffs etc.

2015 Flood Deaths and tragic death of 13 lives – broke open community to outside help and mind set change, awakening “We The People”

Leroy Johnson home at **Uzona Ave and Hildale Street** (*Park on South of road*)

Uncle Roy as a Homesteader and Prophet – humble service

Warren S. Jeffs Home (aka Most Wanted) – Contrast – 45-day build – costs

Water Canyon Sports Complex and Friday Night Lights 1st time ever

Uzona Ave Stateline but One Community – United Effort Plan (UEP) Field story

UEP (United Effort Plan) Cottonwood Park, **Colvin Street and University Ave** in Colorado City, AZ

History of Park, Trees, Train, 4th of July etc.

Community Center (Former Leroy S. Johnson (LSJ) Meetinghouse) **Academy Ave. and Carling St.**

History of creation as a Civic Center, LSJ Meeting House, Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (FLDS) Church creation in 1992 and on to exclusion in the United Order of Warren S. Jeffs.

Archeology Site – “Corn Growers Site”

Isaac Carling Memorial Park

Hildale/Colorado City Police Headquarters at **50 N Colvin St**

School history, combined Elementary and High School, Church and State conflicts and pressure caused the building of Community Center

Health Center repurposed into a Federal Clinic now Creek Valley Clinic

Hardware Store, Mercantile and old Store, Town Center history

Pioneer Park at **Edson Ave and Pioneer Lane**

Arizona State Raid of 1953

Post Office (2 zip codes) – Community Improvements

City Hall, Fire District Headquarters, Dispatch, Addressing of the whole area

Early historical homes

Bee's Marketplace, **1045 S. Central Street.** Meet on North outside balcony (elevator services available inside)

Mohave Community College Campus

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (LDS) Chapel impact on the community

New Development to the east – private land vs communal land

Orientation to the whole valley – Centennial Park included

12:00 p.m. Noon - Final Questions and dismissal to enjoy the Bee's Marketplace Food Court for Lunch.