

A LETTER FROM THE SHERIFF

The Davis County Sheriff's Search & Rescue is a nonprofit organization and official auxiliary of the Davis County Sheriff's Office, who provides mountain and water search & rescue services to the citizens of Davis County free of charge, 24 hours/day, 365 days/year.

They also participate in numerous community education, preparedness and training programs each year, including many Elementary School-age programs designed to help children stay safe in the wilderness.

Thousands of hours are donated by this 35-member all-volunteer team each year to provide these professional services without compensation or reward.

This is a significant effort, maintained primarily through the support of the community with no considerable drain on tax dollars.

Please join me in thanking the volunteers of the Davis County Sheriff's Search & Rescue for their continuing dedication to the health and safety of our community.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,



Bud E. Cox
Sheriff

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SEARCH & RESCUE**
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A 100% Volunteer Organization



If you would like more information about the Davis County Sheriff's Search & Rescue, please feel free to contact us:

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WHO ARE WE?



The Davis County Sheriff's Search & Rescue, established more than 40 years ago, provides the citizens of Davis County with professional search & rescue services free of charge 24 hours per day, 365 days per year. This 35 member all-volunteer team responds to calls for assistance in the rugged mountains and waterways throughout Davis County. Search & Rescue volunteers spend thousands of hours each year training to ensure that they are able to provide professional service when called upon for assistance. This service is provided under the direction of the Davis County Sheriff's Office.



Our Mission Statement

It is our duty as volunteer members of the Davis County Sheriff's Search & Rescue to save lives and assist those in need. We will be prepared any time of the day or night to perform this duty in a professional manner; safely, quickly and efficiently. We place this duty before our own personal desires and comforts - and do so without thought for personal compensation or reward.

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL SEARCH & RESCUE!

Q: What is the Davis County Sheriff's Search & Rescue? The Davis County Sheriff's Search & Rescue (DCSAR) is an all-volunteer organization which works under the direction of the Davis County Sheriff's Office. The DCSAR is on call 24 hours / day, 365 days / year. DCSAR also responds to calls for assistance from other counties and agencies outside of Davis County.

Q: How often is the DCSAR called out? We respond to an average of 30 calls per year. About 75% of these calls are in the various canyons and hills east of Davis County. These calls usually include: searches for lost children and adults, avalanche rescue, recovery of the deceased, search and recovery of evidence, assistance during natural disasters, swift water rescue, underwater rescue & recovery (SCUBA), and air-crash rescue.

Q: How do I join the Search & Rescue Team? Search and rescue volunteers are selected from the community based in their expertise and special talents--but the primary requirement for membership is a true desire to help others. The group includes mountaineering specialists, rock climbers, cavers, scuba divers, tracking specialists, and swiftwater rescue technicians. Our members come from all walks of life--some come to us with experience, some without. Those without prior rescue experience go through a rigorous training program prior to becoming full members of the organization. We are most interested in motivated people who can dedicate time to this effort, and be available to respond 24 hours a day without pay to search and rescue callouts. Having some experience in search and rescue and/or emergency medicine can help, but is not required. Applicants must be at least 21 years of age, possess a high school diploma/G.E.D and valid Driver's License, be in good physical condition, and be of good moral character. Visit our web-site or contact the Davis County Sheriff's Office for more information.

Q: Does the DCSAR do any educational work with the community? The DCSAR is very active in the community. We are involved in a variety of programs such as giving lectures to local boy & girl scout troops, elementary schools, and church groups. One such program that has met with particular success is the Hug A Tree program. Each year, members of the DCSAR volunteer a considerable amount of time to visit local grade schools to teach children what to do if they become lost. This program is designed for children in grades K-12, and can be tailored to groups of 10 to 200 children.

Q: How is the DCSAR financed? The DCSAR is a non-profit organization registered in the State of Utah. Working as an official auxiliary of the Davis County Sheriff's Office, we receive no significant funding from tax dollars. Funds to purchase equipment and training are raised from generous donations by local businesses and individuals throughout the year.

To raise funds for this volunteer Search and Rescue effort, we conduct a few fund raising activities throughout the year. One such activity is the Davis County Sheriff's Benefit Golf Tournament. Funds raised from these events are used to purchase new equipment and training necessary to conduct search and rescue operations throughout the year. We are also a member of the Davis County United Way.

Q: Does the DCSAR charge for rescues?

The DCSAR does not charge for rescues. Rescue operations are paid for by funds obtained through our fund-raising efforts, and through the support of the Davis County Sheriff's Office. People in need of our assistance should not hesitate to call for help and should not fear having to pay for the cost of a rescue.