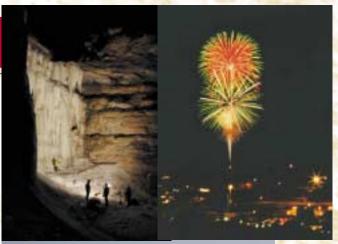
Helper Activities

Shopping & Dining Walking & Hiking Trails ATV & Mountain Bike Trails Wildlife Watching Rock & Ice Climbing **Historic Museum Ghost Towns & Outlaw Trails Historic Cemeteries Train Spotting Festivals Artist Galleries Photography Opportunities Rock Hounding & Geology**









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Historic Helper, Utah!

The town named



after a train engine provides activities, festivals and more in a historic setting.







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Founded in 1881, the City of Helper was named for the "helper" locomotives that were needed to push the heavy coal trains over the steep mountain grades.

As the town began to grow, scores of immigrants moved to Helper to find the American Dream while toiling on the railroad and in the nearby coal mines. The largest of the groups came from Italy, followed closely by the Greeks and the Yugoslavians. Helper soon became known as the town of 57 varieties. Those immigrants have left behind a legacy that still flavors the City of Helper, Utah. Helper became so vital to the economic base of the surrounding coal-mining towns that it became known as "The Hub of Carbon County."

Helper's Historic Main Street is listed on the National Historic Register preserving it's unique heritage. Helper has a unique railroad and coal-mining history with all of the broad spectrum of activities and adventures that went with it, such as strikes, bordellos, bootlegging and famous outlaws like Butch Cassidy and the Wild Bunch.

Today, Helper, Utah is a thoroughly modern city boasting a population of nearly 2,000 people. Helper offers visitors and permanent residents numerous business and recreational opportunities for everyone.

Helper Today

Helper is brimming with culture, activities and adventure. Spend some time exploring the Western Mining & Railroad Museum. Take a tour of ghost towns. Browse the antique shops, art galleries and specialty stores. Unwind with a stroll on the Helper Parkway or the Spring Canyon Trail. Throughout the year Helper hosts many famous festivals such as the Arts Festival in the summer to the Official Christmas Town of Utah in the winter. Helper has it all.

