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WATER MAIN BREAK AT SOUTH JORDAN'S GALE CENTER MUSEUM

SOUTH JORDAN, UT – A water main below The Gale Center of History & Culture broke on March 27, 2020, causing damages in the amount of approximately \$3,600.

“An employee discovered the water coming into the basement on the evening of March 27, and the City took immediate action to mitigate the incoming water and damage as fast as possible,” said Spencer Kyle, the City’s administrative services director.

The damage in the City-owned building occurred in the basement and no current exhibits or offices were damaged. The basement houses a collection of non-exhibited items and other city property.

About 70 items in the non-exhibited collection were damaged. Of these, an estimated 90% had little damage and will recover. The other 10% of the collection sustained more acute damage and conservation measures are being taken for those items.

“We are fortunate that the damage was minimal and that the Gale Center Museum will continue to thrive and preserve the history of our wonderful city,” said Maren Svare, museum curator.

The City has not determined the cause of the break, and it is unknown whether the earthquake that the Salt Lake Valley experienced on March 18, 2020, was a contributing factor.

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