VUTAH STATE DIVISIONOF CORRECTIONS



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 $^{\lambda}$ CRIME STATISTICS AND PROPERTY VALUES

PRIMARY IMPACT AREA

ST. MARKS FACILITY

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On January 23, 1978, the first 59 residents were transferred to the St. Marks facility. The population as of January 31, 1979 was 79 residents with the capacity at the Center being 85.

We have continued to monitor a "primary impact area" of the facility as to crime rate and property values. The primary impact area is defined as North Temple on the south, Main Street and Victory Road on the east, railroad tracks and industrial property (or approximately fourth west) on the west, and the city limits on the north.

Crime statistical information was obtained from the Crime Analysis

Division of the Salt Lake City Police Department and information on property
was obtained from the Salt Lake Board of Realtors "Sold Properties Catalog."

CRIME RATE

Reported crime in the primary impact area was eight percent lower in 1978 over 1977. During 1977 (prior to the establishment of the St. Marks facility) there were 6,877 crimes reported; during 1978, there were 6,336 reported crimes.

Reported crime in the primary impact area generally followed the citywide trend, i.e., the three highest crimes in both areas were Larceny, Residence Burglary, and Larceny from Auto.

Captain Heaps of the Salt Lake City Police Department indicated that the Police Department had set up emergency procedures for handling walkaways, possible fire at the facility, etc., but that no special programs or increased patrol of the area had been initiated.

Of the 6,336 crimes reported in 1978, Community Corrections Center

residents were only involved in five incidents. They are as follows:

NUMBER	OFFENSE		
1	Larceny from Auto (St. Marks facility resident)		
2	Larceny (Central Community Center residents)		
2 	Forgery (Central Community Center residents)		

It is interesting to note that only one of the above-listed crimes was committed within the primary impact area.

WALKAWAYS

During the monitored year, there were only 19 walkaways from the two centers in the primary impact area--14 from the Central Community Center and five from the St. Marks facility.

PROPERTY VALUES

Information from the Salt Lake Board of Realtors "Sold Properties Catalog" reveals the following information for the fourth quarter, 1978.

PERIOD OF TIME:

October-December, 1978

NUMBER OF TRANSACTIONS: 4 (Single dwellings only)

AVERAGE LIST PRICE:

\$ 29,425

AVERAGE SELL PRICE:

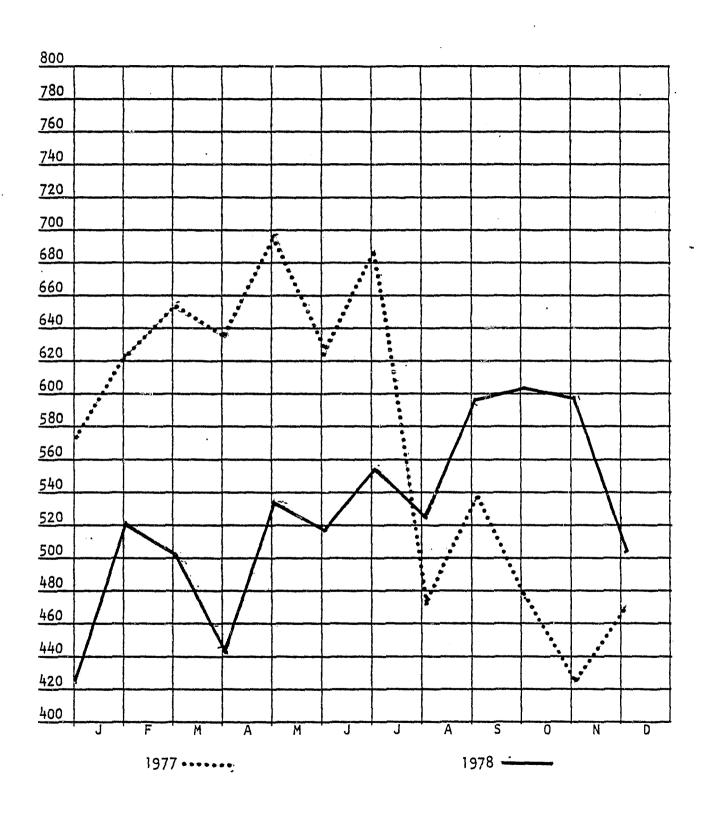
\$ 27,675

Before the opening of the St. Marks facility, area residents voiced concern that the placing of a correctional facility in the area would mean a deterioration of property values. However, in monitoring property values in the primary impact area, it appears that the opening of a correctional facility did not decrease property values; in fact, the Center had little effect one way or the other.

Following is yearly information as obtained from the Salt Lake Board of Realtors.

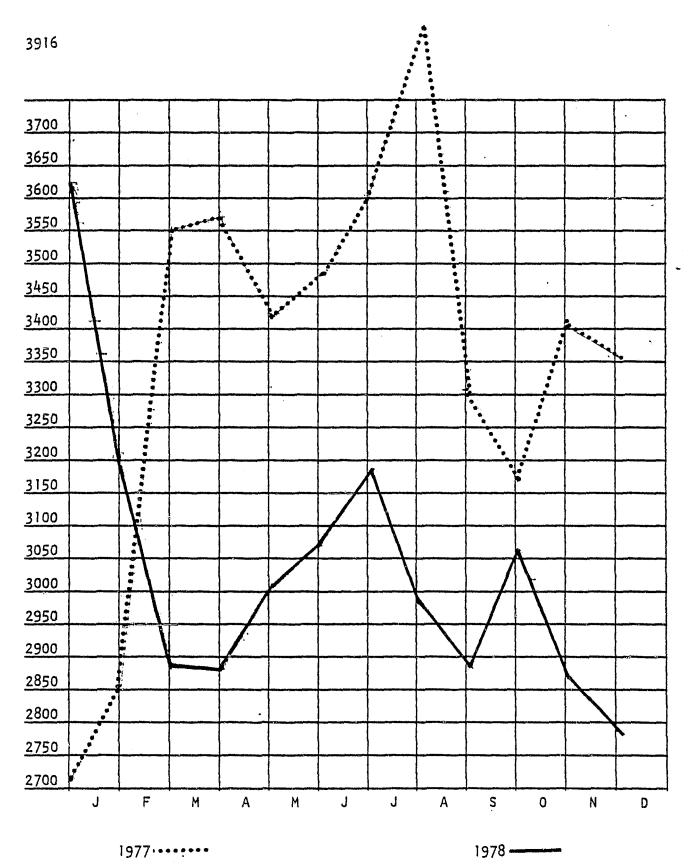
TIME PERIOD	AVERAGE SELL PRICE	AVERAGE LIST PRICE	TRANSACTIONS
January-March	\$ 24,000	\$ 25,959	. 2
April-June	28,671	30,146	. 14
July-September	31,225	32,713	8
October-December	27,675	29,425	4

1977-78 REPORTED CRIME ST. MARKS PRIMARY IMPACT AREA



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