

## BUILDING A COMMUNITY

When people form communities, they organize city centers with spaces and buildings that meet the needs of their citizens. Imagine that you and a few other families traveled together looking for a spot where you could build your home and organize a community. Use poster board or a large sheet of butcher paper to design your city or town. Locate your imaginary community on a Utah map. Think through the needs of your community. Draw, sketch, or create the public spaces and buildings.

- What is the name of your community? Why did you select the name?
- How will the geography and the climate of the area affect the ways in which people live?
- What businesses are needed?
- How will the community meet the basic needs of citizens?
- How might the climate affect the ways in which people live?
- Where would you place a city center? (Include at least five spaces or structures found near community city centers.)
- Where would the farms and houses be located?
- Consider what businesses and jobs would be necessary in order for the early community to survive and grow.
- What would the community provide to help people get from place to place?

You will present your city or town. Each person in your group will help describe your community. Explain why you selected the site for your community, and how you have created a successful community plan.

