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Celebration of the Heart of District 5



On Tuesday, we hosted our Fall District 5 Neighborhood Leaders Meeting, where we recognized the incredible individuals who make our community stronger. These leaders are what District 5 is all about! Their countless hours of dedication, hard work, and commitment have helped transform our neighborhoods. A heartfelt THANK YOU to our neighborhood leaders, committee members, and community partners for all you do!

Strong communities are built by people who care. Let's continue showing up, working together, and making District 5 an even better place to call home!





El Pavazo: Maryvale Turkey Giveaway This Sat.



Thanksgiving is right around the corner, and we're getting ready to give back to the community! Join us for our annual El Pavazo, where we'll be giving away FREE Thanksgiving turkeys to families, along with a day filled with fun, activities, and community resources!

📅 Saturday, November 21
⏰ 11 AM – 3 PM
📍 Maryvale Community Center, 4420 N. 51st Ave., Phoenix, 85031

No registration required! Turkeys will be distributed while supplies last.
Bring the family, tell your neighbors, and help us spread the word. We look forward to celebrating with you.

Friendsgiving - Healthy Giving

This holiday season, join the City of Phoenix for Healthy Giving Friendsgiving, a smarter, community-centered way to support neighbors experiencing homelessness.

Instead of giving directly on the street, you can make a bigger impact by donating through trusted local nonprofits working alongside the City's Office of Homeless Solutions.

Healthy Giving ensures your kindness goes further by getting the right items into the right hands, safely and responsibly, without any negative impacts on our neighborhoods. Our partners have shared exactly what they need- from food and hygiene items to volunteer opportunities- so you can get involved directly.

Be part of the solution today.



Electric Light Parade Saturday, December 5th

Get ready to Power the City with Lights at the APS Electric Light Parade! Watch as the streets of Phoenix come alive with twinkling lights and festive cheer as we celebrate the holidays on Saturday, December 5 at 7 p.m. The parade route starts at Central Ave. and Montebello and ends at 7th Street and Indian School Road.

Bring your friends, family, and holiday spirit for an unforgettable evening filled with joy and excitement!

Learn more here!

New Initiative Supports Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Navigation

The City of Phoenix Human Services Department is offering SNAP navigation support to help residents apply for SNAP benefits and comply with requirements. The initiative aims to reduce benefit loss by increasing successful submissions. Services include assistance with applications, renewals, and work requirement compliance.

The City of Phoenix does not determine eligibility, approve benefits, or administer SNAP. All applications and renewals are processed by the Arizona Department of Economic Security.

Click here for assistance.

Phoenix Sister Cities 2027 Youth Ambassador Exchange Program Accepting Applications





Is there a teen in your life that would enjoy representing Phoenix in one of our 11 sister cities?

Phoenix Sister Cities is accepting applications from Phoenix resident high school sophomores and juniors for our 2027 Youth Ambassador Exchange Program. Throughout the Spring, students engage in activities and workshops designed to prepare them for an exciting journey abroad. Then during June, they travel to a sister city where they are home-hosted by a family. In July, our students return to Phoenix to host their international counterparts here. The program fosters international friendships, cultivates leadership skills, and deepens cultural understanding through these life-changing experiences, giving our Youth Ambassadors an opportunity they otherwise may not have had.

In 2026, **Gisela Gutierrez Flores (left) and Nina Whaley (right), both students from Council District 5** studying at Xavier College Preparatory and Washington High School respectively, represented Phoenix in Chengdu, China and Grenoble, France.

To participate in the Youth Ambassador Exchange Program, students must:

- Be a sophomore or junior in high school (ages 15-17)
- Reside within the city of Phoenix
- Be a U.S. citizen

Full and partial need-based scholarships are available. Applications are due by 11:59 pm on Friday, December 11, 2026.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact Grace Koube by email at **grace.koube@phoenix.gov**. Se habla Español.

Click Here for More Details or to Apply.

Thank you for reading and sharing the November Neighborhood News with family, friends, and neighbors. As always, please contact our office for your comments, questions, and concerns, at (602) 262-7446 or **council.district.5@phoenix.gov**. For regular updates, follow us on our social media accounts by clicking on the icons below.

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