

March 20, 2020

CITY EVENTS

UPCOMING PUBLIC CITY MEETINGS

• Workforce and Economic Development Subcommittee – 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, March 25, Phoenix City Hall, 200 W. Washington St., Assembly Room A, B, & C—Canceled

For more information on these and all other public City meetings visit: <u>https://www.phoenix.gov/cityclerk/publicmeetings/notices</u>.

City Council meetings are live on Cox Cable Channel 11 and streamed live on www.phoenix.gov and facebook.com/cityofphoenix. Past City Council meetings are posted to YouTube at http://www.youtube.com/cityofphoenixaz.

DISTRICT 1 EVENTS:

DISTRICT 1 COMMUNITY MEETINGS



The City of Phoenix is taking additional steps to protect its residents and help to combat the spread of coronavirus in the community. As a result, many gatherings and events have been canceled or postponed.

- District 1 Community Breakfast, Friday, March 27—Canceled
- Family Fishing Day with Phoenix Police, Saturday, April 4-Canceled
- District 1 Community Breakfast, Friday, April 24 Pending
- Bike Safety Rodeo, Saturday, April 25—Pending

CITY NEWS & EVENTS:

For the most updated news an information related to COVID-19 or Coronavirus, please frequently check <u>phoenix.gov/newsroom</u>.

On Friday, March 20th City Council unanimously adopted the Declaration of a Local Emergency. City Council confirmed a declaration by Mayor Kate Gallego by proclamation of the existence of a local emergency in the City of Phoenix.

CITY OF PHOENIX IMPACTED SERVICES UPDATE





Read this information in Spanish. Lea esta información en español (PDF) https://www.phoenix.gov/newssite/Documents/COVID19_Newsroom_Main_SP.pdf

- City Council Meetings City Council meetings are currently being held audience-free. Meetings can be streamed online and residents can provide comments via e-mail or phone.
- Libraries All Phoenix Public Library locations and book drops are temporarily closed. All programming is also suspended. Electronic resources are available online at http://phoenixpubliclibrary.org.
- Parks All indoor recreation facilities are currently closed. All programming is also suspended. Large gatherings and events of 10 or more people on city park property were canceled or postponed. Adult and youth sports leagues have been postponed. All Phoenix Afterschool Center (PAC) sites are closed (these sites are in schools and will be closed as long as that school is closed). Pueblo Grande Museum is closed. The following city facilities operated by partner organizations are closed – Phoenix Center for the Arts, Thunderbird Arts Center, Irish Cultural Center, North Mountain Visitor Center, South Mountain Environmental Education Center (SMEEC), American Family Fields of Phoenix, Phoenix Municipal Stadium, Arizona Science Center and Heritage

Square. Phoenix Zoo is closed. March 19 registration for summer youth camps is postponed until further notice.

- Senior Centers All 15 city Senior Centers are closed.
- **Municipal Court** Trials are being **continued or cancelled**.
- Convention Center All events at the Phoenix Convention Center and Venues (Orpheum Theatre and Symphony Hall) have been postponed or rescheduled through May 10. Visit your conference or event organizer's website for event updates and rescheduled dates. No in-person or phone sales are being taken at the Phoenix Convention Center Ticket Office at this time. For future event sales, visit https://phoenix.ticketforce.com.
- Street Transportation Street Transportation Right-of-Way Management is not processing any special event or block party permits for events taking place through at least May 4. Guidance will be revised as needed.
- Job Training Workshops Workshops are canceled this week
- VITA Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program services are suspended.
- Head Start Home visits are suspended.
- Education Programs Office of Youth and Education's AARP literary programs are cancelled.
- **Community Meetings** Community meetings and outreach events in city buildings are temporarily suspended and city staff will not be attending community meetings during this time.
- Volunteer Programs All city volunteer programs, with the exception of critical public safety programs, are being suspended for the next two weeks.

ARIZONA SCHOOLS MAY BE CLOSED, BUT LEARNING IS ALWAYS ONLINE, ON-AIR ON THE PHXTV CLASSROOM



Recognizing that students across Arizona will be looking for things to do in the coming weeks, the city of Phoenix's digital classroom, PHXTV Classroom, has expanded its programming while kids are home during the Coronavirus national emergency. The PHXTV Classroom video program will stream live on <u>Phoenix.gov/PHXTV</u> from 9 -11 a.m. daily, with a replay from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. PHXTV Classroom will feature a variety of stories, with different programming each day, on history, science and art, including:

- The 21st Century Turning Points in U.S. History Learn about events that transformed America.
- Travel Through History Students can experience visiting places around the world.
- Backyard Bugs and Other Arthropods Discovery of nature and insects for younger kids.

This lineup of these television productions come from PHXTV, which has been providing award winning television programming about city services and resources for 35 years. Now, parents and teachers can check out PHXTV Classroom and use this digital content as another educational tool for students while they remain at home and out of the day-to-day learning environment.

If online access is unavailable, this programming will also be broadcast on PHXTV, which is accessible through Cox Cable channel 11 and CenturyLink 8005. **View the programming schedule now**! To find the latest information about local education stories produced by PHXTV Classroom, visit the **PHXNewsroom**. To submit story ideas for the PHXTV Classroom about youth and education in Phoenix, send an email: <u>PHXTVClassroom@Phoenix.gov</u>.

STREET TRANSPORTATION: NEIGHBORHOOD NOTIFICATION



Neighborhood Notification: Safety Improvements to Bicycle Lanes on Union Hills Drive from I-17 to 19th Avenue As part of the Street Transportation Department's core mission, we strive to improve the City's roadways to create a safe and efficient transportation network. Our ongoing pavement maintenance program provides opportunities to change the current traffic lane striping to improve safety for people who walk, drive, ride bicycles and use transit. About the Project Where: Union Hills Drive from Interstate 17 to 19th Avenue What: Where there is enough space on the roadway, a buffer will be added to the existing bicycle lanes. Parking availability/restrictions and the number of travel lanes will remain the same. When: Pavement maintenance (new asphalt) is scheduled for spring 2020 and traffic lane improvements will happen shortly after. Why: The buffer between the vehicle lanes and bicycle lanes adds space between people driving vehicles and people walking or biking for increased protection from vehicles, improved safety and added comfort. Additionally, the slight narrowing of the lane widths to accommodate the buffers will help to guide and slow traffic. This project also connects to nearby bicyle lanes. What Will the Project Look Like? CURRENT TYPICAL TRAFFIC LANES PROPOSED TYPICAL TRAFFIC LANES **Questions, Comments or Concerns?** We welcome and value your questions and feedback. If you have any questions or need additional information, please reach out to the following contacts. City of Phoenix Bicycle Program City of Phoenix Pavement Maintenance Program Phone: 602-534-0258 Phone: 623-825-3444 Email: bike@phoenix.gov Email: pavement@phoenix.gov www.phoenix.gov/bicvcling www.phoenix.gov/pavementprogram

AVOID THE MVD: EXPLORE MORE THAN 30 ONLINE SERVICES AT SERVICEARIZONA.COM

Based on guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Arizona Department of Health Services, residents needing to conduct business with the Arizona Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Division are encouraged to explore more than 30 available online services instead of office visits.



<u>ServiceArizona.com</u>, the state's official online portal for MVD services, can quickly and easily perform most common vehicle-related transactions, including registration renewals. By setting up an account at AZMVDNow through ServiceArizona.com, users can take learner's permit tests at home, conduct vehicle title transactions and receive a range of other services.



The goal during this time is to limit customer traffic at MVD offices to prioritize those who need to conduct business that's not available online, such as driver license renewals or applications.

"Every day, the goal of the Motor Vehicle Division is to get Arizona residents out of line and safely on the road. That goal is now more important than ever," said Eric Jorgensen, director of the Motor Vehicle Division. "Customers needing to conduct routine transactions that are available online are urged to do so through ServiceArizona.com, helping to reduce lines at MVD offices and support safer environments for those who must visit our offices."

Two-thirds of MVD services are available online, yet many of the nearly 12,000 daily customers statewide visit offices to process transactions that could be accomplished through ServiceArizona.com. Transitioning customers to online services remains a top priority for ADOT. For those who must visit an MVD office, however, rest assured that the department is taking all precautions, including using professional cleaning services throughout the day, keeping ill employees at home with paid leave, and ensuring all offices are stocked with cleaning supplies.

Online services include:

- Replacement Driver License or Identification Card
- Address/Email Change
- Driver License Reinstatement
- Motor Vehicle Record
- Vehicle Registration Renewal
- Aircraft Registration Renewal
- Commercial Vehicle Permits
- Duplicate Vehicle Registration
- Restricted Use 3-Day Permit
- 30-Day General Use Permit
- Emissions/Registration Check
- Fleet Registration Renewal

- **De-Insured** Certificate
- Insurance Update and Vehicle Reinstatement _
- Insurance Verification
- Lien Motor Vehicle Inquiry
- Off-Highway Vehicle Decal
- Permanent Placard Renewal
- Personalized/Special Plates
- Plate Credit
- Plate Refund
- Registration-Compliance Violator
- Sold Notice
- Tab Replacement

Vehicle Fee Recap

PYRAMID PEAK WATER TREATMENT PLANT EXPANSION



Pyramid Peak Water Treatment Plant Expansion

CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES FOR PHASE 2

Phase 2 improvements continue at Pyramid Peak Water Treatment Plant at the indicated work zones.

CONSTRUCTION IMPACTS: Work is taking place primarily during daytime hours, weekdays; with some exceptions based on daytime temperatures or materials scheduling. All work and contractor areas are within the treatment plant property or public right-of-way.

- Increased truck traffic on Pyramid Peak Parkway may be observed as concrete work is currently underway. This may include intermittent early morning or night work with light equipment as necessary for this work, which is scheduled for completion in Fall 2020.
- Lagoon pipeline and liner installation has begun with completion scheduled for Fall 2020.
- Equipment installation for the plant expansion is scheduled to begin later this year.

Project Update: Spring 2020



PROJECT OVERVIEW: When complete in Summer 2021, treatment capacity will increase to 54 million gallons per day and provide the ability to meet increasing service demand associated with area growth and development.

Project Information: 602.532.6250 | GlendaleAz.com

DON'T GIVE TO INDIVIDUALS, GIVE TO SHELTERS

To end panhandling, we must stop giving directly to individuals that panhandle.

Phoenix is full of compassionate and charitable citizens. They want to help those in need. However, giving money to people panhandling doesn't fix problems. To truly help those in need, stop giving money to panhandlers and instead support organizations and services that provide long-lasting care.

- Central Arizona Shelter Services
- Andre House
- Salvation Army
- St. Joseph the Worker
- UMOM New Day Centers
- The Phoenix Rescue Mission
- St. Mary's Food Bank

For more organizations and information on housing or other services, please visit the Homeless Shelter Directory webpage at: Homeless Shelter Directory.

https://www.homelessshelterdirectory.org/cgi-bin/id/city.cgi?city=Phoenix&state=AZ

PHOENIX INTERACTIVE STREET CLOSURE & RESTRICTIONS MAP – UPDATED MARCH 20.

To view a listing of current or planned street restrictions please visit this link: <u>https://www.phoenix.gov/streets/street-closures</u>.

The dashboard is a multi-agency effort to keep residents informed of street closures and restrictions due to planned construction activities or utility work, as well as unexpected events such as flooding, traffic collisions, fires, utility failures or other emergencies. For street closure alerts, follow the Phoenix Street Transportation Department on Twitter at <u>@StreetsPHX</u>.





CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

Legislative

On March 6, President Trump signed the \$8.3 billion emergency funding package that Congress passed last week to provide financing to Federal agencies, local governments and states working to combat coronavirus. H.R. 6074 provides \$7.7 billion in new discretionary spending and authorizes an additional \$490 million in mandatory spending through a change in Medicare law. The law specifically provides \$2.2 billion to the CDC to support state and local public health agencies prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus outbreak. The legislation also allocates nearly \$1 billion for the procurement of pharmaceuticals and medical supplies to support healthcare preparation and community health centers

Economic Development & Education

On March 6, 229 viewers attended the "Déjá Vu View" reception for Jeffrey Falk's art exhibit at Burton Barr Library. Falk takes existing and found imagery that is familiar to viewers and alters or recombines in new ways that change familiar meanings and open-up new interpretations. The exhibit will run through April 24.

On March 7, there were 143 attendees at the Star Wars Literacy Festival at Juniper Library. Participants gathered to celebrate reading and storytelling with a fun-filled afternoon of lightsaber and Stormtrooper helmet crafts, droid building activities, a Jedi photo booth, trivia contests and simulated battle challenges.

Last week, the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program assisted 38 working families who earned less than \$56,000 in 2019 with free tax preparation and filing services at Cesar Chavez and Burton Barr Central Libraries.

On March 2, ASU officially broke ground on the 16-story Downtown Residence Hall and Entrepreneurship Center located at Central Avenue and Fillmore Street. The combined dorm and classroom building will increase dorm room capacity and provide three floors of classroom and exhibition space for ASU's Herberger Institute for Design and the Arts. The classroom facilities will also include space for entrepreneurship and innovation. ASU expects the building to be ready in Fall 2021.

On March 10, Aviation staff observed Tucson International Airport's Triennial Disaster Full Scale Exercise. This federally-required disaster exercise takes place every three years at airports providing scheduled air carrier services, testing airfield firefighting and rescue response as well as other contingency plans. With Sky Harbor's Triennial Exercise taking place in October, staff was provided an opportunity to view another airport's response and procedures.

This week, Communications staff coordinated citywide messaging on coronavirus preparedness and customer messaging. Staff published information on the efforts being undertaken by Aviation, Convention Center and Library to provide additional cleaning and outreach, and the temporary halting of water shutoffs so residents can take needed cleaning precautions. Staff also worked with Human Resources on employee messaging about workplace coronavirus precautions and encouraging employees to sign up for emergency notification alerts.

Neighborhoods and Livability

In previous weeks, the South Phoenix Village (SPV) Infill Redevelopment Project experienced another major milestone with the construction and sale of the 100th home. This marks the successful completion of the

second phase of the project. The third and final phase of the project is now underway and projected to be completed in the next 12 months.

On March 7, Neighborhood Services staffed assisted with the Support Sky Harbor Coalition Cleanup event held between 30th and 35th Avenues from Buckeye Road to Sherman Street. Over 300 volunteers participated and completed beautification of the surrounding community which had been impacted by illegal dumping, graffiti and overgrown vegetation in the alleyways.

In previous weeks, Planning and Development staff were invited to be guest speakers at the Arizona School of Real Estate and Business' seminar. Seminar topics included best practices to purchase, renovate and sell homes for profit. Staff discussed the importance of obtaining permits, building to code and getting inspections for any remodel work.

Social Services Delivery

This week, Census 2020, Express Employment and Hospitality Solutions conducted a job fair at Aeroterra Community Center to help residents and job seekers apply for jobs. Fifty-two residents and community members attended, applied for jobs and were moved to the next phase of the hiring process.

On March 2, the Phoenix Youth R.I.S.E. (Reach and Invest in Summer Employment) program online application was opened to the public. This year, 80 young adults aged 16 to 24 will be selected. Participants will attend a mandatory two-day work readiness class prior to the start of the paid internship and then will work 200 hours from June 15 to July 17.

On March 3, Human Services staff met with Central Arizona Shelter Services (CASS) to discuss project guidelines and logistics for a pilot program to case manage homeless seniors. Staff will provide case management for up to 30 clients at CASS beginning on March 16.

On March 5, Human Services and Library staff met to evaluate the first year of a pilot program that offers drop in-style services for homeless or vulnerable individuals seeking case management and community-based services. Program outcomes for the period from Jan. 8, 2019 to March 4, 2020 include: 28 veterans engaged, 243 repeat walk-ins, 760 total individuals engaged and 755 walk-ins.

Infrastructure

Recently, Public Transit staff applied for a Women's Transportation Seminar (WTS) Advancing Women in Transportation award, and Public Transit was selected as the 2019 Employer of the Year. The award honors entities for supporting the global advancement of women in transportation. There will be an awards ceremony in September 2020 and a spotlight in the monthly WTS newsletter.

On March 4, Street Transportation staff hosted a public meeting to discuss a possible lane reconfiguration on Hatcher Road. Currently, Hatcher Road has two lanes of car travel in each direction. Members of the community have requested that the lanes be restriped after the upcoming paving project to have only one lane of car traffic in each direction in order to add a center turn lane and buffered bike lanes. At the public meeting, staff presented the proposed changes and gathered feedback from approximately 30 attendees.

NEWS & EVENTS FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT:



DEER VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

EXTRAORDINARY Teachers



EXTRAORDINARY Results

Most DVUSD schools are rated A or B

Kindergarten Registration Now Underway!



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SUCCESS STARTS EARLY.

WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS



Washington Elementary School District To Begin Distributing Free Meals To Children During Closure

During the statewide closure of school's March 23 - 27, Washington Elementary School District will provide free breakfast and lunch in one quick stop. From 10:30 a.m. to noon at the sites listed below, children can pick up one sack lunch

for that afternoon and one sack breakfast for the following day.

Meals will be available by drive through or pickup. All children 18 and under qualify and they do not have to be students in the WESD to participate. Per the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) regulations, children must be present to

GRAB AND GO FEEDING PROGRAM

receive meals. Meals will be distributed outside at each location and, for the safety of all involved, not be consumed at the site. The WESD will provide meals at 13 sites, but the District may add locations depending on demand.

Acacia Elementary, 3021 W. Evans Drive, Phoenix, AZ 85053

Cholla Middle School, 3120 W. Cholla Street, Phoenix, AZ 85029

Desert View Elementary, 8621 N. 3rd Street, Phoenix, AZ 85020

Maryland School, 6503 N. 21st Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85015

Mountain View School, 801 W. Peoria, Phoenix, AZ 85029

Ocotillo Elementary, 3225 W. Ocotillo, Phoenix, AZ 85017

Orangewood School, 7337 N. 19th Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85021

Richard E. Miller Elementary, 2021 W. Alice, Phoenix, AZ 85021

Roadrunner Elementary, 7702 N. 39th Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85051

Shaw Butte Elementary, 12202 N. 21st Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85029

Sunnyslope School, 245 E. Mountain View Road, Phoenix, AZ 85020

Sunset Elementary, 4626 W. Mountain View Road, Glendale, AZ 85302

Washington Elementary, 8033 N. 27th Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85051





Thelda is tweeting! Follow her @TheldaWilliams1

GREAT CHARITIES TO DONATE TO:

ARIZONA HUMANE SOCIETY

http://www.azhumane.org/get-involved/give-now/

CHILDHELP: 2120 N. Central Ave #130, Phoenix, AZ 85004 https://www.childhelp.org/ 602- 271-4500

PHOENIX CENTER FOR THE ARTS Love the arts? Want to help ensure that the programming we offer here at the center continues for generations to come? Please visit: https://phoenixcenterforthearts.org/support/

ANTHEM PETS Animal Rescue: A Voice for the Voiceless http://anthempets.org/ 480-287-3542

ARIZONA PAWS & CLAWS www.azpawsandclaws.com

FETCH FOUNDATION: please go to the following site: www.fetchfoundation.com/Newsflash/the-fido-bag-program

M.A.I.N. What We Do - M.A.I.N. - Medical Animals In Need, Dog Rescue in Phoenix Arizona Kelly Ferreira 480-245-9203 President / Medical Animals In Need www.medicalanimalsinneed.com Together we save lives!

MINI MIGHTY MUTTS for more information, contact Angie Crouse at 480-304-5654 or info@minimightymutts.com Also check out our website at www.minimightymutts.com Mini Mighty Mutts is a 501(c) 3 organization. We rescue the underdog!

OPERATION CARE FOOD BANK located in North Phoenix, a non-profit Christian organization committed to helping those in need with food and clothing. For additional information, please call 602-866-0135, or visit: info@operationcarefoodbank.org.

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