EDUCATION DIVISION

Early Head Start

Serves families with children up to age three in their home and provides a streamlined transition to the preschool Head Start program. Family opportunities include:

- ♦ Weekly home visits to improve child development
- ♦ Active learning experiences
- ♦ Twice a month socialization events
- ♦ Parenting guidance and education
- ◆ Services for special needs children
- ♦ Assistance accessing community resources to help family needs including health and nutrition

602-495-7050

Head Start

A preschool program for three- to five-year-old children from low-income families. Head Start provides:

- ♦ Developmental and educational services designed to prepare children for school.
- ◆ Specialized education services for children with disabilities.
- ♦ Opportunities for parents to become volunteers and active decision makers in the program.

602-262-4040

COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION

Family Services Centers

Caseworkers at the three multipurpose family services centers provide a broad range of assistance to promote self-sufficiency for city of Phoenix residents. Examples of assistance include case management, financial assistance, information on programs and resources, minor home repair, discount programs, and referrals to other agencies. Seniors may access these services by calling 602-262-6631 between 8a.m and 5p.m. Monday to Friday.

Community Services Division Cont.

Travis L. Williams Family Services Center 4732 S. Central Ave. 602-534-4732

Sunnyslope Family Services Center
914 W. Hatcher Road 602-495-5229

 John F. Long Family Services Center

 3454 N. 51st. Ave.
 602-262-6510

Senior Centers

Centers provide social and recreational opportunities for adults who are 60 years of age or older. A noon meal is served at each of the 15 senior centers. Home-delivered meals may also be arranged.

602-262-4520

Adam Diaz Senior Center 4115 W. Thomas Road 602-262-1609 Chinese Senior Center 734 W. Elm St. 602-262-6411 Deer Valley Senior Center 2001 W. Wahalla Lane 602-495-3714 Desert West Senior Center 6501 W. Virginia Ave. 602-495-3711 Devonshire Senior Center 2802 E. Devonshire Ave. 602-262-7807 Goelet A.C. Beuf Senior Center 3435 W. Pinnacle Peak Road 602-534-9743 Helen Drake Senior Center 7600 N. 27th Ave. 602-262-4949 Marcos de Niza Senior Center 305 W. Pima St. 602-262-7249 McDowell Place Senior Center 1845 E. McDowell Road 602-262-1842 Paradise Valley Senior Center 17402 N. 40th St. 602-495-3785 Pecos Senior Center 17010 S. 48th St. 602-534-5366 Senior Opportunities West 1220 S. Seventh Ave. 602-262-6610 Shadow Mountain Senior Center 3546 E. Sweetwater Ave. 602-534-2303

South Mountain Senior Center 212 E. Alta Vista Road

Sunnyslope Senior Center

802 E. Vogel Ave. **602-262-7572**

Community Initiatives

The Community Initiatives Section seeks to reduce poverty in Phoenix by building the capacity of community groups to address the needs of low-income residents and communities.

This is achieved primarily through innovative community practice that includes collaborating with a broad range of community groups and governmental entities. Programs include the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) campaign, Faith-Based Initiatives, and Financial Education.

602-262-4520

602-262-4093

FAMILY ADVOCACY CENTER & HOMELESS PROGRAMS

The Family Advocacy Center provides comprehensive services for victims of violent crime and their families. Through a collaborative effort with multiple agencies, the center is able to provide multiple services in one central location.

Services include:

- ♦ Crisis intervention
- ♦ Safety planning
- ♦ Assistance obtaining Orders of Protection and Injunctions Against Harassment
- ♦ Forensic medical exams
- ♦ Shelter access and emergency housing assistance
- ♦ Short-term counseling
- ♦ Information and referral services

602-534-2120

Homeless Programs

The Homeless Programs Section supports homeless services through contracts with community-based organizations to provide emergency shelter, and through a partnership with the Housing Department, street outreach and re-housing services are connected with housing vouchers to serve chronically homeless families and individuals.

The Watkins Emergency Shelter Program provides year-round emergency shelter and a range of services for single females and families. Services include sleeping accommodations, meals, health care, supervised activities for children, behavioral health services, case management and clothing.

Summer and Winter Respite Programs coordinate the collection of essential items to be distributed to homeless people living on the streets of Phoenix. Items including water, sunscreen, hats, hygiene items, clothing, blankets and shoes are donated by the community and distributed by local street outreach teams.

For more information, call **602-262-4520**. Call **CONTACS Shelter Hotline** for shelter services and availability at **602-263-8900** or **1-800-799-7739**.





PROGRAMS AND SERVICES



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Call 602-262-6666/voice or
602-534-5500/city TTY relay.

This brochure provides a partial listing of the programs offered by the City of Phoenix Human Services Department. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the Human Services Department operations, call 602-262-6666.

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