



News In the Neighborhood

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To Preserve, Enhance & Engage Phoenix Neighborhoods

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Covid-19 Resources

Small Business



Now more than ever, we need to support our Phoenix Small Business Community. Let's SAVE our Phoenix Small Businesses during these challenging times. Here are 10 reasons why you should SHOP PHOENIX!

1. Local Economic Stimulus
2. They Support Non-Profits
3. Unique Businesses Create Character & Prosperity
4. Reduced Environmental Impact
5. Local Businesses Provide the Most New Jobs
6. Local Business Owners Invest in Community
7. Better Customer Service
8. Public Benefits Far Outweigh Public Costs
9. Competition and Diversity Leads to More Consumer Choices
10. You Matter More

Shopping at locally owned businesses also makes a huge difference. For every \$100 you spend at a local business, \$75 stays in Phoenix. That means more jobs, neighborhood improvements, and community development for Phoenix.

Register Your Rental

Remember to Register Your Short Term Vacation Rental

An ordinance requiring Short Term Rental properties to be registered with the City of Phoenix Planning and Development Department was adopted by Phoenix City Council in January 2020. The link to register or check to see if a property is registered is:

<https://www.phoenix.gov/pdd/codes-ordinances/short-term-rentals>

Healthy Giving

The Healthy Giving Council (HGC) was formed in 2017 to educate and encourage the community on productive and sustainable giving efforts for those living on the streets. Since then, the HGC has participated in several events to help share the message of "giving smart" with "more than a meal." During this time, organizations, faith-based groups, and caring community members have united in the healthy giving mission and joined the HGC to create awareness of more impactful ways to give.

During 2019, in Maricopa County alone, there were 6,614 people experiencing homelessness (2019 Point-In-Time Count) and this number has increased due to the current pandemic crisis. We all want to do something to help and we all have our own sets of skills, networks, communities, religious principles, and resources that we can use to create positive change. We know that a meal takes care of hunger and a fresh pair of socks takes care of weathered feet, but in a point of crisis, it's important to imagine what we can do to help beyond these simple and essential gestures.



As the leader of the Healthy Giving Council, Pastor Jerome Parker recommends, "As you prepare for the holiday season and are considering where to donate and give back, please keep in mind that by street giving, you satisfy hunger for the moment, but unintentionally withhold people from seeking assistance from organizations that not only can provide a hot meal in a safe environment, but who also provide supportive services that can help end their homelessness. Street giving creates crowds which puts an already vulnerable population's health at risk. It keeps people on the streets and negatively impacts communities. This year, let's learn how to give back in healthy ways by visiting www.givesmartaz.org and create real, long-lasting change."

Virtual Meeting Success

Creating a Sense of Community Virtually

"Virtual meeting platforms are an exciting new tool to keep people connected and improve our neighborhood. We hope to continue use often in the future," - Brenda Montoya, Si Se Puede Neighborhood Association



The Si Se Puede (Yes We Can)

Neighborhood Association is a recently formed neighborhood organization, whose goal is to transform the area from 59th to 75th Avenue along Fillmore to Roosevelt into a vibrant, healthy community for everyone. Over the last six months, with over 50 members, they have found creative ways to adapt their in-person neighborhood events to virtual ones. Each week they hold virtual "Lunch and Learns" with special guest speakers, to introduce themselves and share fun stories and ideas. Its a great way to put a face to a name and meet other members. Most recently they have completed virtual community building activities to select their neighborhood logo, mission and vision statements, and to strategize how to support their community during these times.

Need help setting up virtual meetings? Your Neighborhood Specialist is available to provide your group assistance with setting up meetings and seeking presenters.