Financial Help

Did you know there are financial assistance/loan programs for employees experiencing financial hardship?

**TrueConnect** is a city of Phoenix partner program that provides small dollar loans up to $3,000. A credit check is not required, and funds may be available the next business day.

**Employees can apply online.**

Employees participating in the city of Phoenix Deferred Compensation Plan through Nationwide may be eligible to access funds from their accounts for larger amounts, through the CARES Act.

Visit the [City of Phoenix Deferred Compensation CARES Act](#) webpage to learn more about these options and short and long-term impacts to your financial planning.

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Weekly Update

**CORONAVIRUS**

**CITY SERVICES UPDATE**

[PHOENIX.GOV/NEWSROOM](http://PHOENIX.GOV/NEWSROOM)

Each week, we want to keep you updated on the latest information and news regarding the coronavirus, and related city impacts. Below is the latest communication to employees about what is happening:

- City Manager Podcast #9 - (airdate 4/16)
- City Manager Podcast #10 - (airdate 4/21)
- Employee Updates Webpage
- Latest FAQs on Teleworking
- Latest Stories in the PHXNewsroom

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Employee Assistance Program

Here at the city of Phoenix, we realize employees are faced with many challenges during this COVID-19 health emergency. Some employees have expressed feelings of anxiety and stress over balancing work, school closures, family, finances, and much more. We want you to know there is a network of people ready to help, through the Employee Assistance Program (EAP).

All city of Phoenix employees and everyone in their household have access to a service called **ComPsych Guidance Resources**. From work-life solutions to elder outreach, this service offers no cost support, resources, and information anytime. Please call 602-534-5433 to learn more.
**Virtual Food Drive**

Reminder: Now through Saturday, Phoenix Public Library is holding its virtual Fill the Shelves Food Drive. Due to temporary closures, the Library is unable to accept food donations at local libraries - so we are asking you to support St. Mary’s Food Bank Alliance by making an online donation.

**Please consider making your donation today.**

Hunger is one of the greatest threats to our community, but together we can help. For many years during National Library Week, Phoenix Public Library has sponsored a food drive in partnership with St. Mary’s Food Bank Alliance.

This year the need is greater than ever. Children are out of school and cut off from supplemental feeding programs, people are being laid off from their jobs, and our most vulnerable community members are in need of food assistance.

**Learn more about the event.**

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**Wear Denim Day**

April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month and through the “Let’s Talk Teal” campaign, the city has partnered with the Arizona Coalition to End Sexual and Domestic Violence to raise awareness of the issue. **Denim Day 2020 is Wednesday, April 29.**

On this day, employees may wear denim in support of this effort to challenge harmful myths about sexual assault and violence. Denim Day began in 1999 in California as part of an international protest of an Italian Supreme Court decision to overturn a rape conviction because the victim was wearing jeans. Show your support, working from home or in the office by wearing denim. Employees who wear an official city uniform should continue to wear their uniform on this day.

[Learn more about the event.](#)

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**Leave Donations**

The following employees are accepting leave donations. If you’d like to help, use eChris to make your donation:

- Danelle Garcia, Police
- Joanne Medina, Law
- Britney Bales, Police
- Robert Anchie, Aviation
- Nicole Rivera, Police
- John Flores, Public Works
- Daniel Silvas, Parks and Recreation
- Genesis Gomez, Parks and Recreation
- Alisa Rankin, Police
- Ofc. Joseph Ochoa, Police
- Deanna Mendez, Water Services
- Natasha Jones, Fire

To see a complete list of all employees currently accepting leave donations, [visit this web page.](#)

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**Census Completed?**

Have you been counted yet? Completing the Census takes only a few minutes and will greatly help our community receive federal funding to pay for essential services.

Visit [my2020census.gov](http://my2020census.gov) to fill out the Census questionnaire.

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