

The logo features a stylized star on the left composed of four overlapping triangles in blue, yellow, and maroon. To the right, the text "PHX" is in maroon and "CONNECT" is in blue, both in a bold, sans-serif font.

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Child Care Assistance

The Parks and Recreation Department continues to offer free youth day camps for children and dependents between the ages of 6 and 17 of full- and part-time city of Phoenix employees. This is offered weekdays from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at four convenient community centers. The centers provide Wi-Fi to support distance learning. Camp staff is following CDC guidelines, and masks or face coverings are required. [Learn more and register today.](#)

PHX Adapts to COVID-19

When the Covid-19 pandemic hit Arizona, Phoenix was already preparing. [This video from PHXTV documents the innovative and creative ways](#) the city continues to provide services and resources to residents while reimagining the way the city does business.



eCHRIS Maintenance

Please plan ahead. The eCHRIS system will be unavailable for scheduled maintenance on Friday, Jan. 8 between 6:30 p.m. and 12:30 a.m. Thank you for your patience.



COVID-19 Help

NEW: Leave Policy Updates: The city of Phoenix continues to work hard to ensure employees have options available to help them navigate the COVID-19 pandemic. Federal leave provisions under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) expired on Dec. 31, 2020, so the city has implemented our own COVID-19 paid-leave provisions.



To ensure employees continue to have leave options available into 2021, the city of Phoenix will implement our own COVID-19 paid-leave provisions: [2021 COVID-19 City-Paid Leave](#) and [2021 COVID-19 Extended Leave for School/Child Care Closure](#). Please visit the [HR Employee Health Updates website](#) for more information.

COVID-19 Testing Opportunities: City of Phoenix employees have access to resources like **priority testing** to help navigate this pandemic, however, we want to make you aware that some of these options have changed.

Banner site at the Arizona State Fairgrounds: This location has temporarily closed.

City of Phoenix Employee Healthcare Clinic: COVID-19 live-virus testing for employees, regardless of health plan, is available weekdays 7 a.m. - 5:40 p.m., **by appointment only**. The clinic is located at 1 N. Central Ave. [Employees can schedule an appointment](#) and select "COVID Virus Testing – City of Phoenix." **NEW: You must specify whether or not you are symptomatic.** This is a walk-in test site (not a drive-thru).

Washington Activity Center (WAC) Test Site: The Washington Activity Center is open to employees and members of their households. Schedule an appointment by calling 602-534-0693. Testing is available weekdays from 7 a.m. - 3:50 p.m. This is a walk-in test site (not a drive-thru).

Please do not visit the WAC if you are experiencing any symptoms of illness. Instead, you should contact your healthcare provider or utilize the employee healthcare clinic testing option.

Services for Councilman Calvin C. Goode

Services for former Vice Mayor and Councilman Calvin C. Goode, who passed away last month at the age of 93, will be virtual. **Details:**

- ◆ Tuesday, Jan. 12
- ◆ 10 a.m.
- ◆ Watch on [Zoom](#) or [Facebook](#)

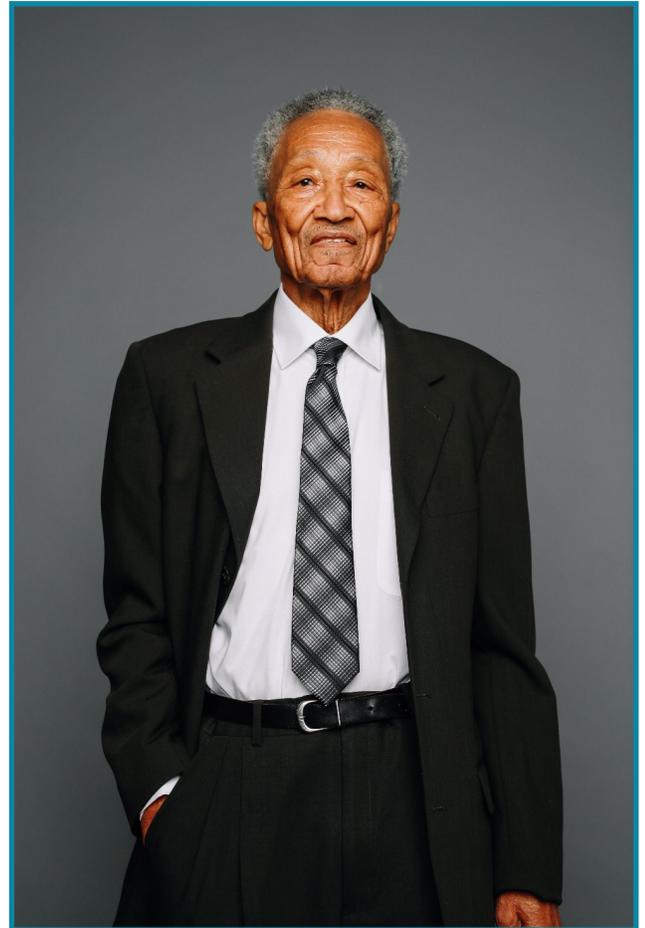
Viewing for Calvin C. Goode

The public is invited to a viewing honoring former Vice Mayor and Councilman Calvin C. Goode. **Details:**

- ◆ Saturday, Jan. 9
- ◆ Noon - 4 p.m.
- ◆ Outside of Calvin C. Goode Building
- ◆ Free Parking in 305 garage
- ◆ **Masks / social distancing required**

To read more about his life and legacy, [check out this PHXNewsroom story](#).

PHXTV made a tribute video about Goode: [Watch it here](#).



Last Chance to Name the “Chat Bot”

The city of Phoenix will soon be making available to the public a new customer experience, **myPHX311**. Customers will have access to a new mobile app and web portal to access their city services account, pay their bill, request service for their home or submit requests for issues in the community. The app will be available for both Apple and Android devices. The web portal will replace the current “Phoenix at Your Service” web page. Users on that page will also be able to interact with a virtual assistant and receive notifications via text and email to improve customer service without the need for in-person interaction.

One of the robust features of this new service will be the virtual assistant or “chat bot.” A chat bot allows the user to “talk” via typing to a virtual customer service agent to help them with their needs. Here’s where you come in – we want city employees to name the chat bot. *For example, ASU’s chat bot is named “Sunny” – so we cannot use that one.*

Be creative, unique and have fun – we want the name to represent the city, its personality and its ability to offer high-level customer service. Please take just a moment of time to give us your idea for the best name. You may submit more than one idea. Please give us the name of the chat bot and a one-sentence explanation as to the meaning behind the name. **Friday is the deadline to enter your submission for the contest!**

The final decision will rest with the Executive Sponsors of the myPHX311 project. The author of the name selected will not only have bragging rights but will also “win” a city of Phoenix swag prize pack.



myPHX311

MLK Awards Goes Virtual



Everyone is invited to the 35th Annual AZ MLK Awards & Scholarship Celebration to honor Valley residents for their

lifelong commitment to creating a compassionate and socially just community. Recipients of this year's Calvin C. Goode Lifetime Achievement and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Living the Dream awards will be honored during a virtual program on Friday, Jan. 15 at 11 a.m. To watch it then or at a later date, [visit the city's YouTube page](#).

Help Wanted!

The city's election team needs you!

The City Clerk Department is looking for assistance from city employees to work the upcoming March 2021 Runoff Election as ballot scanners, register officials, rovers and ADA assistants. All four of these positions are crucial to elections operations.



This is a unique opportunity to contribute to the successful operation of a city-conducted election, participate in civic engagement, and obtain new skills and training. Sign-up now! Details [here](#).

Human Trafficking Training

Learn about the dynamics of human trafficking, victim identification indicators and risk factors in a new training session:

- ◆ Tuesday, Jan. 12
- ◆ 10 a.m. - noon
- ◆ Register in eCHRIS with course code: HT101
- ◆ City employees will earn 3x diversity points



Job of the Week

Laboratory Technician - Water Services

\$16.84 - \$24.53/hourly

Laboratory Technicians in the Laboratory Services Section of the Environmental Services Division are responsible for monitoring water quality for inorganic and organic constituents in order to maintain regulatory requirements. This position is engaged in the physical, chemical, microbiological, molecular or process-related analyses of water and wastewater samples in accordance with federal and state laboratory requirements and internal quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) policies and procedures. Positions may be at a water production facility, a wastewater treatment plant, or a compliance laboratory. **Requirements:** Three years of standard laboratory tests or instrumental analyses in a public health, crime laboratory, or utility chemical laboratory, including courses in chemistry, bacteriology, or a related field. **Apply by Jan. 11, 2021, 11:59 PM.**

[Check out the latest job openings here.](#)

[Check out the entire job database here.](#)

Did you Know?

Hiring managers are looking for candidates with new and different skillsets in this new year. After reflecting on the ways your work may have changed during the health emergency, take some time to review your resume and update it to include any new skills or experience. Whether these changes were due to teleworking, safety protocols, or another reason, let your resume show that you were able to adapt and remain productive in a changing environment!

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