

## notMYkid Series

The Fit4Phoenix Employee Wellness Program is bringing “notMYkid” to City Hall. notMYkid is a Scottsdale-based organization that has provided kids and families throughout the state with truly lifesaving programs, support, resources and education that help prepare them to face life’s challenges with clarity and confidence.



notMYkid’s presentations are designed to connect with audiences while providing vital information to parents, students and the community to encourage positive life choices.

### Details on the first of a four-part series:

- ◆ Substance Abuse
- ◆ Tuesday, Jan. 28
- ◆ Noon - 1 p.m.
- ◆ City Hall Assembly Rooms

Please feel free to join us to learn more about such an important topic!

Details on the other topics, dates and times will appear in a future edition of the PHXConnect newsletter.

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## Important Classes



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### on Retirement & Social Security

Are you within 3-5 years of retirement from the city of Phoenix? If so, you are strongly encouraged to take a Retirement Masterclass 3-5. The Benefits Office works in conjunction with the city of Phoenix Retirement office, Nationwide Retirement Solutions and the Social Security Administration to help you prepare for the retirement process and beyond. Seats are still available. **Details:**

- ◆ Tuesday, Jan. 28
- ◆ 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
- ◆ Calvin Goode Building, Coronado Room, 10<sup>th</sup> floor

Are you close to retirement and need to know when to file for Social Security? Do you know what a spousal benefit is? Filing for Social Security is one of the most important and complex decisions you will make in your lifetime. Join us at the Social Security Workshop to learn what you need to know. **Details:**

- ◆ Tuesday, Feb. 25
- ◆ 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- ◆ Calvin Goode Building, Coronado Room, 10<sup>th</sup> floor

If interested in either of these classes, [register for one of the upcoming workshops.](#)

## Soon: Legacy Voicemail System Shuts Down

After successfully completing one of the largest IT projects the city has ever experienced, the Network and Telephone Replacement Project is now in the final clean-up phase. The project is scheduled to begin shutting down the old phone system on Jan. 31.

Employees still using the old phone system need to close or migrate old mailboxes before this deadline or risk losing messages. Recently, the project team completed an assessment of old mailboxes retrieved in the last 30 days to learn why the systems are still being used and offered to help those employees.

If you have any questions about this deadline or need further assistance, please send an email to the project team at [telephones@phoenix.gov](mailto:telephones@phoenix.gov).



## Video Contest: Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month

February is Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month. The city of Phoenix is holding a smartphone video contest where participants, ages 14-18, can submit a short video that will raise awareness about dating violence or increase knowledge of healthy relationships. Videos must either demonstrate:

- ◆ How to support a friend who shares that their dating partner is abusive
- ◆ What a healthy relationship looks like
- ◆ Red flags in an abusive or unhealthy relationship
- ◆ How social media and technology contribute to abuse in relationships



The 60-second video must be turned in by Jan. 21. Cash prizes will be handed out at an awards event on Feb. 5. [Check out the rules and fill out the forms today.](#)

## Brown Bag: Why We Serve

Join the Phoenix Hispanic Network for their next Brown Bag lunch event, "Why We Serve" featuring guest panelists: Vice Mayor Betty Guardado, Councilwoman Laura Pastor, Councilman Michael Nowakowski and Councilmember Carlos Garcia. The event will be moderated by Lisa Fernandez, chief of staff to Mayor Kate Gallego. The panel will discuss a variety of topics on serving the public as Hispanic leaders and what drives them to fulfill careers in public service. **Details:**



- ◆ Thursday, Jan. 23
- ◆ Noon - 1 p.m.
- ◆ City Council Chambers
- ◆ Enroll in eCHRIS: **PHNBB**

## Regional Unity Walk

The Phoenix Human Relations Commission and Valley cities invite residents to participate in a free,



Regional Unity Walk to promote mutual respect and understanding. The free festival will take place at Tempe Beach Park and include a one-mile walk over the Mill Ave. bridge. Attendees can enjoy free t-shirts, refreshments and entertainment. **Details:**

- ◆ Saturday, Jan. 25
- ◆ Tempe Beach Park, 80 W. Rio Salado Pkwy.
- ◆ Event starts at 4:30 p.m., walk begins at 6 p.m.

For more information, [visit the Equal Opportunity Department's web page](#) or call 495-5279.

## Available this Spring: Spanish Classes for City Workers

New sessions of Spanish classes will soon be offered to city employees. These courses are designed for students who want to enhance their Spanish reading, speaking, understanding and writing skills. There are also courses that focus on present and past tenses of irregular verbs, perfect tense, continuous tense, commands and subjunctive tense.



Your Employee Development Fund (EDF) may be used to pay for language courses. All courses and details are listed in the [CPU catalog](#). Costs vary depending on the length of class with modules being \$70 and semester classes \$440. If you are interested, please obtain approval from your supervisor, complete the [LEADS Contract](#) and enroll in eCHRIS. For more information, please contact [Susan Caldwell](#) or call 4-1505.

## Job of the Week

**Featured Listing:** Administrative Assistant II, promotional (\$55,203 - \$84,074), vacancies expected throughout the city.

*“Assists the head of a department or a major division/program with day-to-day professional level administrative duties, including the management operating and/or capital budgets; conducting independent research studies; assisting in the development of operational policies and procedures; writing policies, reports and contracts; staffing meetings and training and group presentations with city staff and the public. Some Administrative Assistant II positions supervise the work of other employees. **Requires** professional-level administrative or financial experience and education. Apply by Jan. 21.”*

Each Monday, the city posts jobs available for current employees to consider:

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

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

## Check Out FundPHX

A new, easy-to-use online tool is here to help everyone learn about the city's budget! FundPHX lets you share your priorities about the budget. [The tool is now available to use](#) and will help us gather feedback ahead of the 2020 annual budget process. Please share the link with friends who you think would like to give it a try!



## Leave Donations

The following employee is accepting leave donations. If you'd like to help, use eChris to make your donations.

- ♦ Julissa Sosa, admin aide, Water Services

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

## PHXTV Classroom Minute

Check out a new series on PHXTV, *Classroom Minute*, which provides news on youth and education in Phoenix. This new episode includes a student who scores perfectly on the ACT test. [Watch the new episode now!](#)



## LGBTQ Spring Film Series

The Phoenix LGBTQ Employee Alliance invites everyone to a screening of "Between the Shades: Conversations About How We Define Ourselves." The movie listens to 50 conversations exploring the different shades of being "gay" in America. **Details:**

- ♦ Saturday, Jan. 18
- ♦ 12:30 p.m.
- ♦ Burton Barr Central Library

