

Phoenix.gov • AUG 2021



In Phoenix, the Summer weather and the monsoon don't really end until October. Between now and then, continue to use our Summer Safety resources to stay ahead of potential Summer-related dangers.

Special Newsletter: In both English (y en Español), it provides important safety resources and tips to protect your family and your home before, during and after a monsoon event. You will also find contact information for emergency services (feel free to print, cut out and keep on the fridge year-round). Download it now on Phoenix.gov/Summer.



Summer Safety Website: When you visit **Phoenix.gov/Summer**, you will find relevant information to keep you and your loved ones safe from the hot summer weather.

Social Media: The city's Twitter and Facebook pages (@CityofPhoenixAZ) will keep you updated on the latest weather alerts and information. Also follow @NWSPhoenix for expert advice and timely updates.

Thanks For a Fantastic Season!

The Phoenix Suns have always - and will always be - Phoenix's team. To all the players, and Suns staff, we say thank you for an incredible season. Yes, it did not end the way any of us wanted. But we could not be prouder of the way each of you played with intensity, heart and determination. This year, Phoenix came alive with Suns Fever and we cannot wait for it to start again next season.



#WeArePHX because of the 2021 Western Conference Champion Phoenix Suns!

Phoenix is Built for Drought

City of Phoenix water customers understand the importance of conservation and wise water use – it even increases our resiliency during a water shortage. We have been preparing for shortages on the Colorado River for decades.

As the city continues to plan, invest and conserve to ensure sustainable growth, rest assured we will continue to provide safe, clean and reliable water to our customers without interruptions. For more information: **Phoenix.gov/Drought**.



COVID-19: Remaining Vigilant

The city of Phoenix continues to follow guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Recently, the city adjusted its policies regarding mask usage and requirements to make appointments to visit most city buildings. For the latest, visit **Phoenix.gov/Newsroom**. The city continues to work with local health partners to offer free COVID-19 testing. Visit **Phoenix.gov/COVIDTesting** for details on how to get your test. Residents interested in receiving the vaccine should visit the County or State health web pages: **Maricopa.gov/Coronavirus** or **AZDHS.gov/Coronavirus**.

Extended: Pick-Up Pilot Program

In January, the Public Works Department launched its new Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Home Pick-up pilot, a 6-month program that assists solid waste residential customers with the proper disposal of HHW. The city recently extended this pilot for another six months. To participate:

- 1. Check the accepted HHW materials online or by calling customer service.
- 2. Schedule your appointment starting Aug. 11
- 3. Set out the HHW items by 7 a.m. on the day of collection by your front door or garage, securely sealed in leakproof containers and in a box labeled HHW.

Visit **Phoenix.gov/HHW** to see the list of acceptable materials, to schedule a pick-up and for more information on alternative disposal options for HHW. Customers can also call *602-262-6251* (in English and Spanish). One collection is allowed per household for the duration of the pilot.

One Employer: Many Opportunities

This is a great time to become a member of the city of Phoenix team. Right now, there are career opportunities across the city, including those wanted to be: *Caseworkers, Police Communications Operators (911) and Inspectors*. The city takes great care of its employees through a robust benefits package, including a pension and health care along with highly competitve salaries. Take the first step in making the move to work with us by visiting **Phoenix.gov/Jobs**. *Scan Now* --->



WHH

WHH



Getting Schooled by a Cloud (and Wayne Drop)

Water conservation education can be fun as school starts up for the fall. The city of Phoenix Water Cloud page offers water conservation resources for all ages including activity books, games and lesson plans to keep the kids learning at home, even if they have returned to the classroom.

Adults can also benefit from these important resources on how to repair common household leaks and information about landscape watering.

There's some fun for everyone: **Phoenix.gov/WaterCloud.**

Join the Conversation



Phoenix City Council

Mayor Kate Gallego602-262-7111
mayor.gallego@phoenix.gov
Vice Mayor Carlos Garcia, District 8602-262-7493
council.district.8@phoenix.gov
Ann O'Brien, District 1602-262-7444
council.district.1@phoenix.gov
Jim Waring, District 2602-262-7445
council.district.2@phoenix.gov
Debra Stark, District 3602-262-7441
council.district.3@phoenix.gov
Laura Pastor, District 4602-262-7447
council.district.4@phoenix.gov
Betty Guardado, District 5602-262-7446
council.district.5@phoenix.gov
Sal DiCiccio, District 6602-262-7491
council.district.6@phoenix.gov
Yassamin Ansari, District 7602-262-7492
council.district.7@phoenix.gov

Published by the city of Phoenix Communications Office 200 W. Washington St., Phoenix, AZ 85003 602-262-7176 • 7-1-1 Friendly



Back-to-School Essentials

Phoenix Public Library supports student success from pre-school through high school and beyond. In addition to notebooks, pencils and a new backpack... make sure everyone has a Phoenix Public Library card.

A FREE library card gives students access to books, research databases, academic practice tests, articles, music and movies, tutorials, homework help and quiet places to study. Attend virtual STE/AM classes like 3D Modeling, video game design with Twine or Art Through Digital Media presented by MACH1.



Visit any library location or **phoenixpubliclibrary.org** to get your free library card.

Pedestrian Safety for Children



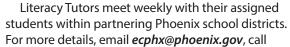
With school back in session, here's a great way to make learning about pedestrian safety fun for children. Download the free Pedestrian Safety Activity Book (in English or Spanish) at **Phoenix.gov/HeadsUp**.

For adults, as you drive around Phoenix, use extra caution and be on the lookout for children on wheels or feet -- walking or riding bicycles, scooters, rollerblades, etc. – to and from school.

Please be sure to take particular care when driving in the vicinity of school zones, especially during pick-up and drop-off times, and make sure the students in your life are ready to get back to school safely!

Join the Experience Corps

If you enjoy working and inspiring our youth, then this opportunity is for you! In partnership with the AARP Foundation, the city of Phoenix is recruiting volunteers 50 years and older to support a tutoring program designed to improve elementary school students reading skills.



602-256-4388, or visit Phoenix.gov/Education/Experience.



Enhancing the Rider Experience

The new Valley Metro app is here and already helping riders navigate their way across Phoenix and the Valley by allowing them to track their bus and light rail in real time. Riders can plan trips, save favorite stops and see rider alerts all in one place. Get it now for Apple and Android devices.



Helping You Get Back on Track



The COVID-19 global pandemic has affected just about everybody, in countless ways. In March 2020, the Phoenix City Council voted to suspend disconnections of residential water customers due to nonpayment and stopped charging customers late fees if they were behind.

Before the temporary measure to suspend shutoffs expires, we encourage customers to take advantage of available payment

plan options and assistance programs. The city wants to help customers get back on track to avoid any future issues. Visit **Phoenix.gov/resources** for more information.