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Calendar

JAN 20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day*
City offices closed

**FEB 7/8 Household Hazardous
Waste & Electronics
Collection**
*Paradise Valley Park
7 a.m. - noon
Phoenix.gov/PublicWorks*

**FEB 13 Sister Cities Concert:
Calgary Fiddlers**
*Steele Indian School Park
Memorial Hall
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
PhoenixSisterCities.org*

FEB 15 I Recycle PHX
*Happy Valley Towne Ctr.
7 a.m. - noon
KeepPHXBeautiful.org*

FEB 17 Presidents Day*
City offices closed

**Garbage & recycling services are not
affected on these days*

City Calendar at Phoenix.gov/Calendar



**TEXT
WHENTOWATER
TO 33222**

**AND SIGN UP FOR FREE
MONTHLY WATERING
REMINDERS.**

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2019: Record Street Paving Season



Phoenix's 2019 street paving season will go on record as the biggest ever with more than 250 miles of newly paved streets. With the Council-approved \$200 million financing of Transportation 2050 street program revenues, the city completed:

- 195 local street miles paved
- 60 arterial and major street miles paved
- 5,650 new wheelchair accessible sidewalk ramps installed
- 120 local street miles and 35 arterial and major street miles received a pavement preservation treatment, such as fog seal or crack seal

This year's season required approximately 75,000 worker hours and over 500,000 tons of asphalt material. To see the 2020 schedule: Phoenix.gov/Streets/PavementProgram.

Check Out New Water Smart Website

City of Phoenix Water Services has launched a new website to help customers stay informed about water and wastewater construction projects around the city. Through a series of informational tabs and an interactive map, visitors to the site can search for a project by address or intersection; and read how their investments (water rate funds) are being used to develop the five-year Capital Improvement Program (CIP). Check it out: Phoenix.gov/WaterWorks.



'Tis the Season for Free Tax Help

The city of Phoenix Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program opens for the season on Tuesday, Jan. 28. There are three ways we can help many residents file taxes and save hundreds of dollars in paid preparer fees. Residents can do it online from home, visit one of our facilities where a volunteer can guide you through the online process or make an appointment for a certified preparer to do your taxes for you.

Learn more about income-eligibility requirements at Phoenix.gov/EITC.



Make the Switch Today

Burning wood in a fireplace or fire pit may be great on a cold winter night, but during No Burn Days it can mean possible fines and health risks to residents. See if you qualify for a free fireplace retrofit kit from the Maricopa County Air Quality Department. Call **602-372-WOOD (9663)**.

Event Planning

If you are interested in organizing a neighborhood event, but are unsure of how to begin, the city of Phoenix offers a workshop to cover the basics on how to plan events. You will also learn how to make sure your volunteers have fun too (and want to volunteer again).

The next class is on Tuesday, Feb. 4, 6 - 7 p.m., at the Neighborhood Services Department West Facility, 3325 W. Flower St. To sign up, call **602-534-4444**.

Connect with Us!

The city of Phoenix social media channels are on 24/7! When you check out the city's YouTube channel, **CityofPhoenixAZ**, you can watch all of our Council meetings, City Updates as well as the latest Cool in Your ZIP and Phoenix Pets episodes. We hope you will subscribe or follow all our account!



Still Time to Make Your Voice Heard



Throughout the month of January, the Public Works Department is asking for Phoenix residents to give feedback on proposed rate changes to the city's trash and recycling services. For ten years, the monthly rate has remained unchanged at \$26.80.

You can provide your input about the proposed rates at several public meetings, which are listed online at Phoenix.gov/TrashandRecycle. At the meetings, you will hear from city leadership about all the services offered to residents, the current challenges the city faces and the options on how to go forward.

If you cannot make it to a scheduled meeting, you can still participate:

Survey: Phoenix.gov/TrashandRecycle

Email: TrashandRecycle@Phoenix.gov

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- Cox Cable 11
- CenturyLink 8005
- Streaming on Phoenix.gov/PHXTV

Keeping Tabs on Light Rail Progress

Construction has begun on the South Central Extension/ Downtown Hub light rail project. Get the latest news & updates:

- Download the project app, *Construct VM* (coming soon)
- Visit the project site: Valleymetro.org/SouthCentral
- Social: Facebook.com/valleymetroconstruction
- Sign up for weekly construction updates by emailing: jcruz@valleymetro.org



Recruiting & Training: PHX Can Help



Small business owners must do it all: Accounting, sales, marketing and human resources. The Phoenix Business and Workforce Development Center can be your one-stop for HR assistance. The city provides a scalable recruiting approach to help ease the burden of job posting and recruiting events.

The team at *Arizona@Work/Phoenix* helps employers of all sizes build a reliable, well-trained workforce as well as putting together a business-targeted job fair to attract greater interest among job seekers. The city also partners with eligible training providers to tailor training and retention programs.

Contact the Business and Workforce Development Center at 602-256-3147 or ArizonaAtWork.com/Phoenix.

Wanted: World Travelers to Teach

Do you know someone who would enjoy teaching English abroad? Phoenix Sister Cities partners with the Himeji Board of Education to send Phoenix residents to Himeji, Japan to teach English for up to two years. Participants receive airfare, subsidized housing, benefits, and a competitive salary from the Himeji Board of Education.



Phoenix Sister Cities is currently accepting applications for August 2020 departures. Applicants must be Phoenix residents and possess a four-year degree (any major). No teaching certificate is required. Applications close Feb. 21.

More details and an application are at PhoenixSisterCities.org/teach-abroad.

Free Music with Your Library Card

Freegal is a music download and streaming service with access to more than 16 million songs, including Sony Music's catalog of legendary artists. In total, the collection is comprised of music from 40,000+ labels with music that originates in over 100 countries. Each Phoenix Public Library card holder may download up to 5 songs per week in addition to streaming music up to 3 hours per day. Downloaded files do not expire. Go to PhoenixPublicLibrary.org to get started.

Rock Your Maple Leaf

Everyone is invited to the 68th Annual Great Canadian Picnic on Feb. 1, 2020 at the activity complex at South Mountain Park. This free family event features food trucks, live music, games and snow (yes, really). The fun starts at 10 a.m. Get more information at CanadianPicnic.com.

