

PHX CONNECT

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ANNUAL PURPLE SALE

It's never too early to start showing support for the Paint Phoenix Purple campaign. In October, the Human Services Department will ask employees to wear purple on Fridays.



Now through Aug. 31, promotional merchandise is available for purchase including polo shirts, caps and totes. Proceeds benefit the campaign through the Arizona Coalition to End Sexual and Domestic Violence.

[Order your items now](#) to get your purple in time for October, and to join the city in bringing awareness about domestic violence.

PHOENIX PETS

According to a recent survey, Phoenix is one of the top five most dog-friendly locations in the U.S. From breakfast to the ballpark, there are so many different ways to get that tail wagging. If you are feeling overwhelmed by the choices, [check out what PHXTV saw](#) as they toured the city for some of Phoenix's best pet-friendly locations.



EMERGING LEADERS



CONGRATULATIONS ON GRADUATING

The city of Phoenix's Emerging Leader course just graduated its sixth class on Aug. 1. 31 employees representing 14 different departments made up the class.

The Emerging Leader Program is designed to assist in the development of leadership skills for individual contributors who may want to become leaders or want to sharpen their leadership skills.

Aviation: Melissa Ibarra, Jason Montensen

Finance: Cristina Hernandez, Kara Kahue-Hanzawa

Fire: Dorothy Booth

Housing: Anthony Rice

Human Services: Karen Walters, Neva Smith

Law: Bernadette Miranda

Municipal Court: Jorge Espinoza, Nathan Maack, ShaVonda Byrd, Cindy Costello, Veronica Velasquez

Neighborhood Services: Brandy Ryan

Parks and Recreation: Guadalupe Gomez

Police: Richard Bond, Michael Yoho, Sarah Finch, Jacob Thompson, Jennifer Cunningham

Public Transit: Angel Borrego

Public Works: Larry Gregory

Street Transportation: Brandon Marcum

Water Services: Melanie Bynoe-Torzala, Travis Alder, Wendy Eikenberry, Matthew Cannon, Dean Blumears, Robert Ayala, Chadwick Graham

PHOENIX @WORK WEDNESDAYS

Yolanda Martinez

Housing Manager
Housing



Yolanda joined the city in 1996 in NSD as an eligibility processor in the Lead Hazard Control Program.

In her spare time, Yolanda enjoys reading, traveling and hanging out with her family and two dogs.

She spent 16 years with NSD before moving to Housing as a manager in 2012.



Yolanda oversees programs including Affordable Rental Housing and Open Doors / Down Payment Assistance.

Fast Facts

Special moment in my career: *"...when I received the City Manager's Excellence award. I felt honored since I was simply doing my job to make Phoenix better."*

- ◆ Favorite movie series: **Star Trek (all of them)**
- ◆ Dream vacation: **Tour Spain**
- ◆ Best place for dessert: **Durant's (Strawberry Shortcake)**
- ◆ Favorite Phoenix park: **Papago Park for the fond memories of Easter in the park and climbing to Hole in the Rock**

She's also the unofficial department chauffeur for dignitaries and others wishing to tour Housing communities.

Check out all of the profiles on our amazing city employees by clicking on [this link](#).

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JOB OF THE WEEK

Featured Listing: **Procurement Job Fair for Buyer** (\$44,678 - \$66,518), **Senior Buyer** (\$46,758 - \$69,950), **Contracts Specialist I** (\$42,515 - \$63,315), and **Procurement Officer/Contracts Specialist II** (\$54,392 - \$81,245).

The City of Phoenix has several procurement job openings available citywide. The mostly highly qualified candidates based on a review of their resumes will be contacted via email/phone to be scheduled for an interview in early September. Buyer positions require broad procurement/purchasing experience plus related college degree; Contract Specialist positions require governmental contract or contract administration experience plus related degree. Apply by Aug. 20.

Each Monday, the city posts jobs available for current employees to consider. [Here's the link](#) to the most recent job opportunities.

LEAVE DONATIONS

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

- ◆ Leo Lopez, engineering tech, Street Transportation
- ◆ Jim Reith, support services aide, Street Transportation

#CITYHALLSELFIE DAY

Today, Aug. 15, is the national #CityHallSelfie Day. #PHX employees did their part and took lots of photos. Here are just some of them.

