

PHX CONNECT

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Light Rail Meetings

As part of the light rail project, construction activities are expected to begin next month. Before that happens, a series of public meetings have been set to go over the final design. Information will be provided about construction, environment and historic resources and community programs. All materials will be also be available in Spanish. There will also be translation services at all meetings, which are all scheduled to last 90 minutes:

South Mountain Community Center
212 E. Alta Vista Rd.

Saturday, Sept. 21, 9 a.m. (Spanish)

Saturday, Sept. 21, 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 24, 6 p.m.

George Washington Carver Museum and Cultural Center
415 E. Grant St.

Wednesday, Sept. 25, 6 p.m.

Courtyard by Marriott Phoenix Downtown
132 S. Central Ave., 3rd floor

Thursday, Sept. 26, 2 p.m.



E-Scooters



Now in Downtown Area

Looking for a new way to get around downtown Phoenix? The city has launched a six-month shared electric scooter (e-scooter) pilot program. It will allow three e-scooter companies to operate within a specific boundary downtown. Key guidelines include:

- ◆ Scooters must be parked in designated locations, marked by white posts with yellow reflective scooter icons. There are over 400 of these locations within the [program boundary](#).
- ◆ No sidewalk riding – e-scooters must be operated on the street or in a bike lane.
- ◆ Scooters are only permitted within the program boundaries and outside of no-ride zones. A map is available on each company's app and phoenix.gov/scooters.
- ◆ Riders must be at least 18 years of age and possess a valid driver's license.
- ◆ Scooters have a maximum speed of 15 miles per hour.
- ◆ Helmets are encouraged.

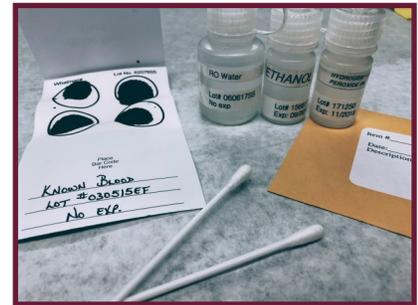
For more information about the e-scooter pilot program, including a complete list of rider rules, vendor information, safety tips and more, visit phoenix.gov/scooters.

National Forensics Week

This is National Forensic Science Week, being recognized September 15 - 21. It celebrates the important role that forensic science plays in the investigation of crimes throughout the nation, from exonerating the innocent to identifying the guilty. This article and the pictures below are to help recognize the forensic science professionals that work at the Phoenix Police Department's Laboratory Services Bureau (LSB) for the hard work and tireless dedication to serving our community. The LSB is a full-service forensic laboratory accredited by the ANSI National Accreditation Board to international technical and managerial standards, its mission is:



“To provide the highest quality forensic science services with integrity, innovation, and impartiality to our community.”



Job of the Week

Featured Job: Forensic Scientist II - \$22.81 - \$34.80/hour, Police Department: Forensic scientists apply the physical sciences to the investigation of crimes by performing laboratory analyses on physical evidence collected from crime scenes. Incumbents work in various forensic disciplines. All levels require a bachelor's degree in a natural science, criminalistics or a closely related field and crime laboratory analysis experience in a forensic discipline. Forensic Disciplines include Controlled Substances, Evidence Processing, Forensic Biology, Latent Print Comparison, Toxicology, Trace Evidence/Arson, and Fire Arms Examination. Police Department polygraph and background standards for non-sworn positions apply. Apply by October 14.

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

Blood Drive Needs More Volunteers

Blood drives help save lives. Your help is needed to make sure those who need blood, have it available!

Meet Jackson, a middle school student, who has required six blood transfusions since he was diagnosed with Severe Aplastic Anemia last summer. At the time of his diagnosis, only 10% of his bone marrow was producing the stem cells needed for his body to make red cells, white cells and platelets. "Our family is so grateful to blood donors ... my son is living proof that they save lives." - Jackson's mom, Julia.



The next City Hall blood drive is just around the corner **Details:**

- ◆ Thursday & Friday, Sept. 26 & 27
- ◆ 8 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- ◆ City Hall Assembly Rooms
- ◆ Make an appointment at Bloodhero.com and use the Sponsor code: **phxgov**

Copper Anvil Award

The Transportation 2050 team received a Public Relations Society of America Award of Merit at the 2019 Copper Anvil Awards for the [Transportation 2050 Progress Report](#) Fiscal Year 2018.

The T2050 progress report highlights progress made in three categories - street maintenance and improvements, bus and Dial-a-Ride and high capacity transit and includes a financial summary on program sales tax revenues. This report is aimed at ensuring transparency and accountability in the delivery of T2050 programs and projects.

Planned progress and goals for T2050 programs and projects are also highlighted in the report. Congratulations to all!



Catch Up on #PHX

Have you seen the Giving Meters out around town? The Giving Meters are repurposed parking meters, decorated by local



artists. They have been placed on sidewalks in areas with high foot traffic in downtown Phoenix, allowing people to give money that will help make sustainable change to those experiencing homelessness through supported services.

The Giving Meters will accept both change and credit cards. Funds donated to help the homeless will be administered by PHX C.A.R.E.S. PHX TV went to [see how they work](#). #publicart #homelessness #DTPHX

Leave Donations

The following employee is accepting leave donations. If you'd like to help, donate through eCHRIS:

- ◆ Tania Fernandez, legal clerk II, Municipal Court

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PHXRespect

In our continued special series about the city's internal PHXRespect campaign, it's important for everyone to know that all supervisors and HR professionals will have access to additional resources and tools to hold discussions with their employees and teams about the program, as well as what respect and inclusion mean altogether.

The resources are available through a training portal called TrainingFlow. It has videos, worksheets, discussion cards, case studies and other activities on the topics of respect, inclusion and other general leadership topics. For those with access, an email will be sent with instructions on how to access the site. In addition, the Organizational Development (OD) team in HR will soon host open lab sessions for leaders to learn how to use these resources. Look for another article soon for details on how to sign up.

More information about the PHXRespect campaign will be in next week's PHXConnect newsletter. You can also [read about the program on this InsidePHX web page](#).



Sunday Hours

The Phoenix Public Library is pleased to announce it is adding Sunday hours to four locations. Beginning this Sunday, Sept. 22, the following locations will be open from 1 - 5 p.m. on Sundays:

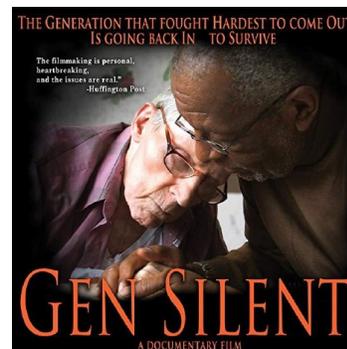


- ◆ [Acacia Library](#)
- ◆ [Agave Library](#)
- ◆ [Desert Broom Library](#)
- ◆ [Desert Sage Library](#)

After this weekend, all [17 Phoenix Public Library locations](#) will now be open on Sundays to serve residents. Plan your Sunday Funday at Phoenix Public Library!

Film Screening

Everyone is invited to a film screening of "Gen Silent." The movie is about the generation that fought hardest to come out of the closet is going back in to survive. The critically-acclaimed documentary asks six LGBT seniors if they will hide their friends, their spouses—their entire lives in order to survive. **Details:**



- ◆ Wednesday, Sept. 18
- ◆ 6:30 p.m.
- ◆ Burton Barr Central Library
- ◆ Sign up with eCHRIS: **GAYFILM, Session #5**

New Parking Program at Sky Harbor Airport

America's Friendliest Airport® is offering travelers a money-saving and convenient on-airport parking option: Sky Harbor Discount Parking. Parking reservations for the terminal parking garages and the East Economy Lot can be made up to six months in advance. Discounts may vary depending upon demand and availability.

Travelers who act fast can take advantage of even more savings when they book and park by Sept. 30. Create an account and enter the promo code **PARKPHX** to park in the convenient and close terminal parking garages for only \$15 a day, or at East Economy for only \$7 a day.

Visit skyharbor.com/parking to make a reservation.