



Volunteers Impacting Community



Volunteer Phoenix Newsletter

February 2019

Hello Volunteer Community! This month we would like to highlight the American Meteorological Society who were in town in January. Volunteers from AMS along with Citizen Foresters planted 30 trees at Steele Indian School Park. Thank you for volunteering.

City of Phoenix and The American Meteorological Society: Highlight

The City's Volunteer Phoenix Office joined the American Meteorological Society (AMS) and Keep Phoenix Beautiful to plant 30 trees at Steele Indian School Park. With funds from Verizon Green, AMS and Phoenix Parks and Recreation Department, a variety of trees were planted around the Park's "Circle of Life" to support the City's Tree and Shade Master Plan goal of 25 percent shade canopy by 2030, as well the City's HeatReady initiative to mitigate the Urban Heat Island. Volunteers from AMS and the City's Citizen Forester Program assisted the Phoenix Parks and Recreation Department in the proper planting of these trees.



City of Phoenix Citizen Forester Program: Highlights and Opportunity

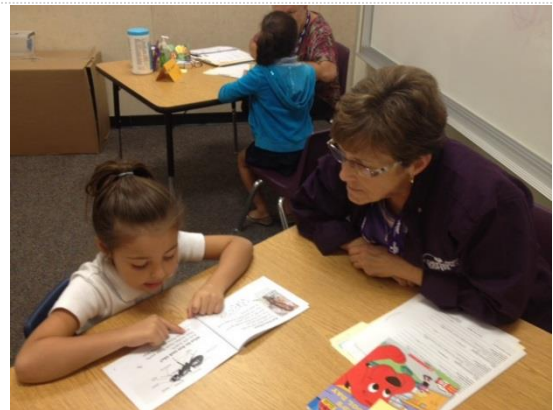


Eleven volunteers joined the City's arborist Richard Adkins for the Citizen Forester Level One Training at Maryvale Community Center Saturday January 26th. The class included an hour classroom style presentation through the benefits, biology, and care of trees. It concluded with a hands-on tree planting where volunteers got their hands dirty and learned how to properly plant a tree.

For further information contact Michelle Litwin at Michelle.Litwin@phoenix.gov

Youth and Education: AmeriCorps Opportunities

The city of Phoenix Youth & Education Office is recruiting part-time AmeriCorps members to serve with the Read-on Phoenix Program, College Depot and After School Literacy. For more information, contact Yvonne.pastor@phoenix.gov or call 602-256-4388.



City of Phoenix: Experience Corps Opportunities

- [Read on Phoenix](#)
 - [College Depot](#)
 - [After School Literacy](#)
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Aviation Department: Opportunities

Be a bright spot in someone's day! Sky Harbor Navigators are a group of friendly volunteers whose mission is to make our guests' experience at Sky Harbor Airport faster, easier and more enjoyable. Navigator volunteers serve all over the Airport by providing directions, information and friendly assistance. They also serve as a welcoming presence to over 100,000 passengers each day. Navigators enjoy a sense of community, camaraderie and have a lot of fun in an exciting environment.



Requirements include:

- Great communications skills
- Year-round resident of Arizona
- Able to commit to one, four-hour shift per week
- Stamina to complete four hours of service with one 20-minute break
- Able to pass an FBI screening and qualify for an Airport security badge

Training class dates below are to help with your planning:

- Navigator Buddies class - March 4
- Navigator class - March 27

For more information contact Rachel Brannan at rachel.brannan@phoenix.gov or 602.683.3805

City of Phoenix: AmeriCorps VISTA Highlights

This month's AmeriCorps VISTA highlight goes to Ashley Henderson, who assisted with this year's Love Your Block Mini Grants. This cycle of Love Your Block provided \$1,000 to neighborhoods to revitalize a space in their community. The next cycle of LYB will provide grants of up to \$5,000 and workshops to neighborhoods to revitalize and increase leadership in their community. Funding provided by the Phoenix IDA.



Association – Number Curbs & Message Boards

The 5 Awardees of the 2019 LYB mini-grant:

- Central Park Neighborhood Association – Agriscaping
- D27 Business Alliance – Cleanups “Monday Makeovers”
- Grant Park Community Garden – Street Murals
- McKinley Block Watch – Cleanups
- Norton Vista Neighborhood

Apply for the chance to increase leadership in your neighborhood and implement a sustainable project where you live.

Apply online: <http://www.awardalley.com/loveyourblock/2019/grant>

For more information on the next LYB opportunity contact Ashley Henderson at Ashley.Henderson@phoenix.gov
