



February 07, 2020

CITY EVENTS

UPCOMING PUBLIC CITY MEETINGS

- City Council Policy Session – 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 11, City Council Chambers, 200 W. Jefferson St.
- Rio Vista Village Planning Committee – 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 11, Goelet A.C. Beuf Community Center, 3435 W. Pinnacle Peak Rd.
- City Council Public Safety and Justice Subcommittee – 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 12, Phoenix City Hall, 200 W. Washington St., Assembly Room A, B, & C.
- Zoning Adjustment Hearing – 9:00 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 13, Phoenix City Hall, 200 W. Washington St, Assembly Room C.

For more information on these and all other public City meetings visit:

<https://www.phoenix.gov/cityclerk/publicmeetings/notices>.

City Council meetings are live on Cox Cable Channel 11 and streamed live on www.phoenix.gov and [facebook.com/cityofphoenix](https://www.facebook.com/cityofphoenix). Past City Council meetings are posted to YouTube at <http://www.youtube.com/cityofphoenixaz>.

DISTRICT 1 EVENTS:

DISTRICT 1 COMMUNITY BREAKFAST



update.

The next breakfast is Friday, Feb. 28, at the DoubleTree Hotel Phoenix North, 10220 N. Metro Pkwy E., Phoenix, AZ 85051. Breakfast will be at 7:30 a.m. and the guest speaker will start 7:45 a.m. This month's guest speaker will be Government Relations Director Franck McCune, along with Yesenia Dhott and Clark Princell for a legislative

CITY NEWS & EVENTS:

25TH AVENUE TRACK ALIGNMENT- ROSE MOFFORD SPORTS COMPLEX, SUN CIRCLE AND ARIZONA CANAL



During final design, the alignment of the Northwest Extension Phase II track location was shifted east on 25th Avenue at the Rose Mofford Sports Complex resulting in a decision to remove the proposed park-and-ride (shared parking) within the park’s main parking lot. Removing the park-and-ride lot results in keeping the landscaped areas around the main parking lot in their present condition.

In addition, during final design it was determined that new, standalone light rail bridges over the Arizona Canal Diversion Channel (ACDC) and the Arizona Canal would be constructed to the east, impacting the Sun Circle and Arizona Canal trails.

These project changes result in impacts to Rose Mofford Sports Complex and the Sun Circle and Arizona Canal trails, all of which are protected by Section 4(f) of the US Department of Transportation Act of 1966.

DETAILED IMPACTS FROM PROJECT CHANGES

Rose Mofford

- Rose Mofford Sports Complex
- The light rail track alignment would be shifted approximately 10 feet to the east from the ACDC to Mountain View Road.
- The landscaping fronting 25th Avenue and adjacent to the softball fields would remain in its present condition.
- The project would acquire approximately 0.5 acres of landscaping area adjacent to 25th Avenue from the dog park parking lot and Mountain View Road. This is an increase of 0.28 acres from the previous design.
- Shifting the light rail track alignment east impacts an area of the dog park adjacent to the parking lot reducing the overall size of the dog park by 0.9 acres. The project would convert 0.9 acres of non-recreational area south and east of the existing dog park boundary to the dog park to compensate for the loss, restoring the dog park to its current size.

Sun Circle and Arizona Canal

- Twenty-one feet of the east side of each bridge will be removed and a new, standalone, 32-foot-wide light rail bridge will be

Rose Mofford Sports Complex

Since land from Rose Mofford Sports Complex would be converted for transportation use, there would be a direct use of this recreational property under Section 4(f). Shifting the light rail track alignment north of the dog park does not impact recreational amenities. Shifting the alignment on 25th Avenue adjacent to the dog park would directly impact 0.9 acres of the park. However, this loss would be replaced by adding 0.9 acres of non-recreational land (graveled area) back into the dog park resulting in no change to the size and function of the amenity. Therefore, the impact on the Rose Mofford Sports Complex would be “*de minimis*,” or minor.

Sun Circle and Arizona Canal

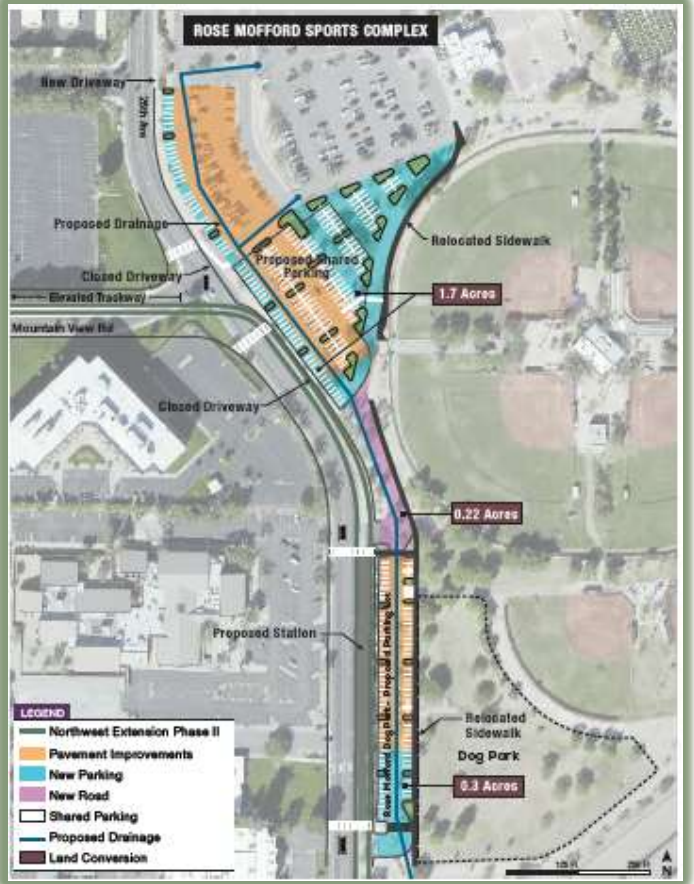
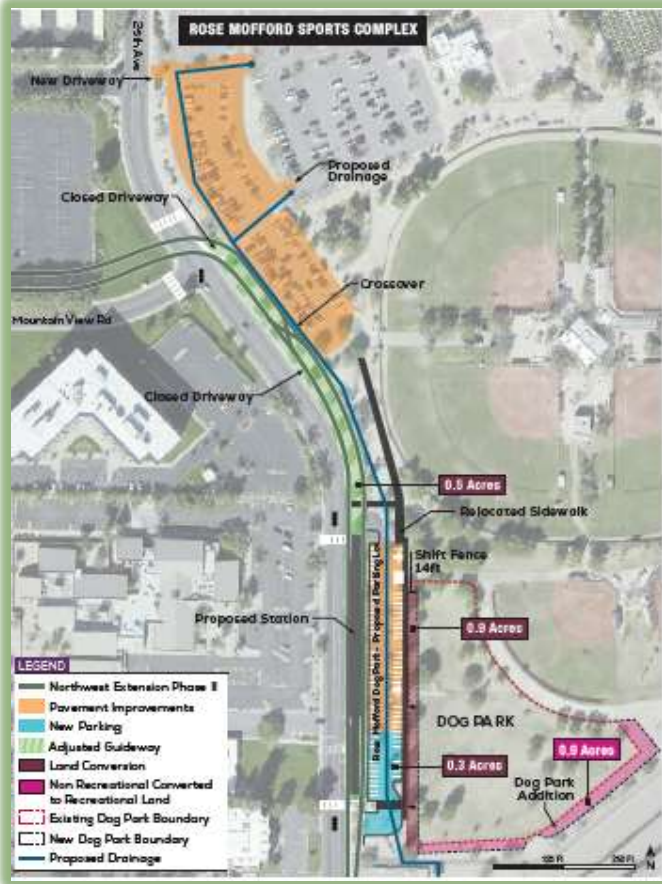
Since land from the trails would be converted into a transportation use, there would be a direct use of the trails under Section 4(f). After construction, the trails would be on the same, ground level alignment as they are today and would continue to function as they currently do; the only difference is that each trail would be negligibly shorter. Therefore, the use would be considered “*de minimis*,” or minor.

constructed. Approximately 11 linear feet of the trails on the banks of the ACDC and Arizona Canal would be converted to a transportation project. This is a decrease of 32 linear feet from the previous design.

A section 4(f) *de minimis* finding requires the public to have an opportunity to review and comment. To make comments, see reverse side.

Proposed Environmental Assessment Design

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WE WANT YOUR FEEDBACK

To submit comments, please mail to Michael Book, 101, N. 1st Ave. Suite 1400, Phoenix AZ 85003 or e-mail him at mbook@valleymetro.org

For more information please visit <https://www.valleymetro.org/project/northwest-phase-ii-extension>.

FAREWELL TO SKY HARBOR'S TERMINAL 2



Coze remains today. The mural will be removed from the Terminal and relocated to the Rental Car Center in 2021.

To watch the farewell event, please click on the link below:



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qtVACqJuMqw&feature=youtu.be>

I-17 IMPROVEMENTS BETWEEN ANTHEM WAY AND BLACK CANYON CITY

ADOT is planning to add third lanes in both directions on I-17 along the 15 miles between Anthem Way and Black Canyon City. The project will also improve traffic capacity along the eight-mile stretch south of Sunset Point Rest Area, by constructing an innovative system of flex lanes, a separate two-lane facility between Black Canyon City and Sunset Point. In addition to the I-17 general purpose lanes in that area, the two flex lanes will be available for drivers to use depending on traffic demand. Gate systems will be installed to allow only one direction of

traffic to use the flex lanes at a certain time. For example, the flex lanes will be available for heavier northbound traffic on a Friday or made available for busy southbound traffic on a Sunday. ADOT is preparing to construct the improvements using the design-build delivery method. Work will

include receiving proposals from joint ventures of design and construction contractors.

Construction is scheduled to begin in spring 2021 and is anticipated to be completed in 2023.

ADOT Project Area

- 1 additional travel lane on I-17 both directions between Anthem Way and Black Canyon City
- “Flex lanes” Black Canyon City and Sunset Point
- Construction scheduled to begin in Spring 2021 and last about 3 years

Flex Lanes System (2 side-by-side lanes) to be added between Black Canyon City and Sunset Point (8 miles)

SUNSET POINT MP 252
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SB I-17
NB I-17
BLACK CANYON CITY
MP 244

ADOT

WAYS TO STAY INFORMED

- ADOT Project Information Line **855.712.8530**
- Visit azdot.gov/contact | select **Projects** from the drop-down menu
- ADOT Communications, 1655 W. Jackson Street, MD 126F Phoenix, AZ 85007
- Web: azdot.gov/Projects – select **Northwest District**

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CLEAN UP GRAFFITI WITH FREE HELP

February is Graffiti Free Phoenix Awareness Month. In 2019, the city spent over \$4 million to remove graffiti which damages property, lowers property values and hurts the environment from using aerosol paint cans. Also, if graffiti isn't removed quickly and is allowed to "hang" on a location, it attracts more graffiti. No one

deserves to be a victim of graffiti. The city offers residents free paint to remove graffiti from their neighborhood. Help us in spreading the word about how the city can help stop this problem by becoming a Graffiti Buster! Learn more about the programs to keep graffiti free at



<https://www.phoenix.gov/Graffiti>.

TURN YOUR SPRING CLEANING GREEN

In Phoenix, spring cleaning often starts in February, so this is a great time to help you get rid of your unwanted items! But wait, don't throw them away – help us recycle them at the next I Recycle Phoenix event. The just-added event is happening Saturday, February 15, 7 a.m. – noon at the Happy Valley Towne Center, **2501 W. Happy Valley Road**. Among the items being recycled: computers, cell phones and other electronics; books, office and school supplies; housewares, rechargeable batteries and more! For a full list of items visit <https://www.keepphxbeautiful.org/i-recycle-phoenix/>.



Items Accepted:

- Hard drives
- Laptops
- Computer towers
- Printer
- Cell phones
- Flat TV's
- Monitors & other electronics

Items NOT Accepted:

- CRT monitors and CRT televisions cannot be recycled here.
- Single-use batteries and light bulbs
- Prescription drugs
- Hazardous waste like oil, paint, chemicals, etc.



For more information please visit <https://keepphxbeautiful.org/i-recycle-phoenix/>.

Grand Celebration



Saturday, February 15

10 a.m. - Noon

10 a.m. Kick-Off Celebration at Central Avenue & the Grand Canal

10:30 a.m. - Noon: Festivities along the Grand Canal between 9th Avenue & 7th Street

Free event to the public!

Come celebrate the city's newest and grandest amenity. The Grand Canalscape is a 12-mile continuous multiuse trail system connecting neighborhoods, schools and businesses.

Join us at 10 a.m. just east of Central for the kick off and meander up and down the canal between 9th Avenue and 7th Street. All ages and abilities welcome!

How to Access the Event:



Walk just north of Minnezona Ave. at Central Ave., north or south of Campbell Ave. at 7th Ave. or just south of Minnezona Ave. at 7th St.



Pedal along the Grand Canal to Central

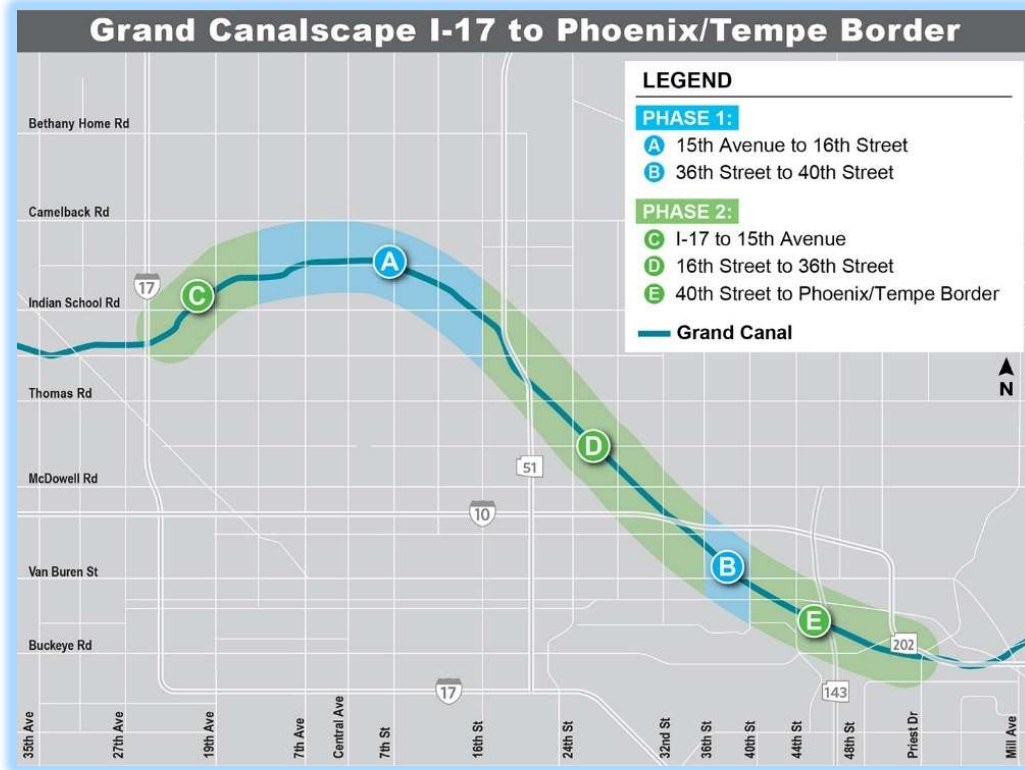


Take Light Rail to the Campbell Ave. station and walk north to the Grand Canalscape



Park north of the canal at Brophy College Preparatory Academy or south of the canal at Central High School

For more information visit <https://www.phoenix.gov/streets/grandcanalscape>



CHOLLA CLOSING NOTICE



Cholla Library (10050 Metro Parkway) is getting upgrades! Beginning **Sunday, Feb. 16** Cholla will close in order for the library to: replace carpet, resurface concrete floors, install charging stations and new light fixtures, paint and rearrange desks and computers. Cholla Library will **reopen on Sunday, Feb. 23**, and during the time of closure, Cholla Library's book drop will be available for customers returning checked out materials.

Holds requested for pick up at Cholla Library during its closure will have an extended expiration date and will be available for pick up when Cholla Library reopens. For Library customer's convenience, they may select an alternate holds pick up location at a nearby Phoenix Public Library such as Acacia, Juniper or Yucca Libraries. Visit phoenixpubliclibrary.org for locations and hours information and 24/7 access to online library resources.

DON'T GIVE TO INDIVIDUALS, GIVE TO SHELTERS

To end panhandling, we must stop giving directly to individuals that panhandle.

Phoenix is full of compassionate and charitable citizens. They want to help those in need. However, giving money to people panhandling doesn't fix problems. To truly help those in need, stop giving money to panhandlers and instead support organizations and services that provide long-lasting care.

- Central Arizona Shelter Services
- Andre House
- Salvation Army
- St. Joseph the Worker
- UMOM New Day Centers
- The Phoenix Rescue Mission
- St. Mary's Food Bank



For more organizations and information on housing or other services, please visit the Homeless Shelter Directory webpage at: [Homeless Shelter Directory](https://www.homelesshelterdirectory.org/cgi-bin/id/city.cgi?city=Phoenix&state=AZ).

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PHOENIX INTERACTIVE STREET CLOSURE & RESTRICTIONS MAP – UPDATED FEBRUARY 07.

To view a listing of current or planned street restrictions
please visit this link:

<https://www.phoenix.gov/streets/street-closures>.

The dashboard is a multi-agency effort to keep residents informed of street closures and restrictions due to planned construction activities or utility work, as well as unexpected events such as flooding, traffic collisions, fires, utility failures or other emergencies. For street closure alerts, follow the Phoenix Street Transportation Department on Twitter at [@StreetsPHX](https://twitter.com/StreetsPHX).



CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

Economic Development & Education

On Jan. 9, Community and Economic Development staff conducted a pre-proposal meeting for the Mexico Trade Office Services Request for Proposals and had eight organizations register. Proposals are due today.

This week, Library staff hosted 381 attendees for STE/AM Programming which included viewing sci-fi movies, participating in creative art projects and building interesting designs using Legos©, K'nex ® and Snap Circuits®.

This week, Library staff hosted the Employer Engagement Series at the Harmon and Cholla Libraries. The Employer Engagement Series provides an opportunity to meet with prospective employers and learn about current job openings. This week's employers included: A Caring Heart and Washington Elementary School District.

On Feb. 13, Library staff will host a lecture by Dr. Bjorn Krondorfer at Burton Barr Library. Dr. Krondorfer will be sharing a personalized talk on the effects of the Holocaust and war on German society, family and German post-war generations.

Throughout February, the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program will be available at Cesar Chavez, Cholla and Burton Barr Libraries. The program helps working families who earned less than \$56,000 in 2019 with free tax preparation and filing services.

From Jan. 30 to Feb. 6, the Phoenix Convention Center is hosted approximately 3,000 attendees for Avaya ENGAGE. Attendees attended sessions and informational breakouts led by some of the communication industry's most inspiring and accomplished leaders as well as learned about first-hand innovations in cloud communications and customer experience.

Neighborhoods and Livability

On Jan. 16, Arts and Culture staff presented a Public Art Workshop at Burton Barr Library. Participants learned about designing perforated screens for bus shelters and how to apply for the Bus Shelter Shade Screen Art public art project. The deadline to apply for this project is Feb. 21.

This week, Sustainability staff submitted data for the national "Shining Cities" report that tracks solar growth in U.S. cities. Last year, the City ranked third and is expected to rank again with an 18 percent growth in the total capacity of solar.

This week, Environmental Programs staff provided technical assistance to Water staff during the Verde Water Treatment Plant removal of approximately 150,000 tons of arsenic impacted soils. The site has now been remediated to meet the Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community standards. Water staff are still in the process of backfill and site restoration.

This week, Planning and Development staff conducted a pre-application for the addition of a trailhead at the Tres Rios Recreation Area at 5610 S. 91st Avenue. The trailhead will provide picnic tables, a restroom, two ramadas, shade structures along the pedestrian path and parking spaces.

This week, Communications staff worked with Phoenix's chapter of the National Forum for Black Public Administrators to promote a series of events for Black History Month, culminating in an event at the Orpheum Theatre on Feb. 27. Staff developed a promotional push for the event including the program, promotional posters and graphics, and t-shirts for event attendees and participants.

Neighborhoods and Livability

Recently, Planning and Development staff worked closely with the design teams and contractors for the major expansion of the Mayo Clinic at 5777 E. Mayo Boulevard. The project will nearly double the size of the existing campus over five years and is valued at \$648 million dollars. The construction project is expected to add 2,000 jobs by 2029 and is the largest expansion in its 30-year history in Arizona.

This week, Planning and Development staff gave preliminary site approval for the Polk Street Apartments, a proposed three story, 19-unit apartment development at 5300 E Polk Street. The building is to be constructed out of modular shipping containers.

This week, Planning and Development staff conducted a fact-finding meeting for Garfield and 6th, a new 26 story mixed-use development with associated site amenities at 813-821 N. 6th Street. A total of 309 residential units are proposed in addition to 6,946 square feet of commercial retail on the ground level to activate 6th Street.

This week, Planning and Development staff conducted a preliminary review meeting for Home2 TRU Hotel, a five-story hotel with 207 guest rooms and associated site amenities at 3110 N. Central Avenue. The hotel will be dual brand with 104 TRU guestrooms and 103 Home2 Suites. This development is part of the Park Central Mall revitalization that will activate a portion of Central Avenue.

On Jan. 29, Environmental Programs staff hosted the U.S. EPA Region 9 Administrator for a tour of the 5th Street and Buckeye brownfield project and of the Spaces of Opportunity brownfield project which both receive EPA funding assistance. The Buckeye project illustrates a collaborative effort to cleanup and redevelop ten acres for commerce park uses. The Spaces of Opportunity project is a community driven 20-acre urban farm, community garden, farmers market and arts and culture project and is one of the first Brownfields to Healthfields projects in Phoenix.

On Jan. 31, Environmental Programs, Equal Opportunity, Planning and Development and Light Rail staff met with the U.S. EPA Office of Environmental Justice Director for informal discussions and a tour of the Spaces of Opportunity project. The EPA is interested in learning more about the equitable community engagement work that staff has been conducting in South Phoenix and Maryvale as it relates to achieving the 2050 local food system goals.

Social Services Delivery

On Jan. 24, a Police Recruit written exam was administered at Grand Canyon University to 56 applicants. Results were provided immediately following the exam and the 54 applicants that passed the written exam were invited to submit their AZPOST background packet. The next Police Recruit written exam is scheduled for Jan. 30 at Grand Canyon University. To date, 99 applicants have registered to take the exam. Additional exams are scheduled for Feb. 8, 21 and 28, and the job recruitments will remain open until the day of the exam.

From Jan. 23 to 24, Human Resources staff participated in the 2020 Maricopa County StandDown. This annual event is focused on providing services to veterans. Human Resources staff engaged and educated veterans on the City’s application and hiring process.

This week, Human Services staff attended a meeting co-hosted by Arizona Coalition to End Sexual and Domestic Violence (ACESDV), Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council, and Ability 360. The purpose was to foster collaborative relationships between sexual violence responders and organizations serving individuals with disabilities. The goal for the two historically-siloed movements is to learn from each other and create a community that supports the unique needs of sexual assault survivors with disabilities.

Infrastructure

This week, Public Transit staff worked with Valley Metro to promote light-rail related items including the newly launched app for the South Central/Downtown Hub project notifications, a construction recruiting and hiring event, construction notices and other milestones.

On Jan. 21, the 62nd HAWK was activated at the intersection of 70th Street and Thunderbird Road. This HAWK includes passive detection which was requested by members of the Jewish community to facilitate their path to and from the synagogues.

This week, Street Transportation staff sent out invitations for the Grand Canalscape Celebration on Feb. 15. Staff is working on the site plan as departments, outside organizations and retailers’ express interest in having a table at the event.

NEWS & EVENTS FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT:



GLENDALE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

NEWS

GUHSD Governing Board Awards Moon Valley High School Rockets

The Glendale Union High School District’s Achievement Above All events recognize the top teacher, student, student group, support staff employee and volunteer from each GUHSD high school that exhibit outstanding leadership and exceptional accomplishments. Moon Valley High School’s 2019-2020 Achievement Above All recipients are Media Center Director Dawn Harman, senior student Anissa Martinez, the Moon Valley Child Oriented Occupational Program (C.O.O.P), school nurse Melissa Bowden and theater volunteer Charly Brems. During the recent



meeting, the GUHSD Governing Board presented recipients with an award for their achievement.

To learn more about Moon Valley High School's 2019-2020 Achievement Above All recipients, visit the [GUHSD website](#).



DEER VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

Who Wants Free Books?



The Deer Valley Unified School District invites your child to join the **Big Kid Book Club!** Let us help your child cultivate a love for reading – and get ready for kindergarten. We will periodically send your child a free book in the mail along with helpful advice for parents of 3-5 year olds.

You do not need to live within the Deer Valley Unified School District to participate. **All children ages 3-5, who are not yet enrolled in kindergarten, are eligible to join the Big Kid Book Club.**

Sign up now and start receiving -your free books today!
www.DVUSD.org/BookClub



www.dvUSD.org/kindergarten
www.facebook.com/dvUSD

WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS



WESD Community Food Drive Begins February 10

Washington Elementary School District will be hosting the WESD Community Food Drive (#WESDCommunityFoodDrive2020) from Monday, Feb. 10 through Friday, Feb. 21 to benefit St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance. Right now, one in four children in Arizona is going to bed hungry. WESD can help change that. As a community leader and partner with St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance, WESD is asking every school to participate. Each student is asked to bring in canned food to donate during those two weeks. The school with the most donated food (as determined by the number of pounds per student) will receive bundtins from Nothing Bundt Cakes for the entire school and a trophy to recognize its efforts. Last year we collected nearly 96,000 pounds of food! If you'd like to help, feel free to stop by any WESD school to drop off donations!

The poster is titled "We Can End Hunger Food Drive" in a large, bubbly, blue font with a white outline, set against a background of red horizontal stripes. Below the title is a small red heart and a white cloud. A row of colorful houses and flowers sits on a curved horizon line. The hashtag "#WESDCommunityFoodDrive2020" is written in red. The dates "Monday, February 10 to Friday, February 21, 2020" and the text "WESD is hosting a community-wide food drive to help our hungry neighbors in need!" are displayed. A list of "Most needed items" includes canned fruits, canned veggies, peanut butter, rice, and tuna, with a red heart next to "tuna". A section states "All items will be donated to St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance." and thanks "Liberty GMC and Nothing Bundt Cakes for their support." Logos for Liberty GMC, Nothing Bundt Cakes, St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance, and Washington Elementary School District are shown. A central illustration depicts a family silhouette inside a large can, with a red heart above them. A red heart badge on the right says "Poster Contest Winner". The bottom right credits the artwork to "Allyson N, Grade 4" and "Richard E. Miller Elementary". Contact information for WESD is at the bottom.



Thelda is tweeting! Follow her @TheldaWilliams1

GREAT CHARITIES TO DONATE TO:

ARIZONA HUMANE SOCIETY

<http://www.azhumane.org/get-involved/give-now/>

CHILDHELP: 2120 N. Central Ave #130, Phoenix, AZ 85004

<https://www.childhelp.org/> 602- 271-4500

PHOENIX CENTER FOR THE ARTS Love the arts? Want to help ensure that the programming we offer here at the center continues for generations to come? Please visit:

<https://phoenixcenterforthearts.org/support/>

ANTHEM PETS Animal Rescue: A Voice for the Voiceless

<http://anthempets.org/> 480-287-3542

ARIZONA PAWS & CLAWS www.azpawsandclaws.com

FETCH FOUNDATION: please go to the following site:

www.fetchfoundation.com/Newsflash/the-fido-bag-program

M.A.I.N. What We Do - M.A.I.N. - Medical Animals In Need, Dog Rescue in

Phoenix Arizona Kelly Ferreira 480-245-9203 President / Medical Animals In Need

www.medicalanimalsinneed.com Together we save lives!

MINI MIGHTY MUTTS for more information, contact Angie Crouse at 480-304-5654 or

info@minimightymutts.com Also check out our website at www.minimightymutts.com Mini

Mighty Mutts is a 501(c) 3 organization. We rescue the underdog!

OPERATION CARE FOOD BANK located in North Phoenix, a non-profit Christian

organization committed to helping those in need with food and clothing. For additional

information, please call 602-866-0135, or visit: info@operationcarefoodbank.org.

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Report Animal Abuse

Phoenix Animal Cruelty Task Force
Crimestop - 602-262-6151
AZ Humane Society - 602-997-7585 ext. 2073
Maricopa County Sheriff's Office - 602-876-1681

A blue-bordered box with a white background. At the top, the text "Report Animal Abuse" is in bold blue. Below is a silhouette of a horse, a dog, and a cat. At the bottom, the text "Phoenix Animal Cruelty Task Force" is in bold blue, followed by three phone numbers in black.

It's never too early...
Call the
Spay Neuter Hotline
Before it's too late!

602-265-SPAY
602-265-7729
(Para Español: Oprimas 1)

Valley Wide Low-Cost Spay & Neuter Referrals
& Trap Neuter Return (TNR) Information
www.SpayNeuterHotline.org

The Spay Neuter Hotline is a program of the Animal Defense League of Arizona, PO Box 33093, Phoenix, AZ 85067
To find out how you can help ADLA- Call 602-273-7842, Email ADLA@edlca.org or www.ADLAZ.org

A white-bordered box with a black background. It contains text and two small illustrations of a dog and a cat. The text is in white and yellow. At the bottom, there is a small logo for ADLA.