



February 14, 2020

CITY EVENTS

UPCOMING PUBLIC CITY MEETINGS

- City Council Land Use and Livability Subcommittee – 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 19, Phoenix City Hall, 200 W. Washington St., Assembly Room A, B, & C.
- City Council Formal Meeting – 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 19, City Council Chambers, 200 W. Jefferson St.
- North Mountain Village Planning Committee – 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 19, Cowden Center, 9202 N. 2nd St.
- Deer Valley Village Planning Committee – 6:00 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 20, Deer Valley Community Center, 2001 W. Wahalla Ln.
- Zoning Adjustment Hearing – 9:00 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 20, 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>.

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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:

AFTER COMMUNITY FEEDBACK, PHOENIX CITY COUNCIL APPROVES STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION FOR A SOLID WASTE INCREASE



The Phoenix City Council approved an increase to the current monthly residential solid waste rate of \$26.80.

The increase will be phased in over two years, which means, residential customers will notice an additional \$3.75 in their April 2020 bill and then another increase of \$3.25 in January 2021, bringing the monthly rate to \$33.80.

The decision to approve the increase in the solid waste monthly rate was based on feedback gathered by Phoenix Public Works staff, who implemented a community outreach strategy during the months of December 2019 and January 2020.

Public Works staff hosted 13 community meetings in every Council district, as well as attended numerous neighborhood association and Block Watch meetings to give presentations. Staff also engaged with solid waste customers and residents at the transfer stations and at various community events. The goal was to promote a dedicated public education webpage filled with information, videos and FAQs about solid waste services and rates, and encourage the Phoenix community to take the online survey to gather feedback.

The results of the survey, which was available online and as hard copies in Spanish and English, revealed that nearly 60% of the respondents were in favor of maintaining the current level of service they receive for an additional \$6.40 per month; and more than 60% preferred the rate increase to be phased in over two years. Ninety percent were satisfied with the city's delivery of its solid waste services, indicative of the department's focus on providing excellent customer service.

The survey results indicated the top three solid waste services valued most by customers are: 1) weekly trash service; 2) weekly recycling service; and 3) quarterly bulk trash service, and 90% value recycling and other waste diversion.

During the two months of community outreach, Public Works staff received more than 5,800 surveys and garnered 11,000 unique views on its dedicated informational webpage, phoenix.gov/trashandrecycle.

During the City Council meeting, staff also recommended to increase the Refuse Tipping Fee. The current tipping fee of \$38.25 is what third party customers pay to dispose waste at the city's transfer station and eventually, the landfill. Like the residential solid waste rate, that rate has remained unchanged for 11 years.

The first increase on the Refuse Tipping Fee will be an additional \$3.75 effective FY2019-20; the second increase will be an additional \$2 effective FY2021-22; the third increase will be an additional \$1 effective FY2023-24.

Phoenix has a goal to achieve a 40% waste diversion rate by the end of 2020 through its Reimagine Phoenix initiative. Phoenix presently has a 36% waste diversion rate and will continue its educational outreach, recycling and other waste diversion programs to achieve its goal.

Solid Waste Survey Results

District 1 received a total of 1,588 surveys out of the 5,800. That's nearly 30% of respondents. We Received the most responses from 85021 residents with 217 surveys filled. The community meeting at Helen Drake Center was the most attended of the 13 meetings we hosted; there were over 45 attendees.

JAYWALKING, MEDIAN SAFETY AND SIGNAGE

Currently, Phoenix City Code (PCC), section 36-128, addresses pedestrian regulations for crossing or stopping in the roadway and Arizona Revised Statutes (ARS), Title 28-793 addresses pedestrian crossings at locations other than a crosswalk.

Jaywalking Laws

Pedestrian regulations associated with jaywalking are outlined in PCC, section 36-128, subsection A, which states:

"Except in a crosswalk, no pedestrian shall cross a roadway at any place other than by a route at right angles to the curb or by the shortest route to the opposite curb. A pedestrian shall not cross a roadway where prohibited by appropriate signs, markings, devices or by law."

As outlined in subsection C of this code, before any pedestrian is cited for a civil violation of this section, the pedestrian must be given a warning by law enforcement. The first violation of this section after a warning is issued is a civil traffic offense, with a penalty consisting of a fine up to \$250. A second and all subsequent violations of the ordinance is a class 1 misdemeanor, with a penalty consisting of a fine up to \$2,500 and jail

ARS 28-793(C)	PCC 36-128(A)
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or probation. Since 2016, there have been fewer than eight citations issued in the City per year for this offense.

ARS, Title 28-793 also outlines pedestrian regulations for jaywalking. Subsection C of this law states: "Between adjacent intersections at which traffic control signals are in operation, pedestrians shall not cross at any place except in a marked crosswalk."

Violations of this statute constitute a civil traffic offense with a penalty consisting of a fine up to \$250. Since 2016, the number of citations issued in the City per year have ranged from 19 to 73 for this specific offense.

Median Safety Law

Pedestrian regulations associated with median safety are outlined in PCC, section 36- 128, subsection B, with states:

"No pedestrian may stop or remain in the portion of the roadway designed for vehicular use or in a painted or raised traffic island or median not designated for use by pedestrians except to wait to cross the roadway at the next pedestrian signal, or in the absence of a pedestrian signal, when traffic has cleared or yielded."

PCC 36-128, subsection C requires that before any pedestrian is cited for a civil violation of this section, the pedestrian must be given a warning by law enforcement. The penalties for subsection B mirror those listed in subsection A (jaywalking). Since 2016, the number of citations issued in the City per year have ranged from 5 to 35 for this specific offense.

Warnings

It has been proposed to remove the warning requirement from PCC, section 36-128, subsection C. Warnings were adopted into the Phoenix City Code and went into effect around January 2015, so warnings have been given for approximately four years.

Healthy Giving Signage

Related to jaywalking and median safety, our City streets, including medians often become locations where panhandling activities occur. This can create traffic and pedestrian safety issues, especially on streets with higher traffic volumes and speeds. The traveling public, who may feel compelled to give in response to those who engage in panhandling, can also unintentionally contribute to these safety concerns. In response, Councilwoman Williams requested the Street Transportation Department conduct a pilot program that would include the installation of signage at intersections in District 1 that would encourage practicing more healthy and impactful giving options. This program, funded by District 1 Office funds, will include the placement of signs at various intersections within District 1. Street Transportation staff has finalized signage details and is in the process of fabricating the signs, which should be installed before the end of February 2020.



GATED ALLEY PROGRAM PILOT

On June 27, 2017, the City Council approved the original Gated Alley Program Pilot (GAPP) for specific targeted areas in the Royal Palm and Sunnyslope neighborhoods. This program was designed by an interdepartmental committee in collaboration with residents to provide a new approach to deterring illegal dumping, graffiti and criminal activity in residential alleys. The GAPP provides homeowners whose properties abut an alleyway the opportunity to submit an application to the City requesting both the relocation of solid waste services from the alley to curbside, and permission to install locked gates at the ends of the alley adjacent to their properties at the owner's cost.

The City covers the cost of the relocation of solid waste services and the required revocable fence permit fees. The process involves:

1. Application submittal
2. Petition signed by 51 percent or more of the property owners along the alley
3. City staff verifying petition signatures
4. Relocation of Solid Waste Services
5. Gate permit application for installation of the gates
6. Coordination with utility companies and city departments on gate post locations and key distribution
7. Communication of gate installation with residents impacted
8. Final inspection of the gate
9. City staff monitor and collect data on the alley to determine the level of impacts from installed gates

Action Plan

In order to be effective and efficient, the interdepartmental committee recommends the following:

1. Address expenses and timing delays regarding required bond funds by either removing the requirement or allowing one bond to cover proposed alley segments in each area, provided the alley segments are within the same neighborhood.
2. Address Revocable Permit expense and timing delays by applying one revocable permit to each pilot area (not per alley segment). This action would require the neighborhood leader to assume responsibility of securing the revocable permit for the entire area early in the process or identifying a city department as the responsible party.
3. Create a standard gate detail(s) with a variety of widths (16-18 feet) to address real world situations such as conflicts with utility poles.
4. Streamline the process of selecting a licensed contractor and reduce the total costs of gates, by utilizing a city approved list, which should reduce the overall price by contracting to install multiple gates within the same neighborhood during the same time frame. This approach will maintain consistent design, reliable quality and a competitive and fair price. This approach will also allow inspectors to inspect the newly installed gates in batches and potentially reduce man-hours for staff.
5. Reduce the locking system to a single lock or double lock (one Fire Knox Box lock and one lock for all city departments and applicable utilities).

Funding Options

City staff investigated funding sources, as this was identified as a barrier for many neighborhoods. A viable option appears to be the Neighborhood Block Watch Grant Program (NBWGP) funds, since gating alleys have a correlation with reducing crime and is an eligible use of the funding source. Organized neighborhood groups can apply for NBWGP funds of up to \$10,000; therefore, the funding amount is in line with the costs

of installing several gates and program funding is currently available. The challenge is that the funding cycle is limited to once a year. The Phoenix Police Department provides training on how to submit a grant application, including entering requested budget items, uploading documents, printing reports, and submitting the application. Three training workshops are typically provided annually and held in the month of November. Grant applications are due in December and the maximum amount is \$10,000. The NBWGP Oversight Committee reviews applications and makes funding recommendations for the upcoming fiscal year.

The interdepartmental team recommends setting aside a portion of NBWGP funds along with a dedicated review process to focus solely on the needs of neighborhoods interested in gating their alleys to reduce crime, illegal dumping, graffiti as well as calls for service to the Police, Public Works and Neighborhood Services Departments. Another recommendation is for the funding to be based on a sliding scale so that lower income and higher crime statistics neighborhoods with the greatest need and larger volume of calls for service are served first with any grant funds.

In addition, the interdepartmental team recommends identifying funds for FY 2020-21 to install gates for alleys identified within each council district and moving forward with funding to support the GAPP expansion. Staff requests the Public Safety and

Justice Subcommittee approve the initiative to establish a separate grant award process from the NBWGP for neighborhoods in the pilot areas to cover the cost of gating alleys. Allocating \$400,000 from existing NBWGP funds would create a capital pool that can be used exclusively to construct gates at the end of alleys. In order to be considered for these capital grants, the request must come from a recognized Block Watch Group that is registered with the Neighborhood Services Department. Groups may submit requests that would cover up to 10 alley segments (20 gates). The request must include signatures from at least 51 percent of the property owners that would be impacted by the alley closure.

In the event there are remaining funds, any Block Watch Groups may apply for these funds by submitting an application with the following information; the purpose for the requested closures and the benefits to the neighborhood if funding is provided. Groups must also include any issues closing the alley may present and offer solutions.



A neighborhood group is not required to seek or utilize the NBWGP funding process to be part of the Gated Alley Program Pilot, but they must be one of the 10 areas identified within each City Council District. Neighborhood groups may elect to pay for and install their own gates so long as they meet city requirements.

CONSTRUCTION ALERT: INTERSTATE 17 AND HAPPY VALLEY ROAD



17 Construction Alert: Interstate 17 and Happy Valley Road
BRIDGE DEMOLITION AND ONGOING INTERCHANGE RECONSTRUCTION TO BEGIN IN FEBRUARY 2020

The Arizona Department of Transportation is reconstructing the Interstate 17 traffic interchanges at Pinnacle Peak and Happy Valley roads in north Phoenix. Work is continuing at Pinnacle Peak Road, and construction activity at Happy Valley Road is scheduled to increase beginning in February 2020. ADOT advises those who live, work and travel in this area to plan for impacts that will require motorists to use alternate routes and could increase travel times.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Closures and restrictions of I-17, Happy Valley Road over I-17 and/or the on- and off-ramps will begin in February 2020. The first full closures are currently scheduled for Feb. 21—23, when ADOT demolishes the old Happy Valley Road bridge over I-17.

- Closures and restrictions will occur as needed through fall 2020. ADOT will provide specific information by email and on the project webpage at azdot.gov/I17TrafficInterchanges once schedules are confirmed.
- Work is scheduled overnights from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. and on weekend days and nights. However, some long-term, continuous ramp closures will be necessary as crews remove the roundabouts at Happy Valley Road and construct on- and off-ramps for the new **diverging diamond interchange**.
- Alternate routes will include Pinnacle Peak or Jomax roads to enter and exit I-17 when ramp closures are in place at Happy Valley Road.
- Businesses and homes on Happy Valley Road east of I-17 will be accessible from 19th Avenue when I-17 and/or Happy Valley Road over I-17 are closed.
- ADOT will maintain access to the Park-and-Ride, however detours may be in place at times. ADOT encourages transit users to subscribe to receive email alerts for updated information and allow extra travel time to and from the Park-and-Ride.



- ADOT will not close Happy Valley and Pinnacle Peak roads at the same time.

STAY INFORMED

To receive project updates and traffic alerts by email, visit azdot.gov/I17TrafficInterchanges and click on “subscribe for updates.” Schedules are subject to change based on weather and other unforeseen factors. For more information, please call the ADOT Bilingual Project Information Line at **855.712.8530** or go to azdot.gov/contact and select Projects from the drop-down menu. For real-time highway conditions statewide, visit ADOT’s Traveler Information Site at az511.gov, follow ADOT on Twitter ([@ArizonaDOT](https://twitter.com/ArizonaDOT)) or call **511**, except while driving.

Para asistencia o información sobre la construcción de la Interestatal 17 en Happy Valley Road y Pinnacle Peak Road, llame al 855.712.8530.

CONDOR STARTS U.S. SEASONAL SERVICE EARLY IN APRIL; ADDS MUNICH ROUTES AND NEW CANADA GATEWAY

Phoenix non-stop, three times a week to Frankfurt begins April 4

Portland non-stop, five times a week to Frankfurt begins April 10

New from Edmonton every Monday and Thursday non-stop to Frankfurt

Reinstates Halifax and Seattle flights to Munich

Frankfurt, January 31, 2020 - Condor, Germany's leading leisure airline, who has been serving the North American market since the 1970's with seasonal summer service has announced that for the first time that they will begin flights in the spring with their first non-stop flight, three times a week from Phoenix to Frankfurt on April 4th followed by non-stop flights five times a week from Portland to Frankfurt on April 10th . This will be followed by Vancouver service, which begins on April 30th with non-stop flights to Frankfurt, five times a week. This marks the first time Condor has started their seasonal service this early in the year.



In May service will commence from an additional 10 North American gateways to Frankfurt including Calgary, Halifax, Toronto, Whitehorse (Alaska), Anchorage, Baltimore, Fairbanks, Minneapolis, New Orleans, and Pittsburgh. This is in addition to year-round flights from Las Vegas and Seattle to Frankfurt. From its Frankfurt Hub Condor offers connecting service to more than 100 destinations throughout Europe via Condor and a network of airline and rail partners.

In May Condor will also reinstate Seattle-Munich service, which is in addition to year-round flights from Seattle to Frankfurt. All flights to and from Frankfurt and Munich are operated on Boeing 767-300 equipment.

Condor Launches New Edmonton Route in June; Now Offering Service from 15 North American Gateways

In June Condor will begin flying twice-weekly, non-stop from Frankfurt to Edmonton in Canada for the first time. During June Condor will also return to Halifax with service to Munich in addition to its Frankfurt route from this city.

Condor Airlines features three classes of service (Business, Premium, Economy). Condor's Business Class features lie-flat seats, a personal in-seat, premium touch-screen entertainment system, power ports at every seat and gourmet, five-course meals with complimentary wine, beer and cocktails. Business Class passengers also have access to priority check-in and lounge access. Premium Class features seats with added legroom, leg rests and adjustable headrests, a premium in-flight, in-seat entertainment system with an extended program, USB ports at every seat, premium meals and complimentary beverages.

"We are pleased to begin our seasonal service in North America earlier this year than ever before. This is a true testament to how more and more American and Canadian guests have discovered our award-winning service and low fares and are looking to book our flights not only for their summer holidays, but also for spring trips as well. With our low fares to Frankfurt, Munich and beyond, travelers can now take advantage of cooler temperatures and less crowds at popular European attractions during the months of April and early May," said Ralf Teckentrup, CEO of Condor.

ANTHEM NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH: FIRST RESPONDERS APPRECIATION EVENT



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RESPONDERS**

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SHERIFF'S OFFICE

PHOENIX
POLICE
ARIZONA

FIRE DEPARTMENT

**AMPED COFFEE CO. IS OFFERING FREE
BREAKFAST FOR FIRST RESPONDERS**



29 FEBRUARY Leap Day

SATURDAY

When: Feb 29th, 10 am - noon

Where: Amped Coffee Co.
3434 W Anthem Way, Suite 102

- Free Face Painting
- Crime prevention door prizes
- Free coffee for everyone
- Guest Speakers
- Hosts: Anthem Neighborhood Watch & Amped Coffee Co.

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/>.

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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.homelessshelterdirectory.org/cgi-bin/id/city.cgi?city=Phoenix&state=AZ).

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PHOENIX INTERACTIVE STREET CLOSURE & RESTRICTIONS MAP – UPDATED FEBRUARY 14.

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:

Legislative

This week, the Arizona Attorney General’s Office released two funding opportunities of interest to the City. The first grant is focused on essential services for survivors of human and sex trafficking. Funding is available to agencies that offer shelter, mental health and medical support, substance abuse treatment, vocational training and education. The second funding opportunity is to support the mental health of first responders.

Economic Development & Education

From Feb. 6 to 11, the Phoenix Convention Center will host approximately 3,000 attendees for the Orthopaedic Research Society (ORS) 2020 Annual Meeting. The ORS is the international hub for those in the field of musculoskeletal science and orthopaedic care. This event offers opportunities to present research, establish collaborations and engage with colleagues.

From Feb. 8 to 9, the Phoenix Convention Center hosted approximately 2,000 attendees for the Cactus Jam. The Cactus Jam is a varsity spirit cheerleading competition leading up to Nationals.

On Jan. 26, Library staff hosted a reception to commence the opening of the “Holocaust by Bullets: 10 Years of Investigation” exhibition at Burton Barr Library. The Holocaust by Bullets exhibition, running from Jan. 26 to March 11, gives viewers a chance to learn about the lesser-known side of the Holocaust through eyewitness testimony, photographs, quotes and other archival materials.

This week, 21 children learned the fundamentals of coding during “Big Bytes” at Cesar Chavez, Cholla and Burton Barr Libraries as part of the CodePHX programming. This programming is made possible through grant funding provided by the Phoenix IDA and Arizona Community Foundation.

This week, 177 adults and teens received assistance with their basic computer skills, resumes, cover letters, online job searching, interviewing skills and applications at Agave, Cesar Chavez, Cholla, Ironwood, Mesquite, Ocotillo and Burton Barr Libraries.

Recently, the Greater Phoenix film industry ended the 2019 calendar year with \$13,408,472 in economic spending in the local economy. Film employed a workforce of more than 5,100 skilled technicians and actors spanning a total of 1,823 projects. Additionally, these projects accounted for 1,918 shooting days and 3,271 hotel nights.

During the week of Jan. 27, Deer Valley Airport (DVT) participated in a call with the FAA to discuss and coordinate efforts on a new safety video that is being produced for the airport. DVT is one of thirty-four airports around the country that has been selected to highlight operational and safety aspects within the airspace and on the airfield. The FAA will be incorporating pilot deviation, incursion, and operational incident data in order to pinpoint specific hotspot and high-risk areas around DVT.

Neighborhoods and Livability

On Jan. 29, Neighborhood Services staff and stakeholders in the 19North area met with the new owners of 8352 N. 23rd Avenue to hear about their adaptive reuse project. The plan for the project is to take the existing office space and build a market rate 79-unit multi-family rental community. The project will include underground parking, a dog run, full service concierge, community space with a commercial kitchen and a wine bar. The property will need to be rezoned with a construction timeline beginning in May 2020.

During the week of Jan. 27, Neighborhood Services staff tackled the removal of extensive graffiti tagging in a flood control area near 19th Avenue and East Thunderbird Road. The Graffiti Busters team used 80 gallons of paint to cover the graffiti that spanned 15 feet high.

This week, Parks and Recreation staff, in partnership with Cowtown, started planning the 2020 PHXAM skateboarding contest presented by Vans. This free skating event will be March 28 and 29 at Desert West Skate Park. Skaters from all over the country will compete for a grand prize of \$5,000 and the chance to go to the Olympics.

This week, Arts and Culture staff posted a new panelist portal to find grants and public art panelists. Arts and Culture staff regularly seeks knowledgeable, fair-minded and responsible individuals to serve as review panel members. Panels include artists, arts professionals, educators and community laypeople, each representing different points of views and cultural orientations.

Social Services Delivery

On Jan. 30, a Police Recruit written exam was administered at Grand Canyon University to 48 applicants. Results were provided immediately following the exam and the 45 applicants that passed were invited to submit their AZPOST background packet. The next Police Recruit written exam is scheduled for Feb. 8 at Grand Canyon University. To date, 103 applicants have registered to take the exam. Additional exams are scheduled for Feb. 21 and 28, and the job recruitments will remain open until the day of the exam.

On Jan. 28, Human Services staff coordinated and participated in the Point in Time Homeless Count. This annual street count is part of a national effort to identify the extent of homelessness throughout the country. Staff coordinated over 250 volunteers from various agencies and assigned grids were canvassed to identify individuals experiencing homelessness. Individuals were asked to participate in a brief survey to identify demographics and service needs. The Maricopa Association of Governments will be releasing the data collected in March 2020.

Infrastructure

On Jan. 28, Street Transportation staff held an open house meeting to show the final design plans for the improvements to 3rd and 5th Avenues between Washington Street and McDowell Road. This project includes safety and circulation improvements including: the addition of high-visibility crosswalks, a HAWK and a two-way cycle track with buffered bike lanes. The project is the result of extensive public engagement including more than 19 public meetings, workshops and stakeholder meetings leading up to the final design.

This week, the Grand Canalscape Project was awarded a 2020 Build Arizona Award at the annual Arizona Association of General Contractors' (AZAGC) Award Ceremony. This award was for both Phase I and II which consisted of the installation of a 10-ft wide concrete pathway, pedestrian bridges, traffic signals, HAWKs, rapid flashing beacons, lighting, landscaping and irrigation along the Grand Canal between 23rd Avenue and 56th Street. The Grand Canalscape Opening Celebration Event is scheduled for Feb.15.

On Jan. 28, the City's 63rd HAWK was activated at the intersection of 15th and Highland Avenues. The HAWK will provide a safe route across 15th Avenue for students attending Osborn Middle School.

NEWS & EVENTS FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT:

GLENDALE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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NEWS

Greenway High School Key Club Volunteers at St. Mary's Food Bank

The Key Club at Greenway High School, a proud member of the Glendale Union High School District, recently volunteered at St. Mary's Food Bank, a community-based organization that serves to alleviate hunger through the gathering and distribution of food. The team spent more than three hours packing and assembling food boxes. In the end, they prepared over 1,500 emergency food boxes to help individuals in need. The Greenway High School Key Club is a student-led organization that performs acts of service in its community and teaches leadership through service to others.

To learn more Greenway High School news, visit [@GreenwayHighSchoolAZ](https://www.facebook.com/GreenwayHighSchoolAZ) on Facebook.



Help Support GUHSD Students With a Tax Credit Contribution

There is still time to give back to GUHSD students with a tax credit contribution. By donating to a GUHSD high school or program of your choice, you can benefit students' education and high school experiences and positively affect your community.

Arizona state law also allows you to receive a dollar-for-dollar tax credit for contributions that you make to an Arizona public high school, which you can use as a credit against any state income taxes that you may owe.*

Married couples can contribute up to \$400 when filing jointly; \$200 per person if filing separately; and single individuals can make a maximum contribution of \$200.

*Please consult a tax professional for more information.



DEER VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

Superintendent Dr. Curtis Finch Releases State of the District 2020



In his State of the District, Dr. Finch:

- Celebrates our #Extraordinary Achievements
- Evaluates the progress made successfully executing the DVUSD Strategic Plan
- Illustrates how DVUSD will continue to strive to be the best unified public school district in all of Arizona!

The State of the District not only mirrors the State of the State and the State of the Union addresses in reflection and visioning, but it is also used as an accountability mechanism for DVUSD moving into the future. As we step into 2020, it is a perfect time to come with fresh eyes and reevaluate the progress we've made. Read more: www.dvusd.org/StateofDistrict

WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS



WESD Receives Donated LED Flashing Stop Signs

Thanks to the City of Phoenix, the WESD Safety and Mentoring Department, Sure Stop LLC, and a community donation, the WESD received \$21,650 worth of LED flashing stop signs for its crossing guards! Sure, Stop's signs were given to every WESD school to ensure the safety of students and staff. These stop signs were designed to attract the attention of distracted drivers and increase visibility of crossing zones and crossing guards. The WESD was selected by the City of Phoenix as the first District to receive these signs as part of a larger project to donate stop signs to multiple districts in Phoenix. Thank you to Sure Stop LLC, the City of Phoenix, a generous community member and our WESD Safety and Mentoring Department for making this possible! [#WESDFamily](https://twitter.com/WESDFamily)

WESD Teacher Recognized in Washington, D.C.

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 bundtinis 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!



Missed The February Teacher Fair? Stop by March 7!

Missed the February Teacher Fair? You're in luck! The next Teacher Interview Fair will take place Saturday, March 7. The WESD offers a starting salary of \$42,200, student loan forgiveness, competitive pay and amazing benefits. Apply online at jobs.wesdschools.org or call 602-347-2622 to schedule your interview!

A promotional poster for a Teacher Interview Fair. The background is dark blue with a large white clover-like flower on the right side. In the top left corner, there is a logo for Washington Elementary School District featuring an apple. The text "Teacher Interview Fair" is written in a large, green, cursive font across the middle. Below this, "Saturday, March 7" is written in a white, sans-serif font. At the bottom, a green horizontal bar contains the website "jobs.wesdschools.org" in white, sans-serif font.



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

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

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

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

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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

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