



November 08, 2019

CITY EVENTS

UPCOMING PUBLIC CITY MEETINGS

- City Council Policy Session – 2:30 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 12 City Council Chambers, 200 W. Jefferson St.
- Rio Vista Village Planning Committee – 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 12, Goelet A.C. Beuf Community Center, 3435 W. Pinnacle Peak Rd.
- City Council Public Safety and Justice Subcommittee – 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, Nov. 13, Phoenix City Hall, 200 W. Washington St. Assembly Room A, B, & C.
- Zoning Adjustment Hearing – 9:00 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 14, 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. Past City Council meetings are posted to YouTube at <http://www.youtube.com/cityofphoenixaz>.

DISTRICT 1 EVENTS:

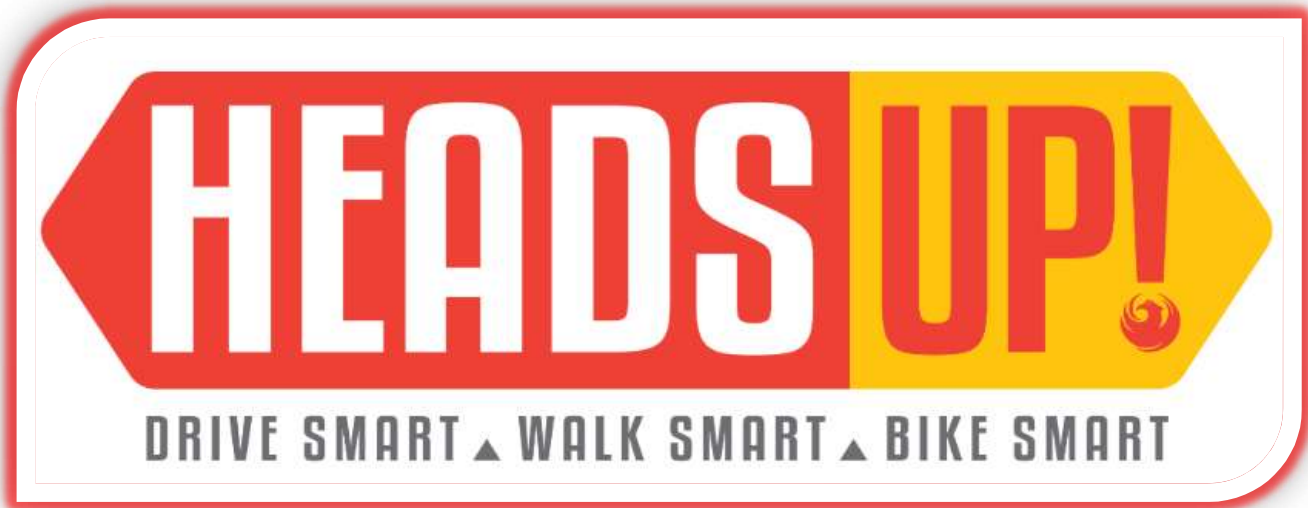
DISTRICT 1 COMMUNITY BREAKFAST



The next breakfast is Friday, Nov. 22, 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.

CITY NEWS & EVENTS:

COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS AND COUNCILMAN NOWAKOWSKI'S ROADWAY SAFETY PSA SERIES



Phoenix Councilwoman Thelda Williams and Councilman Michael Nowakowski have created a series of PSAs aimed to inform and educate residents on roadway safety.

The PSAs are meant to help educate Phoenix residents on how to be responsible drivers, bicyclists, and pedestrians.



The five-part video series will feature a 30 second PSA focusing on:

- Part I: Pedestrian Safety
- Part II: Emergency Vehicles
- Part III: Distracted Driving

- Part IV: Bicycle Safety
- [Part V: School Safety](#)

To View the Part V of the Roadway Safety PSA series, click here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yj5ANnfWHxo&feature=youtu.be>

ON THE ISSUES WITH COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS AND THE ARIZONA HUMANE SOCIETY

Join Councilwoman Williams, [On the Issues](#), as she catches up with the Arizona Humane Society and discusses the great work they do through the community, as well as meeting some of their new furry friends.

To view One the Issues, Williams n’ Wags, please click here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0O6ehtCvIkA>



FREEWAY PROGRAM UPDATE

The Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) Regional Transportation Plan reflects numerous freeway construction projects and studies underway within the City of Phoenix. These projects are funded from the voter approved priorities in the Proposition 400 half-cent sales tax as well as from state and federal revenue sources. The City of Phoenix works closely with ADOT on these major construction projects to



ensure coordination of all construction activities with City departments. This report is an overview of the current major freeway projects.

South Mountain Freeway

The South Mountain Freeway is the last piece in completing the Loop 202 system. The 22-mile South Mountain Freeway will run east and west along Pecos Road and then north and south between 55th and 63rd avenues, connecting with Interstate 10 (I-10) on each end. This is the single largest freeway project in Arizona history - built at one time. The entire freeway is within the City of Phoenix.

Construction began in early 2017 and is scheduled for completion in December 2019.

Update:

- **Governor Ducey will be announcing a date for a community celebration to be held on the new freeway before it is open to traffic. This event is expected to take place on a Saturday morning in December. More information will be shared as it is received.**

Interstate 17 - Pinnacle Peak and Happy Valley Road

This project is rebuilding the traffic interchanges on Interstate 17 (I-17) at Happy Valley and Pinnacle Peak roads to improve safety and traffic flow as population growth and development in this area continues.

The bridge reconstruction at Pinnacle Peak Road will have two through lanes in each direction, bicycle lanes and pedestrian walkways. The bridge reconstruction at Happy Valley Road will remove the existing roundabouts and construct a Diverging Diamond traffic interchange with three through lanes in each direction, bicycle lanes and pedestrian walkways.



Loop 101 - Interstate 17 To Pima Road

This project is widening and improving the Loop 101 (Pima Freeway) from I-17 in Phoenix east to Pima Road in Scottsdale. The improvements are needed to address growing traffic demands in the northeast Valley and relieve traffic congestion on the Loop 101 during the morning and evening peak travel periods.

The major elements of this project include adding one general purpose lane in each direction between I-17 and Pima Road, adding an auxiliary lane in each direction between Seventh Street and Cave Creek Road, and modifying freeway ramps and frontage road connections at 11 interchanges. Additional components include construction of noise or retaining walls where warranted, improvements to drainage and new rubberized asphalt resurfacing and pavement markings.

Interstate 17 Frontage Road Drainage Improvement

This project will be constructing improvements to the cross-street drainage system along the I-17 frontage road between Greenway Road and Dunlap Avenue. The purpose of the project is to improve the drainage facilities that remove storm runoff from the Greenway, Thunderbird, Cactus, and Peoria cross streets, helping to reduce the potential for flooding at the I-17 overpasses.

The improvements will include a new, gravity-powered storm drain system, utilizing various sizes of concrete pipes and new drainage basins at Thunderbird Road, and the removal of the existing pump stations from the cross streets.

Interstate 17 - Indian School Traffic Interchange Study

ADOT is conducting a study to improve traffic flow and safety at I-17 and Indian School Road. The study area encompasses Indian School Road between 19th and 31st avenues and I-17 from approximately one-half mile south and one-half mile north of Indian School Road.

Approximately 50,000 vehicles use east- and westbound Indian School Road at I-17 per day. This volume is 40 percent higher than on Thomas Road at I-17 (one mile south) and 25 percent higher than on Camelback Road at I-17 (one mile north). Traffic congestion levels on Indian School Road at I-17 are projected to continue increasing.



Interstate 10 Deck Park (Hance Park) Tunnel Repair

The Deck Park Tunnel is an underpass that carries the I-10 freeway beneath downtown Phoenix between 3rd Avenue and 3rd Street. The tunnel consists of a series of nineteen side-by-side bridge structures. Construction of the facility began in 1983 and opened to traffic on Aug. 10, 1990. The tunnel carries approximately 230,000 vehicle trips per day and provides a critical link for regional connectivity and mobility.

Leaks in the ceiling structure of the Deck Park Tunnel have occurred in the past and continue to appear. The water infiltration caused by the leaks can lead to deterioration of the tunnel infrastructure and impacts the ventilation and electrical systems, which could force closure of the tunnel to traffic. There is also concern that any damage could produce a need for repairs that would require excavation of Margaret T. Hance Park, which is undergoing a major, \$100 million revitalization expected to begin in March 2020.

ADOT, MAG and the City of Phoenix initiated an I-10 Deck Park Tunnel Waterproofing Study in May 2019 because of concern with the integrity of the tunnel. The goal of the study was to evaluate the current watertightness of the tunnel structure and provide recommendations that minimize the potential for significant leak-related problems for the next 25 years.

The study concluded in August 2019 and recommended that all joints that have not been repaired in the last five years be replaced, which comprises 15 of the 19 total joints. ADOT intends on working closely with the City of Phoenix to coordinate construction activities of the joint work with the Hance Park revitalization project to minimize cost and public disturbance.

BUS RAPID TRANSIT PROGRAM UPDATE

BRT is a high capacity transit service using specialized buses with features such as multiple doors for fast entry and exit, off-board fare payment, and level platform boarding making it easier for people of all abilities to easily access BRT routes. It can also utilize priority treatment at signalized intersections to increase speed and

reliability, and may include dedicated bus lanes in some areas, where feasible, to facilitate faster trips. Phoenix's Transportation 2050 (T2050) plan initially identified five potential BRT corridors: Bell Road, Thomas Road, Baseline Road, 24th Street, and 19th Avenue or 35th Avenue.

The primary elements of the Phoenix BRT Program are planning, community education and engagement, and capital development. Per previous direction from the Citizen's Transportation Commission and City Council, the first effort of the Phoenix BRT Program is to reevaluate the BRT corridors identified in the T2050 Plan based on more recent data, and to also identify other potential corridors based on ridership potential and other various data points.



- A modern bus network that improves travel speed and reliability, passenger capacity, and customer experience through transit enhancements
- There is no universal standard for BRT, and it may be planned and designed to **best meet the needs of a community**

VETERANS DAY, MONDAY NOVEMBER 11

City of Phoenix offices will be closed on Monday, November 11 to for the Veterans Day holiday.



JEREMY JACKRABBIT: CITY OF PHOENIX SUPPORTS ART CONTEST FOR POPULAR CHILDREN'S BOOK SERIES



City of Phoenix Supports Art Contest for Popular Children's Book Series

Jeremy Jackrabbit, the beloved children's book character, is back! Jeremy Jackrabbit Travels Safely is the newest title in a series of Jeremy Jackrabbit adventure books, and the latest story highlights the importance of pedestrian safety.

With the support of District 1 Councilwoman Thelda Williams and District 7 Councilman Michael Nowakowski, the City of Phoenix has partnered with local authors, Sasha and Rodney Glassman, to hold an art contest to promote the latest book in the series and showcase the talent of Phoenix-area youth.

Artwork will be selected to illustrate the book that will be published by the Glassman's in 2020. More than 50,000 copies of the book will be distributed for free to each kindergarten student in Maricopa County.

"Pedestrian safety is a top priority and it is important to constantly educate all who share the road." Councilwoman Williams said. "Sharing an important message successfully takes strong partnerships; I'm grateful that the Glassman's have stepped up to this project and that our sponsors and partners are providing support."

Youth artists may enter up to two drawings done in any art medium. Illustrations may be in color or black and white, but may not be larger than 11x17 inches. Colored backgrounds are preferred. Artwork may be submitted at select Phoenix community centers or by mail by Friday, Nov. 22, 2019 at 5 p.m. The text of the book, which should be used by youth as a prompt for their artwork, contest entry form, submission locations and additional information is available at <https://www.phoenix.gov/parks/jeremyjackrabbit>.

The pedestrian safety message shared in the book and an opportunity to submit artwork for publication will be integrated into the city's Parks and Recreation Department [Phoenix Afterschool Center \(PAC\)](#) curriculum this fall. PAC is offered at school sites citywide. Experienced city recreation staff lead structured activities and provide homework help for youth ages 6 to 13 during afterschool hours.

The Glassman's have published six Jeremy Jackrabbit books in recent years, including Jeremy Jackrabbit Captures the Sun, Jeremy Jackrabbit Recycles the Can, Jeremy Jackrabbit Harvests the Rain, Jeremy Jackrabbit Saves Every Drop, Jeremy Jackrabbit Builds a House and Jeremy Jackrabbit Hops on Board. Learn more about the adventures of Jeremy Jackrabbit at <http://www.jeremyjackrabbit.com/>.

The project is supported by the Arizona Coyotes, Arizona Governor's Office of Highway Safety, Arizona State University Foundation, Arizona State University Gammage, City of Peoria, City of Phoenix, City of Scottsdale, City of Tempe, Phoenix Afterschool Center (PAC), Phoenix Parks and Recreation Department, Reimagine Phoenix, UA Local 469, UFCW Local 99 and Valley Metro.



SERVICE CHANGES FOR THE HOLIDAY



As we enter the holiday season, please note the following changes to your trash and recycling pick-up schedule:

- **Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, Nov. 28, 2019**
 - Thursday's collection moves to Friday, Nov. 29, and Friday's collection moves to Saturday, Nov. 30.
- **Christmas Day, Wednesday, Dec. 25, 2019**
 - Every collection day moves one day later (e.g.: Wednesday collection moves to Thursday, Thursday to Friday... Friday to Saturday)
- **New Year's Day, Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2020**
 - Every collection day moves one day later (e.g.: Wednesday's collection moves to Thursday, Thursday to Friday... Friday to Saturday)

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](#).

PHOENIX INTERACTIVE STREET CLOSURE & RESTRICTIONS MAP – UPDATED NOVEMBER 08.

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](#).



CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

Economic Development & Education

Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport experienced a 6.5 percent increase in total passenger results during the month of September 2019 compared to September 2018. This growth was primarily attributable to increased flights and higher loads at American Airlines, which served 115,811 (+7.9%) more passengers in

September than the same period last year. Alaska (+33%), United (+4%), Delta (+10%), Frontier (+73%), and Southwest (+1%) also contributed to September's growth at Sky Harbor.

This week, Community and Economic Development staff met with the CEO of Generated Materials Recovery (GMR), a family-owned small business providing industrial recycling services. In 2018, GMR acquired 6 acres in the City of Phoenix and is now in the process of moving and expanding its operations to the new site located at 3450 N. 27th Ave. The company plans to construct a new 3,000-square-foot office on the site and a fully equipped, air-conditioned workspace for its 36 employees. GMR proactively hires hard-to-hire staff and offers attractive wages, benefits, and training to its employees, while keeping turnover low.

From Oct. 28 to Nov. 3, the Phoenix Convention Center hosted approximately 6,500 delegates for the Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers national convention. The Convention serves as the country's largest gathering of Hispanic STEM students and professionals, offering an opportunity to engage, support, educate and advance the careers of Hispanic students and professionals.

Social Services Delivery

This year, 574,372 bottles of water were distributed to community partners as part of the Heat Relief Campaign and \$4,935 was donated to the campaign.

This week, Human Services hosted a hiring event for the Department of Economic Security (DES) Eligibility Worker positions at the ARIZONA@WORK North Job Center. Of the 105 job seekers in attendance, 80 received on-the-spot interviews and 47 employment offers were extended.

Youth & Education staff recently hosted a Utility and Energy Assistance Workshop for parents at the Phoenix Families First Resource Center at Cesar Chavez. Seven families received \$5,098 in utility assistance. To date, 11 families have received assistance totaling \$8,682 in LIHEAP, LIHEAP Supplement, Water and Southwest Gas LIEC Funds.

On Nov. 1, the Youth and Education Office hosted the Principal for a Day Luncheon at Grand Canyon University. This luncheon is the culminating event for the 70 business leaders and 70 school principals that participated in the program. Businesses gained first-hand knowledge of the day to day operations of a school. After experiencing the life of a school principal for a day, the principals and their executive counterparts, discussed how they could form lasting partnerships to improve the quality of education, workplace readiness and leadership development programs in Phoenix.

Housing staff hosted 95 participants at the Family Self Sufficiency (FSS) quarterly meeting where Sojourner Center's Community Outreach team provided information on domestic violence awareness and hygiene items for the community. The meeting focused on Domestic Violence awareness in support of the Paint Phoenix Purple campaign.

Public Safety

On Nov. 4, Fire staff received the Masino Award presentation by the Congressional Fire Service Institute. The presentation was held at 9:30 a.m. at the Phoenix Fire Training Academy (2425 W. Lower Buckeye Road.). The award received by the Phoenix Fire Department was the Excellence in Fire Service-Based EMS Award for its partnership with Dignity Healthy Care Systems to implement mobile stroke unit response capability in the prehospital EMS response system.

Infrastructure

This week, Street Transportation staff activated a Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon pedestrian signal at 48th Street and the Grand Canal and two High Intensity Activated Crosswalk (HAWK) signals at Osborn Road and the Grand Canal and at 36th and Van Buren Streets.

On Nov. 7, Street Transportation staff hosted an Open House from 1 to 3 p.m. and 5 to 7 p.m. at the Alpha and Omega Disciples of Christ Church to discuss the 24th Street bridge replacement program and the associated construction activity and closure.

Public Works staff recently received the United States Environmental Protection Agency Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA) grant to replace heavy-duty diesel refuse trucks. This project will be implemented, using \$1,000,000 in DERA grant funding, combined with cost-share funds to replace diesel refuse trucks that are past scheduled replacement cycle. This project will replace nine diesel refuse trucks and one long haul refuse truck. This project's primary objective is to improve environmental health by partnering with the US EPA to replace heavy-duty diesel vehicles with ultra-low NOx emission, alternative fuel vehicles. The project will conserve over 75,000 gallons of diesel fuel by employing ultra-low emission technology.

Public Works staff served on a panel at the WASTECON 2019 Conference presenting The Future of Recycling, The Role of Chemical Recycling and Transformational Technologies. During the session, the panelist shared the technology of chemical recycling and how to make it a possible solution in addressing today's challenges around recycling plastics.

NEWS & EVENTS FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT:



DEER VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

DVEF Battle of the Books Winners

Since 1986, the Deer Valley Education Foundation (DVEF) has awarded more than \$1.58 Million dollars to Deer Valley students and staff through programs and grants. One of those programs, the fifth Annual DVEF Battle of the Books, is a reading and question competition for fifth and sixth grade students. Teams of up to three members are assigned four pre-selected books for three competitions throughout the school year, meaning the students read and answer questions from 12 different books. Last school year, 28 Deer Valley schools with 221 teams and more than 650 students participated.



The Deer Valley Unified School District Governing Board recently honored the top two teams who competed at regionals. The first place team is from Las Brisas Elementary: **Team Pet Rocks, which includes Carter Charron, Nathan Park and Aiden Reed.** The second place team is from Sunset Ridge School: **Team Bear Cats with Tess Holfeltz and Molly Spak.**



WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

WESD Schools Host Business Leaders During Principal for a Day

Last week, the City of Phoenix hosted a luncheon for all of the amazing partners who participated in the Principal for a Day Program. The WESD would like to thank our business partners who visited Acacia Elementary, Arroyo School, Chaparral Elementary, Ironwood Elementary, Moon Mountain Elementary, Ocotillo Elementary, Sunburst Elementary and Sweetwater School during the month of October. We appreciate all of the business leaders who took the time to learn about the incredible things happening at WESD schools. [#WESDFamily](#)



GLENDALE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

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GUHSD Governing Board Honors Cortez High School Colts

The Glendale
Union High
School District's
Achievement
Above All

events recognize a handful of individuals from each GUHSD high school that exhibit outstanding leadership and exceptional accomplishments. At each event, the GUHSD Governing Board honors one teacher, student, student group, support staff employee and volunteer for their ongoing commitment to the district and their school's community. Cortez High School's 2019-2020

Achievement Above All recipients were math teacher Katy Griegg, senior student Brian Pham, the film and tv club, administrative assistant Debbie Le Clair and volunteer Luis Lopez. During the recent meeting, the GUHSD Governing Board presented recipients with an award for their achievement.



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

Greenway High School Students Volunteer at ALS Walk

A group of over 50 Greenway High School students recently helped give back at the annual ALS Walk Out at Salt River Fields. The group consisted of student athletes, cheerleaders, and student council and National Honor Society members. They participated by lining up around the entire course and cheering on all the walkers. Students also walked the course in order to raise funds to support the cure for ALS.



To learn more Greenway High School news, visit [@GreenwayHighSchoolAZ](#) on Facebook.



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 poster with a blue border. The top half has a blue background with the text "Report Animal Abuse" in white. Below this is a yellow background with silhouettes of a horse, a dog, and a cat. The bottom half has a blue background with white text.

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

602-265-SPAY
602-265-7729
(Para Español: Oprimos 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@adlaaz.org or www.ADLAZ.org

A dog and a cat are illustrated in a simple, cartoonish style. The dog is on the left, looking towards the center, and the cat is on the right, looking towards the center.