

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

A Message from Phoenix Councilwoman Betty Guardado

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Hello District 5 Residents and Friends

April has been an exciting month of hope and new opportunities, while our community continues to face many challenges with the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. We are diligently working to serve our most impacted residents, workers, and communities. In this edition, learn about the inauguration of our Mayor and Councilmembers, COVID-19 vaccination efforts, small business assistance, Earth Day clean-up, and more.

Mayor and City Councilmembers Inauguration



Councilwoman Guardado taking her oath of office with her husband and two sons



The 2021 Mayor and City Councilmembers at the Steele Indian School Park amphitheater

On Monday, April 19th, Mayor Kate Gallego, Councilwoman Yassamin Ansari, Councilwoman Debra Stark, Councilwoman Ann O'Brien and I were inaugurated to the Phoenix City Council. I'm humbled and grateful for the support I received from the voters of District 5. "While these are difficult and perplexing times, we must rise to the challenge and seize the opportunity." Click here to view the entire inauguration, and click here for my Oath of Office and remarks.

COVID-19 Testing and Vaccinations



This week, the City of Phoenix is providing COVID vaccines to all airport workers and their families. We are especially grateful to our airport workers for their service that makes it "America's Friendliest Airport".

In our city, Maryvale residents have been the most impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, with the highest infection and now a low vaccination rate. In order to protect our entire

community, it is crucial to assist those who may need support. We are continuing to provide free testing at the Maryvale Community Center and with our mobile testing vans all over Phoenix. For more details, visit www.phoenix.gov/covidtesting.



Currently, Mountain Park Health Clinic in Maryvale on the southeast corner of 67th Ave and Thomas Rd. is offering the COVID-19 vaccine. Please call (602)243-7277 to schedule an appointment for yourself or a loved one.

Starting next week, St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church will be hosting a free COVID-19 vaccine event on May 5th, 12th, and 19th. Call 211 to schedule your appointment. Thanks to the Valley Interfaith Project, University of Arizona Zuckerman College of Public Health, and Maricopa County Public Health for organizing this event.

Small Business Financial Assistance



Looking for some financial assistance for your small business? Our office is hosting a financial assistance workshop for small businesses today, Thursday, April 29th at 6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Join us to learn more about the opportunities available to protect and support your small business! We will be joined by the Phoenix IDA and the Business Development Finance Corporation BDFC. Click this link to join: Phoenix Small Business

Neighborhood Highlight: Maryvale Community Clean-up



Community members and volunteers picking up trash near 73rd Ave. & Indian School Rd.



It was a beautiful morning to pick-up trash along an alley that experiences dumping

To celebrate Earth Day, we partnered with the Estrella Supermoms & 6x6 Foundation LLC. to clean an alley on Saturday, April 24th. In two hours, neighbors, students, teachers, and their families filled a roll-off container with 3,280 pounds of trash. Also, special thanks to the

Public Works Department and the Neighborhood Services Department for their support. Contact us if you would like to organize a clean-up in your neighborhood.

Grand Canyon University Golf Course and Restaurant

Click here to watch the latest episode of Neighborhood News to see my interview with Grand Canyon University (GCU) President Brian Mueller at the GCU Golf Course in District 5. We discuss the university's history, vaccination site, and their renowned golf course and restaurant. Also, we met Alan, a Trevor G. Browne High School student and life-long Maryvale resident, who is a serious golfer at the GCU golf course.



April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month



In observance of Denim Day 2021 during Sexual Assault Awareness Month, we're proud to support sexual assault prevention and survivors. Wearing denim symbolizes the protest against victim blaming and destructive attitudes about sexual assault. If you or someone you know needs victim services, call the Family Advocacy Center at 602-534-2120. If case of an emergency, please dial 9-1-1. Click here to learn more about this initiative.

Thank you for reading and sharing the April Neighborhood News with family, friends, and neighbors. As always, please contact our office for your comments, questions, and concerns, at (602) 262-7446 and council.district.5@phoenix.gov. For daily updates, follow us on social media accounts and click on the icons below.







