

September 8th, 2017

CITY EVENTS

UPCOMING PUBLIC CITY MEETINGS

- Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee Meeting Tuesday, September 12th, 2017 at 09:00 a.m. in Assembly Rooms A, B and C, phoenix City Hall, 200 West Washington.
- City Council Policy Session Tuesday, September 12th, 2017 at 2:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers, 200 West Jefferson Street.
- Rio Vista Village Planning Committee Tuesday, September 12th, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in Conference Room 2 at the Goelet A.C. Beuf Community Center, 3435 West Pinnacle Peak Road.
- Public Safety and Veterans Subcommittee Meeting Wednesday, September 13th, 2017 at 09:00 a.m. in Assembly Rooms A, B and C, phoenix City Hall, 200 West Washington.
- Zoning Adjustment Hearing—Thursday, September 14th, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in Assembly Room C, Phoenix City Hall, 200 West Washington Street.
- North Gateway Village Planning Committee Thursday, September 14th, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in Classroom Room 101 at the Goelet A.C. Beuf Community Center, 3435 West Pinnacle Peak Road.

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 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 will be on Friday, September 29th, 2017 at the Radisson Hotel Phoenix North, located at 10220 N Metro Pkwy E, Phoenix, AZ 85051. Breakfast will begin at 7:30 a.m. and the speaker will start at around 7:45 a.m.

Our guest speaker will be Inger Erickson – the Director of Phoenix's Parks and Recreation Department. Inger was named Parks and Recreation Director for the city of Phoenix in December 2015. Inger began working for the city in 1988 as a

lifeguard at Coronado Pool.

During her nearly three decades long career with the department, she also served as a maintenance supervisor, supervisor of aquatics, deputy director of multiple divisions and assistant director. She holds a bachelor of science degree in physical education from Grand Canyon University and a master of arts in organizational management from the University of Phoenix.



DAR Daughters of the American Revolution®

"Real Daughters of the American Revolution"

The Ocotillo Chapter NSDAR will hold its first meeting and program following summer hiatus on Saturday, September 9th, 2017 at 9:30 A.M. in the Community Room #435 at the Outlets of Anthem and is open to non-members. The chapter is delighted to have Suzanne Young, a member of the ASDAR Speaker Staff who has prepared a program on, The Real DAR Daughters. A quote by Suzanne Young, "Each DAR member

has a patriot. Imagine yours was your father! Learn more about the ladies who are first generation. Are there a lot of these women? Who was their father, what did he do and did she know him? Real Daughters of the American Revolution will answer these questions and teach you about these amazing first Americans."

Suzanne, a DAR daughter, many accomplishments since becoming a member was being the 2006 Chapter Outstanding Junior, personal page to ASDAR State Regent, Gillian Morse (2014-2016), page at NSDAR Continental Congress, Arizona Page Club President, Chapter committee member and officer positions for Treasurer, Librarian, and Corresponding Secretary for the Grand Canyon Chapter, and is currently chairman of the ASDAR State Regent Project for 2016-2018.

The September meeting will honor and remember our 9/11 First Responder's with a BAKE-Off ~ "We Remember 1st Responders," Brownie's or Cookie's People Choice Fundraiser. Come taste and cast your vote for your favorite sweet treat with your dollars. Local Fire Department Stations located in the communities surrounding Anthem will be the recipients of a platter of sweet treats.

The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution was founded in 1890 to promote patriotism, preserve American history, and support better education for our nation's children. Its members are descended from the patriots who won American independence during the Revolutionary War. With more than 177,000 members in approximately 3,000 chapters worldwide, DAR is one of the World's largest and most active service organizations. To learn more about the work of today's DAR, visit http://www.dar.org or contact Willine Evans at willineevans@gmail.com and 623-551-3764.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS EXPO

Phoenix firefighters are taking part in the Emergency Preparedness Expo from 10 a.m. to noon at Metro Center Mall on Saturday, September 9th. This event, hosted by Maricopa County Department of Public Health, hosts an array of safety information booths that give our community members information on how to prepare and react to a wide variety of emergencies. This event is free and open to the public. To see the event flyer, please click here: http://www.maricopa.gov/DocumentCenter/View/31616

CITY NEWS & EVENTS:

THE AMERICAN RED CROSS HURRICANE HARVEY DISASTER RELIEF



The American Red Cross is working around the clock along the Gulf Coast to help the thousands of people whose lives have been devastated by Tropical Storm Harvey. If you would like to donate, or find more information about the disaster relief efforts of the American Red Cross, please visit their website at:

https://www.redcross.org/donate/hurricane-harvey.

AZ-TF1 IS LEAVING TEXAS FOR RELIEF EFFORTS IN FLORIDA

After more than a week of helping in the search and rescue efforts across Texas in response to Hurricane Harvey, the 80 members of AZ-TF1 (Arizona Task Force 1) are not stopping. FEMA has just requested their help in anticipation of emergency services needed with Hurricane Irma.

This morning, the team packed up their gear in San Antonio and began the drive East. They deployed 11 days ago for Houston, but instead of coming home, they are still answering the call to help. It's unclear how long this second deployment will last for this team, which includes four search dogs. We are very grateful for their service and desire to help those in need.

COMMUNITY AND POLICE TRUST INITIATIVE LISTENING SESSIONS

The Community and Police Trust Initiative (CPTI) was formed by the city manager in 2015 to review police-community relations which affect all residents. The initiative was composed of 17 community members carefully selected by the city manager to represent the residents of Phoenix, including those from the disability, immigrant, LGBT, millennial and refugee identity. After a nine-month process, they presented city leadership with 15 recommendations to enhance the Phoenix Police Department's relationship with those they serve.

The public is invited to learn about the recommendations and provide feedback. Representatives from the City Manager's Office and the Phoenix Police Department will be in attendance at all events. All sessions will have translation service available and are ADA accessible.

Here is a listing of dates, times and locations for the remaining 11 listening sessions being held city-wide:

Tuesday, Sept. 12 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Beuf Community Center Multipurpose Room 3435 W. Pinnacle Peak Rd.

Wednesday, Sept. 13 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Sunnyslope Community Center Multipurpose Room

802 E. Vogel St.
Thursday, Sept. 14

8:30 – 9:30 a.m.

Helen Drake Senior Center 7600 N. 27th Ave.

Thursday, Sept. 14 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Desert West Community

Center

Multipurpose Room 6602 W. Encanto Blvd.

Saturday, Sept. 16 11:00 – 12:00 p.m. Balsz Conference Center

Building 14

4309 E. Belleview St.

Monday, Sept. 18 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Eastlake Community Center

Gymnasium

1549 E. Jefferson St.

Thursday, Sept. 21 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Pecos Community Center Multipurpose Room 17010 S. 48th St.

Monday, Sept. 25 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

South Mountain Community

Center

Century Room

212 E. Alta Vista Rd.

Tuesday, Sept. 26 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Estrella Mountain Precinct

Community Room 2111 S. 99th Ave.

Wednesday, Sept. 27 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Black Mountain Precinct Community Room

33355 N. Cave Creek Rd.

Thursday, Sept. 28 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. Ability360

Conference Room 2 5025 E. Washington St. *Fragrance Free Facility*

CITY OF PHOENIX AWARDED \$5,389,627 GRANT TO HIRE 32 NEW FIREFIGHTERS

The City of Phoenix has been awarded a grant from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). Funding from the Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant program will provide \$5,389,627 over three years to pay for the new firefighters. The City of Phoenix will contribute \$3,350,309 as part of a matching share cost. "Our outstanding Phoenix firefighters risk their lives every day to keep our city safe, so it's vitally important that we keep adequate staffing levels at our 58 fire stations that protect more than 519 square miles," said Mayor Greg Stanton. "The SAFER Grant will help us do that by adding 32 new firefighters over the next three years."

The SAFER Grant Program is designed to help fire departments increase or maintain the number of "front line" firefighters to help communities meet industry minimum staffing standards and attain 24-hour staffing. This is the seventh SAFER award the City of Phoenix has received since 2010 and represents a combined value of \$43,504,713 in Federal dollars that has paid for 180 new firefighters.

US COURT OF APPEALS RULES IN FAVOR OF CITY, NEIGHBORHOODS IN FAA FLIGHT PATHS LAWSUIT

Nearly three years after the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) changed the flight paths at Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport without notifying the community, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit has ruled in favor of the City of Phoenix and the neighborhoods. In June 2014, the City of Phoenix filed a lawsuit on behalf of all Phoenix neighborhoods, which was followed by a suit brought by several historic Phoenix neighborhoods. The court joined the two lawsuits together.

On August 29th, the court issued an unprecedented opinion and a judgment that FAA violated federal law when implementing the new flight paths in September 2014. The order indicates that the FAA will need to return to the routes in place prior to September 2014 until it conducts a new environmental process. Attorneys for the City of Phoenix are studying the decision to understand the process moving forward regarding what changes will be made and when.

In the Court's written opinion, it agrees with the City and Neighborhoods' argument that FAA approval of the new flight routes in September 2014 was "arbitrary and capricious" and violated the National Historic Preservation Act, the National Environmental Policy Act, and the Department of Transportation Act.

The court ruling states that "by keeping the public in the dark, the agency made it impossible for the public to submit views on the project's potential effects—views that the FAA is required to consider." The ruling goes on to say that "The FAA had several reasons to anticipate that the new flight routes would be highly controversial: The agency was changing routes that had been in place for a long time, on which the City had relied in setting its zoning policy and buying affected homes.

The air traffic over some areas would increase by 300%—with 85% of that increase attributed to jets—when before only prop aircraft flew overhead. The FAA found a 'potential [for] controversy' but did not notify local citizens and community leaders of the proposed changes as the agency was obligated to, much less allow citizens and leaders to weigh in."

The Court agreed that the FAA violated its duty to consult with the City in assessing whether the new routes would substantially impair the City's parks and historic sites and that the FAA did not have enough information to find that the routes would not substantially impair these protected areas. The Court opinion states that "The FAA never conveyed the proposed route changes to senior officials in the City's Aviation Department, local officials responsible for affected parks or historic districts, or elected city officials."

The ruling and full court opinion are available on https://www.skyharbor.com/flightpaths.

AMERICA'S FRIENDLIES AIRPORT JUST GOT FRIENDLIER - Navigator Buddies Make Debut in Pilot Pet Therapy Program at Sky Harbor



Today, Councilwoman Thelda Williams introduced Navigator Buddies at America's Friendliest Airport®; the latest and furriest additions to the popular Phoenix Sky Harbor Navigator program. Sometimes referred to as stress-relief or emotional-comfort animals, Navigator Buddies are pups with a purpose: They offer company to travelers who might need some quiet comfort with man's best friend.

The Navigator Buddies are volunteers, dogs and owners who are registered in good standing with a qualified pet therapy organization. Therapy animals offer soothing moments during stressful times, such as when flying or in large, busy places like an airport environment.

Councilwoman Williams spoke and introduced the Navigator Buddies that are taking part in this pilot program. The dogs walked a purple carpet, posed for pictures and then met members of the public.

AMWUA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING UPDATE

Governor's Water Discussion

Governor Ducey has convened a "Governor's Water Discussion" Plenary group of invited stakeholders from various sectors. The Plenary group includes a single municipal representative, Mayor Jim Lane from Scottsdale, who is "staffed" by Warren Tenney and Kathryn Sorensen. The goal of the Governor's Water Discussion is to better clarify the role of the Arizona Department of Water Resources as the "one voice" that speaks for Arizona on water policy matters. The Governor's Water Discussion has two workgroups, the Colorado River Workgroup and the Groundwater Workgroup. While Phoenix does not have specific representation on the Plenary Group, Kathryn Sorensen was invited to participate in the Colorado River Workgroup.

During its most recent meeting on August 30, the Plenary group recommended specific reforms to address the problems identified by the State and the workgroups. It should be noted that CAWCD has expressed broad policy objections to the Governor's Water Discussion, and does not believe there is a need for change with regard to Colorado River issues and its role in Arizona water policy. CAWCD states things are fine the way they are and this process represents the Executive Branch attempting to usurp the authority of a duly elected special taxing district. Unfortunately, the recent difficulties in reaching consensus on DCP and DCP+, CAWCD's assertion of sovereign immunity in litigation, and questions about who has the authority to negotiate on interstate agreements just reinforces the need for clarity and one voice that speaks for Arizona on Colorado River issues. Because these are issues of statewide concern that reach beyond the three county special taxing district, that voice should be the Arizona Department of Water Resources through its Director. In addition, there are issues relating to groundwater use in Pinal County and non-AMA counties that would also be addressed by some of the State's recommendations. The Governor's Office seems intent on pursuing all of the recommendations as a package.

Water Quality Standard for Non-Project Water under the System Use Agreement

As part of effectuating the wheeling of Non-Project water in the CAP canal, CAWCD has initiated a Water Quality Standards Task Force ("Task Force") of CAWCD Board members to recommend a water quality standard to the United States Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) for Non-Project water. The Task Force has invited stakeholders to provide input on water quality standards.

AMWUA is facilitating a presentation for the Task Force among the AMWUA cities, Southern Arizona cities, SRP and the Gila River Indian Community of a comprehensive proposal for water quality standards applicable to wheeling contracts on the CAP. The goal of the proposal would be to maintain the current water quality that is similar to that existing today so water providers will not need to make treatment changes to accommodate Non-Project water at this time. Part of the proposal would include monitoring and revisiting the standards periodically as conditions change and shortages become more acute.

A CAWCD Water Quality Taskforce is scheduled to meet again in mid-September to hear proposals for water quality regulation for Non-Project water. AMWUA staff will present the current status of the proposal. The written submission deadline to CAWCD is September 1st.

ARIZONA MUNICIPAL WATER USERS ASSOCIATION (AMWUA) LAUNCHES NEW WEBSITE

The first comprehensive redevelopment of www.amwua.org in a decade has significantly improved the accessibility and usability of AMWUA's information rich site. AMWUA's website has been a key resource for central Arizona water information since 1996.

The new site is mobile adapted, streamlined, and easy to navigate. The design draws visitors to explore the content, to learn about the issues facing the AMWUA members, and to support the solutions that the association advocates.

The popular AMWUA blog is now integrated into the site, providing easy access to hundreds of posts on a diverse range of water related topics. Visitors can explore an expanded issues section, which delivers more in-depth information on the many complex issues facing Phoenix area water providers. The bill tracking section provides a well-organized, at-a-glance summary of the bills AMWUA follows during Arizona's legislative session. AMWUA member staffs will appreciate the consolidated listing of public meetings and the ability to quickly search for past meeting materials.

The water conservation section of the website, now more appropriately titled, "What You Can Do," has been simplified, allowing visitors to quickly scan for the information they are seeking, including guidance on finding and fixing leaks, rebates, landscaping resources, local workshops and events, contact information for local conservation professionals, and much more.

In the second phase of the site's redevelopment, AMWUA's plant selection database and landscape design guide will be completely redesigned. Councilwoman Williams serves on the Board of Directors of AMWUA as Phoenix's representative.

LARGEST GIRDERS IN THE STATE PLACED FOR SOUTH MOUNTAIN

FREEWAY'S SALT RIVER BRIDGES - At 170 feet long, 169,000 pounds, the girders will support traffic

crossing Salt River



The Loop 202 South Mountain Freeway, already the largest single highway project in Arizona history, now has the longest bridge girders of their type in the state.

As long as a 17-story building and each weighing as much as 14 elephants, 94 extra-long single span girders have already been placed on two bridge structures (northbound and southbound) that will carry traffic over the Salt River when the South Mountain Freeway opens by late 2019.

Each of the concrete girders weighs 169,000 pounds and is

170 feet long. That's 9 feet longer than the Arizona Department of Transportation's current longest span for a similar girder type: 161-foot-long girders set for the Bell Road bridge over the BNSF Railway tracks in Surprise as part of a Grand Avenue (US 60) interchange completed in 2016.



In all, 292 girders will be installed for the Salt River bridges. The girders, which serve as support beams, are manufactured locally and placed during overnight hours.

Currently, crews are installing deck panels – more than 600 thus far – atop the girders that will allow them to pour the concrete bridge deck late this year. Early next year, Connect 202 Partners, the developer responsible for building the South Mountain Freeway, will place the remaining girders on the Salt River bridges.

These bridges, the longest on the project at approximately 2,700 feet, or about a half-mile long, will provide a much-needed all-weather link to and from Laveen when the Salt River flows while also reducing congestion at current crossings. The city of Phoenix's 51st Avenue bridge is currently the lone all-weather Salt River crossing between 35th Avenue and Avondale Boulevard.



The South Mountain Freeway will provide a long-planned direct link between the East Valley and West Valley and a much-needed alternative to Interstate 10 through downtown Phoenix. Approved by Maricopa County voters in 1985 and again in 2004 as part of a comprehensive regional transportation plan, the South Mountain Freeway will complete the Loop 202 and Loop 101 freeway system in the Valley.

For an ADOT YouTube video on Salt River bridge construction, visit https://youtu.be/Ofs8TSELRy4. For information on the project, visit www.SouthMountainFreeway.com.

- ADOT Public Information Office

MAJOR TRAFFIC LANE CLOSURES AND RESTRICTIONS PLANNED FOR 35TH AVENUE AND INDIAN SCHOOL ROAD AT GRAND AVENUE NEAR US 60

Starting Sunday, Sept. 10, a series of temporary traffic lane restrictions and closures will be implemented on 35th Avenue and Indian School Road at Grand Avenue near the US 60. This activity will take place for approximately 60 days to accommodate roadway and railway construction work.

Traffic lanes will initially be restricted or closed as follows:

- 35th Avenue will be restricted to two lanes in each direction,
- 35th Avenue left-turn lanes will be closed,
- Northbound 35th Avenue right-turn lane will be closed,
- Grand Avenue will be restricted to two lanes in each direction, and
- The frontage road on Indian School Road will be restricted to one lane in each direction.

Traffic lane restrictions and closures will change as construction work progresses. Bus stop, pedestrian and business access will be maintained along this corridor. Traffic delays and congestion are anticipated, and motorists are advised to seek alternate routes when possible.

PHOENIX PLANNED MAJOR STREET RESTRICTIONS – UPDATED SEPTEMBER 8TH, 2017

To view a listing of the latest planned major street restrictions please visit this link: https://www.phoenix.gov/streetssite/Pages/Planned-Street-Restrictions.aspx

These restrictions represent only the major planned activities reported to the Street Transportation Department's right-of-way management office. This listing does not reflect closures or restrictions due to 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 <a href="majorage-new-alerts-new-alert

HOW TO DONATE TO HELP THE HOMELESS

Some of the most common calls our office receives are related to issues with our homeless and transient population. Homeless and transient issues are experienced across the country and they are growing. Phoenix is not alone in its struggle to find effective ways to address the concerns of all of our residents and that includes those who need the most assistance in finding housing, or other services. Often, people ask how to help in ways that get less fortunate people the help they need. Handing out money seems like a quick method to help, but it doesn't contribute to long term, or effective solutions. We suggest that if you want to help, consider donating to charities such as St. Mary's Food Bank, UMOM New Day Centers, Central Arizona Shelter Services, the Phoenix Rescue Mission, or any other of the many organizations that can provide housing, or other services. For information about these services, please visit the Homeless Shelter Directory

https://www.homelessshelterdirectory.org/cgi-bin/id/city.cgi?city=Phoenix&state=AZ

NEIGHBORHOOD MINI-GRANTS ARE BACK!

Love Your Block (LYB) is a program that awards \$1,000 mini-grants to neighborhood organizations in support of community revitalization projects. LYB projects don't just beautify neighborhoods -- they help residents build a stronger sense of community ownership and local pride. To learn more, watch the LYB tutorial video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CjbPioUoi6A&t=2s.

We are accepting applications between Sept. 1 and Nov. 1, 2017. Access the online grant today here: http://www.awardalley.com/loveyourblock/2017/love-your-block-phx-mini-grant.

LYB is looking for creative ideas to revitalize public spaces and engage neighbors! Don't hesitate to contact grant staff, Leonard Gross and Talia Ramella with any questions.

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Talia Ramella 602-495-7509 talia.ramella@phoenix.gov

DISTRICT 1 NEWS:

GOODWILL OF CENTRAL AND NORTHERN ARIZONA STORE - at 43270 N. Black Canyon Highway

Desert Hills Unlimited, LLC and Guggenheim Partners, LLC are purchasing and developing a 20-acre parcel located at 43270 N. Black Canyon Highway with the intent to develop, among other retailers, a Goodwill of Central and Northern



Arizona store and donation center. Founded in 1947, Goodwill of Central and Northern Arizona continues to better the community and fight unemployment each year by turning your donations into no-cost career centers that are open to anyone in need of assistance finding a job.

This new store will be approximately 25,000 square feet and feature a bright, open and friendly floor plan to offer a great shopping experience to anyone looking for one-of-a-kind clothing, household goods, electronics and more at great prices! This location will also feature a convenient and well-managed drive-through donation area for customers to easily drop-off their items, which will be immediately brought inside.

The anticipated timeframe for a grand opening is early second quarter, 2018. For additional information, or if you have any questions, please contact Kim Ryder, Vice President of Real Estate at kim.ryder@goodwillaz.org or 602-535-4000.

PARKS AND RECREATION CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (CIP) UPDATE

The Parks and Recreation Department builds healthy communities through parks, programs and partnerships. The Capital Improvement Project (CIP) represents investments in the long-term health of our community. Currently, Council District 1 has the following projects in progress:

- **Deer Valley Dog Park** The installation of the new dog park is scheduled to be completed by the end of this calendar year
- Sunburst Paradise Park Improvements Installation of a retention and irrigation system is progressing
- Paseo Highland Pickleball Courts 6 pickleball courts are currently being installed

For additional information about the Phoenix Parks and Recreation Department, please visit their website at: https://www.phoenix.gov/parks.

DEER VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS



DVUSD is so proud of our Sandra Day O'Connor High School Art Teacher Jeff Carol Davenport. She touches the lives of our students every day, and now her work, creating the Pat Tillman sculpture, will touch past, current, and future Sun Devils for many years to come. The bronze statute she created was unveiled at the new ASU Stadium and dedicated on August 30, 2017.

"I'm an ASU graduate and I had followed Pat's journey, and I always thought it would be wonderful to do a sculpture of Pat," said Davenport, who spent nine months on the project. "It's a great honor to do this."

Tillman was a student-athlete at ASU from 1994 to 1998, earning a degree in marketing, and then played football professionally with the Arizona Cardinals. Reacting to the 9/11 terrorist attacks, Tillman and his brother enlisted in the Army together in May 2002. Pat Tillman died in Afghanistan in 2004.

Watch how Davenport created the sculpture: www.dvusd.org/Tillman



Artist and Sandra Day O'Connor High School Teacher Jeff Carol Davenport stands with the Pat Tillman sculpture that she created, along with the donor, Arthur Pearce II, a third-generation Sun Devil.

GLENDALE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

GLENDALE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

More than 120,000 people have graduated from the Glendale Union High School District since it was established in 1911. Are you wondering what happened to your classmates? Are you planning a reunion or want information on how to attend a reunion?

This information is available by visiting the Community & Alumni section of the GUHSD website, <u>www.guhsdaz.org</u>. From this section, graduates can update their current contact

information, see what reunions are planned and learn about a few noteworthy alumni who graduated from any of our nine high schools. If you are interested in sharing information about a planned event, please contact the Community Relations Department by emailing prdept@guhsdaz.org or calling Sara Clawson at 623-435-6001.

WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS



The North Phoenix Kiwanis Foundation donated over \$30,000 to support WESD's University After-school Academy at Desert View, Manzanita and Sahuaro Elementary Schools during the 2017-18 school year. The Washington Elementary School District would like to thank the North Phoenix Kiwanis

Foundation for supporting after-school learning and for being a valued partner.



The State Board of Education approved a three-year grant for 32 school districts and schools for Homeless Education Services, which will assist around 30,000 homeless students. The Washington Elementary School District is excited to announce that it received an \$80,000 grant to help support our students at all 32 schools!



For the past six years, Walmart has supported the Washington Elementary School District through donations and community involvement. Last week, Walmart donated bicycles to the Safety & Mentoring Department. These bicycles will be given to students for attendance recognition. The WESD would like to thank Walmart for the generous donation and for supporting our students and community.



CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

Economic Development & Education

On Sept. 14, the Phoenix Sister Cities will host the "18th annual Global Links Business Outlook Luncheon" at the Phoenix Convention Center. This year's topic is "Challenges in the Sports Entertainment Industry" and will feature a panel discussion among leading sports entertainment industry executives to include: Jason Rowley, President, Phoenix Suns; Bobby Dulle, Chief Operating Officer, Phoenix Rising FC; and Josh Rawitch, Senior Vice President, Arizona Diamondbacks. The speakers will be introduced and the panel discussion will be facilitated by Ralph Marchetta, General Manager and Sr. Vice President, Talking Stick Resort Arena, and Chairman of the Board, Phoenix Sister Cities, Inc.

The 2017 Mayor's Export Awards will be presented at the Sept.14 luncheon. The export awards serve to recognize contributions made in advancing the Phoenix export economy and recognition of those that have demonstrated export excellence. This year's recipients are:

- Mayor's Export Champion of the Year: Metro Phoenix Export Alliance MPEXA
- Mayor's Product Exporter of the Year: PING
- Mayor's Service Exporter of the Year: CORE INSTITUTE
- Mayor's Export Service Provider of the Year Award Public Sector: Small Business Association (SBA)
- Mayor's Export Service Provider of the Year Award Private Sector: FEDEX

Community and Economic Development staff attended the Starbucks' Opportunity for All Initiative one year anniversary honoring Chicanos Por La Causa and Arizona Call-A-Teen Youth Resources. They were tasked to help expose young people to skills needed in the workforce.

The Public Works Department launched the Green Business Leader Program in February 2017 to recognize and encourage businesses to establish recycling policies and procedures to divert waste, decrease their carbon footprint and contribute to a sustainable environment. WeCare Denali and Recycle 1 signed on to be the program's 30th and 31st Green Businesses last week. Three more businesses are currently in the pipeline.

Neighborhoods and Livability

Neighborhood Services staff recently attended the Parks & Recreation Department board meeting where community leader Mary Moore was honored for her many contributions to the Phoenix community with the dedication of the "Mary Moore Playground" at Pierce Park. Over 20 community members, residents and other leaders showed up at the board meeting in support of Mary and the Mary Moore Playground.

The Sale and Development of 13 Garfield Neighborhood Lots RFP deadline for proposal submission was Friday, Aug. 25, at 11 a.m. Staff received two proposals and will begin the evaluation process immediately. Through this RFP, the Neighborhood Services Department is looking to procure proposers to enter into contract for the sale and development of two property packages, totaling 13 vacant, city-owned lots located in the Garfield Neighborhood Initiative area.

Planning and Development staff has issued preliminary site approval for the proposed 334-unit Toscana at Desert Ridge Montreaux multifamily apartment complex at 5550 E. Deer Valley Drive.

On Aug. 22, the University of Arizona partnered with the Arizona Sports Turf Management Association (STMA) to host a field-day at Reach 11 Sports Complex. Over 25 vendors displayed the latest sports equipment. Grant Trenbeath, head groundskeeper for the Arizona Diamondbacks, provided a hands-on exhibition on tearing down and rebuilding pitching mounds on one of the youth Diamondback fields as well as a discussion of the challenges of growing turf on the infield of a baseball field. There were over 350 participants, which included staff from the South Division's Chavez and Pecos maintenance yards.

The Love Your Block PHX mini-grant application was released Friday, Sept. 1. This is the third year of the mini-grant program funded by a grant from Cities of Service and powered by two AmeriCorps VISTA members. This year, up to five \$1,000 mini-grants will be awarded to neighborhoods for revitalization projects including tree plantings, community murals, graffiti removal, among others. The application deadline is Nov. 1, 2017. More information: www.phoenix.gov/volunteer.

Social Services Delivery

Public Transit's contractor, MV, shared the results of a recent customer satisfaction survey of Senior Center Shuttle participants. The survey targeted active program users and a 69 percent response rate was achieved. The majority of respondents indicated they received good service from cab drivers, were picked up within 15 minutes, traveled alone, and had lunch at the senior center.

Public Safety

The Communications Office is working with the Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security to promote the city's efforts for National Preparedness Month throughout September. The campaign, "Are You Ready", will highlight various safety messages including: Having an emergency "game plan," how to get involved with your neighborhood, sharing emergency hotlines, what's in a ready bag, and 5 ways to safeguard your home in cooler fall weather. The campaign will be promoted on the web, social media and with news media.

Infrastructure

Information Technology Services is installing new, upgraded wireless controllers to improve current downtown public Wi-Fi infrastructure and support the new employee Wi-Fi. This upgrade will allow the City to expand the current infrastructure and provide better redundancy to ensure a resilient and stable Wi-Fi infrastructure.

Water Services and Aviation Department staff recently toured the newly installed water treatment system in Sky Harbor Terminal 4. The new system will reduce cooling tower water use by 15,000,000 gallons per year and will be replicated in Terminal 3, the Rental Car Center, and the South Air Cargo Facility, greatly improving efficiency.

Phoenix Team

Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport received coverage in both the online and print version of The New York Times for its efforts on Twitter and social media. In "Airports (Like Carriers) Use Twitter to Ease Travelers' Concerns," Phoenix Sky Harbor was the featured airport in the article that showed how airports and other travel organizations use the social media platform to respond to customer needs as well as promote their services. The article was also published on AviationPros.com, in the Albany Business Journal, and shared elsewhere online.

GREAT CHARITIES TO DONATE TO:

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