



March 26, 2021

CITY EVENTS

UPCOMING CITY PUBLIC MEETINGS

- **Zoning Adjustment Hearing** – 9 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Thursday, April 1. Please click on the [Notice of Public Meeting](#) link for meeting information.

City Council meetings are live on Cox Cable Channel 11 and streamed live on [PHXTV](#).
For meeting participation information and options, please visit [City Council Meetings](#).
Past City Council meetings are posted on [CityofPhoenixAz](#).

CESAR CHAVEZ HOLIDAY

City of Phoenix offices will be closed Wednesday, March 31, in observance of the Cesar Chavez Day. Here's how city services are affected:

Solid Waste: Trash and recycling will be collected as usual. There will be no change in collection day. Please place your trash and recycling containers 4 feet apart at the curb by 5:30 a.m.

Transfer Stations: The 27th Avenue and North Gateway Transfer Stations will be closed.

Public Transit: Bus and light rail are operating on a weekday service schedule. Customer service windows at the following transit centers are closed; Central Station, Ed Pastor, Metrocenter, Sunnyslope and Tempe Transportation Center and will reopen April 1. Visit [valleymetro.org](#) for more information.

Library: All Phoenix Public Library locations are closed. Customers may access library resources 24/7 by visiting [phoenixpubliclibrary.org](#).

Parking Meters: All [parking meters](#) are enforced 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily, including weekends and holidays.



COUNCIL DISTRICT 1 NEWS AND INITIATIVES

DISTRICT 1 VIRTUAL COMMUNITY BUDGET HEARING



In April, the City of Phoenix will be hosting several Virtual Community Budget Hearings online to hear about the [2021-2022 City Manager's Trial Budget](#) and provide comments.

This public discussion is among the reasons the city's budget so closely matches the community's highest priorities each fiscal year. The District 1 virtual meeting date and hearing information is below.

Location: Electronically, via a video conferencing platform ([registration opens the week of March 29th](#)).
When: 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Monday, April 5

How to Participate

- Watch hearings on PHXTV (Cox Cable Channel 11) and online at the [Phoenix.gov](#) home page or on [YouTube.com/CityofPhoenixAZ](#).
- Call-in to listen to the meetings. Dial 602-666-0783 and Enter Meeting ID (will be posted). Press # again when prompted for attendee ID.
- Register to speak at a Virtual Community Budget Hearing. Register online or by phone. (Registration will open the week of March 29.)

For more information, please visit [Phoenix.gov/budget/hearings](#). Meeting end time is estimated.

General Contact: Questions about the budget process?

Contact Budget.Research@Phoenix.gov.
Phone Number: 602-262-4800; TTY: please use 711.



CITY NEWS & EVENTS:

PHOENIX COVID-19 RESOURCES

Find information related to the COVID-19 pandemic on the [Resources](#) webpage. Residents with questions about city services and programs are encouraged to email contactus@phoenix.gov or call 602-262-3111.

COVID-19 TESTING SERVICES

Community partners are holding COVID-19 testing sites on select dates. Please see below for upcoming events. For additional information on walk-up testing locations and other available dates, please visit [Phoenix Testing Blitz](#).

Stationary Site: Maryvale Park - District 5
4420 N. 51st Ave., Phoenix 85031
Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays: 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Appointments recommended at: vincerecancer.com
Offers PCR test with results within 24 hours.



Saturday, March 27

Mobile Van #1: Pendergast Community Center – District 5
10550 W. Mariposa St., Phoenix 85037
7:15 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.
Register at: <https://vincerecancer.com>



Monday, March 29

Mobile Van #1: Sunnyslope Community Center – District 3
802 E. Vogel Ave., Phoenix 85020
7:15 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.
Register at: <https://vincerecancer.com>

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## **HUMAN SERVICES**

The Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) program is now taking online applications for rental assistance through Wildfire's ERA Program application portal.

Residents can visit [wildfireaz.org/phxera/](http://wildfireaz.org/phxera/) to begin the online application in English or Spanish. After entering their Phoenix zip code, residents will answer questions to ensure eligibility of assistance and then proceed to complete the program application. Landlords may apply on behalf of renters with their permission.



## SKY HARBOR

### Working Together to Help Travelers

*America's Friendliest Airport® develops Android version of important app.*

Download the  
**Check & Fly App**  
to learn about  
COVID-19  
health and  
safety measures  
at any airport.

**PHX**

Early in the pandemic, the aviation industry realized the need to communicate health and safety requirements and information about COVID-19. Because there wasn't one standardized place to look for information, under the leadership of the ACI World IT Standing Committee's ACRIS (Airport Community Recommend Information Services) Group, ACI, multiple airports and World Business Partners worked together to come up with a solution to help passengers get COVID-19 related health and safety measures at arriving and departing airports. Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport has played an integral role in this group, and the Airport's Technology team has helped to develop an app that provides travelers with the critical information they need.

The group, which was led by San Francisco International Airport, focused on two main initiatives. The first was to develop an airports-only application to allow airports to enter and update their own COVID-19 health and safety measures. This data is published in real-time and allows airlines and third parties to access the data from a single source.

The second initiative was to develop a passenger-facing app. Last year, [Airports Council International \(ACI\) World](#) launched an app called Check & Fly. The app, which was developed by Seattle-Tacoma International Airport (SEA), was for iOS operating systems, meaning that it was only available to Apple users. Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport's Technology team saw the need for ensuring that Android users had access to this critical information, and therefore, developed an Android version of the app. This version was recently released by [ACI World](#) to the [Google Play Store](#).

The free app provides users with comprehensive information about what they can expect when they travel through a particular airport. The app includes information about whether health screenings are required, what measures the airports have put into place regarding sanitation, what services they can expect when they arrive, and much more. Users simply download the app and then can select a departure or destination airport. It's a helpful resource for travelers as they navigate travel during the COVID-19 pandemic.

As of March 2021, the COVID-19 health and safety information from 291 airports is digitally accessible through the iOS and Android mobile apps. Visit the Apple app store or Google Play to download and start using this app today.



*Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport, America's Friendliest Airport®, has an annual economic impact of more than \$38 billion. Before the COVID-19 pandemic, approximately 1,200 aircraft and more than 125,000 passengers arrived at and departed from Sky Harbor every day. PHX Sky Harbor is funded with airport revenue. No tax dollars are used to support the airport.*

## PHOENIX ZOO

Registration is now open for Camp Zoo! At Camp Zoo, children will have fascinating adventures with the natural world. Each week-long session is filled with up-close animal encounters, behind-the-scenes experiences, hands-on activities, games, in-depth investigations and organized free time. Children will be spending as much time outdoors as possible, with indoor activities mixed in for cooling breaks.

All camp lessons and activities are age-appropriate and designed for multiple learning styles. Campers engage in projects independently and within groups, which encourages individual expression and helps promote collaborative skills. Content is delivered with an awareness of campers' development and is flexible to meet the needs of each particular group.

Camp Zoo instructors have respect and understanding for children and a deep passion for the natural world. They are well trained in interpretive techniques, group management and activity facilitation.

Camp Zoo is for children who are entering first grade through eighth grade in fall 2021. There will be no Kindergarten session this year. Families can choose from eight weeks of half-day (8 a.m. – Noon) sessions. Due to limitations brought about by COVID-19, we will not be offering full day camp or extended day camp this year.

All camp participants receive a shirt, hat and water bottle with lanyard. Campers must wear their Camp Zoo shirts every day. Additional shirts are available for purchase on the first day of camp.

Fee waivers will be available for campers that qualify for free or reduced lunch programs at school. Applications for this support will open at the same time as camp registration. To learn more about the program and to register, please visit [Summer Camp Zoo](#).

**Amazing Animals  
Awesome Activities**  
*There's nothing like Camp Zoo!*



## PUBLIC TRANSIT

### NORTHWEST EXTENSION PHASE II CONSTRUCTION UPDATE Week of March 22



The Northwest Extension Phase II (NWEII) project will extend light rail west on Dunlap Avenue from 19th Avenue, then north on 25th Avenue and across I-17 on Mountain View Road with a terminus on the west side of the freeway near Metrocenter Mall. Northwest Extension Phase II light rail project construction is underway by the project contractor, Kiewit-McCarthy, A Joint Venture (KMJV) and third-party utility companies, such as Salt River Project (SRP). Visit [valleymetro.org/northwest2](http://valleymetro.org/northwest2) to view the latest updates and learn more about the project.

#### Dunlap Avenue:

- **Dunlap Avenue between 19th and 25th avenues:** KMJV and SRP are performing underground utility relocation and roadway construction on Dunlap Avenue between 19th and 25th avenues during day and nighttime hours. Traffic lanes will be located on the south side of Dunlap Avenue and restricted to one west- and one eastbound lane. Traffic restrictions will be in place 24/7 through 5 a.m. Saturday, June 12, 2021. Click [here](#) for construction notice.
- **Dunlap Avenue: 24th Avenue closure:** KMJV is performing underground utility relocation and roadway construction on 24th Avenue, just north of Dunlap Avenue. This work will require a closure at the location. In addition, left turns will not be available for eastbound traffic at Dunlap and 24th avenues. Traffic restrictions will be in place 24/7 through 7 a.m. Saturday, June 12, 2021. Click [here](#) for construction notice.
- **Dunlap Avenue: 22nd Avenue closure:** KMJV is performing underground utility relocation and roadway construction on 22nd Avenue, just north of Dunlap Avenue. This work will require a closure at the location. In addition, left turns will not be available for eastbound traffic at Dunlap and 22nd avenues. Traffic restrictions will be in place 24/7 through 5 p.m. Saturday, June 12, 2021. Click [here](#) for construction notice.

#### 25th Avenue:

- **25th Avenue between Dunlap Avenue and Mountain View Road:** KMJV is reconstructing the Arizona Canal bridge on 25th Avenue between Dunlap Avenue and Mountain View Road during day and nighttime hours. Northbound traffic lanes will be closed on 25th Avenue at 24th Ave. Traffic restrictions will be in place 24/7 through 7:00 a.m. Saturday, July 31, 2021. Click [here](#) for construction notice.
- **Rose Mofford Sports Complex and Dog Park:** KMJV is replacing drainage infrastructure in and adjacent to Rose Mofford Sports Complex and Dog Park. The work will involve removing fencing on the southwest corner of the dog park. Temporary fencing will be placed, allowing continued use of the park during construction. In addition, available parking areas will change throughout the process. The Rose Mofford Sports Complex and Dog Park will remain open during this work. The work will be completed in late spring 2021. Click [here](#) for construction notice.

#### Mountain View Road:

- **Mountain View Road between I-17 Frontage Road and 25th Avenue:** KMJV is installing a retaining wall on the north side of Mountain View Road between the I-17 frontage road and 25th Avenue during daytime hours. Traffic lanes will be located on the south side of Mountain View Road and restricted to one east- and one westbound lane. Traffic restrictions will be in place 24/7 through 7 a.m. Friday, June 18, 2021. Click [here](#) for construction notice.

# VALLEY METRO SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE

## VALLEY METRO SMALL BUSINESS FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM PILOT



**PRESTAMOS CDFI**  
A DIVISION OF CHICANOS POR LA CAUSA



### GRANT AMOUNT: UP TO \$9,000

The SBFAP offers two tiers and applicants must choose one tier to apply for within this pilot phase.

### WHO QUALIFIES?

Valley Metro and City of Phoenix, in conjunction with Prestamos CDFI, are assisting qualified program participants in the area of the South Central/ Downtown Hub and Northwest Extension Phase II light rail extensions, with financial assistance. The Business must be locally-owned with 15 or fewer employees and \$500,000 or less in annual revenue for the overall business.

### WHAT CAN THE GRANT BE USED FOR?



Utilities



Rent or Mortgage  
Payment



Insurance



Payroll



Other Types of  
Business-Related  
Expenses

Apply now at:  
[www.prestamosloans.org/valleymetro/](http://www.prestamosloans.org/valleymetro/)

Not eligible: Residential property(ies), places of worship, schools, banks, hotels, government agencies, utility companies, businesses generating over 60% of revenues from the sale of alcoholic beverages, businesses generating revenues from the sale of marijuana, sexually-oriented businesses or topless bars, (as defined in the Phoenix City Code), or unoccupied buildings.

**Roberto Valdez-Beltran** | Business Development Officer  
602-257-6798 | roberto.valdez@cplc.org

**Martin Cordova** | Business Development Officer  
602-257-6782 | martin.cordova@cplc.org

Chicanos Por La Causa, Inc. | Prestamos Loans CDFI | 1024 E. Buckeye Rd. Suite 270 | Phoenix, AZ 85034

## PHOENIX SMALL BUSINESS



Ninety-four percent of all businesses in Phoenix have fewer than 100 employees. The [Phoenix.gov/Small Business Tool box](https://phoenix.gov/Small-Business-Toolbox) website provides answers to business challenges while lending support to small businesses and fledgling entrepreneurs as they transition from the Covid-19 economy. The site introduces business owners to resource links connecting them to dozens of partner organizations now offering solutions.

All of the city resources in the Toolbox are provided by Phoenix at no cost to a business, as are most partner programs. The Phoenix Small Business Toolbox provides access to everything in one place to start, manage or grow a business. Connect online or by calling TeamPHX at 602-262-5040 or emailing to [TeamPHX@Phoenix.gov](mailto:TeamPHX@Phoenix.gov).

## PARKS AND RECREATION

**Easter Restrictions at Phoenix Parks**  
**Restricciones de Pascua en Parques de Phoenix**

Effective Sat., April 3 - Sun., April 4  
En vigor del sáb. 3 de abril - dom. 4 de abril

- ALL park amenities will be open.  
Todas las áreas del parque estarán abiertas.
- Parking lots will be closed.  
Those with an accessibility parking placard will be allowed access.  
Estacionamientos estarán cerrados.  
Se permitirá acceso solo a vehículos con placas de accesibilidad.
- Large gatherings will be prohibited.  
Se prohibirán grupos de muchas personas.
- Grilling will be prohibited.  
Uso de parrillas estará prohibido.
- Wear a mask or face covering.  
Use un cubrebocas o una cubierta facial.

City of Phoenix  
[phoenix.gov/parks](https://phoenix.gov/parks)

During the Easter holiday weekend all Phoenix park amenities will be open for the community to enjoy. Parking lots will be closed and large gatherings and grilling will be prohibited. For more information visit [Phoenix.gov/Parks](https://phoenix.gov/Parks).

## FREE TAX PREPARATION

The City of Phoenix Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Program has three alternatives for filing taxes for those meeting eligibility requirements. Free services ensure all taxpayer's income, deductions and allowable credits such as the Earned Income Tax Credit are claimed and increase taxpayer education while promoting self-sufficiency. Save hundreds of dollars in paid preparer fees. First come, first serve.

Residents can book a [phone appointment](#) with VITA, and a certified IRS tax volunteer will assist in preparing and e-filing taxes! To learn more visit [Free Tax Prep](#).





## **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:**

Street Transportation, Hunter Contracting and Ground Level demolition staff started to take down fire-damaged segments of the bridge at 7th Street and the Salt River. Demolition work began on the north end abutment and the northern span. Demolition work is scheduled to last 17 days. Street Transportation collaborated with Public Transit and Parks and Recreation to issue a news release announcing the expected six-month closure for the bridge repair offering suggested detours in the meantime.

### **Economic Development & Education**

On March 17, Parks and Recreation staff opened sports complexes, ramadas and picnic tables, basketball and volleyball courts and outdoor fitness equipment to the public per Council direction. Parks and Recreation staff received reservations for athletic fields for practices, games and local tournaments. Currently three local soccer tournaments have been scheduled along with nine local softball tournaments. Five soccer tournaments were canceled as teams travelled from out of state.

Public Transit staff received final counts from the vaccination event held March 12-14 at Cesar Chavez High School. Over 3,100 individuals received vaccinations during the event which was targeted at public transit personnel and postal workers.

Arts and Culture staff facilitated three orientation workshops for the fiscal year 2022 Community Arts Grants program in the past two weeks. The hour-long virtual orientation provided prospective applicants an overview of the guidelines and criteria updates, instructions on using the online grants portal and insights about how to submit a successful grant application. Staff continue to hold one-on-one appointments with prospective applicants. Guidelines and application questions are available on the website at [phoenix.gov/arts/grants](http://phoenix.gov/arts/grants). Grant support will be available to arts and culture organizations seeking general support and community groups seeking funding for arts and cultural projects that serve Phoenix residents. Applications close April 1.

Arts and Culture Director Mitch Menchaca presented on a national webinar hosted by Americans for the Arts on March 18. The online presentation provided an overview of all the American Rescue Plan components and how they connect with the arts and culture sector. Staff presented on the City's Arts and Culture Coronavirus Relief Fund program to help other communities think about what could be possible with new stimulus monies. Other presenters included Americans for the Arts staff, and Ra Joy and Jenn Chang of the National Endowment for the Arts, who President Biden recently appointed to their positions.

A team including staff from the Communications Office, Human Services, Street Transportation, Information Technology Services and Community and Economic Development departments submitted the City's application for the Bloomberg 2021 Global Mayors Challenge on Friday, March 19. The City's innovative proposal will assist Phoenix residents who have been impacted by unemployment and/or barriers to employment that have been exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic. Fifty Champion Cities will be selected in June, from which 15 cities will then be selected to refine and complete design for their ideas and resubmit complete applications. From November – December, 15 cities will receive \$1 million each to implement their ideas over two years.

The Convention Center had one notable booking of the Housing Transformation Summit 2021. The summit is scheduled for November 2021 and estimates having 550 attendees equating to 686 total room nights.

On March 19, Water Services staff presented virtually to the Linda Abril Educational Academy. Staff educated 35 high school students about water resources, conservation, the water and wastewater treatment processes, and careers in the water field.

### **Public Safety**

The next Police Recruit written exam is scheduled for March 27 at the Police Regional Academy. To date, 83 applicants have been invited to take the exam. The next Police Recruit written exam is scheduled for April 24. A job announcement remains open for March 27, April 10, and the ongoing online option.

### **Neighborhoods and Livability**

On March 16, Neighborhood Services staff shared information and eligibility criteria for the new Emergency Rental Assistance available to renters impacted by COVID-19. Staff sent an email blast to over 200 neighborhood organizations, residents and community stakeholders and then followed up with residents and Human Services staff regarding questions that arose.

On March 15, Office of Environmental programs along with 10 community/grassroot organizations in the Funds to Feed program, which provide meals to COVID-19 impacted families and individuals, held a virtual meeting to describe their work and share lessons learned. Recipients expressed their gratitude for the funds and how they were introduced to new partners that have created a long-term connection for this project and future work. The organizations were able to provide healthy and culturally appropriate meals and food boxes, which were welcomed by the refugee, indigenous, Black and Latinx communities that they served. The organizations also emphasized that the need for food assistance is still significant.

Office of Environmental Programs staff performed dust control inspections on 32 properties throughout the City of Phoenix from South Phoenix to Cave Creek to ensure regulatory compliance and public health benefits. These inspections focused on parks and open spaces. The sites were well-maintained by Parks and Recreation staff with minimal to no disturbed soils or vehicle disturbances. Most sites inspected found that many areas have withered vegetation due to the lack of precipitation and record-high temperatures the city experienced last year. Vegetation is helpful as a dust control method.

Planning and Development staff evaluated a unique construction method at 5725 E. Camelback Road, where the builder is adding a 1,500 square foot residential accessory structure. The project will be built with a type of Styrofoam block called “Saebi Alternative Building System” that uses Expanded Polystyrene (EPS) as the core material for all structural components, including the roof. The block is coated on each side with reinforced concrete. The thickness of the blocks range between 4-16 inches. The building shell is noted to meet or exceed all testing protocols and the load requirements of the building code. Electrical and plumbing systems are simply notched into the EPS blocks then patched. The energy efficiency is exceptionally good with this method. Since the construction method is not included in the International Residential Code, General Inspectors rely on the manufacturer’s instructions and International Code Council product reports to verify the structure is sound.

### **Social Services Delivery**

During the week of March 15, Human Services staff conducted 1,858 wellness checks and delivered 2,795 meals for senior center members.

On March 17, the IRS reported the City of Phoenix’s Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program electronically filed 325 tax returns for at total refund amount of \$554,749. A total of 39 families were assisted during the week of March 15.

As of March 19, Human Services Head Start Preschool Plan reported 2,963 funded slots with a total of 1,677 children participating in virtual learning and 20 children participating in in-person learning. The Head Start Preschool service providers are across various school districts throughout the City and include Alhambra, Booker T. Washington, Deer Valley, Fowler, Greater Phoenix Urban League, Roosevelt and Washington.

This week, the Library College Deport staff hosted 111 individuals through several virtual events and programs. Additionally, staff assisted 57 individuals with one-on-one college planning and re-engagement appointments via phone or video conferencing.

Last week, in partnership with St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance, Library staff served 587 meals to children and teens, ages 18 and under. The Kid's Café program is the result of a grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture administered by the Arizona Department of Education. Meals are being provided Monday through Saturday during curbside pickup hours at select library branches.

To date, Library staff has provided curbside pickup services to more than 265,000 customers, with approximately 2,458,000 physical library materials circulated by library cardholders. Library staff assisted 1,044 customers over the phone as well as 2,022 customers who submitted an online form with various inquiries related to library card registration, customer accounts, online databases, research and resources.

### **Infrastructure**

On March 18, Public Works Director Ginger Spencer, provided testimony at a hearing of the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Interior, Environment and Related Agencies on "Efforts to Address Marine Plastic Pollution Through Recycling". She gave an overview of how Phoenix went from being described as the least sustainable city in the world to becoming a leader in circularity and achieving a diversion rate of 36 percent exceeding the EPA's national goal of 34 percent without any mandates, fees or fines to incentivize residents to recycle and many times without any increased revenues or resources. She also answered questions and urged the Subcommittee members to support funding important bills, policies and programs that will help improve recycling in our nation.

Street Transportation and Neighborhood Services staff are working together to deliver ADA ramps in four T2050 mobility areas including the South Downtown Neighborhoods, Indian School-Grand Canal Neighborhoods, Durango Curve Neighborhoods, and Westside Neighborhoods with the goal of improving mobility, safety, and connections to important neighborhood destinations. A list of project ramp locations including scope of work, historical costs and typical City standard details will be used by Neighborhood Services staff to issue a federal Job-Order-Agreement to build over 300 ramps. For more information on the four Mobility Areas mentioned above can be found at [phoenix.gov/t2050/mobility-improvements-program](https://phoenix.gov/t2050/mobility-improvements-program).

Water Services 38th Street Relief Sewer Project, located in Paradise Valley (PV), consists of a new sewer line to allow for the abandonment of the existing Lift Station 54. The PV 38th Street Relief Sewer Project involves installation of approximately 3,500 linear feet of an eight-inch sanitary sewer line along 38th Street and 38th Place. The proposed eight-inch gravity sewer main will tie into the existing City of Phoenix wastewater collection system upstream of Lift Station 54, located just northwest of Lincoln Drive and 38th Street. The proposed gravity sewer main will extend south along 38th Street and continue along the transition to 38th Place. The main will connect to an existing eight-inch gravity sewer main in Bethany Home Road. Work will be coordinated with Paradise Valley. This project is being designed and constructed in two phases. Phase One is the segment of sewer that crosses Lincoln Drive. This phase is

nearing completion with as-builts submitted on March 4. Phase Two consists of the segments along 38th Street. and 38th Place. to Bethany Home Road and the portion to tie in north of Lincoln Drive. The construction bid documents and advertisement for the bid is being finalized.

Phoenix is contributing \$2 million of COVID-19 funds toward a joint effort to address the digital divide by providing Wi-Fi infrastructure for the Phoenix Union High School District (PUHSD), 13 public elementary feeder schools, and Maricopa County Community Colleges. In this effort dedicated to students, the City is joined by Phoenix College, the Greater Phoenix Economic Council, and the Arizona Commerce Authority in combined funds and procurement efforts intended to provide digital access/connectivity to remove the digital divide and provide equitable educational, training and workforce opportunities. PUHSD recently received vendor responses to their request for quotes and information related to the project. The technical team will begin review this month. Meanwhile, the Cartwright School District is the central point for the Micro Proof-of-Concept (POC). Information Technology Services (ITS) staff is calculating the distance from homes in the POC area to the Cartwright School District Office.

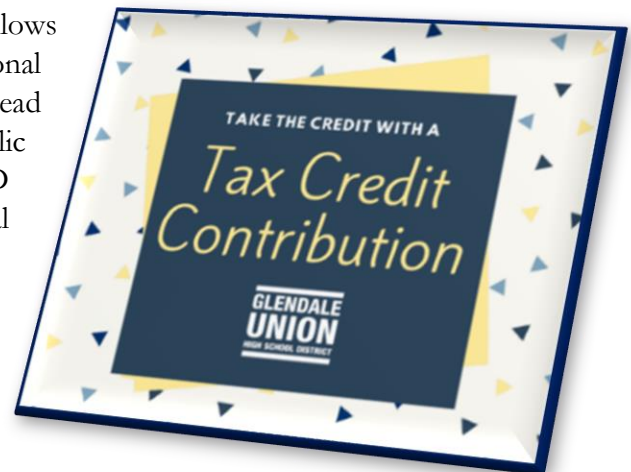


## **NEWS & EVENTS FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT:** **GLENDALE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS**

### **Reduce Your Taxes and Support GUHSD Students with a Tax Credit Contribution**

The Arizona State Public School Tax Credit Law allows taxpayers of a tax credit up to \$400 for those filing personal taxes as “married filing jointly” or \$200 for those filing “head of the household” or “single,” if they contribute to a public school. Donations will also go toward supporting GUHSD students, extracurricular programs, community school meal programs and much more. Remember – the deadline to submit your contribution is April 15. For more information and to donate online, visit [guhsdaz.org/](http://guhsdaz.org/).

To learn more GUHSD news, visit [@GUHSDAZ](https://twitter.com/GUHSDAZ).



## WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

### Three WESD Teachers Honored for Achieving National Board Certification

March 23 was Balloon Day and the WESD is proud to have three teachers who achieved or renewed National Board Certification in 2021 to celebrate!

Congratulations to:

- Jennifer Lauzon: K-2 Resource Teacher, Sunburst Elementary (renewed).
- Katie Baker: 6-7 Grade Teacher and Academic Interventionist, Arroyo School (new).
- Beth Perry: Gifted Learning Teacher, Sahuaro Elementary (renewed).



To recognize their amazing accomplishment, all three were surprised with balloons and flowers by Superintendent Dr. Paul Stanton, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Lyn Bailey, Assistant Superintendent for Academic Services Lori Mora, Governing Board Member Jenni Abbott-Bayardi, Director of Curriculum and Instruction Paula McWhirter, BRIDGE Program Coordinator Maggie Westhoff, Instructional Coach Marcy Hyde and Education Technology Specialist Ben Metcalf, as well as their school principals, instructional coaches and families.

### 2021-2022 Kindergarten Registration



Register your kindergarten student for the 2021 – 2022 school year! The free, full-day program offers a developmentally appropriate, research-based curriculum that addresses reading, writing, math, science, social studies, physical education and art with time for fun!

WESD provides a variety of opportunities to learn and practice essential social emotional and problem-solving skills. The experienced and enthusiastic teachers encourage peer-to-peer relationships and collaboration while supporting each student's unique needs and helping them to discover who they are as learners.

If you or someone you know has a child who will be five before September 1, 2021 and you would like to learn more, virtual tours of all kindergarten programs are available at [WESD Kindergarten](#). WESD is currently enrolling kindergarten students for next year at [WESD KinderRegistration](#).

## Head Start Enrolling for 2021- 2022

WESD Head Start Program is now enrolling for the 2021- 2022 school year! The Head Start Program is a multicultural early childhood education program designed to meet each child's individual needs. Students must be 3 or 4 years-old before September 1, 2021, to participate. Qualified students attend at no cost. To learn more about this program, visit [wedschools.org/HeadStart](http://wedschools.org/HeadStart) or call 602-347-4806.



## WESD Looks to Fill Three Technology Related Positions



The WESD is looking for individuals with application development and programming experience to join our Management Information Systems (MIS) team as a Web Programmer Analyst or Senior Applications Analyst. These positions are responsible for designing, developing and maintaining web-based applications for the WESD.

We are also looking for computer-savvy individuals with a passion for customer service to join our MIS team as field technicians, responsible for hardware and software installation and technical support.

These full-time positions enjoy access to great benefits such as Arizona State Retirement, holidays, paid time off, medical and dental benefits and much more! Take the next step in your technology career today and join the #WESDFamily! Apply online today at [jobs.wedschools.org](http://jobs.wedschools.org) !

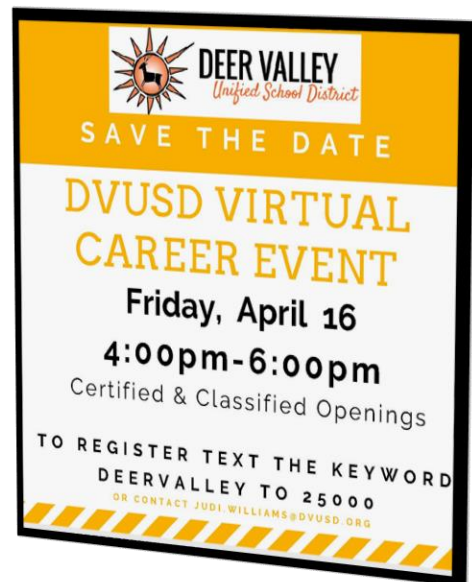
## DEER VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

### Join the DVUSD Team!

Deer Valley Unified School District is looking for extraordinary new team members for teaching and non-teaching positions for this year and next school year.

Full-time staff members receive 24 paid holidays off. Teachers and staff benefits include Arizona State Retirement, dental, vision and life insurance.

To register text the keyword DEERVALLEY to 25000 or contact [Judi.Williams@DVUSD.org](mailto:Judi.Williams@DVUSD.org).



## GREAT CHARITIES TO DONATE TO:

### ARIZONA HUMANE SOCIETY

[azhumane.org/get-involved/give-now/](http://azhumane.org/get-involved/give-now/)

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

[childhelp.org/](http://childhelp.org/) or call 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:

[phoenixcenterforthearts.org/support/](http://phoenixcenterforthearts.org/support/)

**ANTHEM PETS** Animal Rescue: A Voice for the Voiceless!

[anthempets.org/](http://anthempets.org/) or 480-287-3542.

**ARIZONA PAWS & CLAWS:** [azpawsandclaws.com](http://azpawsandclaws.com)

**FETCH FOUNDATION:** please visit [fetchfoundation.com/Newsflash/the-fido-bag-program](http://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.

Medical Animals In Need [www.medicalanimalsinneed.com](http://www.medicalanimalsinneed.com).

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