

Sept. 11, 2020

CITY EVENTS

UPCOMING PUBLIC CITY MEETINGS

- City Council Land Use and Livability Subcommittee 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 16. Please click on the <u>City Council Meetings</u> link for meeting participation information.
- City Council Formal Meeting 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 16. Please click on the <u>City Council Meetings</u> link for meeting participation information.
- North Mountain Village Planning Committee 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 16. Please click on the Notice of Public Meeting link for meeting participation information.
- Zoning and Adjustment Hearing 9:00 a.m. & 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 17. Please click on the Notice of Public Meeting link for meeting participation information.

City Council meetings are live on Cox Cable Channel 11 and streamed live on https://www.phoenix.gov/phxtv and facebook.com/cityofphoenix.

To view written or video instructions for meeting participation, please visit https://www.phoenix.gov/cityclerk/publicmeetings/city-council-meetings

Past City Council meetings are posted to YouTube at http://www.youtube.com/cityofphoenixaz.

DISTRICT 1 EVENTS:

DISTRICT 1 COMMUNITY MEETINGS

There will not be a September Community Breakfast Meeting. Please continue to check here for updates on future District 1 community events.

SEPT. 11 STATEMENT FROM COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS ON 2020 CENSUS

The U.S. Census Bureau deadline to respond to the Census is Sept. 30. Get Counted!



It just takes 10 minutes to respond, don't delay.

You also can still respond online, by phone or by mail, simply visit iCount2020.info; or call 1-844-330-2020 English, 1-844-468- 2020 Spanish; or respond by mail. If you have any questions, call my office at 602-262-7444.

National self-response rate: 65.7% Arizona self-response rate: 62.4% Phoenix self-response rate: 63.9%

PHOENIX HONORS 911 HEROES AND VICTIMS

The City of Phoenix held Nineteenth Annual September 11th Memorial Ceremony honoring the first responders and other lives lost during the worst terrorist attacks in U.S. history.

The 9 a.m. virtual ceremony was livestreamed in honor of the heroes and victims of the 911 tragedy.

To view the recorded ceremony please click <u>here</u>.

#NeverForget @PHXFire @PhoenixPolice



<u>CITY NEWS & EVENTS:</u> PHOENIX COVID-19 TESTING BLITZ

Monday, Sept. 14 - Friday, Sept. 18

- Drive-through testing
- Register at <u>www.rrtesting.com/phx</u>
- Simple swab test takes just 15 seconds
- Facemask required.
- Please maintain six feet social distance at all times.





Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2020

Cholla Library 10050 N. Metro Parkway East Council District 1 6:45 a.m.– 12:15 p.m.

Appointment is required: https://vincerecancer.com/

For additional testing dates and locations, please visit Phoenix Testing Blitz.

PHOENIX COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Phoenix Council Action Enables Hundreds More Small Businesses to Apply for Covid-19 Grants

More small businesses are now eligible to apply for relief under the Phoenix Small Business Resiliency Grants Program. Previously ineligible companies are now able to seek grants up to \$10,000 and commercial city service bill offsets, thanks to action by the Phoenix City Council.



The changes modify business longevity requirements and expand the range of Covid-19-impacted months. For the complete updated information visit Phoenix.gov/Resources.

PHOENIX EDUCATION



Phoenix Distributes More Than 1 Million Pieces of Personal Protective Equipment to Schools

More than one million pieces of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) have been ordered to help Phoenix schools reopen for the 2020-2021 school year. Cloth masks with clear windows for visible expressions are a priority for teachers who have students with hearing impairments, a disability, learning English as a second language, or learning to read. Regular cloth masks were also ordered to allow for continued use throughout the school year.

Phoenix is working with local school districts to help ensure that there will be a strong supply of PPE to keep students and educators safe. Other supplies that were ordered include 1,500 gallons of hand sanitizer and 38,000 isolation gowns.

As Phoenix school districts begin to transition to in-class instruction, the city understands the importance each school is placing on the health and safety of their students, staff, and educators.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommendation is that schools include the following in their reopening plans for in-person classes: cloth face coverings for students, teachers and staff, no handling of common items, frequent handwashing and regular deep-cleaning of highly touched surfaces in school facilities.

Distribution of the PPE to schools began Sept. 8 at the Phoenix Convention Center.

PHOENIX PUBLIC TRANSIT



We Need Your Feedback: Public Transit Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Goal

Phoenix Public Transit updates its Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal every three years and it's that time again!

All the information you need is at <u>phoenix.gov/publictransit/dbe</u>. There you will find the following:

- DBE participation goal public notice (PDF)
- Aug. 25, 2020 downloadable presentation (PDF)
- A video link to the Aug. 25 presentation recording

The presentation includes information about upcoming projects the city of Phoenix and its subrecipients have planned in the next three years. This is a great way to learn about and plan for upcoming projects before they are formally advertised. The DBE triennial goal public comment period started runs through Sept. 28, 2020.

At any time during the public comment period, comments can be provided in the following ways:

- Contact Renee Standing tree at Renee.Standing.Tree@phoenix.gov or 602-534-2667
- Contact Donald Mayes at donald.mayes@phoenix.gov or 602-262-7502
- Via direct mail: Public Transit Department, Attn: DBE Triennial, 302 N. 1st Ave., Suite 900, Phoenix, AZ 85003

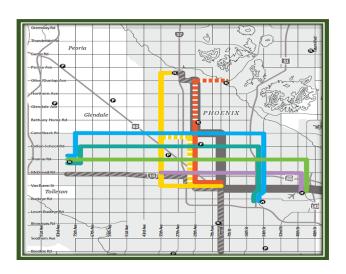
The Public Transit Disadvantaged Business Enterprise goal will be submitted Oct. 1, 2020 and will remain the department's aspirational (race and gender neutral) goal from Oct. 1, 2020 through Sept. 30, 2023.

Remember - to view the public notice for the Phoenix Public Transit Disadvantaged Business Enterprise goal and provide your comments visit phoenix.gov/publictransit/dbe.

PHOENIX BUS RAPID TRANSIT

Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) development continues and feedback from residents is being welcomed through Dec. 18, 2020. <u>BRT</u> was identified as a key component of T2050 to continue expanding our city's high capacity transit network. Please attend the <u>BRT Online Meeting</u> to learn more and take the <u>survey and provide your input today!</u>





PHOENIX EQUAL OPPORTUNITY



Phoenix Proposes an ACDBE goal of 27.1% in non-Rental Car Concessions and a 4.1% in Rental Car Concession Opportunities at Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport

The City of Phoenix is soliciting feedback from community stakeholders on the triennial Airport Concession Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (ACDBE) goal that will be proposed to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) on Dec. 1, 2020. A goal of 27.1% in non-rental car concessions and a 4.1% in rental car concessions for ACDBE participation will be proposed for the time period of Oct. 2020 to Sept. 2023; the goals must be achieved on an annual basis.

The ACDBE goal, which will be achieved through race- and gender-neutral measures, is established pursuant to 49 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 23. and FAA guidance. Due to the absence of a disparity study, rather than setting ACDBE goals, the city imposes small business outreach requirements on its contracts to foster small business and ACDBE participation.

Details about the proposed ACDBE goal are available for public review and inspection at the city's Equal Opportunity Department, 200 W. Washington St., 15th floor, during normal business hours for 30 days following the date of this notice. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic please contact one of the staff listed and we can make it available to interested parties. Public comments will be received for a period of 45 days from the date of this notice. Based upon a review of comments received, the city reserves the right to adjust the proposed goal.

A presentation for finalization of the proposed ACDBE goal will be held via a WebEx virtual meeting from 9:00-10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 30 (ACDBE flyer). To RSVP online please register here https://phxacdbetriennial.eventbrite.com

For more information about the ACDBE goal proposal or the public forum, call 602-262-6410/voice or 7-1-1/TTY, or e-mail jesus.gonzalez.jauregui@phoenix.gov.

To request a reasonable accommodation, please contact Mary Beth Thompson by Sept. 23, 2020 at 602-273-4062/Voice or 7-1-1/TTY, or email <u>mary.beth.thompson@phoenix.gov</u>.

PHOENIX HUMAN SERVICES

The city of Phoenix announced they will join the Salvation Army in hosting an Operation: Feed the Need drive-thru food box distribution event on Saturday, Sept. 12 in west Phoenix.

The city approved \$5 million in available Federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act funding to be given to agencies offering food assistance support in Phoenix. The Salvation Army is one of the entities that received some of these funds to help meet the need in Phoenix neighborhoods.

Operation: Feed the Need was created by the Salvation Army to help people in times of crisis have access to food for their families. With funds from the city, food boxes will be distributed at the American Family Fields of Phoenix at 51st and Whitton avenues beginning at 8 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 12.

Residents can drive through the parking lot and by presenting a government-issued photo identification with a Phoenix address can receive a box of food.



More information about other programs and funds available to those impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic are available at Phoenix.gov/resources. To see the breakdown of the \$293 million in CARES Act funding received by the city of Phoenix, visit Phoenix.gov/COVIDRelief.

PHOENIX HUMAN SERVICES

Today is the last day to provide input on City's Strategies to Address Homelessness Plan. The City has requested public input on the proposed Strategies to Address Homelessness Plan (English PDF). Please complete one of the surveys below to submit your input:

- Survey on proposed Strategies to Address Homelessness Plan- English/Spanish
- Survey for those currently experiencing homelessness English/Spanish

PHOENIX PARKS AND RECREATION



Please visit <u>www.phoenix.gov/parks</u> to register for virtual classes.

PHOENIX ARTS AND CULTURE

Walk in the Sun Umbrella Art Contest

Up to five artists will be selected to design vibrant fabric canopies for personal shade umbrellas. Winning artists will be paid \$3,000 to develop new designs. The umbrellas will be produced and distributed through a campaign to promote awareness about heat and sun safety.

The contest is open to Arizona artists new to public art. The Phoenix Office of Arts and Culture Public Art Program Project is part of the SunBLOCK project, supported by an Our Town grant from the National Endowment for the Arts. The contest entry is simple and free. To learn project details visit

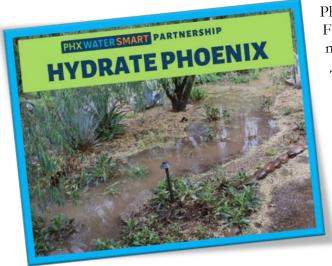
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Public Art Opportunities. Apply online at www.callforeentry.org

PHOENIX WATER SERVICES



Phoenix Water has partnered with <u>@watershedmg</u> to host a FREE virtual workshop series to learn about hydrating your neighborhood.

The virtual workshops continue for the next three Wednesdays at 5:30p.m. Sign up for the workshops and learn how to harvest the rain with only a shovel! Register for the following classes at https://bit.ly/3hLDiII

- Sept. 16 | Hydrate Your Food Use rain tanks to support your vegetable garden
- Sept. 23 | Hydrate Your Soils Turn waste into resources and build healthy soils
- Sept. 30 | Hydrate with Greywater Harvest greywater to complete your backyard oasis

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

Legislative

This week, congressional lawmakers are focused on passing a stopgap spending bill to fund the federal government and prevent a shutdown on Sept. 30, beginning with a continuing resolution to extend current spending policy. The United States Senate has not considered any appropriations bills this year and 10 have passed in the House of Representatives for fiscal year 2021.

Currently, the United States Senate calendar includes a recess from Oct. 12 to Nov. 6, and the House of Representatives will not vote on legislative items from Oct. 5 to Nov. 15.

Census

This week, the Census response rate in Phoenix reached 63.5 percent. Last week, staff conducted outreach at events throughout the city in partnership with local organizations, Maricopa County, and the United States Census Bureau, including the public housing facilities, neighborhood and business events, and local grocery stores. Additionally, in collaboration the City's COVID-19 mobile testing vans, staff conducted outreach at the Epworth United Methodist Church, Paradise Valley Community Center, Sueño Park, and Spaces of Opportunity testing sites.

Major business outreach efforts continue. To date, 334 businesses across 89 census tracts have been engaged. Staff provides census flyers and face masks for business outreach in promoting census to business customer/clients.

Economic Development & Education

Recently, Aviation staff began the Compassion Cacti Lanyard program at Sky Harbor International Airport. The program allows passengers with hidden disabilities to self-identify as someone who may need a little more attention, assistance, patience and help while at the airport by wearing a lanyard. Local news outlets have featured the new program and Aviation staff is currently working to fulfill orders.

Neighborhoods and Livability

This week, Arts and Culture staff hosted three virtual grant orientations via WebEx for the Coronavirus Relief Grant opportunities available, in English and Spanish. Applications will be accepted through Sept. 18 for the second round of the Coronavirus Relief Fund for Artists and Arts Professionals grant and the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) CARES Act Jobs Preservation grant.

On Sept. 3, Arts and Culture staff launched a new artist professional development virtual workshop called "Navigating Digital Files for Public Art". During the month of September, local artist Bill Dambrova will present the four workshops, focused on giving participating artists the opportunity to improve their skills with digital tools often used to develop public art projects. The first workshop focused on Adobe Photoshop, and the three upcoming events will cover the use of Adobe Illustrator, SketchUp and Vectorworks. The workshops are recorded and will serve as a permanent resource on the Office of Arts and Culture website.

Social Services Delivery

On Sept. 3, the Human Resources Committee met to discuss the proposed Office of Accountability and Transparency. The committee recommended the staff recommendations for new classifications needed for the office be sent forward for approval by the City Council. The item will be placed on the agenda for Sept. 16, 2020.

This week, Library staff hosted "Kindergarten Bootcamp Online" for 131 children and parents. This interactive seven-session series focused on the skills needed to help children and their parents prepare for a successful kindergarten experience. Participants learned about listening skills, following directions, letter and number recognition, and rhyming.

To date, Library provided curbside pickup services to more than 99,000 customers. More than 962,000 physical library materials have been circulated by library cardholders. This week, Library staff assisted 1,844 customers through the Library Call Center, as well as 2,132 customers that submitted an online form with various inquiries related to library card registration, customer accounts, online databases, research, and resources.

This week, in partnership with St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance, Library staff served 844 meals to children and teens, ages 18 and under. Meals are provided Monday through Saturday during curbside pickup hours. The program was created through a grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture administered by the Arizona Department of Education.

Next week, Library staff will open registration for a series of virtual programs in October for children, ages 3 to 5, and their caregivers. The WebEx sessions will give children an opportunity to learn kindergarten basics through stories, games and activities designed to nourish the skills that lead to success in school: persistence, flexibility and problem-solving. The program also includes basic concept knowledge (colors, numbers, letters), as well as structured activities. Registration is required and can be found on the Phoenix Public Library website.

On Sept. 8, the Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for Schools taskforce, comprised of City staff across multiple departments, officially began distribution to schools. Mayor Kate Gallego, Vice Mayor Betty Guardado, and Pendergast School District Superintendent Lily DeBlieux were visited the Convention Center distribution center on the first day. Approximately 1.3 million pieces of PPE were ordered to provide necessary supplies to Phoenix schools as they reopen for the school year. Staff collaborated with school districts to learn which items should be prioritized. The school districts prioritized cloth masks with clear windows for visible expressions for teachers who have students with hearing impairments or a disability, who are learning English

as a second language, or who are learning to read. Regular cloth masks were also ordered to allow for continued use throughout the school year. Staff also ordered 1,500 gallons of hand sanitizer and 38,000 isolation gowns.

As of Sept. 3, Human Services staff distributed 337,896 bottles of water to heat relief community partners, an increase of 13,104 bottles from the previous week.

Last week, Human Services staff at the Phoenix Convention Center Heat Respite Center assisted a 71-year-old man who had been homeless for a year and was staying at Central Arizona Shelter Services. Staff learned the man had been missing for over six months and had family in Florida who had been searching for him. Within a few days, staff connected the man with his family over the phone and he returned to Florida to be reunited with his family.

Human Resources staff began hosting Virtual Geri-Fit classes led by trained instructors from the Area Agency on Aging. These 45-minute virtual sessions provide seniors with guided strength training exercises designed to increase muscular strength and improve balance. Seniors can also participate in online Dance Fusion and Zumba exercise classes.

Public Safety

To date, 128 applicants have been invited to take the Police Recruit Written Exam, which will be administered at the Police Regional Academy on Sept. 11. The job recruitment remains open for applicants to register for written exams scheduled Sept. 25 and the ongoing online option.

Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (OHSEM) staff met with representatives from the Virginia Fusion Center, the Department of Homeland Security, and other local governments to discuss the discovery of Russian user accounts on United States government online community engagement platforms. OHSEM staff drafted a co-branded advisory about the incident and suggested mitigation approaches.

Infrastructure

Last week, Water Services staff presented at the National Governors Association virtual conference. As part of the Water-Energy Nexus lab, Water Services Assistant Director Nazario Prieto and Water Resources Advisor Cynthia Campbell shared best practices for the reuse of wastewater, highlighting the Tres Rios Wetlands, the bio-gas plant, and the use of bio-solids for non-edible crops.

Last week, Public Transit staff coordinated with contractor Transdev's maintenance team to complete the installation of permanent hand sanitizer dispensers in all 336 buses housed at the North and South Transit facilities.





TRAVEL ALERT: I-17 CLOSED AT TIMES THIS WEEKEND NORTH OF LOOP 101

Crews preparing to resurface freeway's pavement

Stretches of Interstate 17 between Deer Valley and Jomax Roads in north Phoenix will be closed at times this weekend (Sept. 11-13) for pavement improvement work, according to the Arizona Department of Transportation.

Drivers should plan for heavy traffic and delays while considering alternate routes while the following I-17 closures are in place:

- Southbound I-17 closed between Jomax and Deer Valley roads from 9 p.m. Friday to 9 p.m. Saturday (Sept. 12). Traffic will detour east on Jomax Road, south on 19th Avenue and west on Deer Valley Road. Consider alternate routes to avoid heavy traffic and delays.
- Northbound I-17 closed between Deer Valley and Jomax roads from 9 p.m. Saturday to 9 p.m. Sunday (Sept. 13). Traffic will detour east on Deer Valley Road, north on 19th Avenue and west on Jomax Road. Please consider alternate routes to avoid heavy traffic and delays.

Drivers also should consider scheduling their I-17 travel earlier in the morning or later at night while the closures are in place.

Crews will remove the top layer of the older I-17 pavement to prepare for resurfacing the freeway as part of the project to reconstruct the interchanges at Pinnacle Peak and Happy Valley roads. The \$50 million project, which also is widening I-17 between the two interchanges, is scheduled for completion this fall.

Real-time highway conditions are available on ADOT's Arizona Traveler Information site at <u>az511.gov</u> [lnks.gd], by calling 511 and through ADOT's Twitter feed, @ArizonaDOT

Happy Valley Road aesthetic fence designed by artist Dan Mayer: Progress Continues



COUNCIL DISTRICT 1 NEWS AND INITIATIVES RECYCLING: PUBLIC WORKS WANTS YOUR CARDBOARD

Remember: Your paper and cardboard are valuable to the recycling stream! How do you recycle it?

- Break down cardboard boxes
- Recycle your items clean, dry and empty
- Tear your pizza boxes in half, recycle ONLY the non-greasy parts

For more information visit http://phoenix.gov/recycle.



CARES ACT AND COVID-19 RELIEF FUND

COVID-19 Relief

The City of Phoenix has created a public information page to provide background information and updates on the <u>Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) Strategic Plan (PDF)</u>. To learn more about Phoenix's Strategic Plan and Investment programs, please visit https://www.phoenix.gov/covidrelief#ReliefPlan.

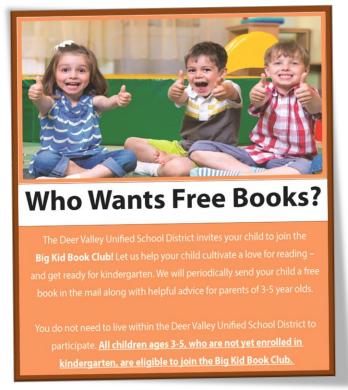
PHOENIX INTERACTIVE STREET CLOSURE & RESTRICTIONS MAP – SEPT. 11.

To view a listing of current or planned street restrictions visit this link https://www.phoenix.gov/streets

For updated street closure alerts, follow the Phoenix Street Transportation Department on Twitter at @StreetsPHX.



News & Events from Around the District: Deer Valley Unified School District News



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WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

There's so much Abraham Lincoln Traditional School pride along Peoria Avenue!

Thanks to the efforts of the ALTS community, including WESD painters and the WESD Printing Services team, the red, white, and blue stand out for all to see. Check out the before and after photos of this special wall painting project enriching Abraham Lincoln Traditional's campus for all students, staff, and community members.



GRAB AND GO UPDATE

The WESD is proud to announce an extended version of its meal program FOR ALL CHILDREN 18 & UNDER

ALL SITES STARTING SEPT. 14

Lakeview families can pick up at Cholla Midde School

MONDAYS: 6:30 - 9:30 a.m.

Seven breakfasts and seven lunches will be distributed. Food will be available for families curbside to place in their vehicles. Walking families should bring a cart or wagon.

Families with children at multiple schools can pick up from one site.

- Meals are available to ALL children ages 18 and under, not limited to enrolled WESD students.
- No pre-certification is necessary to receive meals for free.
- Parents/Guardians may pick up meals for children. Verbal verification of child names(s) and either student ID number(s) or date(s) of birth is required to assure meals are going to children.

For more information or special dietary needs, contact Nicole Augustine at 602-896-5240 or Nicole.Augustine@wesdschools.org.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.









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

https://www.childhelp.org/ 602- 271-4500

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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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