



August 28, 2020

Greetings,

In this newsletter you will find the latest news and announcements that I want to share with you, including information on **FREE COVID-19 testing at the Sunnyslope Family Services Center this Saturday**, proposed lane changes on 7th Street, a blood donation drive, and more.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact my office with questions, comments or concerns at (602) 262-7441 or council.district.3@phoenix.gov.

Respectfully,

Debra Stark
Councilwoman
City of Phoenix
[Council District 3](#)



Phoenix Testing Blitz: Free COVID-19 Testing Events

Saturday, August 29

Sunnyslope Family Services Center
914 W. Hatcher Rd.
7 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Appointments required at vincerecancer.com

Monday, August 31

Fry's Food & Drug Stores
4230 W. McDowell Rd.
7 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Appointments required at vincerecancer.com

Saturday, August 29

Brunson-Lee Elementary Testing Event
1350 N. 48th St.
7 a.m. – Noon
Appointments required at bit.ly/blscovidtest

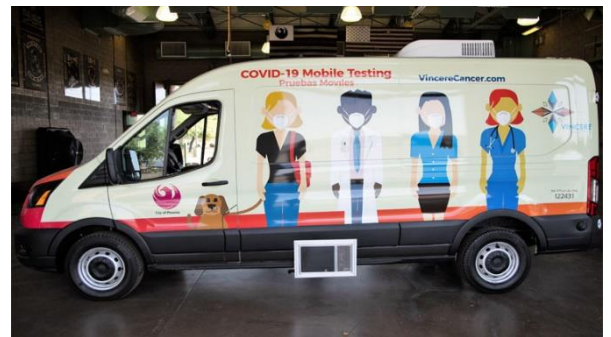
COVID-19 Mobile Testing Van

Free testing for everyone. Testing is limited.
Appointments required. [Read about the City of Phoenix's new Mobile Testing Van.](#)



COVID-19

Free Testing



Keep checking this [page](#) for updates as new details are confirmed.

Blood Donation Drive – Sept. 12

The need for blood donations is very high during this current public health emergency. Donating blood is safe, and with each donation, you could save up to three lives.

Saturday, Sept. 12
11 a.m. - 4 p.m.
North Village Baptist Church
1010 E. Alice Ave
Phoenix, AZ 85020



To register, visit bloodhero.com. Click "Locate a Blood Drive," and enter Sponsor Code: **EastSunnyslope**

Proposed Lane Changes: 7th Street, Peoria Avenue to Thunderbird Road

Your Input is Needed

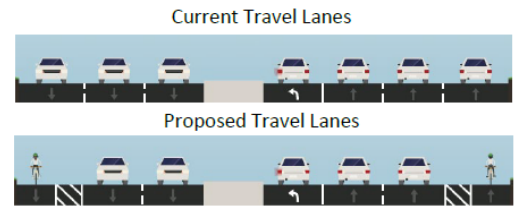
The city of Phoenix Street Transportation Department is seeking your input on proposed changes to the travel lane striping on 7th Street from Peoria Avenue to Thunderbird Road. This location is scheduled to receive pavement maintenance (new asphalt) in the coming months, creating an opportunity to change the current striping pattern.

While respecting social distancing recommendations and the personal safety of the community during the COVID-19 pandemic, we are seeking your input virtually!

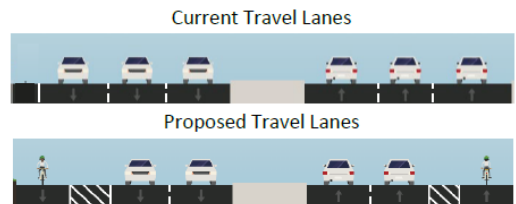
From Aug. 11 until Aug. 31:

- Visit [Phoenix.gov/Streets/LaneChanges](https://phoenix.gov/streets/lanechanges)
- Watch the Virtual Public Meeting video
- Fill out a survey

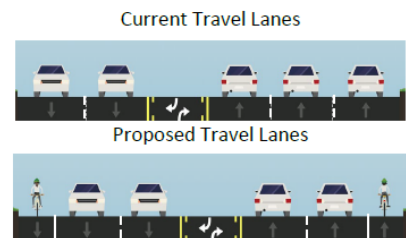
Northern Section (From Thunderbird Road to 1000' south of Thunderbird Road)



Split Section (from 1000' south of Thunderbird Road to the split)



Southern Segment (from the split to Peoria Avenue)



Northwest Light Rail Extension Phase II Online Public Meeting & Live Call-In Sessions



The public meeting for the light rail Northwest Extension Phase II is now online.

Access the materials online any time **until September 4**. This meeting will feature the project's final design as well as info about what to expect during construction.

Valley Metro will be hosting two live call-in sessions for community members to learn about the project and ask questions.

On **August 29 and September 1**, participate via WebEx (audio and video from your computer or smart phone) or call in on your phone (audio only). Sessions will be provided in English or Spanish.

Provide questions and comments anytime through September 4 by visiting the online public meeting at valleymetro.org/northwest2 or contacting Michael Book at (480) 800-9510.

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Street Pavement Maintenance Program



Dunlap Avenue from 25th Avenue to I-17

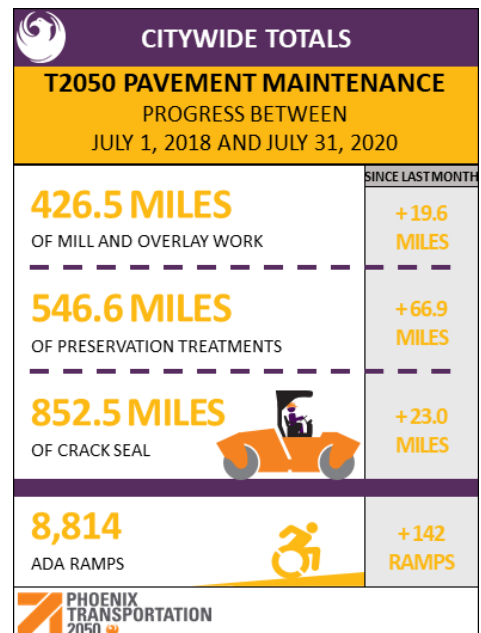
Our Street Transportation crews remain hard at work!

In District 3 alone, crews have completed 65.4 miles of mill and overlay work, 85.2 miles of preservation treatment, and 117.4 miles of crack seal

(from July 1, 2018 to July 31, 2020).

Also check out the citywide numbers in the graphic to the right!

To find out which streets are included in the five-year pavement maintenance program, visit the Pavement Maintenance Dashboard: phoenix.gov/pavement.



Parks and Recreation Virtual Programs

The Phoenix Parks and Recreation Department and partner organizations are offering a variety of FREE virtual programs for youth and adults.



For more information and to register: phoenix.gov/parks.

FitPHX

The city's FitPHX initiative continues to offer free virtual fitness programs this summer. Programming includes the popular Fitness Bootcamp and Fall Into Fitness series. The schedule also features a new monthly Morning Yoga Series!

Camp Colley Foundation

The Camp Colley Foundation invites the community to participate virtually in its free Environmental Learning Program. The nine-part series features activity sheets (in both English and Spanish) and instructional videos designed for families to have fun, learn and connect with nature from home.

Pueblo Grande Museum

The Pueblo Grande Museum is offering virtual summertime storytelling with Arizona authors on their YouTube channel. Each story has a craft kit to go along with it. Kits can be purchased online and includes a free child's admission to visit the museum. Access to storytelling videos will end on September 5.

CodePHX

The Parks and Recreation Department offers the free codePHX program. With in-person codePHX classes not being offered this summer, families can continue to learn about computer coding, robotics and 3D modeling by using a variety of free self-guiding resources.

PHX Plays at Home

Join us for free, weekly live streamed activities. Now offering activities for both kids and adults!



Phoenix Public Library Updates

Find out what's happening at Phoenix Public Library by subscribing to the Phoenix Public Library monthly online [newsletter](#). Join an online book club or get reading recommendations. The August newsletter includes programs honoring the 100th Anniversary for the 19th Amendment, new online programs and great books featuring the Just Read topic – Nature. More info: phoenixpubliclibrary.org

Phoenix Seeks Feedback on Strategies to Address Homelessness Plan

The city of Phoenix is seeking feedback on the proposed Homelessness Strategies Plan ([English](#)) ([Spanish](#)) that focuses on service priorities and strategies for individuals experiencing homelessness and reducing impacts to surrounding communities and neighborhoods.



The city held four virtual public meetings, including one conducted in Spanish, in August for the community to learn more about the plan and provide input.

There is also a webpage that provides historical information on Phoenix's role in supporting other strategies to address homelessness, as well as a downloadable copy of the proposed strategic plan.

We want to hear your feedback on the plan as well as any ideas you may have for the city of Phoenix to consider. To respond to a survey regarding this topic, visit phoenix.gov/HomelessHelp. The surveys will be open through **Sept. 4**.



Masks Required

Face coverings are required in Phoenix. Additionally, the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors also issued an order for the entire county.

For more information and details on exceptions, please visit:

phoenix.gov/newsroom/em-and-hs/1353

City of Phoenix Impacted Services

Appointments continue to be required to access Phoenix City Hall, the Calvin C. Good Municipal Building, and the Public Transit Department administration building. You can also [download a contact list](#) to make appointments for city services. Residents with questions about city services and programs affected by service changes can call **(602) 262-3111** or e-mail contactus@phoenix.gov.

Learn more: phoenix.gov/newsroom/em-and-hs/1054

Resources for Residents & Businesses



Looking for help? The City has compiled resources, grants and information for residents and businesses:

- Emergency rent and utility assistance for residents
- Commercial City services bill relief grant
- Food assistance, food pantries
- Information for job seekers and laid-off workers
- Information for non-profits and organizations
- Resources for seniors
- Volunteering
- Phoenix Small Business Hotline: 602-262-5040

Visit phoenix.gov/resources to learn about these resources and much more.

Sept. 30 Deadline Approaching to Complete the 2020 Census



Have you completed your 2020 Census yet? It takes 10 minutes and can be completed three ways:

- Phone: 1-844-330-2020 (English) / 1-844-468-2020 (Spanish)
- Online: iCount2020.info (English) / iCount2020.info/es (Spanish)
- Mail: Complete and return the form that was mailed to your household

Responding to the 2020 Census is critical as it provides \$866 million for programs in Phoenix every year. These are critical resources that families depend on including food assistance, childcare, housing support, Head Start, libraries, transportation, schools, etc. Make sure you are counted!

U.S. Census Bureau workers across Arizona are now visiting households who have not yet completed their 2020 Census form. To avoid an in-person visit, fill out your census form today at icount2020.info.



Participate Virtually in City Council Meetings

The next City Council Formal Meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, Sept. 2 at 2:30 p.m.** More info: phoenix.gov/cityclerk/publicmeetings/city-council-meetings

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PARTICIPATE IN A MEETING

Up to 1 hour before the start of a meeting 

- 1 Go to phoenix.gov & click on City Council Meetings
- 2 Find the meeting you want to participate in & click on  for that meeting
- 3 Arrive at phoenix.granicusideas.com & sign-in & review the agenda
- 4 To speak at the meeting, click on  on the agenda item(s) you want to speak on
- 5 On the day & time of the meeting, go to phoenix.gov & click on City Council Meetings
- 6 Open the agenda for the meeting & find the weblink at the top of the agenda (only persons that Registered to Speak will be called upon to speak during the meeting)

If you don't want to speak but just want to submit a comment on an item, follow steps 1-4, but click on  instead of register to speak

Per the most recent federal guidelines, no residents will be allowed in the Council Chambers.

Questions? Want to participate by phone? Necesita ayuda en Español?  602.262.6001 