



DISTRICT 3 NEWS

A Message from Phoenix City Councilwoman Debra Stark

Hello District 3,

In this newsletter you will find the latest news, announcements, and event details that I want to share with you.

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,

Councilwoman Debra Stark



City of Phoenix

The Phoenix City Council will have a Formal meeting on **Wednesday, November 1st at 2:30 p.m.**

Members of the public can attend and speak in-person, by phone, or virtually via Webex. Pre-registration is required to speak on an agenda item or during the Public Comment period. To find the agenda and information on how to register to speak and how to submit an e-comment, visit [Phoenix City Council Meetings](#).

District 3 Community Meeting

Our office will not be organizing a District 3 community meeting for the month of November, however we will be hosting the Office of Heat Response and Mitigation for a TBD community meeting to gather community input on the new Tree and Shade Master Plan. We will send out notifications via social media once the date and location has been determined.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at 602-262-7441 or council.district.3@phoenix.gov.



2024-2025 Annual Action Plan

The City of Phoenix is commencing with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) FY 2024-2025 Annual Action Plan. Every five years, the city of Phoenix partners with the community to develop a strategic Consolidated Plan. The plan defines strategies to address housing, community development needs, and current market conditions in order for the city of Phoenix to make informed decisions on an estimated \$135 million in HUD grant funding. Grants include the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnership (HOME), Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG). Each year, the city will implement those strategies identified through the 5-year Consolidated Plan through an Annual Action Plan.

Your input is needed to help identify and prioritize community needs in housing and homelessness, community and economic development, infrastructure and enhancement, and public services and facilities and the best methods and programs to address those needs for the 2024-2025 Annual Action Plan.

The 2024-2025 Annual Action Plan Survey will be open from October 23, 2023, through January 5, 2024, and can be accessed at <https://www.phoenix.gov/yourvoice> in both English and Spanish.

In the Spring of 2024, a virtual public hearing will be held to share the results of the 2024-2025 survey and provide an opportunity for public input on the draft 2024-2025 Annual Action Plan.

For further information, please call Alicia Springs at 602-495-7509.

WHAT IS YOUR VISION FOR THE FUTURE OF THE REGION?

Let us know how we can build a stronger region.

Take the MAG Regional Environmental Challenges Survey. >

This graphic features a scenic view of a desert landscape with a city in the distance, overlaid with a green curved banner at the bottom containing the survey information.

¿CUÁL ES TU VISIÓN DEL FUTURO DE LA REGIÓN?

Háganos saber cómo podemos construir una región más fuerte.

Tome la Encuesta sobre Desafíos Ambientales Regionales de MAG. >

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Maricopa Association of Governments Air Quality Survey

Attention Phoenix residents! The Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) is working to create a regional plan to address air quality in your community. As we continue to tackle air quality concerns in our region, we invite you to provide your opinion on what you value and prioritize when it comes to building resiliency and reducing emissions that contribute to our environmental challenges.

Your voice matters as we work towards making a stronger, more resilient region. Don't miss out on shaping the future, take the survey here: <https://bit.ly/46E4sKS> [bit.ly].

GO PHX

2023 GO Bond Program



Special Bond Election

The Phoenix City Council approved a proposed \$500 million General Obligation (GO) Bond Program on December 13, 2022. Voters will decide the outcome of the GO Bond Program at a Special Bond Election on November 7, 2023. On June 14, 2023, the Mayor and City Council voted to propose four GO Bond questions to voters during a Special Election in November 2023. These questions total \$500 million, pursuant to the recommendations of the citizen's GO Bond Executive Committee.

A GO Bond is a form of debt obligation that, when issued, provides a local government with funds to finance large capital improvements. A GO Bond Program includes both the authority to issue GO bonds and a listing of the

purposes for which the funds may be used. GO bond programs require voter approval.

Dates to Remember:

- Oct 30th - In-person ballot replacement voting begins
- Oct 31st - Last day to mail back your ballot
- Nov 7th - Election Day - You can return your ballots at designated voting centers

To learn more about the Go Bond Program and the upcoming special election go here, <https://www.phoenix.gov/bond>.



Phoenix Awarded \$10 Million to Plant Trees

The City of Phoenix has received a \$10 million grant, which is the largest grant in the State of Arizona to fund community tree programs, Community Tree Stewards in underserved areas, including a grant program for neighborhood and school tree plantings. The City of Phoenix, Office of Heat Response and Mitigation is one of 385 agencies awarded grant funds from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Forest Services under the Urban and Community Forestry program.

It will add thousands of new trees, enhance urban forestry knowledge and skills, and bolster resilience in the most heat vulnerable areas of the city. Interested neighborhoods can apply at the beginning of the calendar year. For more information on how to apply to receive trees, please visit

<https://www.phoenix.gov/heat>.

For more information on grants, call 602-262-1833 or visit the [Phoenix Government Relations Office website](#).



Phoenix Water Services Department Announces New Financial Incentives for Water Conservation

To promote sustainable water use and conservation, the Phoenix Water Services Dept. is introducing new financial incentives for residents. These incentives are aimed at encouraging the adoption of high-efficiency appliances and fixtures, saving water, and reducing household expenses.

Residents can begin the application process by visiting [the Water Conservation Incentives webpage](#).

Key Highlights of the Incentive Program:

Water-Efficient Toilets: Residents can receive a \$75 rebate for the purchase and installation of a new EPA WaterSense-labeled toilet of 1.28 Gallons Per Flush (GPF) or less.

Smart Irrigation Controller: A \$75 incentive is available for the purchase and installation of an EPA WaterSense-labeled smart irrigation controller.

Both these devices can lead to an estimated saving of approximately 10,000 gallons of water per year for each household.

Eligibility and Application Process:

The program is open to single-family residential households or renters who are City of Phoenix water utility customers. Renters must include a letter of approval from their landlord. Interested participants can apply for the incentives in the "Submit Documents - City Services Bill" section of [myPHX311 \[phxatyourservice.dynamics365portals.us\]](#). Detailed instructions and requirements for each incentive are available on the platform, ensuring a smooth application process.

For more information, FAQs, or to begin the application process, residents are encouraged to visit [the Water Conservation Incentives webpage](#).

Free Xeriscape Plans Available Now

Additionally, the City of Phoenix has released three free desert landscape plans for residents to implement at home. Native plants are a great way to save water and money. By choosing desert plants, residents can reduce outdoor water use by 85%. These plans are an example of the conservation team's many program

developments to come, with a greater focus on designing water-saving solutions that can easily be accomplished by residents. To download a xeriscape plan, visit phoenix.gov/savewater.

For more information about the City of Phoenix Water Service's Department, visit phoenix.gov/water.



Phoenix City Manager Jeff Barton

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City Manager's Performance Dashboard

The [City Manager's Performance Dashboard \[cmpr-dashboard-phoenix.hub.arcgis.com\]](http://phoenix.hub.arcgis.com) is an easy-to-navigate digital tool with more than 130 key performance indicators that provides our residents with a transparent picture of the city's successes, progress toward goals, and overall health of the city.

Aligned with the City Manager's mission for continuous improvements, the city is currently [surveying residents](#) to better understand their experiences with the

dashboard and ideas for enhancements. The City Manager's Office will explore identifying, revising, and updating metrics, as well as advancing automation efforts and enhancing functionality.

If you would like to learn more or ask questions about the dashboard or survey, please contact 602-262-3111 or by [submitting a contact form](#).



Phoenix Looking to Expand Its Shared Micromobility Program

The Phoenix Street Transportation Department is developing a strategy to expand the city's Shared Micromobility Program. The program, which launched permanently in January 2023 with vendors Lime and Spin, includes the use of e-scooters, e-bikes, traditional pedal bikes and adaptive bikes.

The program currently operates in the city's downtown core, as well as areas to the south, west and east of downtown.

[View the Shared Micromobility Program boundary map](#)

The department is considering options to expand the program's geographic boundaries and vehicle inventory. Residents are encouraged to provide input by taking an online community survey available through November 15. The survey, offered in English and Spanish, and is available at [Phoenix.gov/Scooters](https://phoenix.gov/scooters).

Additional information about the Shared Micromobility Program is available at [Phoenix.gov/Scooters](https://phoenix.gov/scooters).



Office of Homeless Solutions

The Office of Homeless Solutions (OHS) provides support for people experiencing homelessness and is committed to ending homelessness through a comprehensive, regional approach to shelter and heat relief, outreach, supportive and behavioral health services, homelessness prevention, and supportive housing.

This monthly report does not encompass the totality of the City's efforts to address homelessness but rather provides a review of the key highlights from the preceding month and an update on major upcoming projects.

[View October's report.](#)

[View the Phoenix Homeless Solutions Data Dashboard. \[stories.opengov.com\]](https://stories.opengov.com)



District 3 Street Transportation Department Updates

This report from the Street Transportation Department covers the period from September 1 through September 28 in District 3.

Traffic Signals

Street Transportation is installing new traffic signals at 25th Ave. and Mountain View Rd.; 25th Ave. and Mission Ln.; and 25th Ave. and Arizona Canal (9300 N.) in D3 as part of the Light Rail Northwest Extension. The new traffic signals will include flashing yellow arrows for all left-turn movements, vehicle detection, audible pedestrian pushbuttons, new Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) ramps, emergency vehicle preemption, improved street lighting, and signal heads over all travel lanes. The new signals are expected to be activated in November 2023.

Pedestrian Signal Updates

Street Transportation installed a new High Intensity Activated CrossWalk (HAWK) pedestrian signal at the 28th St. and Shea Blvd. - This is the 89th HAWK.

Street Transportation is installing a HAWK pedestrian signal at 17th Ave. and Peoria Ave. in D3.

ADA Curb Ramp Retrofit

These projects include the removal and replacement of non-ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) compliant curb ramps, damaged concrete curb, gutter, valley gutters, and aprons or sidewalks, and the installation of new ADA compliant curb ramps. Newly compliant ADA ramps were installed in the areas bounded by 32nd St. to 40th St., Shea Blvd. to Cactus Rd.

Street Right-of-Way Landscape Maintenance

Crews maintained the street right-of-way on 45th Pl. and Shea Blvd., Central Ave., Bell Rd. to Union Hills Dr., 12th St. and Dunlap Ave., Coral Gables Dr. and Thunderbird Rd., 16th St. and Greenway Pkwy.

This work typically includes weed and trash removal and landscape pruning. This helps provide a safe environment for the public and enhances the image of the

city's streets. For more information about the street right-of-way landscape maintenance program, visit phoenix.gov/streets/ROWlandscape.

Roadway Repair Work

Street maintenance crews completed significant roadway repairs at 2450 W Bell Rd.

Drainage Maintenance

As part of routine maintenance, crews inspect for obstructions, clear vegetation, and make repairs to keep flow lines open. Crews performed maintenance, construction, or repair work at Pointe Golf Club Dr. and Thunderbird Rd., 42nd St., Cactus Rd. to Sweetwater Ave.

31st Street, Thunderbird to Hearn Roads Improvement Project

This project is designed to improve pedestrian safety and accessibility by installing new concrete curb, gutter, sidewalk, and pavement. This project will also improve drainage conditions by installing new storm drain inlets/catch basins and storm drain infrastructure at 31st St. from Thunderbird Rd. to Hearn Rd. A new waterline and streetlights will also be included. The project is anticipated to be completed in December 2023. [Visit phoenix.gov/streets/31stTBirdtoHearn](https://phoenix.gov/streets/31stTBirdtoHearn) for more information.

To view planned or completed street maintenance, visit the interactive pavement maintenance dashboard at phoenix.gov/pavement.

Healthy Giving

HEALTHY GIVING CAN CHANGE A LIFE

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