



**Oct. 9, 2020**

## **CITY EVENTS**

### **UPCOMING PUBLIC CITY MEETINGS**

- City Council Policy Session – 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 13. Please click on the [City Council Meetings](#) link for meeting participation information.
- Rio Vista Village Planning Committee – 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 13. Please click [Notice of Public Meeting](#) for information on how to participate.
- Public Safety and Justice Subcommittee Meeting – 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14. Please click on [Notice of Public Meeting](#) for information on how to participate.
- Zoning and Adjustment Hearing – 9:00 a.m. & 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15. Please click on the [Notice of Public Meeting](#) link for meeting participation information.
- Deer Valley Village Planning Committee – 6:00 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15. Please click on [Notice of Public Meeting](#) for more information.

City Council meetings are live on Cox Cable Channel 11 and streamed live on <https://www.phoenix.gov/phxtv> and [facebook.com/cityofphoenix](https://www.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**

**Please continue to check here for updates on future District 1 community events.**

# PAINT PHOENIX PURPLE

## NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH



1 in 4 women and  
1 in 9 men in the United  
States will experience  
domestic violence in  
their lifetime

**Domestic Violence Awareness  
Virtual Run/Walk**

Sunday, October 18 through Saturday, October 24, 2020



[Paint Phoenix Purple](#) Virtual Run or Walk gives you the chance to join virtually with family, friends, and fellow community members to honor domestic violence survivors, those who have lost their lives due to domestic violence, or to take a stand against domestic violence.

This virtual event will be held over a 7-day period from Sunday, Oct. 18 through Saturday, Oct. 24. You choose the location, distance, and the day to participate.

For more information, call 602-292-3415 or email [tammy.rivera@phoenix.gov](mailto:tammy.rivera@phoenix.gov).

The [Arizona Coalition to End Sexual & Domestic Violence](#) works in partnership with the City of Phoenix to provide resources and educate the public about the devastating effects of domestic violence for the victim, and the community at large. To learn more about domestic violence and the help available please read [31 Facts about Domestic Violence](#) .



**31 Facts**  
for Domestic Violence  
Awareness Month

October 2020



## **CITY NEWS & EVENTS:**

### **Phoenix COVID-19 Testing Blitz**

#### **Mobile Van Testing**

**Saturday, Oct. 10**

Lynwood Apartments  
5535 W. McDowell Road, Phoenix, AZ 85035  
Council District 4  
6:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.  
Appointments required  
at: <https://vincerecancer.com>

**Sunday, Oct. 11**

Deer Valley Community Center  
2001 W. Wahalla Lane, Phoenix, AZ 85027  
Council District 1  
6:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.  
Appointments required at [vincerecancer.com](http://vincerecancer.com)

#### **Community Drive-Thru Testing**

**Saturday, Oct. 10**

St. Gregory Church  
3424 N. 18th Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85015  
District 4:  
7:00 am – Noon  
Register <http://equalityhealthfoundation.org/covid19>  
or Text “FREE TEST” to 31996 or Call 888-587-3647

**Saturday, Oct. 10**

**Walk-Up Testing** - Catalina Ventura School  
6331 N. 39<sup>th</sup> Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85019  
District 5  
7:00 am – Noon  
Register <http://equalityhealthfoundation.org/covid19>  
or Text “FREE TEST” to 31996 or Call 888- 587-3647



For additional testing dates and locations, please visit [Phoenix Testing Blitz](#).

**COVID-19**  
Free  
Testing Sites

## VOTER REGISTRATION EXTENDED

The voter registration deadline has been extended to Oct. 23, by a federal judge

If you haven't registered to vote for the Nov. 3, 2020 upcoming City of Phoenix Mayor and Council Election you still have time. In this election, voters who reside in the City of Phoenix will elect a Mayor and decide on a ballot measure related to the Alternative Expenditure Limitation (Home Rule). Additionally, voters residing in City Council Districts 1, 3, 5 and 7 will elect Council Members.



To be eligible to vote, a person must be a registered voter and reside within the City at least 29 days immediately prior to this election. Voter registration forms are available at most libraries and government facilities, including the City Clerk Department on the 15th floor of Phoenix City Hall. Registration forms are also available from the Maricopa County Recorder's office at [BeBallotReady.Vote](https://www.maricopa.gov/BeBallotReady.Vote). Those paper forms must be delivered to the Maricopa County Recorder's office or the Phoenix City Clerk's office by the deadline.

Voters can register to vote:

- Online – at [ServiceArizona.com](https://www.ServiceArizona.com)
- In person – with the City of Phoenix, City Clerk Department at 200 W. Washington St., 15th floor, Phoenix, AZ 85003. (By appointment only – please call 602-262-6837 to make an appointment)
- By Mail – by filling out and mailing in an AZ Voter Registration Form (must be received by the deadline)

Already a registered voter – take a few seconds to make sure you're registered to vote at your current address at [BeBallotReady.Vote](https://www.maricopa.gov/BeBallotReady.Vote) or by calling Maricopa County at 602-506-1511. For more information on the upcoming election visit [phoenix.gov/elections](https://www.phoenix.gov/elections), call 602-261-VOTE (8683), email [phoenixelections@phoenix.gov](mailto:phoenixelections@phoenix.gov) or follow us on Twitter [@PHXClerk](https://twitter.com/PHXClerk)



## VOTING HAS BEGUN

### In-Person Voting Begins

On Wednesday, Oct. 7, early ballots were mailed to voters on the Permanent Early Voting List (PEVL) for the upcoming City of Phoenix Mayor and Council Election.

In this election, voters who reside in the City of Phoenix will elect a Mayor and decide on a ballot measure related to the Alternative Expenditure Limitation (Home Rule). Additionally, voters residing in City Council Districts 1, 3, 5 and 7 will elect Council Members.

## By Mail

Voters on the PEVL will automatically receive an early ballot by mail unless they submitted a request to not receive a ballot by mail. Early ballots for the Nov. 3, 2020 Election will be mailed by the Maricopa County Elections Department beginning Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2020.

Voters not on the PEVL who wish to receive an early ballot by mail may submit a request online for an early ballot to the Maricopa County Elections Department at [BeBallotReady.Vote](#) or by calling 602-506-1511. Requests for an early ballot by mail must be received by the Maricopa County Elections Department no later than 5 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 23, 2020.

Early ballots are available in alternative formats including Braille and large print, upon request. To request an alternative format of the early ballot, please call the Maricopa County Elections Department at 602-506-1511.

## In-Person Voting

Individuals who wish to vote in person rather than by mail, can visit any voting site. Voting sites will be designated by the Maricopa County Elections Department and will be available beginning 27 days before the election from Wednesday, Oct. 7, 2020 through Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2020. Hours of operation may vary by location. On Election Day, Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2020, voting sites will be open to voters from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. Locations are designated throughout the county and can be found by visiting [Locations.Maricopa.Vote](#) or calling 602-506-1511. **Voters are required to provide identification at in-person voting locations before receiving a ballot.**

Make sure you and everyone you know is #BallotReady!

For more information on the upcoming election visit [phoenix.gov/elections](#), call 602-261-VOTE (8683), email [phoenixelections@phoenix.gov](mailto:phoenixelections@phoenix.gov) or follow us on Twitter [@PHXClerk](#).

## PHOENIX PARKS AND RECREATION

### All City Park Amenities Reopened as of Oct. 8

Following a vote by City Council on Oct. 7, all amenities in city parks reopened on Thursday, Oct. 8 at 5:30 a.m. Reopening of some amenities will require additional time for Parks and Recreation Department staff to make available. Use of select park amenities has been restricted following a series of City Council orders dating to March and April.

Community members using the city's outdoor recreational amenities should continue to follow these guidelines related to responsible physical distancing.

- Do not use public recreational amenities if you are exhibiting symptoms of illness
- Wear a mask or face covering
- Bring your own wipes and hand sanitizer
- Keep a safe distance of six feet or more from others

Detailed information about the city's outdoor recreational options and free virtual recreation programs is available at [Phoenix.gov/Parks](#)



## PHOENIX EXPANDS FREE WI-FI COVERAGE ACROSS THE CITY



As many schools remain closed for in-person classes due to the global pandemic, the city of Phoenix is expanding its public Wi-Fi coverage outside nearly [50 libraries and community, senior, and recreation centers](#) to ensure all students have internet access. The city's focus on digital equity ensures students have 13 hours of internet access a day to participate in distance learning and navigate online tools.

Residents can now connect their devices daily between 8 a.m. and 9 p.m. to access the free public service. They can opt to sit in the parking lot of a participating facility or in a public area at the location. In most cases, the Wi-Fi signal

is the strongest closer to the building and a wireless device such as a laptop computer, smartphone, or tablet must be provided by the resident.

Phoenix's ongoing commitment to addressing the digital divide was amplified when Phoenix City Council approved the installation of Wi-Fi antennas on city-owned, public facilities this summer through the Federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act.

"Expanding internet access for remote learning is important infrastructure to help close the digital divide, but it will also help to connect residents to employment opportunities, connect grandparents separated from family because of COVID-19 and allow for telehealth and other connectivity benefits," said Councilwoman Thelda Williams.

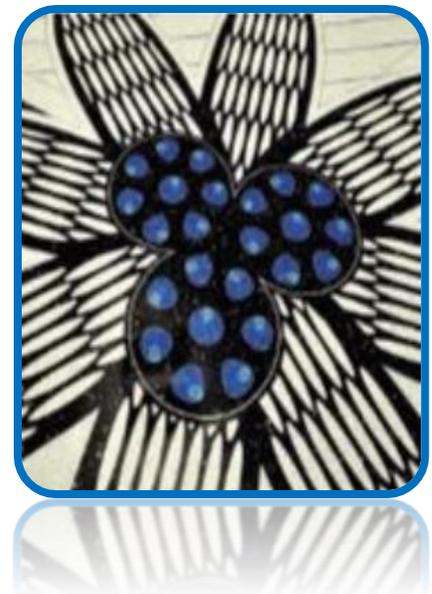
Five additional Phoenix locations will be equipped with expanded Wi-Fi capabilities this winter. A GIS-based location map and information on how to connect a device are available at [phoenix.gov/freewifi](http://phoenix.gov/freewifi).

## PHOENIX INDIGENOUS PEOPLE'S DAY

The city of Phoenix Historic Preservation Office, Archaeology Office and Office of Arts and Culture invites you to celebrate Indigenous Peoples' Day on Oct. 12, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. in a virtual event sharing the history, culture, and contributions of Native Americans in Phoenix.

The city of Phoenix first recognized Indigenous Peoples' Day in 2016. The holiday falls on the second Monday in October and is the city's commitment to promote the well-being and growth of the Indigenous community of Phoenix.

Join by registering on [WebEx](#). Panel members will include Reylynne Williams of the Gila River Indian Community, Vice President Ricardo Leonard, Shane Anton, and Martha Martinez of the Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community, Board Members of Friends of Pueblo Grande Jeffery Ferns and Rosetta Walker, Artist Janelle Stanley and Frank Gonzales and Patty Talahongra with Indian Country Today.



# PHOENIX SKY HARBOR

## Southwest Airlines Launches First International Service from Phoenix



Travelers at America’s Friendliest Airport® now have new flight options to Mexico as Southwest Airlines launched its nonstop, inaugural service from Phoenix to Cabo San Lucas and Puerto Vallarta today, making Phoenix Southwest’s newest international gateway.

“Southwest Airlines is an important community partner,” said Chair of the Transportation, Infrastructure and Innovation Subcommittee Thelda Williams. “We are excited that they are committed to Phoenix and have launched their first international service from Sky Harbor. These flights will not only provide more choices for travelers, but they will continue to boost our local economy.”

The nonstop service operates daily to both Cabo and Puerto Vallarta. The Phoenix-Cabo flight departs at 10:50 a.m., and arrives at 2 p.m. The flight then leaves Cabo at 3 p.m., arriving in Phoenix at 4:05 p.m. The Phoenix-Puerto Vallarta flight departs at 11 a.m., and arrives at 3:45 p.m. It departs Puerto Vallarta at 4:40 p.m. and arrives in Phoenix at 5:15 p.m. Both flights operate year-round.

Though the COVID-19 pandemic has temporarily halted many international routes to and from Phoenix Sky Harbor, airlines are beginning to bring back service and add new service. International flights add more than \$3 billion to the local economy each year according to the Airport’s most recent economic impact study.



For more information on nonstop destinations from Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport, visit <https://www.skyharbor.com/flyphx>



## PHOENIX FOOD DAY

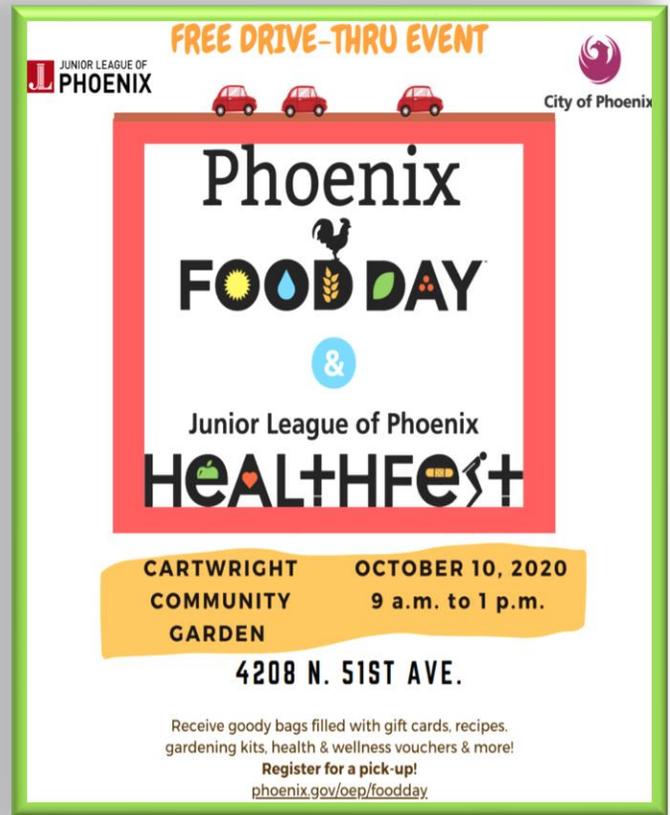
### What is Food Day?

Food Day is celebrated to inspire people to change the way we look at food, personally and collectively. [Phoenix Food Day](#) has been bringing education and entertainment together since 2014 to help the valley move towards a healthier future.

Since 2019, Junior League of Phoenix has partnered with the City of Phoenix to add a Healthfest feature to the event, making it Phoenix Food Day & Healthfest. Last year, this included health screenings, child and adult fitness activities, and giveaways. We are grateful to Junior League for bringing their vast experience, enthusiasm, and community volunteerism to Food Day!

Drive-thru and receive your goody bags filled with gift cards, prizes, recipes, gardening kits, health and wellness vouchers and kids' activity kits. Food boxes will also be available.

Due to the ongoing need to reduce COVID-19 transmission through social distancing, the event will pivot to a combination drive-thru and virtual event. To register for a food pickup time please visit <https://www.phoenix.gov/oepp/fooddayregister>



To register for a food pickup time please visit

## PHOENIX BUS RAPID TRANSIT



Bus Rapid Transit is coming to Phoenix! Help us choose what it will look like by taking our survey at <http://Phoenix.gov/BRT>.



## PUBLIC WORKS TRASH & RECYCLE



Phoenix Public Works' launches its [Zero Waste Webinar](#) (ZW Webinars) series on Wednesday, Oct. 14, as part of its ongoing commitment to community outreach and engagement while adhering to physical distancing guidelines.

Organized and hosted by the Phoenix Public Works' Zero Waste Team, each webinar is focused on waste diversion, such as recycling and composting, and features guest presenters who are experts in various fields of sustainability.

All webinars are free and are suitable for young teens and up. The webinar presentations are 20-30 minutes long followed by a Q&A and discussion about recycling and other waste diversion programs.

Registration is free at [phoenix.gov/RecyclePlus](http://phoenix.gov/RecyclePlus), where the complete schedule and information on the webinar topics can be found.

The goal of the Zero Waste Webinar Series is to encourage Phoenix residents and beyond to recycle more, but to do it right. Each correctly recycled material in Phoenix contributes [to the city's waste diversion goal of 40% by the end of 2020](#), and ultimately, to be zero waste by 2050. Setting these types of sustainability goals helps preserve the [available space in the city's landfill](#).

### **Zero Waste Webinar Series Schedule for October:**

#### **[Debunking Recycling Myths](#)**

11 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14

Presented by Alexis Yapple, city of Phoenix

#### **[State of Recycling: How Arizona is addressing the 3Rs](#)**

11 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 27

Presented by J.B. Shaw, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality

**PHOENIX POLICE**  
**2020 Faith & Blue Weekend**

The Phoenix Police Department is participating in the National Faith & Blue Weekend, Oct. 9-12, a weekend of events that brings law enforcement officers and the community. Join us to learn how officers and faith leaders are serving communities across Phoenix.

Join the Phoenix Police Department and local faith leaders virtually during one of the events:



DATE	TIME	ATTENDEE WEBLINK	PASSWORD	EVENT	EVENT DESCRIPTION
Friday, Oct. 9	1-3 p.m.	<a href="#">Webex Meeting</a>	blue	Building Bridges with our Sikh Community	Tune in to learn about the Police Chief's Sikh Advisory Board and receive a presentation about the Sikh community and its history.
Saturday, Oct. 10	9-11 a.m.	<a href="#">Webex Meeting</a>	blue	Faith and Justice Project Joint Intercessory Prayer Service	Join faith leaders from communities in Maryvale and South Phoenix as they unite our city in prayer.
Saturday, Oct. 10	12-2 p.m.	<a href="#">Webex Meeting</a>	blue	Healthy Giving Council and Phoenix PD	Members of the Healthy Giving Council and the Phoenix Police Department share information about the initiative that promotes sustainable giving and service for those experiencing homelessness.
Saturday, Oct. 10	3-5 p.m.	<a href="#">Webex Meeting</a>	blue	LGBTQ Faith Community Discussion	Join us for a conversation led by faith leaders from the LGBTQ community.
Sunday, Oct. 11	1-3 p.m.	<a href="#">Webex Meeting</a>	blue	Connecting on the North Side – Servant Leadership within Black Mountain Precinct	Join us for a discussion between public service and faith leaders within Black Mountain Precinct.

To download the schedule, get log in instructions, and watch the 2020 Faith & Blue video, please visit [2020 Faith & Blue Weekend](#).

## PHOENIX POLICE AIR UNIT RECEIVES NEW ELECTRONIC FLIGHT BAGS



The Phoenix Police Air Unit consists of six helicopters, and four planes. Police pilots are available around the clock, like street patrol officers. The police pilots just get a different view. And now, they have new technology called electronic flight bags, courtesy of the Phoenix Police Foundation.

The iPad technology provides instant information that can help police pilots choose the best course of action in little to zero time—something that, in this line of work, can be

Before electronic flight bags, police pilots used textbooks to learn about the aircraft, how to operate it, and the terrain they were flying in. Now it's all at their fingertips. the difference between life or death.

The electronic flight bags are just one more tool to ensure the highest level of safety and efficiency for officers in the sky. To read more and view an interview with Police Officer Flight Instructor Patrick Dewell, please click [here](#).

## ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS

The virtual workshop is limited to 100 participants to allow for attendees to discuss specific topics in break-out rooms. Please RSVP to receive ZOOM meeting details and a survey link to choose your breakout room topic and you can provide specific questions or items for discussion.

This is the first of several workshops planned through the Spring of 2021. Your collaboration is needed to help the City determine priorities, needs, and opportunities to address climate change. Workshop hosted by the Office of Environmental Programs. For more about Climate Action Planning visit [phoenix.gov/oep/climate](http://phoenix.gov/oep/climate)

RSVP by Oct. 12 to [climate@phoenix.gov](mailto:climate@phoenix.gov)

A circular graphic with a teal border. The background is a collage of images: a recycling truck, a bicycle, a solar panel, and a group of people. In the center, there is a white circle containing the City of Phoenix logo and the following text:

City of Phoenix  
**CLIMATE ACTION  
PLANNING  
VIRTUAL WORKSHOP**

Join the City of Phoenix and provide your input on addressing climate change. Share your concerns, needs, and ideas to co-create solutions.

The workshop will discuss climate goals and actions in these focus areas:

- Air Quality
- Energy
- Heat
- Transportation
- Waste

**October 14, 2020, 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m.**

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

### **Economic Development & Education**

This week, Aviation staff confirmed American Airlines will not reinstate service from Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport to London Heathrow Airport until at least March of 2021.

On Oct. 2, Arts and Culture staff hosted the first in the "Public Art: Behind the Curtain" series of free online workshops for artists. This first workshop featured Haley Hinds from the Phoenix Airport Museum, who presented the art and opportunities for artists the Sky Harbor International Airport. Approximately 20 artists attended the workshop. On Oct. 8, staff presented the second online workshop featuring artist Mary Lucking, who discussed her approach to developing public art projects. Every Thursday in October, the workshops will feature artist presentations and Q&A. The events are open to all and registration can be found on [phoenix.gov/arts/public-art-program/workshops](http://phoenix.gov/arts/public-art-program/workshops).

### **Social Services Delivery**

Effective Oct. 6, curbside pickup service hours were adjusted at all Phoenix Public Library locations offering the service. The new schedule of hours is:

- Monday, Friday and Saturday  
8 a.m. to noon
- Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday  
8 a.m. to noon and 4 to 6 p.m.

To date, Library staff has provided curbside pickup services to more than 126,000 customers, with more than 1.2 million physical library materials circulated by library cardholders.

This week, in partnership with St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance, Library staff served 867 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.

This week, Library staff in College Depot assisted 52 high school seniors prepare to complete their upcoming Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) application. Staff assisted with answering questions and helping students creating an FSA ID.

During the week of Sept. 28, the Phoenix Families First Resource Centers hosted twelve virtual workshops focused on early language, literacy, child development, early learning, parenting, and family stability. A total of 23 families, with children up to five-years-old, participated in activities such as Yoga Storytime; the ABC's of Pedestrian Safety; Charlie Check First by Police staff, which addresses safety in unfamiliar areas and with unfamiliar people; and Connections Before Corrections, which addresses child attachment strategies.

As of Sept. 25, Human Services staff has distributed 394,992 bottles of water to heat relief community partners.

During the week of Sept. 28, Human Services staff conducted 2,156 wellness checks and delivered 597 meals to Senior Center members.

On Oct. 1, the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Paint Phoenix Purple Domestic Violence Campaign kicked off with lighting City Hall Purple. Throughout the month of October, Phoenix Convention Center will also be lit purple and will

display campaign information on the outside marquees. Human Services staff conducted phone interviews with Univision and Enlace, 107.5 FM, to bring awareness to the issue of domestic violence, the services provided at the Family Advocacy Center and the availability of Spanish-speaking staff at the center.

This year, the 7th Annual Paint Phoenix Purple Silent Auction and Art Gallery will be held online, benefitting the Arizona Coalition to End Sexual and Domestic Violence. From Oct. 16 to Oct. 30, auction items will be on display at [paintphoenixpurple.org/](http://paintphoenixpurple.org/).

This week, Human Services staff at the Family Advocacy Center assisted a family of seven in need of emergency shelter, with five children, ages three to 15-years-old. The parents disclosed that two of the children were threatened and physically assaulted by a neighbor and they needed to relocate to a safe environment. That same day, staff secured safe housing for the family.

### **Public Safety**

Police recruitment remains open for applicants to register for written exams scheduled Oct. 17 and Oct. 29, as well as the ongoing online option.

Recently, Fire staff has hosted four clinics for the Baby Shots Vaccination Program, which has resulted in 1,490 vaccinations and approximately 1,240 screenings of adults and children. The program has partnered with the Maricopa County Department of Health to provide multiple Phoenix location clinics in the coming weeks to offer flu vaccinations. The Baby Shots Vaccination Program partners with city, county, state, and federal partners to provide vaccinations for the underinsured. Additionally, the program participates in weekly meetings with various agencies to prepare and coordinate for COVID-19 vaccines, when available.

During the week of Oct. 4, National Fire Prevention Week was held to educate the community about the dangers of fire and the importance of fire prevention. On Oct. 7, management for local haunted house, 13th Floor, and Fire staff conducted a briefing on Halloween Safety for the media, highlighting tips for safe trick-or-treating practices, important information on costumes, and the dangers of visiting unpermitted haunted houses. On Oct. 9, staff provided a kitchen safety and live burn demonstration at the Phoenix Fire Training Academy, where the Deputy Fire Marshal performed a burn shed grease fire demonstration and demonstrated the dangers of having open flames near Halloween decorations.

### **Neighborhoods and Livability**

As of Oct. 1, construction was completed for all the South Phoenix Village single-family infill homes, with 119 of 126 homes sold to income eligible homebuyers. Six of the remaining homes are under contract and scheduled to close escrow by early November. The redevelopment project also received final approval from the Arizona Department of Real Estate.

On Sept. 28, Neighborhood Services staff completed comprehensive repairs for a home occupied by a single mother of five children located in the South Phoenix Village Neighborhood Initiative Area. The initial property inspection determined the home did not meet minimum housing standards and required significant repairs to make the home decent, safe, and sanitary. Repairs included a new roof, complete electrical rewiring and plumbing, a new air conditioning unit, an overhaul of the kitchen and bathrooms, and newly installed energy efficient windows and doors. In addition, a dilapidated carport was removed to eliminate a potential exterior danger.

During the week of Sept. 28, the Parks and Recreation staff hosted three tournaments at sports complexes citywide, serving a total of 81 different teams. Staff hosted 267 allocations and 141 reservations on flat-land

athletic fields citywide and scheduled 63 maintenance staff for 252 hours to conduct a secondary cleaning on restrooms adjacent to fields with reservations. During the week of Oct. 5, staff scheduled 76 allocations for sports complexes and 561 allocations at citywide flatland athletic fields, a total of 2,114 reservation hours throughout the week.

On Oct. 6, Parks and Recreation staff kicked off the FitPHX Fall Into Fitness in partnership with AARP Arizona and other local organizations. On Oct. 19, staff will begin their four-week fitness bootcamp series. The fall schedule also features the new monthly morning yoga series that began in July and runs through December. Previously offered as in-person activities in Margaret T. Hance Park in downtown Phoenix, these programs were moved to an online format during the summer due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Hundreds of community members took advantage of the virtual option over the summer and staff looks forward to offering FitPHX for the fall season.

### **Infrastructure**

This summer, Information Technology staff installed nearly 50 wi-fi antennas on city-owned buildings to help bridge the digital divide and provide free wi-fi access to the public. The improved infrastructure allows students to connect their devices daily between 8 a.m. and 9 p.m. to access the free public service in the vicinity of participating public facilities. The public service information page is [phoenix.gov/freewifi](http://phoenix.gov/freewifi).

This week, construction of PHX Sky Train Stage 2 continued with roadway modification work. This included rerouting of underground utility lines and placement of sign foundations along the closed west side of Copperhead Drive. Construction of the I-10 Freeway off-ramp into the airport at the Copperhead Drive and Buckeye Road intersection also continues with landscaping, irrigation, and ramp concrete placements.

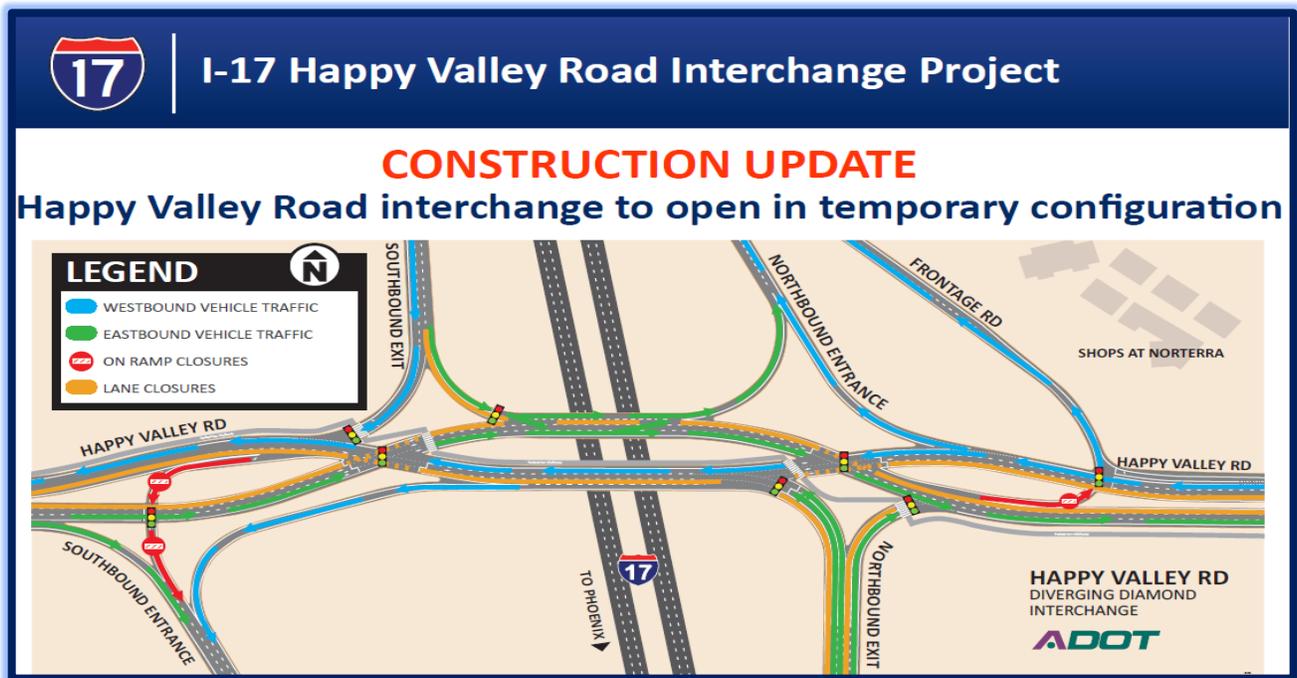
This week, the Central Station Transit Center redevelopment project progressed with construction tentatively scheduled to begin in November. On Oct. 26, Public Transit staff plan to close Central Station with the use of temporary fencing around the perimeter to align with regional bus service changes. As a result of the closure, all bus routes currently using the site will be rerouted to surrounding surface streets. The following four locations along surface streets have been identified for bus stop use, requiring installation of transit pads prior to Oct. 26:

- Northwest corner of Van Buren Street and 2nd Street – Transit Pads Completed
- Northeast corner of 7th Avenue and Jefferson Street – Transit Pads Completed
- Southwest corner of Adams Street and 3rd Avenue – Transit Pads Completed
- Southwest corner of Van Buren Street and 3rd Avenue – Pending
- Northwest corner of Van Buren Street and 1st Avenue – Pending

On Oct. 1, Street Transportation staff participated in the Urban Sustainability Directors Network (USDN)/Global Cool Cities Alliance Webinar. During the webinar, Phoenix was recognized as an early adopter of the emerging cool pavement treatment that seeks to reduce the urban heat island effect that is believed to be influenced by traditional asphalt and other elements of the built environment. The ongoing pilot program for Cool Pavement served as a backdrop for the webinar, which brought together municipalities, industry, and education partners from across the country to share best practices and key strategies in reducing the urban heat island effect.

This week, Water Services staff developed a community outreach plan for the second portion of the drought pipeline project. The plan includes door hangers, virtual public meetings, emails, and other communication mediums. Staff has begun canvassing along 32nd Street from Shea Boulevard to Bell Road in North Phoenix to ensure businesses understand the schedule and impacts.

# DIVERGING DIAMOND INTERCHANGE OPENS SOON AT I-17 & HAPPY VALLEY ROAD



Beginning on **Oct. 11**, the new Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI) at I-17 and Happy Valley Road will open to traffic in a temporary lane configuration while crews complete final construction of all lanes.

## WHAT TO EXPECT

### During this phase of construction:

- Traffic will travel on Happy Valley Road and the new interchange ramps in the new DDI configuration.
- The northbound frontage road will not be accessible from eastbound Happy Valley Road until construction is complete; westbound traffic will be able to access the northbound frontage road.
- Westbound Happy Valley Road will have two lanes open for travel through the interchange.
- Eastbound Happy Valley Road will have one lane open for travel through the interchange.
- The north- and southbound I-17 off ramps at Happy Valley Road will have lane restrictions.
- Sidewalks and bicycle lanes will not be accessible.

Interchange construction is scheduled to be complete in late 2020. Schedules are subject to change based on weather and other unforeseen factors.

## STAY INFORMED

- To view an animation of the DDI traffic movements visit the [I-17 Happy Valley Interchange webpage](#).
- ADOT will provide specific information by email and on the project webpage at [azdot.gov/I17TrafficInterchanges](http://azdot.gov/I17TrafficInterchanges) once schedules are confirmed.
- To receive project updates and traffic alerts by email, visit [azdot.gov/I17TrafficInterchanges](http://azdot.gov/I17TrafficInterchanges) and click on “subscribe for updates.”

# COUNCIL DISTRICT 1 NEWS AND INITIATIVES

## FIRE DEPARTMENT STATISTICS





### Phoenix Council District - 1

1/1/2020 TO 9/30/2020

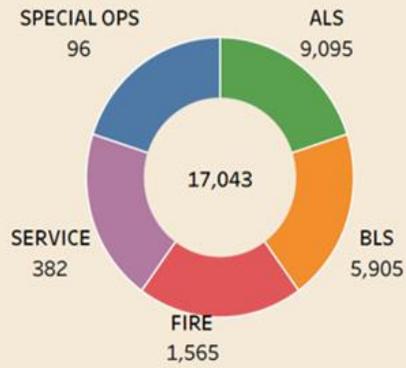


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#### Council District 1 - Response Times

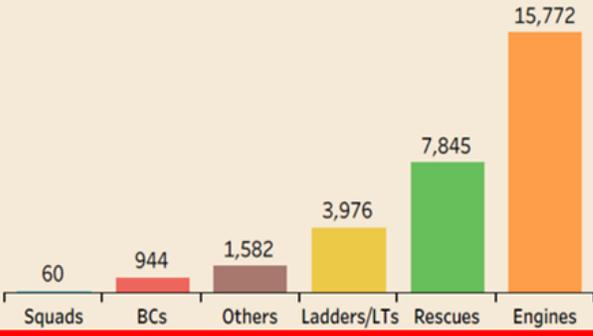
	Engines	Ladders/LTs	Squads	Rescues
3-1&GreaterFire	06:30	09:40	27:09	
CriticalEMS	07:18	07:43		10:46
<b>Overall</b>	<b>07:17</b>	<b>07:53</b>	<b>27:09</b>	<b>10:46</b>

#### Council District 1 - NFPA Response Times

(Objective = 90% or greater)

	Engines	Ladders/LTs	Squads	Rescues
3-1&GreaterFire	 77.69%	 88.17%	 25.00%	
CriticalEMS	 44.17%	 41.61%		 85.87%

#### Council District 1 - Unit Responses



#### Incidents in Phoenix Service Area



Year	Actual	Estimate
2012	179,359	
2013	183,012	
2014	189,757	
2015	200,082	
2016	210,665	
2017	213,718	
2018	214,040	
2019	221,366	
2020		227,336

## NEWS & EVENTS FROM AROUND THE DISTRICT: WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWS

### **Congratulations to Ocotillo Elementary School –**

One of 44 Arizona public schools receiving the coveted A+ School of Excellence™ from the Arizona Educational Foundation! Ocotillo is the second WESD school to receive this distinction. Acacia Elementary is a three-time recipient. Principal Dr. Steve Murosky and Assistant Principal Mandy Taylor surprised their team with the good news during a virtual staff meeting Oct. 6.

The A+ Award is a way to identify, celebrate, and recognize educational excellence in PreK-12th grade schools throughout Arizona. In addition to showcasing outstanding public schools, the A+ program provides school teams with an extensive comprehensive framework that serves as a basis for school self-assessment and planning. Applicant schools are evaluated in the areas of student focus and support, school culture, active teaching and learning, curriculum, leadership, community and parent involvement and assessment data.

Dr. Murosky shared feedback he received from the team who visited his campus earlier this year, “Our judge stated they were impressed with how our school closes the achievement gap for our students, our high academic rigor, our school culture, clean and safe environment, our AMAZING PTO, and our laser focus on moving the school forward.”

Dr. Murosky added, “We are very proud of all of our Ocotillo staff, past and present, who have dedicated so much to our students and their families. This is a great honor for our school and the entire community – now we will plan a safe celebration!”

Schools receive \$500 and a banner designating them as an A+ School of Excellence™ winner. The award is valid for four years.



# DRIVE-THRU COVID-19 TESTING CONDUCTED BY VALLE DEL SOL



## Testing at No Cost! Pre-register online!

Individuals wishing to be tested are encouraged to pre-register online. The tests are offered at no cost to all community members, with no copays or financial burden for administering the test. This initiative is supported through funds made available by Maricopa County.

**\*NOTE:** We are not doing antibody testing at this time. This test will only determine if a patient is currently positive for COVID-19

### Testing Event Details:

**When:**

Saturday, October 24, 2020  
from 8am - 12pm

Saturday, October 31, 2020  
from 8am - 12pm

**Where:**

Deer Valley Unified School District  
20402 N. 15th Ave  
Phoenix, AZ 85027

**What to bring:**

ID is recommended but not required.  
Please wear a facemask when coming to the testing site.  
Testing will be administered in your vehicle.

**Pre-register at:**

<http://bit.ly/dvusdcovid19>

Or complete the registration by using your camera to scan this QR code to be directed to the page.



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### ARIZONA HUMANE SOCIETY

<http://www.azhumane.org/get-involved/give-now/>

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

<https://www.childhelp.org/> 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: <https://phoenixcenterforthearts.org/support/>

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

**FETCH FOUNDATION:** please go to the following site: [www.fetchfoundation.com/Newsflash/the-fido-bag-program](http://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](http://www.medicalanimalsinneed.com) Together we save lives!

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**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](mailto:info@operationcarefoodbank.org).



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