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Early voting set for August mayor and council election

This August, voters will decide several ballot measures and cast ballots for mayor and council members in Districts 1, 3, 5 and 7. If necessary, a runoff election will be held Nov. 3.

Voters will not elect council members in Districts 2, 4, 6 and 8 this year because council terms are staggered. The election is open to all Phoenix residents who are registered voters and reside in the city at least 29 days prior to the election.

City of Phoenix registered voters who are on the permanent early voting list were mailed an election notice in late April and will receive a ballot by mail in late July unless they sign and return the postcard they received by July 1.

Voters not on the permanent early voting list may vote early by submitting a request for a ballot by mail. Request

forms, which are available at phoenix.gov/elections and at city public service counters and city libraries, must be returned to the City Clerk by Aug. 14. The early ballots will be mailed beginning July 30.

If not voting by mail, voters may cast early ballots on weekdays between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. from July 30 through Aug. 21 at the City Clerk Department, 15th floor, City Hall, 200 W. Washington St.

Accessible voting devices that allow voters with disabilities to vote independently will be available at early voting sites.

For more information about early voting or the election, refer to the Sample Ballot and Publicity Pamphlet that will be mailed to voters in late July, visit phoenix.gov/elections, call 602-261-VOTE (8683) or use the 7-1-1 Relay System.



Airport terminal project will enhance traveling experience

Work is underway at Phoenix Sky Harbor Airport's Terminal 3 to create a world-class traveling experience for airport visitors.

The phased Terminal Modernization Program will create a consolidated security checkpoint, additional ticket counters, new baggage carousels, an expanded curb for pick-up and drop-off and new shops and restaurants.

The first phase of the program has begun, and by summer 2016, travelers will enjoy a larger security checkpoint to help them get to their gates faster in addition to modernized, expanded airline ticket counter space to make

check-in more convenient.

Travelers may have already noticed the changes in Terminal 3 with the removal of the old pedestrian walkway outside of Terminal 3, the relocation of the Pet Park and the closure of two restaurants and a gift shop pre-security.

The project is taking places in phases to ensure the least amount of disruption to customers. Future phases of the project will see a redesign of the concourses and additional concession and retail options.

For more information about the project, visit skyharbor.com.

Join Phoenix Public Library for summer reading fun

Join Phoenix Public Library for summer reading fun June 1 through Aug. 1.



This year's theme is "Every Hero Has a Story."

Kids, teens and adults can participate online and track reading success to earn prizes, including a Chipotle Mexican Grill free meal coupon, Raising Cane's Combo Card and a free book. Read for 20 minutes every day for a chance to win weekly drawing prizes.

Register online at maricopacountyreads.org. Visit the Library for fun-filled programs for all ages. For more information, visit phoenixpubliclibrary.org or call 602-262-4636.

Help homeless stay cool this summer

Many homeless individuals and families who live on the streets need help during the hot summer.

Phoenix residents can help by donating unopened water bottles, sunscreen, new underwear, white socks, white T-shirts, insect repellent and prepackaged snacks. Financial donations also are welcome.

Deliver your tax-deductible donations from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays to the city's three Family Services Centers: Travis L. Williams, 4732 S. Central Ave. (602-534-4732); John F. Long, 3454 N. 51st Ave. (602-262-6510); and Sunnyslope, 914 W. Hatcher Road (602-495-5229).

For more information, visit phoenix.gov/humanservices or call 602-534-2120.

Swim season is just around the corner

City pools are open Memorial Day weekend, May 23 - 25, and May 30 - July 26. Pools are open daily, except Fridays.

The following pools also will be open on weekends in August through Labor Day: Cortez, El Prado, Encanto, Falcon, Hermoso, Maryvale, Paradise Valley, Pecos, Perry, Sunnyslope and Washington.

For more information, visit phoenix.gov/parks.

Maryvale Baseball Park hosts Household Hazardous Waste Event

The next Household Hazardous Waste Event (HHW) will be from 7 a.m. to noon Friday and Saturday, May 29 and 30, at the Maryvale Baseball Park, 3600 N. 51st Ave.

HHW events are only for city of Phoenix residential solid waste customers. Please bring your current city services bill showing solid waste fees and a matching photo ID. Non-hazardous materials brought to events will be sorted and disposed of as municipal solid waste. No commercial loads, large residential quantities, medical waste, explosives or radioactive waste will be accepted. A maximum of five over-the-road-tires per resident will be accepted. No tractor or oversize tires will be allowed.

For more information, call 602-262-7251 or visit phoenix.gov/publicworks.

Doing What Matters: College Depot Director Judy Reno

An astonishing one in every seven Americans ages 16 to 24 is neither working nor in school. Phoenix's rate of "disconnected youth" is 19 percent, one of the highest in the nation.

College Depot Director Judy Reno is determined to make a dent in that statistic with ReEngage Phoenix. The one-year-old program connects adults and youth who have not completed high school to such educational opportunities as a GED, alternative high school or online high school for adults.

College Depot and ReEngage Phoenix are located on the second floor of Burton Barr Central Library; all services are free.

Judy feels "blessed" to have her job, saying, "Every day I get to see the impact that we are able to make in helping people achieve their educational goals...One of the most gratifying things is to get a college announcement from a student we helped five years ago."

For more information about College Depot and ReEngage Phoenix, visit phoenixpubliclibrary.org/collegedepot.



Phoenix Tennis Center renovation completed

The Parks and Recreation Department has completed a massive overhaul of the Phoenix Tennis Center, 6330 N. 21st Ave.

The renovation project included installation of 25 new state-of-the-art courts, lighting, shade canopies, fencing and landscaping, bleacher seating and chilled drinking fountains. The tennis center also offers lessons by a certified tennis professional.

For more information, visit phoenix.gov/parks/sports or call 602-249-3712.

Remember to place the correct organics in your tan container

If you have signed up for Green Organics Curbside Collection program, here is a reminder about what can be placed in your tan Green Organics container.

SHOULD BE PLACED:

Grass clippings, tree branches, leaves, twigs, untreated wood. The green organics waste that is collected is processed into mulch. This is not a composting program.

SHOULD NOT BE PLACED:

Palm fronds, oleanders, pyracantha, creosote, treated wood, trash, food waste, pet waste and recyclable materials. These materials contaminate the green organics load and make them unusable for mulching and repurposing.

The Green Organics Curbside Collection program is being implemented in phases. To see if your area is eligible, visit phoenix.gov/publicworks/recycling to view the first phase map.

If you have questions, email reimaginephoenix@phoenix.gov.

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Learn more about recycling and solid waste programs

Want to learn more about new solid waste programs? Are you looking for information about waste diversion, recycling tips and the Reimagine Phoenix initiative? If so, email reimaginephoenix@phoenix.gov or call 602-262-7251.

A representative from the Public Works Department can present information about programs to your family, group, neighborhood or community.

Public Works staff can inspire you to look at trash as a resource.

Save As You Reduce and Recycle

The "Save As You Reduce and Recycle" program offers residents, who currently have curbside trash pick-up service, the option of downsizing to a green, medium trash container for a savings of \$3 a month on their solid waste services bill.

Residents must be enrolled in the city's recycling program before they can sign up for the program.

For more information, visit phoenix.gov/publicworks or call 602-262-7251.