



A Heroic Start to the New Year

Superhero Saturday was an incredible way to power up the Metro District this month! Thank you to everyone who came out in costume, brought their families, and helped turn the district into a hub of creativity and community spirit. From superheroes and cosplay to classic cars and high-energy stunt shows, the day was filled with cheering children and local business partners.

Beyond the fun, Superhero Saturday supported two meaningful causes: Childhelp and the Phoenix Police Sergeants and Lieutenants Association Charities. The event brought thousands of community members together to raise awareness and support programs that serve children and families across Arizona, reminding us just how powerful Metro District events can be.

Seeing children meet their favorite heroes, families exploring the district, and partners coming together for a shared cause was a powerful reminder of the role that the Metro District continues to play as a gathering place for the community!



Upcoming Events



Metro Masters

Saturday, April 11th, 2026

Registration: 9:30 AM

Tournament: 10:00 - 11:30 AM

Location:

Castles N' Coasters

9445 N. Metro Pkwy E., Phoenix

Mark your calendar for April 11th and get ready to tee off at the Metro Masters Mini Golf Tournament at Castles 'N' Coasters.

This exciting event brings together local businesses and supporters for a fun-filled day on the course. Lunch included and to follow at Red Lobster.

More details coming soon!

Local Business Spotlight

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With deeply discounted merchandise from major retailers and a constantly changing selection, every visit feels like a treasure hunt. Whether you're searching for everyday essentials or unexpected gems, Metro Merch makes it easy to score great deals while supporting a local business that's helping keep quality items out of landfills.

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 **Hours:**

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Wed: 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Thu: Closed

Fri–Sat: 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Sun: 12:00 PM – 6:00 PM

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Superhero Saturday Recap

Superhero Saturday delivered an action packed day that truly showcased the heart and energy of the Metro District. Thousands of families, fans, and community members came together on January 17th for a celebration filled with cosplay, classic cars, stunt shows, and vendor booths all in a fun, welcoming environment that brought the district to life.

New attractions made this year's event especially memorable, from celebrity appearances like Jake "The Snake" Plummer and high-energy BMX demonstrations to fan-favorite cosplay creators, specialty vehicles, and hands-on activities for kids of all ages. Seeing children meet their favorite heroes and families exploring the district together captured exactly what the Metro District is all about: connection and community pride.



Photo courtesy of DoubleTree Hilton

Metro Hotel LLC Acquires DoubleTree by Hilton Phoenix North

Exciting news for the Metro District hospitality scene! Metro Hotel LLC has acquired the DoubleTree by Hilton Phoenix North. They teamed up with LedgeStone Hospitality to manage day-to-day operations and future growth.

The hotel is a local favorite, featuring 14,000 square feet of event space, a restaurant and bar, and a 24-hour fitness center. A brand-new outdoor pool with cabanas is set to open in March, bringing back the property's resort style feel for both business and leisure travelers.

Metro Hotel LLC and LedgeStone Hospitality are committed to maintaining the DoubleTree experience, from the signature warm chocolate chip cookies to Hilton Honors benefits, while enhancing the property's overall guest experience. For more information, read the article from the Phoenix Business Journal below.

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City of Phoenix Announces Ryan Touhill as Community and Economic Development Director

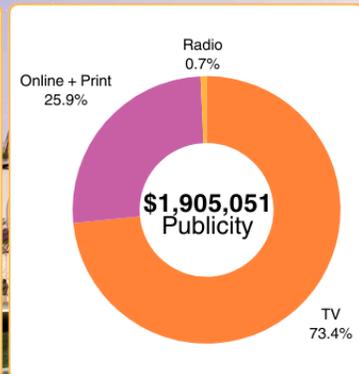
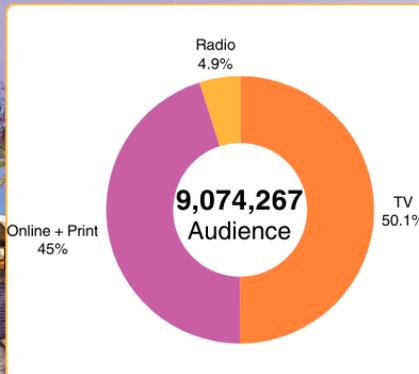
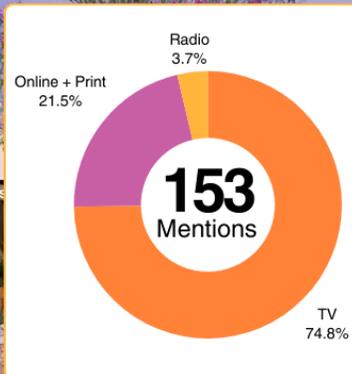
The City of Phoenix has appointed Ryan Touhill as its new Community and Economic Development Director. Touhill brings nearly 20 years of experience in local government and economic development, most recently leading Arlington Economic Development in Virginia, where he helped attract major investments, created thousands of jobs, and revitalized commercial districts.

City Manager Jeffrey J. Barton praised Touhill's track record in driving economic growth and fostering innovation, noting his leadership will help Phoenix continue to grow as a premier destination for business and opportunity.

Touhill officially began his new role on December 1st, 2025, succeeding Christine Mackay, who retired after 11 years of service to lead the Greater Phoenix Economic Council.

[CITY OF PHOENIX ARTICLE](#)

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