



THE BMCA e-BULLETIN

Mission Statement: To promote the exchange of resources and information that deters crime and secures our communities through the development of partnerships with fellow neighborhood organizations and city/county agencies and departments.

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BLACK MOUNTAIN POLICE PRECINCT NEWS

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The BLACK MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE is an all-volunteer network of neighbors helping neighbors serving their community. We are an alliance of Block Watch Groups, PNP Groups / Members, Neighborhood Groups, HOA's, Businesses, Schools, City/County Agencies and Departments and Individuals in the BLACK MOUNTAIN POLICE PRECINCT. Our goal is to prevent crime and improve the quality of life within our neighborhoods.



NEXT BMCA & PNP MEETING

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 8th at 6:30pm

We are hoping that the Deer Valley Community Center will be open for our September Meeting... if not, we will be doing a ZOOM Meeting once again. Details in next Bulletin...

BLACK MOUNTAIN PRECINCT HOSTS THE PBWAB MEETING
August 24, 2021 at 6:30 pm
Details in August BMCA e-BULLETIN

BLACK MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE MEETING
September 8, 2021 at 6:30 pm



OFFICER GINARRO NEW #10882 (EOW 5/31/21)

On May 31, 2021, 27-year-old, Officer Ginarro New was involved in an on-duty collision near Cave Creek and Greenway. He was transported to a nearby hospital, where he succumbed to his injuries. Officer New is survived by his wife Kristen, his mother, Misty, his brother, Marcas, and his grandmother, Susan.



DONATE TODAY

BLACK MOUNTAIN PRECINCT COFFEE WITH COPS



Asst. Chief Charley, Commander Ahleeya
and Commander Darren Viner

COMING SOON, STAY TUNED!

SAVE THE DATE, 8/26/21 8:30 AM

**Phoenix Police Department
Black Mountain
Precinct
NEWS**



Black Mountain Precinct

**33355 North Cave Creek Rd., Cave Creek, AZ 85331
Precinct: 602.495.5002**

**WELCOME NEW CAO
JON MC QUILLAN!**

Hello Black Mountain Community Alliance. I am the newest member of the Black Mountain Precinct Community Action Squad. I am here to assist community members with resolving community-based problems and to assist in the further developing and continuing the community's relationships with the Phoenix Police Department.

My Name Is Jon McQuillan #8926, I have been a member of the Phoenix Police Department since 2006. I recently became a member of the Black Mountain Precinct joining the Community Action Squad as a Community Action Officer for the "23" squad area. From late 2010 to earlier this year, I combated Gang related criminal activities as member of the Phoenix Police Gang Enforcement Unit as a Detective. I was a member of the FBI Violent Gang Taskforce where I combated Gang related criminal activities on a much larger scale to include all of Arizona and some other states. During my time as a member of the Phoenix Police Department Gang Enforcement Unit and the FBI Violent Gang Taskforce, I learned a wide variety of investigative techniques and problem-solving strategies for individual and community-based problems. Prior to being a Gang Enforcement Detective, I worked as a patrol officer for the Cactus Park Precinct (900) and the Mountain View Precinct (700).

My goal is to assist you in making your neighborhoods as safe as possible. I hope to bring my investigative and problem-solving background as a new tool to assist in combating whatever obstacles that may be occurring in your community. I look forward to meeting all of you.



CAO Jon McQuillan #8926 at 602-495-5238 or jon.mcquillan@phoenix.gov

**'IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING !'
AND CALL 911, CRIME STOP 602-262-6151
OR SILENT WITNESS 480-WITNESS!**



BLOOD DRIVE

Tuesday, July 13

MAKE AN APPOINTMENT:
BloodHero.com



vitalant.

City of Phoenix Black Mountain Precinct

BLOOD DRIVE

Tuesday, July 13

9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Shiloh Community Church Gym at
19021 N. 32nd St.

Contact Tim Tewers at 602-495-5112 or visit
donors.vitalant.org (Blood Drive Code: PPDBMP)

When you DONATE BLOOD May 28 – Sept. 10, you'll be entered to win a 2021 VW Tiguan S, donated by our Valley Volkswagen Dealers.



**Transform a life,
and your own**

Blood donors help people like Jackson, a middle school student who has required six blood transfusions since he was diagnosed with Severe Aplastic Anemia last summer. At the time of his diagnosis, only 10% of his bone marrow was producing the stem cells needed for his body to make red cells, white cells and platelets.

*"Our family is so grateful to blood donors... my son is living proof that they save lives."
- Jackson's Mom, Julia*



IF THIS LINE
OFFENDS YOU
SO MUCH
YOU MIGHT
WANT TO STOP
CROSSING IT

<https://www.phoenix.gov/police/oisinfo>

Phoenix Police Department Officer-Involved Shootings Information

The information on this page is intended to inform and educate the public about the use of deadly force, specifically Officer-Involved Shootings (OIS), and related topics from Phoenix Police.

www.phoenix.gov



Wear **BLUE** on the 6th day of each month to show support of **PHOENIX POLICE OFFICERS!**

We can all show it on the same day. No need to gather at one place, we will be everywhere for all Officers to see!

WE'VE GOT YOUR SIX!



Wear the "6" pin to show support for our police!
Just e-mail Info@bmcainfo.com to get one!

Policeman's Prayer

Lord, bless the ones
who wear the badge
The ones who walk the beat,
Protect and keep them safe
While they're on the street.

As they wait and as they watch
Doing good for all,
guide their minds and
give them strength
For each and every call.

Ready to put their
lives on the line
Give them courage each day,
Let them know
you're always there
In each and every way.

So bless the ones who
wear the badge,
Protect them from harm,
Always keep them safe
And in your loving arms.

Now Hiring

PHX PD

EARN \$47,798 to \$85,514

JoinPHXPD.com
602-534-2677

PHOENIX PD APP



The Phoenix Police Department now has a mobile app, bringing a variety of resources and information to one place. Users can use the app to access online reporting, crime statistics, precinct locations, phone numbers, career opportunities, virtual block watch, victims' rights information, and more. Users can also turn on notifications from the precinct they live in to receive news updates and information on events in their area. To

watch the video released, please click here. The App is now available both in the Apple Store for iOS and in the Google Play Store for Androd.

Learn More

PHX PD

Health Benefits
\$6,500 Tuition Reimbursement/yr
Bilingual Incentive Pay
Up to \$85,514 Annual Income

JoinPHXPD.com
602-534-COPS

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:
AT LEAST 21 & 5 YEARS OF AGE
HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA OR GED

Lamar's Citywide Coffee with Cops. CAO "32" Jen Zak, Commander Tina Gonzales Community Engagement Bureau, Vince and Linda Gemmitti.

Report graffiti on the Phoenix PD app! Graffiti can now be reported on the Police Department app released in January 2021. Studies show that if graffiti is removed within 24 hours, there is a 90% likelihood that the graffiti will not return to the same area. If you see graffiti in progress, call 911 immediately, or use the app to have it removed! Click here to watch the video on how to report graffiti through the app. #GraffitiFreePHX City of Phoenix Neighborhood Services Department

BLACK MOUNTAIN POLICE PRECINCT COMMUNITY ACTION OFFICER SQUAD:



21 Area North (Beat 214)
(W 83rd Ave to E 7th Sttreet & S Dynamite Blvd. to N Mingus Rd.)
21 Area South (Beat 211)
(W I-17 to E 7th St. & S SR101 to N Dynamite Blvd.)
CA Officer "32" Jennifer Zak #9170 at 602-495-5274
jennifer.zak@phoenix.gov



21 Area North/South (Beats 212 & 213)
(W 7th Street to E Scottsdale Rd. & S SR101 to N Carefree Hwy..)
CA Officer Tim Tewers #8698 at 602-495-5213 or
tim.tewers@phoenix.gov



22 Area North (Beats 223 & 224)
(W I-17 to E 7th/16th Sts. & S Bell Rd. to N SR101)
CA Officer Tom Owsley #8047 at 602-495-5192 or
thomas.owsley@phoenix.gov



22 Area South (Beats 221 & 222)
(W I-17 to E 7th/16th Sts. & S T-Bird/Cactus Rd. to N Bell Rd.)
CA Officer Tony Cuciti #6907 at 602-495-5481 or
anthony.cuciti@phoenix.gov



23 Area North (Beats 233 & 234)
(W 7th/16th Sts. to E SR51 & S Bell Rd. to N SR101)
CAO Jon McQuillan #8926 at 602-495-5238 or
jon.mcquillan@phoenix.gov



23 Area South (Beats 231 & 232)
(W 7th/16th Sts. to E SR51 & S Cactus Rd. to N Bell Rd.)
CAO Thomas McKee #9214 at 602-495-5227 or
thomas.mckee@phoenix.gov



Abatement Officer David Hurt #7109
& Liquor Licenses
602-495-5228 or david.hurt@phoenix.gov



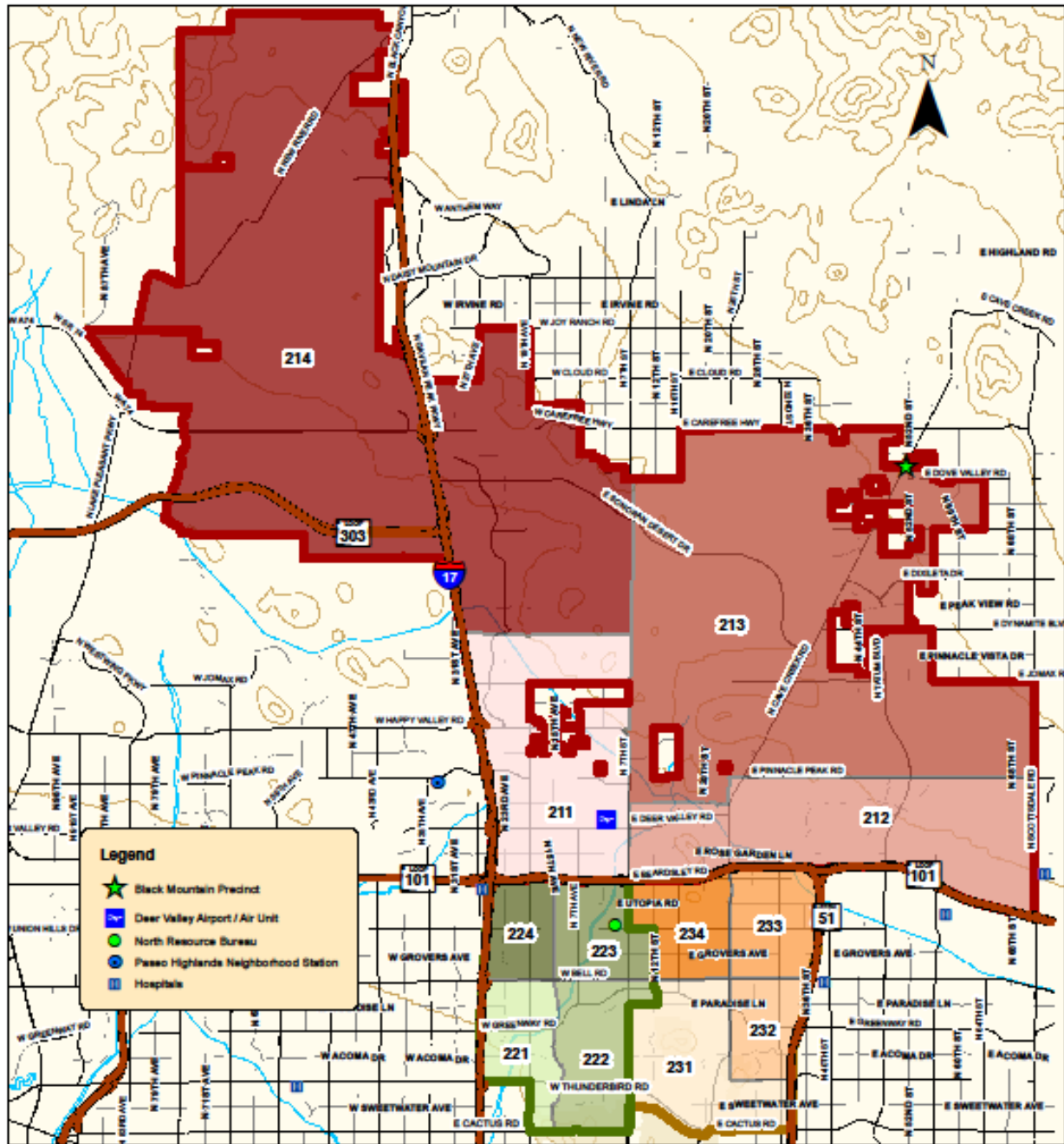
Black Mountain Precinct CAO Sgt. Linda Miller
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Black Mountain Precinct Community Programs Lt. Brian Rimsza
602-495-5032 or brian.rimsza@phoenix.gov

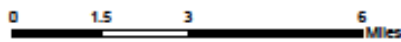


City of Phoenix Police Department Black Mountain Precinct (200) Squad and Beat Boundaries



Boundaries Effective October 20, 2014

Phoenix Police Department
Crime Analysis and Research Unit (CARU)
Updated: 10/1/2014
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CITYWIDE PHOENIX NEIGHBORHOOD PATROL



Detective Brian Kornegay

Monthly Citywide PNP Meetings

For the foreseeable future we will continue to meet virtually and will continue to meet on the third Tuesday of the month from 6pm to 8pm. I am making a new reoccurring meeting in Webex for the upcoming year, so it will be the same meeting number each time.

If at some point, we are given the ok to meet in-person again, I plan on continuing to offer the virtual platform for people who want to join that way.

The next meeting is April 20, 2021 from 6pm to 8pm. Login details will be e-mailed out.

PNP Basic Classes for 2021

The 2021 flyers are on the webpages, phoenix.gov/police and pnpmembers.com. If you manage your own web page, please update them with this info.

The classes will continue to be virtual for the foreseeable future, and we will continue with the 2-day 2-hours each day format. The dates are as follows:

July 21 & 22

September 22 & 23

November 17 & 18

Anyone wishing to attend must register at pnp.coordinator@phoenix.gov to receive the login information and other needed documents.

Updates on Volunteer.phoenix.gov

PNP Log Sheet Entry Problems Have Been FIXED!

The old log sheet was not compatible with the updated program, so we built a new one that is. The new log sheet has been uploaded and has replaced the old log sheet. You access it the same way. It actually looks similar to the old sheet but with a few new fields. Please log in and catch up on your log sheets.

I uploaded a new video to the PNP YouTube channel, it explains the new log sheet and the couple of changes you need to be aware of. The changes are minor and should be self-explanatory, but the video is available just in case. A link to the video has already been placed on PNPMember.com and at the bottom of this email for your convenience.

Overview of the changes

- There is now a single Date field instead of a start date and end date.
 - If entering a log sheet for a span of time use the start date of the span of time. Explain the time span in Notes area

- There is now a single "Hours" field instead of separate Patrol Hours & Admin Hours fields.
- There is now a "Type of Hours" field where you select either "Patrol Time" or "Admin Time" to designate what type of time this is
 - It defaults to "Patrol Time" but to change to "Admin Time", click the drop-down and selecting "Admin Time" from the list
- Notes field, for time span log sheets please put a simple description of the time in the "Notes" field. i.e. "for the month of March" "Week of March 22" etc.

I will have to re-do some of the other videos too since they have references to the old log sheets and the system prior to the latest updates.

Thanks for your patience on this, please let me know if you have any issues with it.

Links:

Volunteer.phoenix.gov

PNPMembers.com

[New Log Sheet Video](#)

[PNP YouTube Channel-Members Playlist](#)

Brian Kornegay #5132, Detective, Phoenix Police Department Community Relations Bureau, Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol, Criminal Nuisance Abatement, & Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design Coordinator.

602-256-4303 Desk / 602-534-2346 Fax

Brian.kornegay@phoenix.gov

"Policing with a Purpose"

Block Watch and Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol TRAINING

Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol / Block Watch 4 hour Training

- Helps neighbors to be better eyes and ears for the Phoenix Police Department.
- Know when to call 911 or Crime Stop [602 262 6151](tel:6022626151)
- Understand the process of why the operator asks the questions and what information to be prepared with.
- Be an observer without being confrontational.

**NEXT TRAINING CLASS:
JULY 21st & 22nd**

PNP PATROL OPPORTUNITY!

First Friday's Art Walk PNP Patrols should start up again in the Fall!

Rick Sain at ussyorktown25@hotmail.com or at 602-799-0143



DISTRICT 1 NEWS
Councilwoman Ann O'Brien
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 602-262-7444

**Message from
 Councilwoman Ann O'Brien**

Happy first full week of summer!

It may have already felt like we started summer a few weeks ago, especially with last week's excessive heat warnings, but with the summer solstice last Sunday, summer has officially begun. With that, I want to remind everyone about the dangers our extreme temperatures can pose. Even if you're a Phoenix native, like myself, when temperatures are in the triple digits, it's not suggested you go hiking or do outdoor activities. If you still enjoy your regular hike or outdoor activity, try to do it first thing in the morning when temperatures are at their lowest and make sure you have plenty of water to stay hydrated. One bottle is not enough for these temperatures! If you think you have enough, you'll need more! For more hiking reminders, please visit the [Phoenix Parks and Rec website](#).

This week was the last Council Policy Meeting for the City's legislative cycle. During our policy meeting, we discussed a very important tool to help our communities become revitalized and reinvigorated. Government Property Lease Excise Tax (GPLET) is a tool our city can use to work with developers and other government agency and service providers to take unused city owned land and have the site developed, creating new life in the community. These new developments often bring new shops, office space, housing that otherwise may have gone to another municipality. Using GPLETs, the city is able to create new revenue streams utilizing vacant properties.

The discussion was about whether the city should continue to utilize GPLETs or get rid of them. Ultimately, I voted to continue to use GPLETs as a tool, but to look into putting stricter guidelines about who can use a GPLET and what they can develop. The one thing the city doesn't want to get into the habit of is leasing too much public land for strictly private use. Some examples of existing uses of GPLETs are the ASU science buildings located north of their downtown campus and the building complex which houses Fry's Marketplace which helped to end a downtown food desert.

The second topic of conversation during Tuesday's policy meeting was a discussion to ask city staff to begin researching the possibility of a prevailing wage, specifically for construction jobs. Prevailing wage essentially dictates that contract workers on city construction job sites be paid a higher wage than the private sector. Proponents of this idea and concept claim this will price out "unskilled" laborers and help to ensure a "quality" project the first time around. However, this couldn't be further from the truth.

Prevailing wage will actually cause the costs to the city to skyrocket. Not only will we begin to pay more per construction job due to the increased wages, but our administrative costs will be increased in order to monitor contractors' compliance with a prevailing wage ordinance. Additionally, I take issue with the notion that our current workers aren't "skilled." Many small business contractors and subcontractors are individuals who found a passion while they were in school and continued to hone their practice and create their own business for decades. Their skill level isn't any less than that of the larger contractors. Additionally, placing undue costs onto small contractors to comply with artificially set wages will price them out of contracts with the city, leaving only the big business conglomerate contractors.

I voted against asking our staff to research something which will harm our local small businesses and increase costs to the City of Phoenix.

Next week we will have our final City Council meeting of the season and then our break begins!

All my best,

Ann

Councilwoman, District 1



DISTRICT 2 NEWS
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 602-262-7445

Twitter: [Jim_Waring](#)
 Facebook: [facebook.com/waringjim](https://www.facebook.com/waringjim)

EMERGENCY RENTAL AND UTILITY ASSISTANCE

The Phoenix City Council recently approved the distribution of \$51 million in new federal Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) dollars to Phoenix residents who need help making their rent payments (including late fees) and covering the cost of home utilities (electric, gas, water and trash). For more information, visit Phoenix.gov/renthelp. To apply online, visit wildfireaz.org/phxera/ to begin the application in English or Spanish.

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DISTRICT 3 NEWS
 A Message from Phoenix City Councilwoman Debra Stark

District 3 Councilmember Debra Stark
 602-262-7441 council.district.3@phoenix.gov

**Mask Mandate Eliminated in City
 Facilities for Those Fully Vaccinated**

Face coverings and physical distancing protocols are no longer required in city facilities for those who are fully vaccinated. Those who are not fully vaccinated are still asked to follow these mitigation protocols. This move is in accordance with CDC guidance and applies to both indoor and outdoor work spaces. This policy change applies to employees, contractors and customers or visitors to city facilities. Note: The airport and public transit are still covered by the Federal mask mandate.

GENERAL LINKS + INFORMATION:

- City Council Meetings [agendas, results, minutes + videos] – [CLICK HERE](#)
- Watch City Council meetings live – [CLICK HERE](#)
- Watch PHXTV (Live or On Demand) – [CLICK HERE](#)
- Public Meeting Notices – [CLICK HERE](#)
- PHX City Calendar – [CLICK HERE](#)
- Information by Mapped Address in Phoenix (IMAP) – [CLICK HERE](#)
- Find out what Phoenix police precinct you live in – [CLICK HERE](#)
- Phoenix seamless service directory – [CLICK HERE](#)
- PHX At Your Service [service requests + reports] – [CLICK HERE](#)
- Volunteer Phoenix opportunities – [CLICK HERE](#)
- Register a neighborhood or business organization with the city – [CLICK HERE](#)
- Start a Block Watch in your neighborhood – [CLICK HERE](#)
- Recommend a venue for a future District 3 event – [LET US KNOW](#)
- If you own a business that is opening or expanding in #phxD3 – [LET US KNOW](#)
- Invite #phxD3 to attend a meeting or event – [LET US KNOW](#)
- Have an event or news item that you'd like included in our newsletter? - [LET US KNOW](#)

PHOENIX COVID-19 RESOURCES

We're in this together! Looking for help? Find information at Testing, Resources and Impacts and Phoenix Impacted City Services.

Phoenix small businesses needing help can call the Phoenix Community and Economic Development hotline to speak to the Small Business Support team at 602-262-5040. You can also find information at www.Phoenix.gov/SmallBusiness the new Small Business COVID Support website.

Additional City of Phoenix resources information can be found by visiting www.Phoenix.gov/resourcess

Residents in need of emergency assistance can contact any of the participating agencies listed in the Phoenix CARES Act (PDF).

JUNE 9, 2021

Black Mountain Community Alliance & BLACK MOUNTAIN PRECINCT ZOOM MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

with 32 in attendance!

ZOOM Meeting called to order at 6:31 pm by BMCA Chairperson Candice Fremouw



COUNCIL DISTRICT NEWS:



Council District 3 Aide, Andrea Gaston shared info on the Virtual Community Coffee Chat on Sustainability, June 29th at 8:30 am. To register follow link - <https://bit.ly/3csizUT>

Password: sustainability

As of June 12th there will no longer be advanced registration for the Community Pools. Canice asked if groups can now register to use the Community Centers.

Black Mountain Precinct Updates

Candice explained that all of the Black Mountain Precinct Police were attending the visitation for Officer Ginarro New tonight and would not be at our BMCA General Meeting. The BMCA is planning a BBQ Fundraising Event with VRSB (Vets Rolling Smoke & BBQ) and Phx Police Foundation to benefit Officer New's Squad to attend Police Week in Washington, DC. The DVCC is a possible location. On June 16th there is a very important Council Meeting on the Budget and we need to be vocal about the Police Funding and Support! We have scheduled a Coffee at Times Square on Thursday, August 26th at 8:30 am. Unfortunately, all of OUR CAOs may be back out on patrol again to help out with the calls due to the low staffing.

PRESENTATIONS:

S.T.A.M.P. ACTIC (Statewide Threat Assessment & Mitigation Program) with



Det. C.J. Wren



Great presentation by Det. Wren on a new program not seen anywhere else in the country. This program creates a standard for threats that can be shared in one system statewide. Arizona is the first state to do this. ACTIC (Arizona Counter Terrorist Information Center) is available for tours. There are many threats investigated on social media.

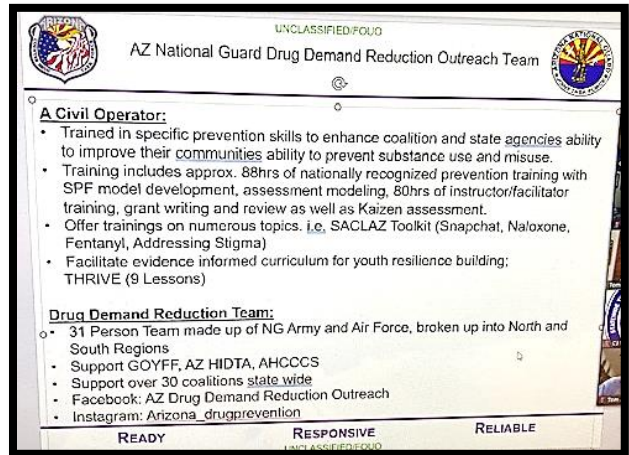
Something Good – From Something Bad

- Threats are prevalent in EVERY aspect of our society right now.
- Social Media has brought a lot of this increase
- Lack of Face-to-Face interaction
- Police Departments all handled threat investigations differently
- 72% of Threats are issued by the same 8% of people (known to LE)
- First program of its kind in the NATION
- Managed by Phx Police for AZ
- We are able to do so much more with the data we are getting in – which ultimately will make our State SAFER!

USAF AZ NATIONAL GUARD on Counter Drug Task Force Community Projects with 1st Sgt. Tommy Morga



An excellent presentation on several speaker topics. This team has been together for 3 years and cover the entire state of Arizona with Drug Prevention Efforts. We support the DEA Drug Take Backs. Fentanyl and Meth are the worst drug threats, so they provide Narcan to everyone. Their community reach out includes WAKE UP Clubs. This is a great resource for presentations at your neighborhood Block Watch Meetings.



GENERAL DISCUSSION:

Jen S. mentioned that a specialty hazmat squad 29 truck at the Cave Creek Station 72 next to the Black Mountain Precinct is going to be re-located downtown at the airport and leaving the north area without many specialty functions. Please voice your concern about this move to Councilman Jim Waring.

Sparky hopes that neighborhood organizations and everyone will step up and call in to the City Council Meeting on June 16th about public safety if they vote to defund the police.

John announced that Cactus Park Precinct is having an in-person Coffee with Cops at Barros Pizza.

BMCA IS OFFERING ZOOM MEETING HOSTING for Block Watch Groups

Call 480-467-7399 or e-mail info@bmcainfo.com



Allister Adel
Allister Adel, Maricopa County Attorney

Summer Safety Series: Celebrate and Designate this Fourth of July



Driving while under the influence of drugs or alcohol is not worth the risk. Serious car crashes as a result of impaired driving occur during every major holiday in the United States. According to the National Highway Safety Administration, more people die from a car accident involving a drunk driver on the Fourth of July than on any other major holiday. Nationwide, alcohol-impaired fatalities make up 28% of all traffic fatalities. During the Fourth of July holiday, that number increase to 38%.

While alcohol is the most common factor in these accidents, it's not the only one. With the passage of Proposition 207, legalizing the recreational use of marijuana in Arizona, some may be inclined to drive while high. The facts remain the same; driving while under the influence of alcohol, marijuana, prescriptions, or other drugs is illegal and highly dangerous.

Your actions now can help keep you, other drivers, and pedestrians on the road safe. Consider this your reminder to make a plan for your Fourth of July festivities. If you're planning on hosting, make sure to have plenty of non-alcoholic drinks and help make arrangements for anyone unable to drive themselves home safely. If you're planning on celebrating the holiday elsewhere, make sure you have a designated driver, a rideshare app, or a schedule of public transportation.

Just as important as planning is staying focused and alert while driving home during a holiday weekend. While long weekends tend to be busy overall, the most dangerous time to be on the road is between midnight and 2 am when bars start to close and people begin to head home. If you see someone driving in an unsafe manner that could cause harm to others on the road, keep your distance and call 911. Whether you're a driver or passenger, don't forget to use your seat belt, it could save your life.

Take time to review [Arizona's DUI laws](#) and learn more about [impaired driving](#) to keep yourself and others safe on the road.



Summer Safety Series: Utility Scams



As temperatures continue to heat up and utility bills increase, scammers impersonating utility companies will use phone calls, text messages, emails, and in-person visits to demand payment for "overdue bills." Falling for this type of scam could cost you hundreds of dollars, put your personal and financial information at risk and require time and effort to be sorted out. Families aren't the only ones at risk. Small businesses and companies are also targeted with employees wanting to resolve the issue as fast as possible. Last month, 246 commercial and residential customers reported a utility scam totaling a loss of \$3,000, with one customer making a \$350 payment to scammers.

The best way to protect yourself from utility scams is to learn about them! This summer remember these warning signs and prevention tips to avoid becoming a victim.

Warning Signs

- Scammers will create a sense of urgency by threatening to turn off your electricity, water, or gas unless a payment is made immediately. It's difficult to think clearly when you're caught off guard but take your time and ask questions. Actual utility companies will send you various notices in the mail before your service is disconnected.
- Scammers will ask for payment through Zelle, Venmo, PayPal, a prepaid credit card, gift card, or even Bitcoin. Utility companies do not use these payment methods as they are not secure and challenging to record.
- Be wary of anyone claiming to be from a utility company asking to "inspect" your home; they may be scoping out your place for other criminal activities.

There are other types of utility scams and tactics you should also pay attention to, including:

- Getting an offer to have a portion of your utility bill paid. This is most likely a bad check scam, where you will be given a bad check to deposit and then asked to send part of the money back, the check never clears, and you lose the money you sent back.
- Phone calls claiming you overpaid your utility bill. A scammer will ask you for financial information to provide a refund. A company representative will not call asking for personal or financial information.
- Text messages or emails from an unknown source with a link to view an online bill or make a payment. Never click on a link from an unknown source. It could contain malware.
- An in-person visit during an outage offering you an express service restoration. This doesn't exist, and company representatives do not take payments in person.
- A phone call or home visit promoting affordable solar energy or energy-saving programs claiming to be sponsored by a utility company and asking for a deposit.

When in doubt about the legitimacy of something, it's best to hang up the phone, delete the email or text message, or shut the door until you can verify the information directly with a utility company. If you feel you've been the target of a scam, contact your local law enforcement, the Arizona Attorney General's Office, or the [Federal Trade Commission](#). Even if you don't lose money, it's essential to report scams as they happen to help prevent others from falling victim. When scams are reported to the FTC, they are shared with more than 3,000 law enforcement agencies helping them hold scammers accountable.

Our [Keeping Families Safe](#) initiative includes topics to help with [Identity Theft, Scams & Fraud](#), [Situational Awareness](#) and more. Be sure to visit these pages to keep you and your family safe!

Don't Get Hot at ADOT Workers During Wildfires

Crews working in their own communities to keep people safe

Some motorists upset with road closures due to multiple fires burning in Arizona are taking their frustrations out on ADOT personnel staffing the roadblocks. .

ADOT does not decide which roads to close. Closures are determined by fire incident commanders who work in conjunction with law enforcement and ADOT, and motorists may face legal penalties for attempting to get around a barrier or other method used to shut down a road

"We understand that especially for people who live in areas affected by a wildfire, this is a very stressful situation for the entire community," said Rod Lane, an ADOT District Engineer



who has handled fire-related closures for a number of years. "Our maintenance crews who close these roads do it to ensure that emergency responders can use the roads to access fire areas, evacuate residents and keep people out of harm's way. We're doing our best to keep everyone safe."

This also highlights the comprehensive nature of the work performed by highway maintenance crews. During most of the year, crewmembers do pavement work, repair guardrail and clean up roadside trash. Incidents such as wildfires highlight the crews' commitment to public safety first and foremost.

ADOT crews sometimes encounter motorists who are angry and demand to be allowed to drive on a closed highway. Brett Rupp, an ADOT Highway Operations Technical Supervisor in Payson says, "ADOT maintenance crews live in and around the communities we serve and some of us have had to evacuate ourselves and our families. It's unfortunate when one of our crewmembers is confronted by an upset motorist because people may not realize what that person standing in the heat and smoke for several hours is going through. His or her home may be at risk, but they are still on the job protecting the community."

For updated information on road conditions and restrictions: az511.gov

Visit us on social media on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [YouTube](#), [Flickr](#) or the [ADOT blog](#)

Steer Away from Summertime Scammers

As traveling and summer vacations increase, the Arizona Department of Revenue (ADOR) reminds taxpayers that fraudsters do not take a summer break when it comes to identity theft. Please be aware of tactics such as card-skimming devices, hacking email accounts, phishing schemes, or using false pretenses.

ADOR has prepared the following checklist to assist taxpayers:

- Using public Wi-Fi can make you vulnerable and should be used with caution.
- Collect mail every day. Place a hold on your mail if you go on vacation.
- Monitor your bill cycles and examine unfamiliar debit and credit card charges.
- Posting your boarding pass on social media opens the door to also sharing the barcode, which discloses your confidential information.
- Protect your wallet and place a freeze on your accounts immediately if you suspect fraudulent activity.
- Lock up your identification cards, credit cards, and personal items when leaving them behind.

Taxpayers should be aware that the Department of Revenue will never:

- Call or text about taxes owed without first having sent an official notice.
- Demand immediate payment without providing you the opportunity to question or appeal the stated amount owed.
- Require you to use a specific payment method to pay your taxes, such as a prepaid debit card.
- Threaten to bring in local police or other law-enforcement groups to have you arrested for not paying.

If a person gets a phone call from the ADOR requesting additional information, you can contact the department's Customer Care Center at (602) 255-3381 or toll-free at 800-352-4090, to confirm the call was in fact from an ADOR official. Arizonans can also contact the Department of Revenue's Identity Theft Call Center at (602) 716-6300 or toll-free at 800-352-4090, or online at <https://azdor.gov/individual-income-tax-information/identity-theft>.

ADOR Advises Taxpayers to Keep Their Mailing Address Current

Individuals and business owners are reminded to verify their mailing address when filing their returns. The Arizona Department of Revenue (ADOR) requires taxpayers' complete and properly formatted address information to ensure the timely delivery of refunds and important correspondence to taxpayers.

ADOR recommends that taxpayers fully spell out their address using the [postal service standard](#) when filing electronically or registering online. For example:

1500 E MAIN AVE STE 201
ANYWHERE AZ 85007-1010

For Individual Income Tax Returns:

To notify ADOR of a new mailing address after filing an individual income tax return, complete and submit an Arizona [Form 822 Change of Address Form](#) with the updated address information.

If a joint return was filed and the individuals reside together, they should provide their names, social security numbers, and signatures on the form or statement.

If the individuals live at different addresses, each person should notify ADOR of their new, separate address.

For Business Tax Returns (Corporate, Withholding, and TPT):

Registered businesses can update their mailing address and location information for corporate, withholding, and transaction privilege and use tax accounts through AZTaxes.gov.

- To update records, log into AZTaxes.gov and click "Accounts" and "Account Update".
- Verify the changes by signing with the established e-signature PIN set up during registration.
- New business locations can anticipate a new copy of their licenses within three to five business days of processing.

For businesses with one location that are not registered in AZTaxes.gov, please update the address by filing a [Business Account Update](#) form.

Suicide Warning Signs

These signs may mean someone is at risk for suicide. Risk is greater if a behavior is new or has increased and if it seems related to a painful event, loss, or change.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Talking about wanting to die or to kill oneself. ◆ Looking for a way to kill oneself, such as searching online or buying a gun. ◆ Talking about feeling hopeless or having no reason to live. ◆ Talking about feeling trapped or in unbearable pain. ◆ Talking about being a burden to others. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Increasing the use of alcohol or drugs. ◆ Acting anxious or agitated; behaving recklessly. ◆ Sleeping too little or too much. ◆ Withdrawing or feeling isolated. ◆ Showing rage or talking about seeking revenge. ◆ Displaying extreme mood swings to others.
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Suicide Is Preventable.
Call the Lifeline at 1-800-273-TALK (8255).
With Help Comes Hope

**DON'T GIVE TO INDIVIDUALS
GIVE TO SHELTERS**

To end panhandling, we have to end directly giving to people panhandling. Phoenix is full of compassionate and charitable citizens. They want to help those in need. However, giving money to people panhandling doesn't fix problems. In order to truly help those in need, stop giving money to panhandlers and instead support organizations and services that provide long-lasting care. – Central Arizona Shelter Services – Andre House – Salvation Army – St. Joseph The Worker – U MOM New Day Centers – The Phoenix Rescue Mission – St. Mary's Food Bank For more organizations and information that can provide housing, or other services, please visit the Homeless Shelter Directory at:

<https://www.homelessshelterdirectory.org/cgi-bin/id/city.cgi?city=Phoenix&state=AZ>
www.givesmartaz.org

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BLACK MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE
ON FACEBOOK**



WHERE WE SHARE INFORMATION!

**JUNE 10, 2021
BMCA BOARD
Celebrates Goldie's Birthday!**



Candice, Deb, Laura, Goldie, Tom and Bud celebrated Goldie's birthday at Scott's Generations Deli on Bethany Home and 7th Street. Delicious food!



Goldie and her favorite server!

PARENTS & CAREGIVERS
LOOK BEFORE YOU LOCK.
KEEP OUR KIDS AND PETS SAFE!

JUNE 11, 2021

Black Mountain Community Alliance & BLACK MOUNTAIN PRECINCT at Desert Christian Fellowship Church Kid's Camp



At Kid's Camp at Desert Christian Fellowship Church a community service project was to write letters to our Phoenix Police Officers. They also rolled scrolls with a scripture verse that read:

**MAY GOD GUIDE YOU AND KEEP YOU AS YOU
SERVE THE COMMUNITY! WE APPRECIATE
YOU!!!**

**Isaiah 41:13 For I am the Lord your God who takes
hold of your right hand and says to you, "Do not
fear; I will help you."**



They filled a gift bag with scrolls for both Desert Horizon and Black Mountain precincts to take back for patrol officers. This was a heartwarming event that showed a lot of love and support for our Officers.



The CAOs brought lots of PPD Swag giveaways for the kids and it was fun for all to interact together



As part of Operation Blue Ribbon, we tied ribbons around the church and parking lot. Each kiddo was given a yard long ribbon to take home to tie on a tree or poll to show their support of our Police.



Thank you to all of the CAOs who participated, Matt Morgan and Joe Kapla from Desert Horizon and "32" Jen Zak, Tony Cuciti, Tom Owsley, Jon McQuillan and Tim Tewers from Black Mountain!

BLACK MOUNTAIN PRECINCT Block Watch / PNP LISTINGS

(List your Block Watch / PNP, Meeting Dates and Events HERE!
Send your info to the Black Mountain Community Alliance at
info@bmcainfo.com

LIST YOUR BLOCK WATCH AND INFO HERE...
**ALL MEETINGS EXCEPT ZOOM MEETINGS HAVE BEEN
SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

ANTHEM NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH for info call 623-533-2226 or
e-mail Chairman Teresa Pierson at anwchairman@gmail.com
www.OnlineAtAnthem.com

ARROYO GRANDE-ANTHEM BLOCK WATCH for info e-mail
loydnygaard@gmail.com

BELCANTO BLOCK WATCH gloriapink12@gmail.com

CACTUS SWEETWATER BLOCK WATCH Coleen Hager
chaqerpa@cox.net, or essmott@cox.net

CAREFREE MANOR BLOCK WATCH for info e-mail
carefreepnp@gmail.com

CINNABAR BLOCK WATCH for info call 623-869-8118 or e-mail
budpamdeb@yahoo.com

**DEER VALLEY PARK NEIGHBORHOOD BLOCK WATCH
ORGANIZATION / PNP (DVPNBWO) ZOOM MEETINGS** with the
BMCA at 6:30 pm on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. Check website for
meeting link. 623-533-0847 / dvpnbwo@aol.com www.dvpnbwo.com

HILLCREST EAST BLOCK WATCH spring11@cox.net

INVERNESS COMMUNITY WATCH PARTNERSHIP
imcw85023@gmail.com

JOHN JACOBS BLOCK WATCH Meetings are held on the 2nd
Tuesday of each month from 6:30 – 7:30 pm at the John Jacobs Elementary
School cafeteria located at 14421 N. 23rd Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85023. For
info contact jms85023@kyahoo.com

MINI MOON II BLOCK WATCH (in Moon Valley along Interlachen)
Primary Contact: Myra Ridder myraridder@cox.net President/Chair: Ron
Gundlach ron@azfab.com Contact us for meeting info.

MOON VALLEY BLOCK WATCH For info contact: Blanche Lukes at
602-993-6736 or moonvalleybw@cox.net

MOON VALLEY GARDENS NEIGHBORHOOD BLOCK WATCH
ZOOM meetings are on the 3rd Thursday of February, May, September and
November. The other months they are with the BMCA ZOOM Meetings.
mvg@cox.net Candice 602-402-7914

MONTE CRISTO BLOCK WATCH LECADDSERVICES@Yahoo.com

NORTHTOWN COMMUNITY BLOCK WATCH / PNP FOR
UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS e-mail nkcurtinaz@hotmail.com or call
Nora Curtin at 602-689-9696

PALM LAKES VILLAGE BLOCK WATCH Meetings held on the first
Fridays at 11:00 am at the Club House at 16415 N. 33rd Way. For info
contact sonjaron@cox.net

RIDGE RUNNERS II PNP GROUP Rosalie Murch, 623-206-9522
ralligrino@cox.net

SEVEN PALMS BLOCK WATCH / PNP Meetings are the 3rd Tuesday
of every month at 6:30pm in the Clubhouse. Call 602-471-5861 or e-mail
sevenpalmsblockwatchpnp@yahoo.com for info.

VILLAGE MEADOWS BLOCK WATCH for info call Debbie Delwiche
602-942-7550 or e-mail mrs427ford@aol.com

“JUST IN CASE”

*the unthinkable happens
and your loved one is missing or lost!*

Have all important updated identification information
available at a moment's notice!

FREE PERSONAL ID KITS
for Children, Adults & Seniors!

Made possible by the Phoenix Neighborhood Block Watch Grant Program

The **Black Mountain Community Alliance** Board
Members are trained and available to attend your
Community Events with the EZ Child ID System. The
PERSONAL ID KIT is for children and adults of all ages.



To schedule the BMCA to come and do PERSONAL ID
KITS at your Event, please allow two months lead time and
call **Candice Fremouw at 480-467-7399** to check on the
dates the BMCA has available. We will then e-mail you an
EVENT APPLICATION FORM to fill out and return to us at
info@bmcainfo.com

***PERSONAL ID KITS have been put
on hold due to COVID 19 and until
the City reopens the Community
Centers.***

**Call 480-467-7399 to make an appointment
on our 2021 DATES**

KEY FEATURES of the PERSONAL ID KIT:

- The PERSONAL ID KIT includes contact information, digital fingerprints, photos & video interviews
- The EZ Child Computer System digitally scans all 10 fingerprints in a matter of seconds
- The EZ Child Computer creates Child, Adult and Senior ID reports along with two laminated ID Cards & CD-R
- The Child/ Adult/Senior CD contains photos, fingerprint images, videos and age-appropriate crime prevention information
- The Medical ID captures vital prescription drug information and phone numbers for doctors
- **NO DATA BASE! ALL FILES ARE PERMANENTLY DELETED AND FORMS SHREDDED AFTER EACH INDIVIDUAL SESSION SO THAT ONLY THE PARENTS, INDIVIDUALS, OR CAREGIVERS HAVE THE PERSONAL INFORMATION**

City of Phoenix

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES DEPARTMENT

General Information 602-534-4444



Neighborhood Specialists for the Black Mountain Precinct

- Dist. 1: **RONNIE MC GUIRE** 602-262-1682
ronnie.mcquire@phoenix.gov
- Dist. 2: **E. MARI HERRERA-DANIELS** 602-261-8587
e.mari.herrera-daniels@phoenix.gov
- Dist. 3: **KRISTA ROY** 602-495-0380
krista.roy@phoenix.gov

BLIGHT AND ZONING LAWS

STRUCTURES: The maintenance of a home is the responsibility of the property owner. Any wood, siding, shingles, roof covering, railings, fences, walls, ceilings, porches, doors, windows, screens and other exterior parts of any structure on the property must be maintained in weather tight, sound condition and in good repair. The property owner is responsible for making sure there are no doors or windows left open and not secure to the outside. **FOR HELP call the Preservation Division of the Neighborhood Services Dept. at 602-495-0700 to see if you qualify for a free Grant!**

OUTDOOR STORAGE: All outside storage that can be seen from the street should be inside sheds or cabinets. Items should not be set in car ports in view of the street. Please use enclosed areas or backyards.

JUNK, TRASH & DEBRIS: Junk, trash and debris cannot be left in the yard or car port and must be properly disposed of. This includes junk auto parts, appliances, furniture, building and/or landscaping material, trash such as discarded papers, cardboard, plastics, etc. including tree trimmings and fallen limbs or any other items that appear to have been discarded. The only exception is during the Bulk Trash Collection weeks four times a year.

PARKING: Parking is only permitted for passenger cars and motorcycles on residential streets, on driveways or in garages. A driveway or parking area must be constructed with an approved dust free parking surface. The stone must be 1/4 -3/4 in size with a permanent border holding it in. 1/4 minus size stone is not allowed for parking. There are limits to the amount of front yard area that can be used for parking. Only 35% of the front yard may be converted to driveway or dust free parking.

GRASS AND WEEDS: Grass and weeds must not be allowed to grow over 6 inches high due to fire hazard, allowing the weeds to go to seed and spreading throughout the neighborhood and insect infestation.

ELIMINATE GRAFFITI: Keeping the neighborhood graffiti free is something we can all do. If there is graffiti on your property, please remove it as soon as possible. The Graffiti Busters Program provides paint, supplies and training to assist groups with eliminating graffiti. The City will also remove the graffiti from private property with written permission from the property owner. Call 602-495-7014.



Neighborhood College is a one-of-a-kind collaboration of workshops and hands-on learning experiences brought to you by multiple city departments. The intent of the program is to provide each participant with knowledge about the city's programs, services and resources; the tools to access those resources; and the skills and ideas with which to build positive, sustainable communities. Everyone is welcome! Regardless of whether you're a seasoned community leader or a new resident just looking to get to know your new home better, Neighborhood College is flexible enough to meet the needs of all Phoenix residents! We hope to see you at one of our many free workshops – and encourage your neighbors to do the same. **To sign up, call us at 602-534-4444. Online registration:** We've partnered with the Parks and Recreation Department to use their online enrollment process. You will be taken to "Parks and Recreation Online" where you will need to sign up for a free account. This is a one-time process that will only take a few moments. You will then be able to use the site in the future to sign up for any additional workshops.

**CHECK THE www.phoenix.gov website for info...
STAY SAFE!**



Upcoming Landlord and Tenant Workshops
Open to the public: Landlords, tenants, service providers and community members are all encouraged to attend the upcoming virtual workshops held by the Human Services Department. Learn about your rights as they pertain to Arizona Residential Landlord/Tenant Law. Each virtual workshop will offer a variety of topics designed to educate residents. At this time, all workshops are virtual and require registration.

- 5:30 to 7 p.m. July 15
- 5:30 to 7 p.m. Oct. 21

For more information about the Landlord and Tenant Program or to obtain forms please visit the website. To register for the upcoming workshops email landlord.tenant.hsd@phoenix.gov or call 602-262-7210.

Neighborhood leaders - Please share this with nearby stakeholders. We greatly appreciate your support!

As part of the Street Transportation Department's core mission, we strive to improve the city's roadways to create a safe and efficient transportation network. Our ongoing pavement maintenance program provides opportunities to change the current traffic lane striping to improve safety for people who walk, drive, ride bicycles and use transit.

Bicycle improvements will be made on Beardsley Road from 32nd Street to Cave Creek Road as part of a repaving/restriping project in summer 2021. Where there is enough space on the roadway, a buffer will be added to the existing bicycle lanes. The number of travel lanes will remain the same. This project does not remove or add parking.

The buffer between the vehicle lanes and bicycle lanes adds space between people driving and people walking or biking for increased protection from vehicles, improved safety and added comfort. Additionally, the slight narrowing of the lane widths to accommodate the buffers will help to guide cars and deter speeding.

These improvements are intended to create a safer corridor for everyone. Please see attached or [click here](#) for the details about this project.

Once the work is officially scheduled, the date will appear on the pavement dashboard at phoenix.gov/PavementProgram. You can check in on progress by clicking on "treatments dashboard," then click on the magnifying glass to enter an address or zoom in to the road segment.

We welcome and value your questions and feedback. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact us at:

City of Phoenix Active Transportation Program
Phone: 602-534-0258
Email: bike@phoenix.gov
For more information, visit www.phoenix.gov/bicycling

City of Phoenix Pavement Maintenance Program
Phone: 623-825-3444
Email: pavement@phoenix.gov
For more information, visit www.phoenix.gov/pavementprogram

We are currently taking applications for the upcoming school year. In our programs, educators and family support specialists work closely with parents for school readiness, early learning, health and family well-being. We provide services FREE to:

- Pregnant moms
- Child Care
- Birth to 5 years old
- Children with special needs, in foster care and homeless families.
- Full day and half day available options.

Some of the schools we serve include Campo Bello and Echo Mountain Schools. Thank you for sharing and please don't hesitate to contact me for further questions or concerns.

Librada Martinez
Coordinator - Community Development
Early Head Start and Head Start
Direct (602) 633-8450 | Mobile (602) 632-2358 | swhd.org [swhd.org]

[swhd.org]

2850 North 24th Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85008

E. Mari Herrera-Daniels, Your Neighborhood Specialist
602.261.8587 Desk Line • 602.350.5328 Cell
e.mari.herrera-daniels@phoenix.gov



NORTH PHOENIX PARK RANGERS!



Ranger R. Patton, Ranger A. Gonzales and Ranger D. Olson, Urban Supervisor 602-665-2297

For information call the North Mountain Preserve Park Ranger Office at 602-262-7901

"TAKE A HIKE. DO IT RIGHT."

Hiking Safety City of Phoenix Park Rangers educate trail users to follow important "Take a Hike. Do it Right." safety guidelines. Regardless of the weather or time of year, always hydrate before, during and after a hike. During Arizona's warm weather months, Phoenix Park Rangers and the Phoenix Fire Department recommend hiking during the early morning or evening hours when it is cooler and there is more shade. Monitor the local forecast and understand that all trail difficulty ratings are raised one level when the temperature is 100 degrees or warmer. Dogs are prohibited on all City of Phoenix hiking trails when the temperature is 100 degrees or warmer. Learn how to keep pets safe during warm weather months. The annual ban of open fires in Phoenix's desert parks and mountain preserves went into effect May 1, 2021.

NEW BLOCK WATCH SIGN!



CRIME TIPS:

“HI, IT’S BECKY FROM MEDICARE.” NO, IT ISN’T.

We’ve learned that hundreds of thousands of robocalls have been hitting U.S. phone lines recently from “Becky, from Medicare.” You’ll want to skip this particular conversation.

HOW IT WORKS:

A prerecorded call from “Becky from Medicare” (or Becky, working closely with Medicare) encourages you to press “1” to talk to a representative to learn about “free genetic testing.”

If current trends continue, the call appears to originate in West Palm Beach, FL.

If you do interact with “Becky” (or one of her friendly colleagues), she’ll claim you are eligible for genetic testing to screen for diseases that Medicare will pay for; it’s a scam.

They will ask you for your Medicare number and mailing address to send you a “test kit with instructions.”

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW:

Medicare will never call you personally to offer genetic screening or any other test, treatment or device — the program requires a prescription from your doctor for all of these.

The ultimate prize for scammers is your Medicare number: Once they have that, they bill Medicare — costing the program billions each year.

These charges can also result in Medicare denying you for services you actually need later on.

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO:

Don’t engage with Becky, or anyone else who claims to be working with or for Medicare offering free access to tests, devices or treatments. Medicare simply doesn’t work this way.

Only share your Medicare number with trusted health care providers; calls out of the blue for free resources from Medicare are only out to deceive you and drain Medicare resources.

Review your Medicare summary notices. Make sure the dates and services listed are correct. If something doesn’t look right, call your medical provider’s office.

For help determining if something is legitimate, or if you’ve experienced this or another scam, call our free Fraud Watch Network Helpline at 1-877-908-3360.

THAT BRUSH WITH A STAR ... MAY BE A RUN-IN WITH A SCAMMER

Many celebrities use social media to connect with fans. They share career news, their own personal views or even behind-the-scenes looks at projects they are working on. But scammers are getting in on the act.

HOW IT WORKS:

Scammers set up fake profiles on social media impersonating celebrities.

They send direct messages to the stars' real followers.

The message might be to ask for money — for donations to their favorite charity, exclusive access to events or a fee to process money they are allegedly handing out.

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW:

Facebook, Instagram and Twitter are overflowing with fake celebrity accounts.

Stars like Bruce Springsteen, Trace Adkins and Oprah Winfrey are among thousands of celebrities whose personas have been used by scammers online to solicit money from fans.

Celebrities typically do NOT contact fans directly out of the blue.

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO:

Check for the blue “verification” checkmark on celebrity social media accounts. If it’s not there, the account is not verified and could be an impostor.

Do a web search for the celebrity’s name along with the word “scam.”

If you get an online solicitation from a favorite celebrity, be wary — don’t engage in requests for money or sensitive personal information.

If you come across or experience a celebrity impostor scam, let us know about it — report it on our [Scam-Tracking Map](#) or call our Fraud Watch Helpline, 1-877-908-3360.

FRAUD PREVENTION



Year after year, a destructive flood of fraud sweeps the nation, leaving countless victims in its wake. Unfortunately, new and improved technology only gives fraudsters an edge. This makes it easier than ever for scam artists to siphon financial data from unsuspecting consumers. This personal data fuels a long list of financial crimes. Here are eight important tips that can help you avoid being a victim of fraud.

1. Never Wire Money to a Stranger

Whether you receive an email from a wealthy traveler who needs your help getting back to the U.S. or your long-lost cousin who claims to be in an emergency situation — NEVER wire money to a stranger. Once you wire cash (especially overseas), it’s virtually impossible to reverse the transaction or trace the money. If you’re worried about a family member or friend, check separately. They’re probably safe at home. Be sure to alert them that their email has been hacked.

2. Don't Give Out Financial Information

Never reveal sensitive financial information to a person or business you don't know whether they reach out to you via phone, text or email. This common scam is known as **phishing**. Scammers will contact you claiming to be from a retailer, financial institution or government agency. They may say your account has been compromised or needs to be updated. Remember, your bank or credit card company will never contact you and ask for your personal information. If you receive a suspicious call or email and are concerned about your account, call the credit card company or bank directly to check on your account status.

3. Never Click on Hyperlinks in Emails

If you receive an email from a stranger or company asking you to click on a hyperlink or open an attachment and then enter your financial information, delete the email immediately. Even if the email appears to be from your bank or credit card company, it's more likely a scam known as **pharming**.

4. Use Tough-To-Crack Passwords

These days, a password like "12345" or "P@ssword" just isn't going to cut it. Hackers can easily crack passwords that are simple number combinations or a common pet name. Create passwords that are at least eight characters long and that include lower- and upper-case letters, numbers and special characters. You should also use a different password for every website you visit.

5. Install Antivirus and Spyware Protection

Protect the sensitive information stored on your computer by installing antivirus, firewall and spyware protection. Once you install the program, turn on the auto-updating feature to make sure the software is always up to date.

6. Don't Shop with Unfamiliar Online Retailers

When it comes to online shopping, only do business with familiar companies. If you're interested in purchasing a product from an unfamiliar retailer, do some research to ensure the business is legitimate and trustworthy. You can visit the Better Business Bureau's [Website](#) or search online for consumer feedback and complaints.

7. Don't Download Software from Pop-Up Windows

When you're online, be wary of pop-up windows that appear and claim your computer is unsafe. If you click on the link in the pop-up to start the "system scan" or some other program, malicious software known as "malware" could damage your operating system.

8. Make Sure the Websites You Visit Are Safe

Before you enter your financial information on any website, double-check the website's privacy rules. Also make sure the website uses encryption, which is usually symbolized by a lock to the left of the web address. When you see the lock, this means the information you're entering is safely encrypted and protected against hackers.

To report a scam or for help if you or a loved one has fallen victim, contact the AARP Fraud Watch Network Helpline at 877-908-3360

Receive AARP Watchdog Mobile Alerts Text "FWN" to 50757 to sign up.*



INFO OF THE MONTH

Share a tip, recipe, info or some humor, e-mail it to info@bmcainfo.com

NO City of Phoenix



Displays this year!

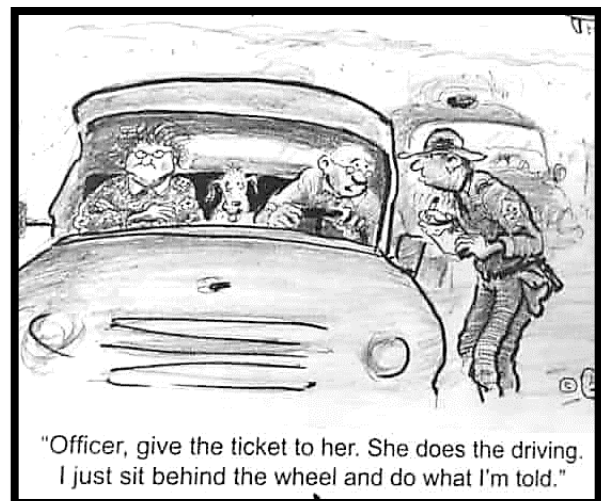


SHANNON'S LAW

Shannon's Law makes it illegal to fire a gun into the air in Arizona's cities and towns. Get the [facts!](#) In June 1999, 14-year-old Shannon Smith was talking on the telephone in the backyard of her central Phoenix home. A bullet that was fired into the air over a mile away struck her in the head, tragically ending her life.

In a grassroots effort, Shannon's parents united with law enforcement officials, prosecutors, politicians, and citizens worked to make a change.

The result was the creation of [Arizona Revised Statute 13-3107](#), "Shannon's Law," which makes it a felony for anyone "who with criminal negligence discharges a firearm within or into the limits of any municipality" in Arizona.





PHOENIX PUBLIC LIBRARY

Beginning Monday, June 21 Phoenix Public Library will be suspending Curbside Service and returning to all in-building service at 16 of its locations with new, expanded hours (South Mountain Community Library remains closed at this time).

Come visit your favorite library location during our expanded summer schedule to browse the shelves, pick up a hold, check out a laptop or WiFi hotspot, use a computer or convert your eCard to a full-service library card.

Phoenix Public Library's new, expanded in-building service hours are:

Burton Barr

Mon, Fri, Sat 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 Tue, Wed, Thur 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.
 Sun 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Agave, Cesar Chavez, Cholla, Desert Broom, Ironwood, Juniper, Mesquite, Palo Verde, Saguaro, Yucca

Mon, Fri, Sat 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 Tue, Wed, Thur 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Acacia, Century, Desert Sage, Harmon, Ocotillo

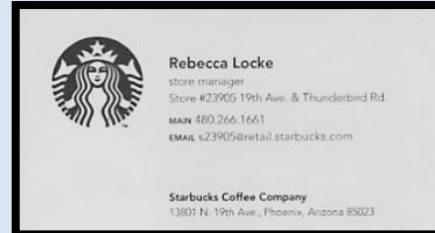
Mon, Fri, Sat 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 Tue, Wed, Thur 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Masks are no longer required for fully vaccinated people. For more information about the latest City of Phoenix mask update visit <https://www.phoenix.gov/newsroom>.

For complete details and the most current Phoenix Public Library information, please visit phoenixpubliclibrary.org.

BMCA AND BLACK MOUNTAIN PRECINCT COMMUNITY BUSINESS PARTNERSHIPS

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO STARBUCKS AT 19TH AVENUE & THUNDERBIRD FOR DONATING COFFEE AT OUR MONTHLY BMCA / BLK MTN PRECINCT COMMUNITY MEETINGS!



THANK YOU TO DEER VALLEY II SELF STORAGE FOR SUPPORTING THE BLACK MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE!



THANK YOU TO THE NORTH PHOENIX CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



TOM ARGIRO, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



BLOCK WATCH IMPROVES THE QUALITY OF LIFE WITHIN NEIGHBORHOODS

Block Watches come in all sizes. They can be a few houses in a cul-de-sac to a whole square mile neighborhood. They help to develop a "sense of community" and strengthen and sustain neighborhoods by bringing residents/neighbors together with a common interest.

Every Block Watch starts with one person and their concern for the safety and well-being of themselves and their families. Their motivation may be to meet or get to know their neighbors to protect the children, to keep property values up by eliminating blight and graffiti, to stop speeding on the streets by installing speed humps to protect the children, to have peace of mind by discouraging barking dogs and loud parties, and to be safe from crimes like burglary, theft and assault.

We all want to live in a safe and secure environment. Our homes should be safe havens. By rights there should be several layers of protection from the national level to our own neighborhoods. National and state governments provide control of our borders; state and city governments provide police and fire protection, education, and other resources, community member groups provide Phoenix Neighborhood Patrollers and the posting of PNP signs on neighborhood streets; Block Watch provides neighbors watching out for neighbors; and we provide our own home security alarms, lighting and burglary prevention measures.

ANGELS ON PATROL

Provides police officers a direct means of helping families in crisis with immediate assistance before they move on to their next urgent call. The most common situation officers request Angels on Patrol assistance are for families involved in domestic violence. SROs are also helped with Youth Enrichment. Angels on Patrol support all Police Departments, Troopers and Deputies in the Phoenix Metropolitan Area and hope to go statewide. Over 17,000 individuals have been served since 2009. The assistance can range from providing a new pair of shoes to sex trafficking victims and domestic violence survivors. This is the only non-profit offering support to on-duty officers going above and beyond the call.

DONATE: <https://angelsonpatrol.org/donate>
 Contact: Melinda@angelsonpatrol.org

BMCA RESOURCE LIST

www.bmcainfo.com

ARIZONA ANGEL INITIATIVE

Help with substance abuse

www.substanceabuse.az.gov/angelinitiative

ARIZONA 211 Get connected/Get answers
JUST DIAL 211 or 877-211-8661

www.211arizona.org

BOLOCOP

Register for Crime Alerts

www.bolocop.com

BLIGHT BUSTERS

Join the Blight Buster Program!

www.phoenix.gov/nsd/programs/blight

CARING CIRCLES

Volunteer to help neighbors in need

www.aaaphx.org

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE 24/7 HOTLINES

FOR LOCAL SHELTER CALL: 602-263-8900

OLDER ADULTS: 602-264-HELP (4357)

FAMILY SERVICES CENTERS

Social services for low-income households

www.phoenix.gov/humanservices/programs/emergency

FOLLOW POLICE CALLS ONLINE

See what's going on in your neighborhood

www.radioreference.com

HEADS UP!

TO KEEP PHOENIX ROADS SAFE!

www.phoenix.gov/HeadsUp

HOMELESS SHELTER DIRECTORY

<https://www.homelessshelterdirectory.org/cgi-bin/id/city.cgi?city=Phoenix&state=AZ>

IDENTITY THEFT / FEDERAL TRADE COMM.

Recovery and information

www.IdentityTheft.gov

KEEP KIDS ALIVE DRIVE 25

Post signs and stickers to slow traffic

www.KeepKidsAliveDrive25.org

MY COMMUNITY MAP

Neighborhood map and information

<https://phoenix.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=13428321a9f84e95a634be1beab5fe96>

NEIGHBORHOOD CRIME STATS

www.communitycrimemap.com

or check out: www.spotcrime.com

PHOENIX C.A.R.E.S.

Help the homeless!

[PHX At Your Service.](#)

PHOENIX CITY CAM

View the city in all directions

[PHXCityCam](#)

REVERSE 911

Community Emergency Notification System

<https://maricoparegion911.onthealert.com/Terms/Index/?ReturnUrl=%2f>

SENIOR LOCK BOXES

In partnership with Phoenix Fire

www.lockbox.shopkidde.com

SEX OFFENDER NOTIFICATION

In and around your neighborhood

www.azdps.gov/services/public/sex-offender

www.offenderwatch.com

www.missingkids.org www.nsopw.gov

VIRTUAL BLOCK WATCH

Sign up now!

[Police Virtual Block Watch](#)

www.phoenix.gov

WRIC WASHINGTON

FAMILY RESOURCE INFORMATION CENTER

www.wesdschools.org/wric

ZOOM / WebEx **MEETING and EVENT** **CALENDAR**

JULY 2021

Tuesday, JULY 20th PNP COORDINATOR'S MEETING
6:00 pm - e-mail pnp.coordinator@phoenix.gov for link

Wednesday & Thursday, JULY 21st & 22nd
CITYWIDE BW / PNP TRAINING

5:00 – 7:00 pm both sessions. All classes are currently only being offered virtually using the WebEx platform. Attendees must pre-register at pnp.coordinator@phoenix.gov

AUGUST 2021

Wednesday, AUG. 4th BMCA BOARD MEETING
6:30 pm - call 602-402-7914 for link info

Thursday, AUG. 5th NBWGP Oversight Committee Meeting
6:00 pm - e-mail Michael.noyd@phoenix.gov for link info

Tuesday, AUGUST 17th PNP COORDINATOR'S MEETING
6:00 pm - e-mail pnp.coordinator@phoenix.gov for link

Tuesday, AUGUST 24th
PHX BW ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
6:30 pm - link info on www.phxblockwatch.org
at St. Paul's Catholic Church, 330 W. Coral Gables
ACTIVE SHOOTER, SHELTER IN PLACE with Ofc. David Menard

Thursday, AUGUST 26th BLACK MTN. COFFEE
8:30 am (location TBA)

SEPTEMBER 2021

Wednesday, SEP. 1st BMCA BOARD MEETING
6:30 pm - call 602-402-7914 for link info

Thursday, SEP. 2nd NBWGP Oversight Committee Meeting
6:00 pm - e-mail Michael.noyd@phoenix.gov for link info

Wednesday, SEP. 8th
BMCA / BLK MTN PRECINCT MEETING
6:30 pm - check the BMCA e-BULLETIN for the link info

Tuesday, SEP. 21st PNP COORDINATOR'S MEETING
6:00 pm - e-mail pnp.coordinator@phoenix.gov for link

Wednesday & Thursday, SEP. 22nd & 23rd
CITYWIDE BW / PNP TRAINING
5:00 – 7:00 pm both sessions. All classes are currently only being offered virtually using the WebEx platform. Attendees must pre-register at pnp.coordinator@phoenix.gov

Tuesday, SEP. 28th
PHX BW ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
6:30 pm - link info on www.phxblockwatch.org

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE **24 – HOUR HOTLINES**

FOR LOCAL SHELTER CALL:
602-263-8900 OR 1-800-799-7739

Autumn House, Chrysalis, DeColores, Faith House, My Sister's Place, New Life Shelter, Sojourner Center

NATIONAL HOTLINE: 1-800-799-SAFE (7233)

LEGAL ADVOCACY HOTLINE: 602-279-2900
OLDER ADULTS: 602-264-HELP (4357)

JULY IS NATIONAL AUTO THEFT PREVENTION MONTH

ATA is working with IAATI (International Association of Auto Theft Investigators) and put together a campaign - No Regrets Lock It or Lose It. This campaign however is not limited to law enforcement. Since IAATI is made up of international entities that include law enforcement, insurance companies, and other partners I wanted to share this info with our Arizona Block Watches and invite you to participate. All of the material can be downloaded at <https://www.iaati.org/noregrets>. Anyone can add their logo to these ads and share this content in their newsletters and communication. The ATA will be running this campaign all next month and has already secured a Governor's Proclamation that will be published July 1st. We hope you will join us in this effort and if there are any questions please do not hesitate to reach out to me directly. Thanks again!

Respectfully,

Amanda O'Halloran
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Office: [\(602\) 364-2891](tel:6023642891)
Cell: [\(602\) 206-1424](tel:6022061424)
amanda.ohalloran@difi.az.gov
www.azwatchyourcar.com

WHEN YOU CALL 911 - KNOW THE 10 W'S

"Call if you can. Text if you can't." was the key message rolled out during a press conference on April 2nd as text to 9-1-1 service capability becomes available for the first time in the greater Phoenix region. If you are in imminent danger and unable to talk to a 9-1-1 operator, you now have the ability to text to 9-1-1. The service goes live following months of collaboration between numerous public agencies and advocates for the disability community.

- **What** - is your location? GIVE EXACT LOCATION
- **What** - happened? WHAT TYPE OF CRIME?
- **When** - did this happen?

These questions will determine if it is a priority call. Give as much of this necessary information as you can.

- **Was** - anyone hurt?
- **Weapons** - are there weapons involved?
- **What** - manner did they leave or arrive – foot, vehicle, bicycle...?
- **Who** - did it? –Suspect description
- **Where** - did the suspect go? – What direction
- **What** - did the suspect obtain? – type and amount
- **Who** - is calling? – Give your name location and phone number (You can remain anonymous. If you do give your name, the info is redacted from the public record access.)

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

EMERGENCY Police/Fire	911
Police CRIME STOP	602-262-6151
Police General Information	602-262-7626
Black Mountain Police Precinct	602-495-5002
Mayor Kate Gallego	602-262-7111
D1 Councilmember Ann O'Brien	602-262-7444
D 2 Councilmember Jim Waring	602-262-7445
D 3 Councilmember Deb Stark	602-262-7441
Abandoned Shopping Cart	602-CRT-PKUP
Abandoned Vehicle off street	602-534-4444
Abandoned Vehicle on street	602-262-6151
Alcoholics Anonymous	602-264-1341
AZ Humane Society 8am-6pm	602-997-7585
Barking Dogs	602-262-6466
City Bus Service	602-253-5000
City Elections	602-262-6837
City of Phoenix General Info	602-262-6011
Complaints on Mosquitoes	602-506-6616
Construction Noise	602-262-6538
Construction Permits	602-262-7884
Dead Animal Pickup	602-262-6791
Dial-A-Ride	602-253-5300
Gang Hotline	602-534-4264
Garbage Collection	602-262-7251
General Investigations	602-262-6141
GRAFFITI Busters Hotline	602-534-4444
Graffiti Cell Phone Hotline	602 #4663
Graffiti Reward Hotline	602-262-7327
Green Swimming Pools	602-506-6616
Illegal Dumping	602-262-7251
Impounded Property	602-262-8371
Liquor Complaints	602-438-6625
Loud Party Information	602-262-7821
Loud Party Reporting	602-262-6151
Narcotics Anonymous	480-897-4636
Narcotic Complaints	602-275-5886
Neighborhood Enforcement	602-534-4444
Parking Complaints	602-262-6151
Parks Dept. after hours	602-534-9440
Poison Control	602-253-3334
Prostitution (Vice) Hotline	602-426-1231
Rabies/Animal Control	602-506-7387
SILENT WITNESS	480-WITNESS / 480-948-6377
Spay Neuter Hotline	602-265-7729
Speeding/Traffic Hotline	602-534-7733
Street Light Maintenance	602-495-5125
Street Repairs	602-262-6441
Traffic Signal malfunction	602-262-6021
Traffic Signs damage	602-262-4659
Transient Enforcement	602-534-4444
Underage Drinking Hotline	1-877-NOT-LEGL
Water Dept. after hours	602-261-8000
Zoning Violations	602-534-4444

If you suspect a vehicle is stolen, check the license plate number at www.theftaz.azag.gov

BLACK MOUNTAIN PNP PATROLERS:

REMINDER!

ONLINE REPORTING OF PNP HOURS

volunteer@phoenix.gov

PNP online Patrol Log entry

To get a username and password email

Brian.kornegay@phoenix.gov

The following information:

Your name
PNP Badge number
Assigned precinct
Preferred Email address



For questions call 602-256-4303

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BUSINESSES: If you are interested in partnering with the BMCA, please call Candice Fremouw at 480-467-7399.

e-mail to: info@bmcainfo.com

Mail to: BMCA, P. O. Box 41306, Phoenix, AZ 85080

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