

# 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.

### <u>NEXT BMCA & PNP MEETING</u> WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm

We are once again doing a BMCA ZOOM MEETING to see your smiling faces and touch base during these trying times.

BLACK MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE ZOOM MEETING June 9, 2021 at 6:30 pm

(check connection and social time at 6:00 pm)

PRESENTATION: S.T.A.M.P. ACTIC Statewide Threat Assessment & Mitigation Program with Det. C.J. Wren

JOIN ZOOM MEETING LINK

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74056807495?pwd=OTNlekR Ea0psVzVsZHR4aXQzdkp6QT09

Or, if you have a problem with the link, you can enter ZOOM in your browser, choose MEETINGS, then, JOIN A MEETING.

Meeting ID: 740 5680 7495 Passcode: BMCA200 Please call 480-467-7399 if you have trouble connecting.



### **NO City of Phoenix**



## **Displays this year!**

# BLACK MOUNTAIN PRECINCT COFFEE WITH COPS



Asst. Chief Charley, Commander Ahleeya and Commander Darren Viner

**COMING SOON, STAY TUNED!** 

# Phoenix Police Department Black Mountain



# Precinct **NEWS**





### **Black Mountain Precinct**

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

# VACATION AND TRAVEL SECURITY TIPS

Summer is coming to Phoenix and that means it's going to get hot. As the mercury rises, many Valley residents head for cooler climates. Getting back to summer vacations this year are definitely needed to escape the heat, recharge from work and raising kids, and relax. However, vacation time is a busy time for burglars who take advantage of your absence and know it is a good time to strike. Here are some basic vacation security tips to make your home less tempting to burglars as you enjoy your vacation and also some travel security tips for those of you traveling out of state or internationally:

- Ask a neighbor to watch the house while you are away. It is a good idea to leave your vacation address and telephone number with a trusted neighbor so you can be reached in case of an emergency.
- Never leave your house key hidden outside your home.
- Stop all deliveries and arrange for a neighbor to pick up your mail, newspapers and packages that may get delivered.
- Arrange for someone to maintain your yard to give the home a lived in look.
- Plug in timers to turn on lights and a radio / television on and off at appropriate times.
- Turn the phone ringer off and do not announce your absence on voicemail.
- Try not to post on social media sites like Twitter and Facebook your vacationing status. You never know who could be viewing your activities, such as friends of friends you have allowed in to see your site.
- Leave your blinds, curtains or shades in a normal position.
   Do not close them unless that is what you normally do.
- Close and lock garage doors (including door entering house from garage), all doors leading to the exterior of the house and windows. Secure the attic entrance if it is open to a carport. Ask a neighbor to park a car on occasion in your driveway or if you leave a car at home park it as you normally would. Vehicles parked outside should be moved occasionally to appear that they are being used. Do not leave any valuables in plain view in cars.
- Lock and secure all gates, storage sheds, and even electrical boxes.
- Contact the Black Mountain Precinct at 602-495-5002 and request a vacation watch to cover the time period you are gone.

It is natural for everyone to be concerned for their homes and valuables when they leave on vacation, and there is no guarantee that your home will not be burglarized while you are gone. By taking these simple precautions you can lower your chances of becoming a burglary victim and give you some peace of mind while you are away.

With certain areas of the world in turmoil and the constant threat of terrorism at home and abroad it is important to maintain a security mindset when traveling. The best and easiest way to enjoy your vacation travel, whether by car, boat, train or plane is to follow some basic tips.

- If you see something suspicious, say something to police or security personnel.
- Plan before you go. Research the current state of affairs in the country you are visiting. Find out if there is a civil war, political issues or other potential dangers. The State Dept. can provide this information. Their website is <a href="https://travel.state.gov/content/passports/en/alertswarnings.html">https://travel.state.gov/content/passports/en/alertswarnings.html</a>
- Be familiar with local laws and customs of your destination countries. Learn at least a few words of the local language. Don't advertise that you are a tourist. Standing out as a tourist can be dangerous in countries where kidnappings and terrorist attacks are common. Wearing a fanny pack, carrying a camera around your neck, or walking around with a big map can mark you as a tourist.
- Make sure you have all the paperwork you need before you go, including your <u>passport</u>, visas and other travel papers. Make sure you also leave a color copy of these documents with a friend or relative at home.
- Familiarize yourself with illnesses that are common in the country
  you are traveling to. The Centers for Disease Control and
  Prevention (CDC) keeps an updated list of health information for
  countries around the world, and the World Health Organization
  (WHO) keeps track of Covid and disease outbreaks.
- Take note of conditions such as high altitudes or humidity, which might impact your health. Consider getting a checkup to ensure you're healthy enough to travel and check to see if you need any vaccines for that country.
- Don't carry more than small amounts of cash, use traveler's checks or a credit card, both are traceable and replaceable if you lose them.
- Don't bring anything with you that you'd hate to lose. If you do bring any valuables with you, leave them in the hotel safe when you go out.
- Don't travel alone. Never share your personal information (including your hotel room number) with anyone you don't know.
- Limit your outings at night, both on foot and by car. If you
  do travel at night, stick to well-lit and well-traveled areas.
- Never get into a vehicle that isn't clearly marked as a licensed taxi.
- If you are a victim of a crime abroad, contact the local police, as well as the nearest U.S. embassy, consulate or consular agency for help. They can help you replace a stolen <u>passport</u>, get medical care and navigate your way through the local justice system.
- Exercise caution around crowded places, such as tourist attractions, marketplaces and packed subways or train stations. Stay away from desolate, remote areas or alleys where you'll be alone.

The Phoenix Police Department will do everything we can in our neighborhoods to protect your homes and at the airport to ensure that you travel safely. If anyone has any questions or comments related to this article or anything else, please call 602-495-5112 or e-mail <a href="mailto:linda.m.miller@phoenix.gov">linda.m.miller@phoenix.gov</a> Enjoy your vacation and travel safely.



Black Mountain Precinct CAO Sgt. Linda Miller 602-495-5112 or <a href="mailto:linda.m.miller@phoenix.gov">linda.m.miller@phoenix.gov</a>

Black Mountain Precinct is still not hosting/attendin community events at this time. Events affected in Black Mountain Precinct Include:

BMCA General Block Watch / PNP Meetings Coffee with a Cop - UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE Information will be sent out as these events get rescheduled. We apologize for any inconvenience.

-Lt. Brian Rimsza

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





**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!** 



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



### 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.



### 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.

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)

(<u>W</u> 83<sup>rd</sup> Ave to <u>E</u> 7<sup>th</sup> Sttreet & <u>S</u> Dynamite Blvd. to <u>N</u> Mingus Rd.) 21 Area South (Beat 211) (<u>W</u> I-17 to <u>E</u> 7<sup>th</sup> St. & <u>S</u> SR101 to <u>N</u> Dynamite Blvd.)

CA Officer Jennifer Zak #9170 at 602-495-5274 jennifer.zak@phoenix.gov



#### 21 Area North/South (Beats 212 & 213)

(<u>W</u> 7<sup>th</sup> Street to <u>E</u> Scottsdale Rd. & <u>S</u> SR101 to <u>N</u> Carefree Hwy..) **CA O**fficer Tim Tewers #8698 at 602-495-5213 or tim.tewers@phoenix.gov



#### 22 Area North (Beats 223 & 224)

(<u>W</u> I-17 to <u>E</u> 7<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> Sts. & <u>S</u> Bell Rd. to <u>N</u> SR101) **CA O**fficer Tom Owsley #8047at 602-495-5192 or thomas.owsley@phoenix.gov



### 22 Area South (Beats 221 & 222)

(W I-17 to E 7<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> Sts. & S T-Bird/Cactus Rd. to N Bell Rd.) CA Officer Tony Cuciti #6907at 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 7<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> 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 602-495-5112 or linda.m.miller@phoenix.gov



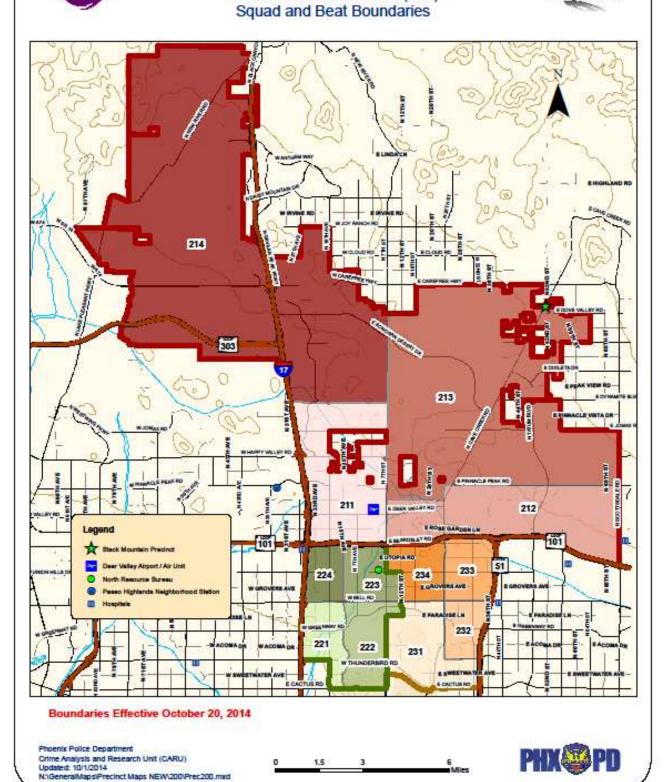
**Black Mountain Precinct Community** Programs Lt. Brian Rimsza

602-495-5032 or brian.rimsza@phoenix.gov



### City of Phoenix Police Department Black Mountain Precinct (200)





### 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 the 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, <u>phoenix.gov/police</u> and <u>pnpmembers.com</u>. 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 <a href="mailto:pnp.coordinator@phoenix.gov">pnp.coordinator@phoenix.gov</a> 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

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"Policing with a Purpose"

# 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 <u>602 262 6151</u>
- ➤ 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: May 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>

#### PNP PATROL OPPORTUNITY!

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

Rick Sain at <u>ussyorktown25@hotmail.com</u> or at 602-799-0143



### **DISTRICT 1 NEWS**

Councilwoman Ann O'Brien

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602-262-7444

From the start, I have made it a priority to improve public safety in District 1. One way to accomplish that is to forge key relationships with various public safety organizations in the Valley to build partnerships and identify opportunities where we can collaborate.

On Tuesday, I was invited to speak to the Phoenix Law Enforcement Association (PLEA) regarding the upcoming vote on OAT held on Wednesday. We discussed the importance of our law enforcement agents and the concern we have with so many getting ready for retirement and so few applying to become police officers. With Phoenix being one of the fastest growing cities in the nation, a strong and robust police force is necessary to keep response times low and the crime rate down.

That same morning, I also had the pleasure of meeting with Arizona Department of Public Safety Director Heston Silbert, who shared some of the challenges his department is facing, which is similar to what our own Phoenix Police is experiencing--recruitment and retention of officers. As the Valley grows exponentially, so do the residents' desires for public safety services. A more innovative and creative recruitment strategy could be helpful and an opportunity to collaborate.

On Wednesday, I visited Sheriff Paul Penzone in his office to discuss the similarities our city has with county in recruitment and retention of public safety officials. We discussed continuing the positive relationship our district and city has had with the Sheriff's office and how we can continue to work together to provide safety, security and trust to the shared residents in our northern Anthem region.

Additionally, our District 1 Office co-hosted a roundtable with stakeholders to discuss upcoming developments in the northern parts of Districts 1 and 2. From the city of Phoenix, Planning and Development Director Alan Stephenson provided great information and insight on possible rezoning plans with the advent of Taiwan Semi-Conductor Manufacturing Company (TSMC), one of the largest private investments in our State's history. Phoenix's Community and Economic Development Director Chris Mackay updated us with the latest developments on the construction of TSMC. Construction definitely is underway; production is targeted to begin in 2024.

During the meeting, my colleague Councilman Jim Waring expressed his desire for a more definitive and robust zoning and development plan from city staff, which could be beneficial to the other meeting participants which included: representatives from Deer Valley School District, Arizona State Land Department, and a Village Planning Committee leader.

We will continue these roundtable meetings with stakeholders until we have a good roadmap that will give direction on how to prepare for new developments and infrastructure.

Lastly, as this school year comes to an end, I would like to congratulate all the graduates of Deer Valley Unified School District! For the second year in a row, this school year has had some challenges for students and their parents. I commend all the students for their perseverance and patience, as we slowly inject normalcy back into school life. To the Class of 2021, my wish for all of you is to seize every opportunity that will help you be successful in your future endeavors and to overcome any adversities that could hinder your progress. All my best,

Ann

Councilwoman, District 1



### **DISTRICT 2 NEWS** Councilmember Jim Waring council.district.2@phoenix.gov 602-262-7445

Twitter: Jim\_Waring Facebook: 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, wildfireaz.org/phxera/ to begin the application in English or Spanish.



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

#### **DOG PARK CLOSURES**

During the late spring, summer and fall months, City of Phoenix dog parks undergo annual maintenance.

- · Grovers Basin / Echo Mountain Off Leash Arena: Large and small dog areas closed June 1 to July 5.
- · Rose Mofford Sports Complex Dog Park: Large dog area closed June 1 to July 15. Small dog area closed July 16 to August 31.
- Paradise Valley Park Dog Park: Large dog area closed July 5 to August 23. Small dog area closed August 24 to September 7.

For all dog park closures citywide, visit www.phoenix.gov/parks/parks/dog-

#### **GENERAL LINKS + INFORMATION:**

City Council Meetings [agendas, results, minutes + videos] – <u>CLICK HERE</u> Watch City Council meetings live – <u>CLICK HERE</u>

Watch PHXTV (Live or On Demand) - CLICK HERE

Public Meeting Notices – <u>CLICK HERE</u> PHX City Calendar – <u>CLICK HERE</u>

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

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

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 602-262-5040. You can also find information www.Phoenix.gov/SmallBusiness the new Small Business COVID Support website.

Additional City of Phoenix resources information can be found by visiting

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

#### CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

https://www.youtube.com/user/cityofphoenixaz

City Council meetings are live on Cox Cable Channel 11 and streamed live on enix.gov and facebook.com/cityofphoenix

Past City Council meetings are posted to YouTube at

http://www.youtube.com/cityofphoenixaz
Phoenix makes it easier to participate in City Council Meetings The city of Phoenix has launched a new eComment System! This new system gives residents one more option to participate in City Council Meetings from a remote location.

By using eComments, residents can either register to speak during a meeting or just post

Start participating today by visiting <a href="https://www.phoenix.gov/cityclerk/publicmeetings/city-">https://www.phoenix.gov/cityclerk/publicmeetings/city-</a>

Here is a quick step-by-step on how to participate in a meeting up to one hour before the start of a meeting:

- 1. Go to phoenix.gov and click on City Council Meetings
- 2. Find the meeting you want to participate in and click on the Comment icon for that
- Arrive at phoenix.granicusideas.com and sign-in and review the agenda items
   To speak at the meeting, click on Register to Speak on the agenda item(s) you want to
- 5. On the day and time of the meeting, go to phoenix.gov and click on City Council Meetings
- 6. Open the agenda for the meeting and find the weblink at the top of the agenda (only persons that registered to speak will be called upon to speak during the meeting)

  If you don't want to speak but just want to submit a comment on an item, follow steps 1 –
- 4, but click on the Comment icon instead of register to speak. To view a demonstration video please visit https://youtu.be/sDzB5kZd2x8
- Per the most recent federal guidelines, no residents will be allowed in the Council Chambers.

Questions? Want to participate by phone? ¿Necesita ayuda en español? 602-262-6001

## MAY 12, 2021

# Black Mountain Community Alliance & BLACK MOUNTAIN PRECINCT ZOOM MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

with 30 in attendance!

**ZOOM Meeting called to order** at 6:39 pm by BMCA Chairperson Candice Fremouw



#### **COUNCIL DISTRICT NEWS:**

New Council District 3 Aide, Andrea Gaston shared info on the Virtual Coffee Chat on Road Safety, May 20<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am. The tier one Community & Senior Centers will start opening in June on a limited basis at a 50% capacity..... On May 29<sup>th</sup> some of the City pools will be open and swimming lessons will be free.

#### **NSD UPDATES:**





We welcomed NSD Director Spencer Self who joined the meeting as a first timer. Mari announced the new neighborhood colleges now available. She also thanked everyone who helped out at the Bell Road Clean Up!

## Black Mountain Precinct Updates by Cmdr. Darren Viner



Cmdr. Viner provided the Crime Stats for the precinct. The hot spot at 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue & Bell Road has moved due to the hard work of the officers cleaning up the area with the help of the local businesses. It has moved to 28<sup>th</sup> Street and Bell Road. Catalytic Converter thefts are up. They are stolen and shipped out of state, so they cannot be tracked. The PD is losing officers and hiring is very low. All specialty positions are now rotating back into patrol.

#### PRESENTATIONS:

## STREET TRANSPORTATION DEPT with Chris Richie



Right-of-Way Specialist Christopher Richie did a great presentation on the Universal Inspection Program which includes Sidewalk & Street Repairs, Street Light Outages, Traffic Signal Issues, Missing or Damaged Signs, Visibility Obstructions, Drainage Concerns, Missing Barricades and Faded Lane Lines. To report a street problem use the online forms at <a href="https://www.phoenix.gov/AtYourService">www.phoenix.gov/AtYourService</a> or call street or pothole repair 602-262-6441, street light repair 602-495-5125, missing street sign 602-262-6449 or traffic signal outage 602-262-6021

### ANGELS ON PATROL with Melinda Cadena



An excellent presentation on Angels on Patrol that was founded in 2009 by Lt. Jacqui MacConnell to provide 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**: <a href="https://angelsonpatrol.org/donate">https://angelsonpatrol.org/donate</a> Contact: Melinda @angelsonpatrol.org



Charley popped in to the meeting! She has really grown! Her newest team member is Max, a German Shepard. She got her "6" pin!



The "6" pin to show support for our police! Just e-mail <a href="mailto:lnfo@bmcainfo.com">lnfo@bmcainfo.com</a> to get one!

BMCA IS OFFERING ZOOM MEETING HOSTING for Block Watch Groups

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



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# With Temps Rising in the Valley, MCAO Wants to Help Families Prevent Vehicular Heatstroke Tragedies

**Thursday, April 29, 2021 (Phoenix, AZ)** – With temperatures rising in the Valley, families and caregivers need to take extra safety precautions to prevent leaving children and pets in cars. Outdoor temperatures do not need to be extreme for an extreme tragedy to occur.

Children have died from heatstroke in cars when outside temperatures were as low as 60 degrees. The inside of a vehicle heats up quickly. Even with the windows cracked, the temperature inside a car can reach 125 degrees in minutes and 80% of the increase happens in the first 10 minutes. Cracking the windows does not help slow the heating process or decrease the maximum temperature. Heatstroke begins when the core body temperature reaches about 104 degrees. A core body temperature of about 107 degrees is lethal.

More than half of all fatal vehicular heatstroke cases involve a parent or caregiver who forgot a child was with them in their vehicle. Individuals must pay attention and take the extra steps to make sure we never leave a child or pet in a hot car.

"These tragedies are completely preventable," stated County Attorney Adel. "Simple steps can help families avoid this devastating event. I encourage all residents to: ACT - Avoid Heatstroke, Create Reminders, Take Action."

- Set reminders on your cell phone and car to let you know that a child is traveling with you.
- Let your caregiver know to call you if your child doesn't arrive by a specific time.
- Put your wallet, purse, laptop, or left shoe in the back seat to make sure you check it before you lock your car.
- Similar to children, pets cannot cool themselves quickly enough to keep up with temperatures inside a vehicle. If you can't bring your pet with you, they should stay at home.
- If you see a child or pet in a parked vehicle, call 911 and follow their instructions to get them out safely.

The Maricopa County Attorney's Office encourages everyone to incorporate these safety habits into their daily routine year-round to help protect children and pets from vehicular heatstroke. For more information visit, MaricopaCountyAttorney.org/Vehicular-Heatstroke

### **National Missing Children's Day**



Six-year-old Etan Patz disappeared on May 25, 1979, while he was on his way to school in New York City. After being reported missing by his mother and an intensive search with more than 100 police officers and bloodhounds, he was never found. Etan's disappearance, along with others in the years that followed, promoted national attention and led to the creation of National Missing Children's Day by President Ronald Reagan. This day serves as a difficult reminder that there are thousands of children still missing and provides an opportunity to generate new attention for them and hopefully garner new leads in their case.

Every year thousands of children disappear from their homes and communities. According to the Arizona Department of Safety's Missing Children Database, there are currently 1,406 active cases of children missing in Arizona. While children go missing in various circumstances, typically, most of these cases involve a child abducted by a family member, with fewer cases involving children that a non-relative or stranger abducts. As a result, we've learned it's more effective to talk to kids about their safety as a whole versus just focusing on "stranger danger".

Education and open communication are essential to keeping children safe. As a parent, you must prioritize talking to your kids about their safety as frequently as you can, but especially during transitional periods of the year, such as the start of summer break. Please take 25 minutes today to talk to them and review the <a href="Check First Rules"><u>Check First Rules and Scenarios.</u></a>

If your child goes missing, understand that time is of the essence, and you should contact law enforcement immediately. Approximately 47% of recovered children happen within 3 hours, and 94% are found within 72 hours. Make sure you have a recent photo of your child along with their full name, date of birth, height, weight, and describe unique identifiers such as glasses or clothing. Also, request that your child's information be included in the FBI's National Crime Information Center Missing Person File.

In addition to law enforcement, make sure you also contact the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children at 1-800-843-5678. Use <a href="mailto:this quide">this quide</a> to learn what additional steps to take if your child has gone missing, visit <a href="mailto:missingkids.org">missingkids.org</a> to learn more.

Visit our child safety page for more information and safety tips to keep your family safe.

Finding missing children is the first step towards achieving justice for them. Help the search and see what children are missing in your area.

#### Search for Missing Children

In Arizona: Arizona Department of Public Safety

In the U.S.: National Center for Missing and Exploited Children





# ADOT MVD offers tips for identifying scam texts, shady websites

## Use of "DMV" instead of "MVD" is clear sign of scam

PHOENIX - Robocalls. Scammy text messages. Shady websites.

When it comes to doing business with the Arizona Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Division, ignore all unsolicited communications and avoid online search engines. Instead, go straight to the source at <a href="AZMVDNow.gov">AZMVDNow.gov</a> or <a href="ServiceArizona.com">ServiceArizona.com</a>. These are legitimate MVD websites and the only ones customers should conduct personal MVD business on.

Over the past several months, customers have made ADOT aware of text messages they've received that claim the customer owes the "DMV" money or some other nonsense. Spoiler alert: These customers don't owe what the text claims and these texts are a scam.

Pro tip: Any text, email or phone call that uses "DMV" instead of "MVD" is a clear give-away that a scam is afoot.

When it comes to searching for information about renewing vehicle registration, getting an Arizona driver license, taking the instruction permit test or dozens of other MVD services, always go to ADOT's official

websites: <u>azdot.gov</u>, <u>AZMVDNow.gov</u> or <u>ServiceArizona.com</u>. Don't let a search engine steer you to a different site.

While many of those "DMV" websites are legal, they don't have the customer's best interest in mind because they charge for information that is freely available at <a href="mailto:azdot.gov">azdot.gov</a>, like the <a href="mailto:Arizona">Arizona</a> <a href="mailto:Driver License Manual">Driver License Manual</a> and <a href="mailto:practice-tests">practice tests</a>.

Remember, the only ADOT websites customers should conduct personal MVD business on are AZMVDNow.gov or ServiceArizona.com.

# Selling a car? Protect yourself and complete a 'sold notice'

PHOENIX – Thinking of selling or trading in your car? After agreeing to a price, one of the most important things a seller can do is complete a "sold notice" with the Arizona Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Division.

Wait. What's a "sold notice" and why is it important?

Submitting a "sold notice" is easy. Simply, log-in to your account at <u>AZMVDNow.gov</u> and:

- Click on "submit a sold notice"
- Select the vehicle you've sold
- Enter the buyer's information
- Enter the date the vehicle was sold

Additional <u>steps to follow</u> when selling or trading in a car include removing the license plate and transferring the title to the buyer. *It's a free service and can be done at <u>AZMVDNow.gov</u>* 

To plan your trip, get travel times or see ADOT cameras, download the AZ 511 app.

Download the free <u>ADOT Alerts app</u> and know when unplanned, major events are impacting traffic near you.

Visit us on social media

on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, Flickr or the ADOT blog



## 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 – UMOM 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/cgibin/id/city.cgi?city=Phoenix&state=AZ www.givesmartaz.org

# JOIN BLACK MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE ON FACEBOOK



WHERE WE SHARE INFORMATION!

# CRIME TIPS:

# SPRINGTIME KICKS OFF SEVERE WEATHER EVENTS — AND BUSY SEASON FOR SCAMMERS

Following extreme weather events, dubious contractors and outright scammers descend on affected communities, offering quick, cheap fixes. While some reputable contractors occasionally solicit door-to-door, the vast majority are scams. Here's how to be sure you avoid the damage to your wallet these criminals can cause.

#### **HOW IT WORKS:**

Someone claiming to be a contractor arrives on your doorstep and explains he's just finished a job fixing storm damage on a neighbor's property.

Since he's here already, he'll say, he can handle your needed repairs at a steep discount.

He'll more than likely ask for payment upfront, or try to convince you to sign over payment from your insurance company.

#### WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW:

Shady contractors and outright scammers flood (no pun intended) areas hit by extreme weather events in search of "work" that they may or may not even attempt to do.

Many will specifically target older homeowners who they perceive as more trusting, more likely to have savings, and — they think — may be experiencing cognitive decline.

### WHAT YOU SHOULD DO:

As convenient and as compelling as it may seem, avoid reactively agreeing to repair work at your doorstep; rather, proactively seek out contractors that you can research.

Get written estimates and compare bids from multiple contractors before starting any work.

Ask contractors for references — and check them.

Pay no more than a third of the total cost prior to the work beginning — and then only when materials arrive.

# PUTTING THE (ANTI) SOCIAL IN SOCIAL MEDIA

### **Romance Scams**

Dating scams aren't limited to dating sites and apps. Many occur on popular social media platforms, like Facebook and Instagram, and on game platforms, like Words with Friends. The Federal Trade Commission reported a four-fold increase in romance scams between 2019 and 2020. The hardest-hit victims? People age 70 and over, with a median loss of \$9,475.

The typical romance scam starts online with light conversation and then a request to move off the platform to a private channel like email or a text app. Time goes by—days, weeks, months, even years—and the scammers (usually many working together) convince the target that the

relationship is real and that they will be together one day. This is despite never having met in person—blame it on COVID-19, a military deployment or a business venture in a faraway country. Then comes the emergency request for money—by wire transfer or gift cards typically, but it's not just a one-time request. The scam only ends when (and if) the target finally realizes it as such.

**Red Flags:** An online profile that's almost too good to be true; a request to leave the platform for email or text messaging; something that prevents meeting in person; an urgent request for money.

For more information: Visit the <u>romance scams tip</u> sheet on the AARP Fraud Resource Center.

### The "Is This You?" Scam

You receive a direct message from a friend on Facebook Messenger that says something like, "Is this you in this video?" It will contain a link to the alleged video. The link takes you to a page that will install malware on your device or steal your Facebook login credentials. Other social media platforms with direct messaging are subject to these scams, as well.

**Red Flags:** A direct message that includes a link and a question or statement that makes you curious enough to want to click.

For more information: Visit the <u>social media scams tip</u> sheet on the AARP Fraud Resource Center.

### **COVID Scams**

Scammers have been using social media sites to sell things like phony COVID-19 treatments or expedited vaccine access. They reach out by social media or other platforms claiming to be a contact tracer warning that you have been exposed to COVID-19. Their goal is to convince you to share sensitive personal information (Social Security number, for example) or money.

**Red Flags:** An offer for hard-to-get products, like a COVID-19 vaccine or personal protective equipment; an electronic message from a "contact tracer" with a link; a request to share sensitive personal information.

For more information: Visit the <u>coronavirus scams</u> page on the AARP Fraud Resource Center.

When it comes to fraud, vigilance is our number one weapon. You have the power to protect yourself and your loved ones from scams. Please share this alert with friends and family and visit the <u>Fraud Watch</u> Network.

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.



# 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 <a href="mailto:info@bmcainfo.com">info@bmcainfo.com</a>

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 <a href="mailto:anwchairman@gmail.com">anwchairman@gmail.com</a> <a href="mailto:www.OnlineAtAnthem.com">www.OnlineAtAnthem.com</a>

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BELCANTO BLOCK WATCH gloriapink12@gmail.com

CACTUS SWEETWATER BLOCK WATCH Coleen Hager <a href="mailto:chaqercpa@cox.net">chaqercpa@cox.net</a>, or <a href="mailto:chapercpa@cox.net">cssmott@cox.net</a>

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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month from 6:30 – 7:30 pm at the John Jacobs Elementary School cafeteria located at 14421 N. 23<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85023. For info contact <a href="mailto:jms85023@kyahoo.com">jms85023@kyahoo.com</a>

**MINI MOON II BLOCK WATCH** (in Moon Valley along Interlacken) Primary Contact: Myra Ridder <a href="mailto:myraridder@cox.net">myraridder@cox.net</a> President/Chair: Ron Gundlach <a href="mailto:ron@azfab.com">ron@azfab.com</a> Contact us for meeting info.

**MOON VALLEY BLOCK WATCH** For info contact: Blanche Lukes at 602-993-6736 or <a href="moonvalleybw@cox.net">moonvalleybw@cox.net</a>

MOON VALLEY GARDENS NEIGHBORHOOD BLOCK WATCH ZOOM meetings are on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of February, May, September and

ZOOM meetings are on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of February, May, September and November. The other months they are with the BMCA ZOOM Meetings. <a href="mailto:mvge@cox.net">mvge@cox.net</a> Candice 602-402-7914

MONTE CRISTO BLOCK WATCH LECADDSERVICES@Yahoo.com

NORTHTOWN COMMUNITY BLOCK WATCH / PNP FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS e-mail <a href="mailto:nkcurtinaz@hotmail.com">nkcurtinaz@hotmail.com</a> 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. 33<sup>rd</sup> Way. For info contact <a href="mailto:sonjaron@cox.net">sonjaron@cox.net</a>

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

**SEVEN PALMS BLOCK WATCH / PNP** Meetings are the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month at 6:30pm in the Clubhouse. Call 602-471-5861 or e-mail <a href="mailto:sevenpalmsblockwatchpn@yahoo.com">sevenpalmsblockwatchpn@yahoo.com</a> for info.

VILLAGE MEADOWS BLOCK WATCH for info call Debbie Delwiche 602-942-7550 or e-mail <a href="mrs427ford@aol.com">mrs427ford@aol.com</a>

## "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 <a href="mailto:info@bmcainfo.com">info@bmcainfo.com</a>

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.mcguire@phoenix.gov

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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 <u>www.phoenix.gov</u> 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.



### **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

#### **COMMUNITY CENTERS REOPEN JUNE 7**

The Phoenix City Council approved a plan for the tiered reopening of community centers and to resume the process for special park permits and special activity requests for private events of more than 50 people held on park property.

Tiered Reopening of Community Centers for Summer Youth Camps The city's community and recreation centers have been closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic since March 2020, and the following 11 Phoenix Parks and Recreation Department facilities will reopen effective June 7 for annual summer youth camps and limited indoor recreation classes by registration only. Drop-in use of these facilities will not be available.

- Deer Valley Community Center
- Desert West Community Center
- Eastlake Community Center
- Goelet A.C. Beuf Community Center
- Longview Neighborhood Recreation Center
- Maryvale Community Center
- Paradise Valley Community Center
- Pecos Community Center
- South Mountain Community Center
- Sunnyslope Community Center
- Washington Activity Center

Those facilities will be operated with the following COVID-19 protocols and safety amenities in place:

- Open at 50 percent capacity
- A mask or face covering will be required per the city's mandate
- A COVID-19 screening survey will be required upon arrival at a facility
- Temperature checks will be administered upon arrival at a facility
- Public facing reception areas will provide contactless customer service (plexiglass barriers have been installed at all service desks)
- Positioning of facility furniture and installation of signage to encourage physical distancing
- Hand sanitizer stations and touchless light switches have been installed at all facilities
- Fresh air intake volume has been increased at all facilities
- · Janitorial staff will clean high-touch surfaces and restrooms daily

In-person summer youth camps for ages 6 to 12 will be offered at those 11 locations starting the week of June 7. Options for camps and other indoor recreation classes will be viewable on the Activenet registration website starting May 7. Registration for summer camps and programs will open on May 12 at 4:30 p.m.

Online registration is recommended, but in-person, walk-in registration will be available from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on May 12 at the following community centers — Desert West, Eastlake, Longview, Paradise Valley, South Mountain, and Washington. After

May 12, in-person registration will be available by appointment only at the Phoenix Parks and Recreation Department's division offices.

Summer youth camps will be operated at 50 percent capacity and participants will be required to wear a mask or face covering. Additionally, as part of COVID-19 protocol, lunch will be held outdoors. Misting or cooling towers will be used in the outdoor eating areas, and an indoor contingency plan will be used on days when there is inclement weather, or the forecast includes a heat advisory. Camp participants will be provided a pre-packaged lunch or can bring their own lunch daily. Also, swimming pool activities and field trips will not be a part of this year's summer camp programming.

City staff continues to work with public health professionals to monitor the Arizona Department of Health Services Community Transmission indicators.

Once Phoenix has reached the moderate spread risk category, the city's remaining 16 community centers will reopen, capacity levels at centers will increase to 75 percent, and open gym and fitness room activities will resume at reduced capacities by reservation only.

Permit Process for Private Events Held on City Park Property Effective May 10, the process will resume for community members to apply for a special activity request to hold a private event in a city park with more than 50 people, such as a birthday party or family gathering. That includes resuming the process to apply for a beer permit, or for use of an inflatable bounce house or amplified sound on park property.

Requests for a special event on park property that is open to the public still must be submitted for review by the City Manager's Special Event Committee. Examples of these events include festivals, food truck events, craft fairs, etc.

#### **SENIOR CENTERS REOPEN JUNE 7**

The Phoenix City Council also approved the reopening of all 15 senior centers, to include on-site meal and senior shuttle services, with reduced capacities in a tiered approach.

Programming will be executed with the following mitigation efforts in place:

- Face coverings required in alignment with City of Phoenix facility mask mandate, except when eating
- A COVID-19 screening survey will be required upon arrival to the facility to determine their fitness to remain at the center.
- Temperature checks
- Due to maximum 50 percent occupancy limit for members, a reservation process will be utilized to offer morning (9 to 11:30 a.m.) and afternoon (1 to 3:30 p.m.) class and activity sessions; to maintain distancing, seniors will only be permitted to attend either the morning or the afternoon classes or activity sessions. When surveyed by staff, those seniors who responded agreed that this would allow the most number of individuals to attend.
- Public facing reception areas will provide contactless customer service. Plexiglass barriers have been installed at all service desks.
- Social distancing of center furnishings, including plexiglass dividers installed on tables, and installation of signage to encourage member, vendor and staff compliance with social distancing.
- Virtual programs and activities will continue to be provided utilizing digital instructor stations and remote TVs.
- Daily on-site janitorial staff will frequently clean and disinfect touched surfaces and restrooms throughout their day.
- Cleaning of games, craft items and exercise equipment will occur after each member use.
- Cleaning of computer laptops will occur after each laptop has been returned.
- Disinfectant wipes, hand sanitizer, disposable masks and gloves for members and staff will be readily available.
- Fresh air intake volume has been increased at all senior centers to circulate a higher concentration of fresh air into the buildings. MERV13 air filters have been installed at all senior centers.

More information: Human Services Older Adult Programs (phoenix.gov)

### INFO OF THE MONTH

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

## ANNUAL FIRE BAN IN DESERT PARKS AND PRESERVES IN EFFECT

The Phoenix Parks and Recreation Department has put into effect its annual ban of open fires in the city's desert parks and mountain preserves. The Maricopa County Parks and Recreation Department's annual fire ban is also in effect as of May 1.

In consultation with the Phoenix Fire Department, smoking and charcoal fires are included in the ban due to the extreme fire danger that the combination of low humidity, increased temperatures, excessive dry vegetation, and frequent high winds create each spring.

The ban applies to Camelback Mountain, Deem Hills Recreation Area, Lookout Mountain, Papago Park, Phoenix Mountains Park and Recreation Area, Phoenix Mountains Preserve, Phoenix Sonoran Preserve, North Mountain Park, Rio Salado Habitat Restoration Area, and South Mountain Park/Preserve. The ban does not apply to the city's flatland parks.

For those using the city's desert parks and preserve land, the fire ban stipulates the following:

- · Open wood and charcoal fires are prohibited
- Propane or gas grills may be used, but only in established picnic areas
- Smoking outside enclosed vehicles is prohibited year-round
- · Fireworks are prohibited year-round

Motorists traveling through or near Phoenix's desert parks and mountain preserves should use extreme care with smoking materials and dispose of those only in their vehicle's ash tray.

To protect their homes, residents whose property borders the city's preserve land may remove dry shrubs, brush and grasses, and trim dead branches from trees within the 10-foot strip of land that borders their property. By creating this 10-foot "buffer zone" residents can help to protect their homes from potential brush fires in the adjacent preserve land.

Preserve neighbors also should check irrigation lines and pool back-flush hoses to ensure that water is not seeping into the preserve. Outside water sources encourage unnaturally dense vegetation growth, which increases fire risk.

For general information regarding removing vegetation, residents can contact a Phoenix Park Ranger at 602-495-5458 or natural.resources.pks@phoenix.gov.

### PHOENIX PUBLIC LIBRARY

These Workshops are hosted by the Phoenix Public Library in partnership with the Area Agency on Aging, Region One, and Social Security Administration, Arizona.

Registration is through the Library website at <a href="mailto:phoenixpubliclibrary.org">phoenixpubliclibrary.org</a>.

Medicare 101: Navigating the Complexities (4:30-6 p.m.) June 1st (English)

Social Security 101: Everything You Wanted to Know (4:30-6 p.m.)
June 8th (English)

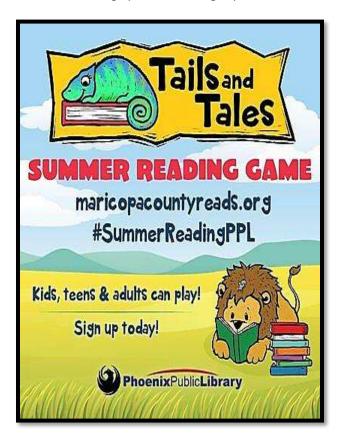
Leigh Brown

Law and Government Information Librarian II Adult Services, Customer Services and Information

Burton Barr Central Library Phoenix Public Library (602) 495-5052

### Summer Reading Program

Sign up for the 2021 Summer Reading Game Tales and Tails! Join Phoenix Public Library for the online summer reading game starting June 1... but you can register the whole family today! Place holds on what you want to read and start planning for a summer of reading with us! Phoenix Public Library's summer reading program allows readers of all ages to fall in love with reading and make reading a habit. Click on the graphic below to sign up!



### MAY 21, 2021

# Black Mountain Community Alliance at the DEPT. OF CHILD SAFETY CARNIVAL



DCS honoring those they lost to COVID







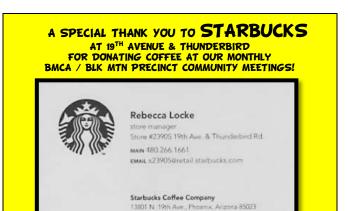
## BLOCK WATCH IMPROVES THE QUALITY OF LIFE WITHIN NEIGHBORHOODS

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.

# BMCA AND BLACK MOUNTAIN PRECINCT COMMUNITY BUSINESS PARTNERSHIPS





## THANK YOU TO THE NORTH PHOENIX CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



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## 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! <a href="https://www.phoenix.gov/nsd/programs/blight">www.phoenix.gov/nsd/programs/blight</a>

#### 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/cgibin/id/city.cgi?city=Phoenix&state=AZ

# IDENTITY THEFT / FEDERAL TRADE COMM. Recovery and information www.ldentityTheft.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 <a href="https://maricoparegion911.onthealert.com/Terms/lndex/?ReturnUrl=%2f">https://maricoparegion911.onthealert.com/Terms/lndex/?ReturnUrl=%2f</a>

#### SENIOR LOCK BOXES

In partnership with Phoenix Fire <a href="https://www.lockbox.shopkidde.com">www.lockbox.shopkidde.com</a>

### 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

### **JUNE 2021**

Wednesday, JUNE 2<sup>nd</sup> BMCA BOARD MEETING 6:30 pm - call 602-402-7914 for link info

Thursday, JUNE 3<sup>rd</sup> NBWGP Oversight Committee Meeting 6:00 pm - e-mail Michael.noyd@phoenx.gov for link info

<u>Wednesday, JUNE 12<sup>th</sup></u> <u>BMCA / BLK MTN PRECINCT MEETING</u>

6:30 pm - check the BMCA e-BULLETIN for the link info

Tuesday, JUNE 15<sup>th</sup> PNP COORDINATOR'S MEETING 6:00 pm - e-mail pnp.coordinator@phoenix.gov for link

Tuesday, JUNE 22<sup>nd</sup>
PHX BW ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

6:30 pm - link info on www.phxblockwatch.org

### **JULY 2021**

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

Wednesday & Thursday, JULY 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> 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 <a href="mailto:pnp.coordinator@phoenix.gov">pnp.coordinator@phoenix.gov</a>

### **AUGUST 2021**

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

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

Tuesday, AUGUST 24<sup>th</sup>
PHX BW ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

6:30 pm - link info on www.phxblockwatch.org

BMCA IS OFFERING ZOOM MEETING HOSTING for Block Watch Groups

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

### 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)

# 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

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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
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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 602-534-4444
Zoning Violations If you suspect a vehicle is stolen, check the	
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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

WE APPRECIATE THE SUPPORT AND DONATIONS FOR OUR CRIME PREVENTION & SAFETY PROJECTS FROM OUR

# COMMUNITY BUSINESS PARTNERS!

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

e-mail to: <u>info@bmcainfo.com</u> Mail to: BMCA, P. O. Box 41306, Phoenix, AZ 85080

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