



BLACK MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE

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.

BMCA website: www.bmcainfo.com e-mail: info@bmcainfo.com

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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.



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**NEXT BLACK MOUNTAIN PRECINCT
COFFEE WITH COPS**



Thursday, SEPTEMBER 28, 2023
at 8:30 am at BISCUITS CAFÉ, 310 E. Bell Rd.
EVERYONE IS WELCOME! *GET TO KNOW YOUR CAO!*

**ATTENTION ALL BLOCK WATCH AND PNP GROUPS WHO
HAVE NEVER APPLIED FOR A BLOCK WATCH GRANT!**
HYBRID BLOCK WATCH GRANT BOOT CAMP
Is on THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14th at 6:30 pm
RSVP to info@bmcainfo.com

NEXT BMCA & PNP MEETING
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13th at 6:30pm

at the DEER VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTER
2001 W. Wahalla Ln., Phoenix, AZ 85027

UPDATES FROM CITY COUNCIL
BLACK MOUNTAIN PRECINCT UPDATES
by Commander Matt Siekmann

Meet with your AREA 21, 22, & 23
Community Action Officers during the Breakout Session!

PNP NEWS AND UPDATES
To all Black Mountain PNP Members, this is your
Black Mountain Precinct monthly PNP Meeting!

PRESENTATION:
MEET OUR NEW COMMANDER!
Crime Prevention Materials Distributed!
Refreshments

Please join the Phoenix Police Department for the G.A.I.N. KICK OFF on Saturday, September 30, 2023 at 3 pm at the Phoenix Convention Center



Crime Prevention, Safety, Community Information, Block Watch Grant Information, Block Watch Signs & Much more!

G.A.I.N. DAY is on Saturday, October 21, 2023

Register your G.A.I.N. event by Friday, September 15, 2023 to receive the "Crime Prevention Tote" that will be handed out at the GAIN Kick Off event. Click to complete the **GAIN Registration Form**.

For more information call 602-256-4303 or email Detective Brian Kornegay at brian.kornegay@phoenix.gov or Sergeant Charles Lambert at charlie.lambert@phoenix.gov

New Hiring PHX PD
 Top Salary \$105,539
 > \$7,500 Hiring Bonus
 > Recruit Starting Salary \$68,661
 > Health and Retirement Benefits
 > Tuition Reimbursement
 Learn More at: JoinPHXPD.com

New Hiring PHX PD
 NON-SWORN POSITIONS
 Detention Officer
 Police Communications Operator
 Police Assistant
 Police Aide
 • Full-time employment
 • Health & Retirement Benefits
 • Education Incentives
 • Bilingual/Linguistics Pay
 • Shift Differential Pay
 Learn More About All Non-sworn Positions Available at: JoinPHXPD.com



DONATE TODAY

Be Aware.
Be Seen.
Be Safe.

NEED TO CALL Phoenix Police?
 BRIVESTOP NON-EMERGENCY LINE
602-262-6151 EMERGENCY → **9-1-1**
 PLEASE LISTEN TO THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS WHEN CALLING...

- 1 MAIN COUNTY JAIL
- 2 RECORDS
- 3 ONLINE REPORTING
- 4 NON-EMERGENCY POLICE RESPONSE
- 5 POLICE PRECINCTS
- 6 FOLLOW-UP WITH A DETECTIVE

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.

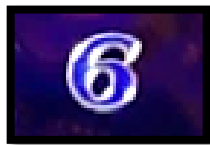
So bless the ones who wear the badge,
 Protect them from harm,
 Always keep them safe
 And in your loving arms.



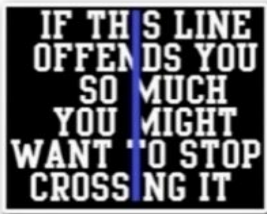
Wear BLUE on the 6th day of each month to show support of PHOENIX POLICE OFFICERS!

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!
 Available at our Coffee with Cops and the BMCA General Meetings.



<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

PPD RESPONSE TO RESISTANCE DASHBOARD
<https://stories.opengov.com/phoenixaz/published/6EtlqY5qQ>

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.

The APP is now available both in the Apple Store for iOS and in the Google Play Store for Android.

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! #GraffitiFreePHX
 City of Phoenix Neighborhood Services Department.

WHEN YOU CALL 911 - KNOW THE 10 W'S

- **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.)

TEXT 9-1-1 "Call if you can. Text if you can't." After months of collaboration between numerous public agencies and advocates for the disability community (or advocates for the disabled) if you are in imminent danger and are unable to talk to a 911 operator, you now have for the first time in Phoenix the ability to text to 9-1-1.

Phoenix Police Department Black Mountain



Precinct NEWS



Black Mountain Precinct

33355 North Cave Creek Rd., Cave Creek, AZ 85331

Precinct: 602.495.5002

VIRTUAL BLOCK WATCH



Hello Black Mountain Community Alliance. During a recent business alliance meeting we were asked about the Virtual Block Watch program and if it was still being utilized within the City of Phoenix. Yes, Detectives and Officers are still using Virtual Block Watch on a daily basis to conduct follow up and solve cases throughout our city.

Virtual Block Watch is a voluntary program offered within the City of Phoenix allowing citizens to register their personally owned security cameras with the Police Department. Virtual Block Watch will assist detectives and officers by collaborating with the virtual community who may have captured digital evidence of a crime for prosecution. Detectives that are working on solving a case will routinely look for digital evidence that may have been captured around the crime scene. By registering your home or business camera with the VBW database, detectives will be able to quickly and effectively canvas the surrounding area without having to knock on every door. The detectives can reach out to the registered owner of the camera and ask them to look for digital evidence of the crime. The amount of time a detective can save by making phone calls to potential witnesses is beneficial to the case and will lead to a quicker apprehension of the criminals.

A question that is routinely asked about VBW is whether or not the Police Department will have remote access to the security camera. The answer is NO. Virtual Block Watch will not have any type of streaming capabilities or live feed from your camera system. The Police Department will have the address of the registered system along with the directions of the camera views. The VBW program is completely voluntary and used by the Police Department to effectively conduct timely video follow up for crimes which have already occurred. In the links below you will find more information on the Phoenix Police Departments Virtual Block Watch Program.

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

<https://www.phoenix.gov/police/resources-information>



CA Officer Jeffrey Blair #7966
at 602-495-5481 or 480-506-6993 jeffrey.blair@phoenix.gov



Metal VBW Signs and paper VBW Window Signs are available at the Black Mountain Community Alliance meetings.



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

**BLACK MOUNTAIN POLICE
PRECINCT COMMUNITY ACTION
OFFICER SQUAD:**



21 Area North/South (Beats 212 & 213)
(W 7th Street to E Scottsdale Rd. & S SR101 to N Carefree Hwy..)
21 Area North (Beat 214)
(W 83rd Ave to E 7th Street & 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 Jeffrey Blair #7966
at 602-495-5481 or 480-506-6993 jeffrey.blair@phoenix.gov



22 Area North (Beats 223 & 224)
(W I-17 to E 7th/16th Sts. & S Bell Rd. to N SR101)
CA Officer Tim Tewers #8698
at 602-495-5213 or 480-506-6454 tim.tewers@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 Jon McQuillan #8926
at 602-495-5238 or 602-904-9985 jon.mcquillan@phoenix.gov



23 Area North (Beats 233 & 234)
(W 7th/16th Sts. to E SR51 & S Bell Rd. to N SR101)
23 Area South (Beats 231 & 232)
(W 7th/16th Sts. to E SR51 & S Cactus Rd. to N Bell Rd.)
CA Officer Jeremy Campbell #9021
at 602-495-5276 or 602-904-9983
jeremy.campbell@phoenix.gov



Black Mountain Precinct CAO Sgt. Linda Miller
602-495-5112 or 602-904-9195
linda.miller@phoenix.gov



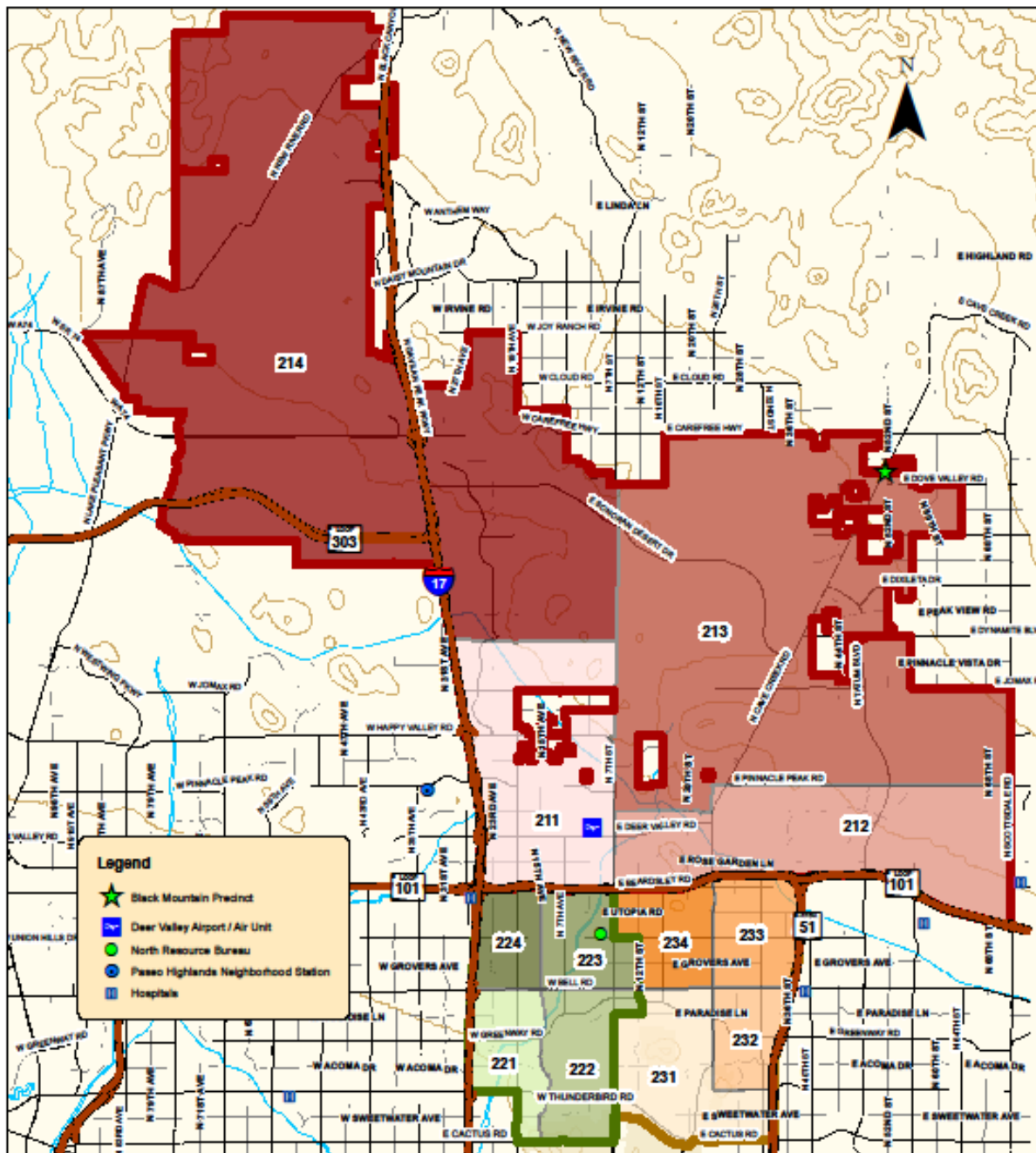
**Black Mountain Precinct Community
Programs Lt. Ben Sywarungsymun #7094**
602-495-5016
ben.sywarungsymun@phoenix.gov



**Black Mountain Precinct
Commander Matt Siekmann**
602-262-5063
matt.siekmann@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

3rd Tuesday of each month, 6pm to 8pm

We have returned to in-person meetings at Mountain View Precinct, 2075 E Maryland Ave, from 6pm to 8pm. Technology willing, we have a virtual component so people can still attend online.



The login information is below. For most people simply click the green box (hyperlink) below that says "Join PNP Meeting" and that will take you to the meeting. If not, open webex.com and select Join Meeting, when prompted, enter the below meeting number and password in the appropriate fields

[Join PNP Meeting](#)

Join by meeting number:

Meeting number (access code): 2460 133 9355

Meeting password: ceb2023

(This is the same meeting number for all of 2023 to make it easier for everyone)

2023 Price Increases on PNP Clothing

I announced this was coming. We have the 2023 price sheet, and I updated the PNP Clothing Order Form. I attached a copy here and have already asked for it to be updated on the websites (PD, PNPMembers.com and the BWAB). These prices go into effect immediately. Any order forms sent in already with a postmark prior to today will get the previous prices.

Please update your neighborhood websites if needed.

IRS Mileage Rate Current Rate

If you have Mileage Reimbursement funds in your current BW Grant this is important info for you. The mileage reimbursement rate was increased as of January 1, 2023. It is now 65.5 cents a mile. I verified the increase with our BW Grant Staff and have updated the Mileage Reimbursement Report. This increase only applies to miles recorded after January 1, 2023. Any miles prior to that date will still be reimbursed at the previous rate.

The end of the quarter is approaching, so get the reimbursement report requests in soon.

PNP Basic classes

Below is the class schedule for 2023. Please share with anyone you know who might be interested. Anyone wishing to attend must register at pnp.coordinator@phoenix.gov to receive the login information and other needed documents. So far, we have only scheduled online classes for 2023 at this time.

• Upcoming 2023 Online PNP Class schedule

- Online classes so far are on Wednesday and Thursday nights 5pm to 7pm, both nights are required. We are unable to offer interpretation on this platform.
- **September 20 and 21**
- **November 15 and 16**

PNP merchandise order forms and cost updates:

As you are writing your grants, you might be budgeting for PNP equipment, like clothing, street signs and/or vehicle signs and are curious about expected prices for 2024. If any of you have bought groceries or filled up your gas tank you know there has been an increase in the cost of just about everything recently. The updated order forms are now online at www.phoenix.gov

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:
SEPTEMBER 20th & 21st**



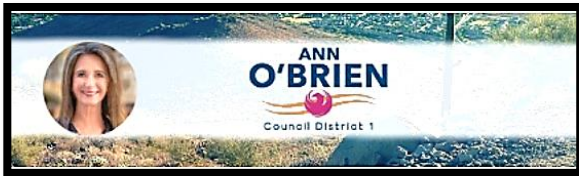
PNP GROUP PATROL

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

Just a reminder that the next First Friday will be back on October 6th. We have a new meeting place, the address is 1202 N. 3rd St, next to the Phoenix Center for the Arts. It is a big parking lot, and it does fill up fast. I am changing the meeting and start time. We will start to meet at 6:00pm, and start our patrol at 6:30pm, and we will get done between 9:45pm- 10pm.

PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF YOU CAN MAKE IT. This way, I can try and block off some parking spaces for us. And I can also contact you if anything should happen. I do not have some of your cell phone numbers, so if you plan on going, please send me your number. If you can't find us on Friday night, my cell number is 602-799-0143.

Thanks. Rick



**District 1 Community Breakfast/Dinner
with Councilwoman Ann O'Brien**

**Next Breakfast will be at 8:00 am on September 29th
at the Doubletree in Metrocenter**

602-262-7444 council.district.1@phoenix.gov

Message from Councilwoman Ann O'Brien

I hope you all are doing well and getting back into the swing of things with school starting up again. I am hopeful the weather will cool down a bit in the next couple of weeks as we survive this brutal summer here in the Valley!

This week, I had the wonderful opportunity to attend a ribbon-cutting ceremony at Palo Verde Middle School. This ceremony was held to celebrate the Renovations of Existing Facilities Project. The City of Phoenix invested \$4.5 million into the enhancement of four selected public schools in the Washington Elementary School District including Palo Verde Middle School. This project was funded by the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) through NSD's Covid Clean Public Facility and School Improvement Upgrade Program. CDBG funds play an essential role in creating strong, resilient, and vibrant communities in Phoenix. The program focuses primarily on providing vital services to low-and moderate-income communities. Some of this project's renovations included enhanced air filtration and ventilation systems through the replacement of HVAC units and the installation of touch-free water bottle fillers, hand-wash stations, and nurse office enhancements. The goal of these renovation projects is to create safer and healthier places for our students to learn and help them thrive in their educational endeavors.

With my passion for improving our educational institutions within our communities, I am serving on the Arizona Department of Education's School Safety Taskforce. It is imperative to find solutions on how to attract and retain more School Resource Officers and find pathways for our retirees to serve in this capacity. School Resource Officers play a vital role in maintaining a safe and secure learning environment for our students. They also assist school staff and help deter and prevent crisis situations on campus. These officers are trained in crisis response and emergency management, making them equipped to handle a variety of situations that may occur on our school campuses. The presence of well-trained school resource officers contributes to the overall safety and well-being of our students, making them essential workers in our children's schools. Yesterday, I helped welcome 23 talented, new recruits to the Phoenix Police Department. With their dedication and unique skillsets, they will enhance our ability to serve and protect the members of our community. Together we'll strive for a safer place we call home, united by a shared commitment to justice and public safety.

The new subcommittees have been announced and I will continue to serve as the Chair on the Public Safety Justice subcommittee. I will also be serving as a member on the Transportation, Infrastructure and Planning subcommittee. I look forward to actively contributing to these subcommittees and working towards the betterment of our community.

All my best, **Ann** Councilwoman, District 1

Upcoming City Council Meetings

- **Next City Council Formal Meetings: September 6th**
- **Next City Council Policy Meeting: September 12th**



Twitter: [JimWaring](https://twitter.com/JimWaring)

Facebook: facebook.com/waringjim



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

**District 3 Community Coffee Chat
September 21st 8:30 am at Sunnyslope Senior Center,
802 E. Vogel, Phoenix, AZ 85020**

RSVP: council.district.3@phoenix.gov or 602-262-7441

Community Canopy Grant Programs

The City's Office of Heat Response and Mitigation is thrilled to announce the launch of two distinct tree planting grants aimed at fostering greener neighborhoods and more resilient school environments!

The Community Canopy Grant is a transformative program designed to address urban heat, promote equity, and enhance green spaces within front line neighborhoods of our city. We invite neighborhood associations, community nonprofits, multi-family residential sites, non-residential sites and community members within the City's Qualified Census Tracts to submit applications seeking trees, supplies and support for tree planting projects.

The Canopy for Kids Grant program is a pioneering initiative aimed at increasing tree canopy coverage within public schools, 501(c)(3) schools, and properties managed by 501(c)(3) organizations that serve youth. This grant will fund tree planting projects on properties located within a Qualified Census Tract. Organizations outside of a Qualified Census Tract may be considered if 80% or more of their student population receive free or reduced lunch.

For additional information or to access the application, please visit Phoenix.gov/heat.

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](#)

BMCA ATTENDS & SUPPORTS. . .

AUGUST 3, 2023

Black Mountain Community Alliance
at the Grant Oversight Meeting



AUGUST 15, 2023

Black Mountain Community Alliance
at the CITYWIDE PNP MEETING

6:00 pm In-person / Hybrid at Phx North MHC



PNP Coordinator

Det. Brian Kornegay

AUGUST 10, 2023

Black Mountain Community Alliance
at the Deer Valley Village Planning Mtg.



Turf Paradise Zoning





BRBA MISSION STATEMENT

“We are an alliance of Businesses and Stakeholders for Crime Prevention and Safety along the Bell Road Corridor.”

**AUGUST 15, 2023
BELL ROAD BUSINESS ALLIANCE
at 11 am at Bell Ford**



BRBA Chairman Greg Freeman



Presentation on the Bell Road Community Safety Plan



Dist. 3 CofS Raquel



Councilwoman Ann



Cmdr. Matt Siekman



Nina Poole



Lt. Ben



Next Bell Road Business Alliance meeting is on Tuesday, September 19th, 2023, at 11 am.

For more information contact bellroadbusinessalliance@gmail.com



The next Thrive Phoenix community clean-up on Bell Road is Saturday, September 2nd from 7 am to 11 am

For more information visit Thrivephoenix.org or email at info@thrivephoenix.org

AUGUST 22, 2023

Black Mountain Community Alliance at the PBWAB Meeting with 38 in attendance!



Maricopa County Attorney Rachel Mitchel



Cmdr. Matt Siekmann



MCAO's Joan Campbell on SCAMS



ROOTBEER FLOATS!

AUGUST 23, 2023

Black Mountain Community Alliance
at the Thunderbird Business Alliance
Meeting



AUGUST 24, 2023

Black Mountain Community Alliance
at the Bell Road and Thunderbird
Business Alliance's Hiring Event



City of Phoenix
NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES DEPARTMENT
General Information 602-534-4444



Neighborhood Specialist for the Black Mountain Precinct

E. MARI HERRERA-DANIELS 602-261-8587
e.mari.herrera-daniels@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...

NEIGHBORHOOD LEADERS don't miss this conference at the Phoenix Convention Center from 7:30 am to 5 pm on Saturday, Sept. 30, 2023!
G.A.I.N. Kick-Off Event starts around 3 pm.
Contact NSD Deputy Director Yvette Roeder for more info at 602-262-4452



Dear Neighborhood Leaders and Members,
This message has been shared by the Planning and Development Department.
 The City of Phoenix Planning and Development Department is seeking the community's input on the 2025 General Plan! The General Plan serves as a comprehensive roadmap for the future physical development of Phoenix, based on the vision of its citizens. To help with this, Planning and Development has created two surveys. Community participation in these surveys is paramount in helping the City identify "tools for action" with the established city-wide policy framework, which will enable the City of Phoenix to plan, prioritize and align its efforts for the next ten years. Have your voice heard and become an active participant in this important initiative by completing the planPHX surveys today:
www.Phoenix.gov/PDD/GeneralPlan2025

NSD PROGRAMS

Code Compliance

- [Private Property Code Compliance](#)
- [Graffiti](#)
- [Shopping Cart Removal](#)
- [Abandoned and Neglected Private Properties](#)

Community Engagement

- [Get Involved in Your Neighborhood](#)
- [Neighborhood Cleanups and Tool Lending](#)
- [Volunteer](#)
- [Neighborhood College](#)

Sept. 14th NBW GRANT BOOTCAMP

Neighborhood Revitalization

- [Energy Efficiency Improvements](#)
- [Housing Repairs](#)
- [Lead Removal](#)
- [Multi-Family Rental Property Repairs](#)
- [Infill Housing Development](#)
- [Neighborhood Business Assistance](#)



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.

HELP STOP CRIME IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD BY STARTING A BLOCK WATCH GROUP ON YOUR STREET TODAY!

Distribute this announcement to invite people to the Block Watch Meeting:

You're Invited to an Important Meeting!

If you are as interested as I am about maintaining and improving the quality of life on our street and in our neighborhood, please attend an important meeting to be held:

DAY _____ DATE _____ TIME _____

LOCATION _____

A representative of the Phoenix Police Department will be there to discuss a way we can impact and improve our community. It is called **BLOCK WATCH**, and we will be informed how to combine our efforts to make our homes and our neighborhood a safer place to live.

Please Plan to Attend and RSVP to:

NAME _____

PHONE _____

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...

ANTHEM NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH for info call 509-670-5237 or e-mail Chairman Christine Perry at AnthemNeighborhoodWatch@gmail.com or www.OnLineAtAnthem.com/ANW

ARROYO GRANDE-ANTHEM BLOCK WATCH for info call Diane Lee at 623-251-6612

BELCANTO BLOCK WATCH gloriapink12@gmail.com

CACTUS SWEETWATER BLOCK WATCH Coleen Hager chagercpa@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) MEETINGS with the BMCA at 6:30 pm on the 2nd Wednesday of most months at the DVCC! Check Website for info www.dvpnbwo.com. 623-533-0847 / dvpnbwo@aol.com

DESERT WIND BLOCK WATCH for info e-mail Bill Christian whchristian@msn.com

HILLCREST EAST BLOCK WATCH spring11@cox.net

INVERNESS COMMUNITY WATCH PARTNERSHIP community.watch.85023@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 johnjacobsbw1@outlook.com or Fred at 505-514-1439

MINI MOON II BLOCK WATCH (in Moon Valley along Interlacken) Primary Contact: Myra Ridder myraridder@cox.net Contact us for meeting info.

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 Meetings. mvqe@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 mmellenbrook@cox.net

RIDGE RUNNERS II PNP GROUP Frank Landry 615-939-7759 franklandry00@gmail.com

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 meets on the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm www.villagemeadows.org

CRIME TIPS:

NATURAL DISASTER SEASON IS HERE AND SO ARE SCAMMERS

Whether it's tornadoes or floods, wildfires or hurricanes, it seems like it's always natural disaster season—which means it's always a good time for scammers to try and rip people off. Following extreme weather events, dubious contractors and outright scammers descend on affected communities, offering quick, cheap fixes. While some reputable contractors solicit door-to-door, many knockers are running 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.

SCAMS THE IRS WANTS YOU TO KNOW ABOUT

Criminals use a lot of different tactics to steal money from consumers, and one of those tactics is the promise of "free money". This summer the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) is warning taxpayers to be on the lookout for several scams that try to mislead people into believing the IRS owes them.

How It Works

You may receive a cardboard envelope from a delivery service. The enclosed letter includes the IRS masthead and wording that the notice is "in relation to your unclaimed refund."

The fake letter contains false contact details and asks for personal and financial information, such as a detailed photo of your driver's license.

You might also receive an email reminding you to claim your Employee Retention Credit or your "stimulus."

These emails often lead to a company that offers to search for unclaimed funds if you pay a sizable upfront fee.

What You Should Know

The mail scheme is an attempt to obtain sensitive personal information such as a Social Security number, date of birth, credit card or banking account numbers or driver's license.

Recent reports indicate that driver's licenses are among the hottest commodities for criminals on the dark web.

The IRS shared that the scam letter contains several grammatical and punctuation errors—which are often clear indicators of a scam.

The ERC program and stimulus funds were part of the COVID-19 economic response and haven't been renewed.

What You Should Do

Ignore any unsolicited email, social media post or text claiming to be from the IRS (the IRS has stated that it won't contact you via these methods).

Beware of anyone who claims you are owed money by the IRS who hasn't actually reviewed your taxes, and never pay an upfront fee to someone who says they can get your money back. Consult with a trusted tax professional whenever you have a question on whether you are eligible for any IRS program.



Knowledge gives you power over scams. The [AARP Fraud Watch Network](#) equips you with reliable, up-to-date insights and connects you to our free fraud helpline so you can better protect yourself and your loved ones. We also advocate at the state, federal and local levels to enact policy changes that protect consumers and enforce laws.

STOP GIVING AWAY PERSONAL INFORMATION!

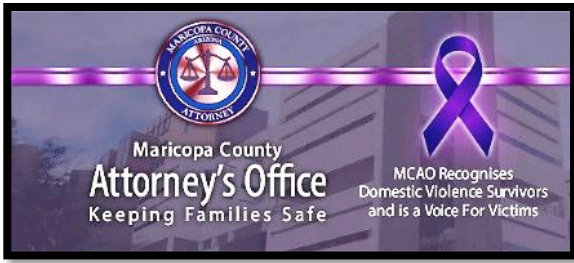
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First Pet's Name:	YOUR
First Child's Name:	PERSONAL
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Favorite Singer/Band:	GUESS
Mother's Maiden Name:	YOUR
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Favorite Movie:	AND
Favorite Animal:	SECURITY
High School Mascot:	QUESTIONS

A reminder from the
PHOENIX POLICE DEPARTMENT

Property crimes are crimes of opportunity. Remove that opportunity with

Take it	Lock it	Conceal it
Take it with you	Lock your vehicle	Conceal valuables

In case of emergency, Call 9-1-1. If you can't call, you can text! To report a crime, suspicious behavior or file a police report call CrimeStop (602) 262-5151. For more tips on safety visit [www.aazoo.com/azpscc](#). Follow us on social media, @phoenixpolice



Public Records Requests

The Maricopa County Attorney's Office has records related to many felony and misdemeanor criminal matters within the County. Please read below for more information on our public records process and other local resources for related records.

How Do I Make a Public Records Request?

You may...

- Submit an [online Public Records Request](#).
- [Email the Public Records team](#) detailing your request.
- Fax your request to: [602-594-7171](tel:602-594-7171)
- Call [602-506-1974](tel:602-506-1974) to speak with a member of the Public Records team.
- Mail us a written request or drop off a written request at:
Maricopa County Attorney's Office
Custodian of Records
[225 West Madison Street, 1st Floor](#)
[Phoenix, AZ 85003](#)

*Drop off can only be done during office hours: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., Monday - Friday. Closed on most major holidays.

Facts on Fentanyl: Understanding Overdose

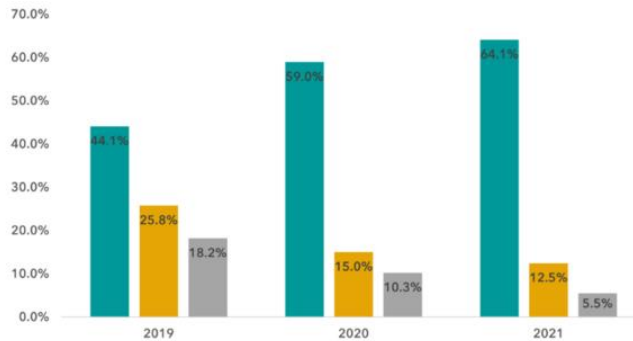
August 31st is Overdose Awareness Day

Over the last three years we've seen a drastic increase in overdose deaths across the country, and fentanyl is the common factor. Here are some key points about this alarming trend:

- **Accidental:** According to the CDC, 92% of drug overdose deaths that occurred in 2021 were unintentional.
- **Multiple Drugs:** More than 80% of drug overdoses in Maricopa County involved multiple drugs.
- **Teens:** Among teens, overdose deaths linked to fentanyl doubled from 2019 to 2020, and continue to increase.

In Your Backyard: Overdoses don't discriminate and impact every community in Maricopa County.

The presence of **fentanyl** in drug overdose deaths is steadily increasing as compared to **commonly prescribed opioids** and **heroin** in Maricopa County.



We can all do our part by learning the [warning signs of an overdose](#), talking about Arizona's Good Samaritan Law, and carrying Naloxone wherever we go.

What is Naloxone? Naloxone (Narcan) is a medicine that can quickly reverse the effects of an opioid overdose.

Hot Tip: If you carry Naloxone with you, don't leave it in your car. Triple-digit temperatures, like the ones we're experiencing, will make it defective. Keep it stored in a cool area at home or bring it with you wherever you go.



FREE PRESENTATIONS FOR YOUR MEETINGS BY MCAO

Download our informational Community Education card to share with others. Schedule a FREE educational presentation for your business or organization!
Community Education

A free service to Maricopa County residents, the MCAO Community Education provides informative sessions presented by deputy county attorneys, paralegals, and staff members on a range of criminal justice issues. Presentation topics include:

- Fraud, Scams & Identity Theft
- Online Safety
- Neighborhood Safety & Residential Burglary Prevention
- Substance Abuse Prevention
- Online Safety
- Substance Abuse Prevention
- Healthy Habits and Safety for Kids
- Bullying Prevention

To request a speaker, simply fill out the

[Community Education Presentation Request Form](#)

[Get Free Naloxone](#)



988

People experiencing a mental health crisis have a new way to reach out for help in the U.S. They can simply call or text the numbers 9-8-8.

Modeled after 911, the new three-digit [988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline](#) is designed to be a memorable and quick number that connects people who are suicidal or in any other mental health crisis to a trained mental health professional.

"If you are willing to turn to someone in your moment of crisis, 988 will be there," said Xavier Becerra, the secretary of the federal Department of Health and Human Services, at a recent press briefing. "988 won't be a busy signal, and 988 won't put you on hold. You will get help."

The primary goal of the new number is to make it easier for people to call for help. Lawmakers and mental health advocates also see this launch as an opportunity to transform the mental health care system and make care easily accessible everywhere in the United States. The Biden administration has invested more than \$400 million in beefing up crisis centers and other mental health services to support the 988 system.

Find a Local Farmer's Market



Need a family activity for this weekend? Visit a farmer's market! Let your kids pick a new food to

try. Maybe if you are lucky, they will choose a vegetable!

Download our [Maricopa Healthy app](#) to find the closest farmer's market near you.

Locate Mosquito Treatment Near You

You can find out when mosquito treatments are scheduled in your area by subscribing to Environmental Services [calendar notifications](#).



Learn more about what you can do to help prevent mosquito breeding, avoid mosquito bites and stay healthy at [FightTheBiteMaricopa.org](#)

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.

✦ Talking about wanting to die or to kill oneself.	✦ Increasing the use of alcohol or drugs.
✦ Looking for a way to kill oneself, such as searching online or buying a gun.	✦ Acting anxious or agitated; behaving recklessly.
✦ Talking about feeling hopeless or having no reason to live.	✦ Sleeping too little or too much.
✦ Talking about feeling trapped or in unbearable pain.	✦ Withdrawing or feeling isolated.
✦ Talking about being a burden to others.	✦ Showing rage or talking about seeking revenge.
	✦ Displaying extreme mood swings.

Suicide Is Preventable.
Call the Lifeline at 1-800-273-TALK (8255).
 With Help Comes Hope

Crisis Response NETWORK *Inspiring Hope*

The **CRISIS LINE** is available 24/7/365 to anyone experiencing a mental health crisis.
In an emergency, always call 911.

<p>CENTRAL ARIZONA CRISIS LINE 602.222.9444 TOLL FREE: 800.631.1314 TTY/TDD: 800.327.9254</p>	<p>WARM LINE (Peer-to-Peer) 602.347.1100 CrisisNetwork.org</p>
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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
24 – HOUR HOTLINES
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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)



Traffic fatalities in Arizona rose for third straight year in 2022

Crash Facts report shows speed remains a leading factor in fatal, serious crashes

PHOENIX – Traffic fatalities in Arizona rose again in 2022, according to the state's annual report on motor vehicle crashes on all roads, including local streets.

There were 1,294 traffic fatalities across the state last year, an increase of 8.6% compared to 2021, according to the [2022 Arizona Motor Vehicle Crash Facts report](#). Figures show crashes associated with inappropriate speed and speeding accounted for a greater share of deaths and injuries, providing a sobering reminder for Arizonans to avoid such unsafe driving behaviors. Pedestrian, bicyclist and motorcyclist deaths all increased last year. Overall, the 2022 traffic fatality total is the second-highest ever recorded in Arizona and only slightly behind the 1,301 deaths recorded in 2006. The number of traffic fatalities in the state has gone up every year since 2019. Injuries from crashes totaled 52,411 during 2022, a slight increase from 2021.

The Arizona Department of Transportation produces the annual Motor Vehicle Crash Facts report, which is a compilation of traffic crash reports provided by law enforcement agencies around the state. The document reflects reported crash data for all Arizona roadways, including city streets, county roads, reservation roads and state highways.

Fatalities are driven mostly by driver behavior, primarily involving speed, failure to use safety devices such as seat belts and motorcycle helmets, and impairment.

"Every single traffic fatality is an unspeakable loss for families and for this state," ADOT Director Jennifer Toth said. "ADOT and our law enforcement partners need every driver, pedestrian, bicyclist and motorcyclist working together to prevent crashes, injuries and deaths."

More traffic fatalities, 821 in 2022 versus 723 in 2021, occurred on local roads or non-state highways. There were roughly the same number of fatalities on state highways in 2022: 473 versus 469 in 2021.

Among factors cited, speed – determined by law enforcement to be unlawful or too fast for conditions – was reported in serious crashes resulting in 426 fatalities and 20,069 injuries during 2022. This accounted for 32.9% and 38.3% of the totals, respectively. During 2021, speed was a factor in 371 fatalities and 19,571 injuries, accounting for 31.1% and 37.8% of the totals, respectively.

"We are seeing an increase in both traffic and fatal collisions," said Major Jason Leonard, Chief of Staff of the Arizona Department of Public Safety's Highway Patrol Division. "Most of these collisions are preventable if drivers do two things. First, avoid distractions and remain focused on the task of driving. Second, be patient and drive within the law, especially relating to speed, passing and distracted driving. It is imperative that everyone in your vehicle properly utilizes seatbelts and/or car seats to reduce injury in the event of a collision. Your safety is far more important than the time you arrive, or anything on your mobile device."

- There were 302 pedestrian fatalities during 2022, a 16.2% increase from 260 in 2021. Forty-eight bicyclists died in crashes during 2022 compared to 45 in 2021. Bicycle-related fatalities have risen each year since 2018.
- There were 228 motorcyclist fatalities in crashes during 2022, a 36.5% increase from 167 during 2021. Nearly three times as many motorcycle crashes involved riders and passengers wearing helmets, yet 42% of the fatalities in which authorities could determine helmet use involved riders and passengers who weren't wearing helmets.

- Overall, failure to use a safety device, such as a seat belt or helmet, declined slightly in 2022 as a factor in traffic fatalities. The 364 fatalities and 944 injuries from not using a safety device, accounting for 38.6% and 6.6% of the totals, respectively. In 2021, there were 379 fatalities and 3,224 injuries in which individuals didn't use safety devices, accounting for 42.7% and 6.6% of the totals, respectively.
- Alcohol-related crashes resulting in fatalities also saw a slight decline during 2022. There were 223 fatalities and 3,538 injuries in crashes related to alcohol, accounting for 17.2% and 6.8% of the totals, respectively. During 2021, there were 253 fatalities and 3,617 injuries in alcohol-related crashes, accounting for 21.2% and 7% of the totals, respectively.

The 2022 Arizona Motor Vehicle Crash Facts report and reports for previous years are available at azdot.gov/CrashFacts

When temperatures soar, take along ADOT's Extreme Heat Road Kit

These are the essentials if you are delayed or your vehicle breaks down

PHOENIX – Keys? Check. Wallet? Check. But are you prepared for extreme heat should you encounter delays or if your vehicle breaks down?

This is why the Arizona Department of Transportation has an Extreme Heat Road Kit available at azdot.gov/Severe-Weather. Even in a vehicle with air conditioning, it pays to consult this resource if you're planning to travel in the next several days.

Must-haves include a fully charged cellphone and a cooler with cold water for all passengers, including pets. But don't stop there: ADOT's Extreme Heat Road Kit suggests sun protection, such as sunscreen, an umbrella for shade, a wide-brimmed hat and loose-fitting, light-colored cotton clothing, should you have to exit your vehicle.

Keep your tank at least three-quarters full. Running out of gas, especially in a remote location, is dangerous in extreme heat.

If your vehicle breaks down in extreme heat, call for assistance right away to reduce wait time, and run the AC. If the AC isn't working, roll down all windows.

Here are other recommendations should you become stranded along the road:

- DRINK WATER. Make sure everyone, including pets, stays hydrated.
- If temperatures inside the vehicle become too hot, everyone, including pets, should exit carefully and seek out or create a shaded area as far away from the travel lanes as possible.
- Be careful walking on the road surface, which can be hot enough to burn skin. Keep your shoes on and try to keep your pets' paws off the pavement.
- Raise the front hood and turn on hazard lights.
- You can help avoid breakdowns and blowouts by making sure your vehicle is in good operating condition. Check your air conditioner and coolant levels, top off any vital engine fluids and make sure your battery is up to par. Check your tire pressure, as the combination of underinflated tires and hot pavement can lead to a blowout.

So before you travel in extreme heat, make sure you're ready by visiting azdot.gov/Severe-Weather. And whatever you may be planning, be sure to check out Arizona Department of Health Services heat safety tips at azdhs.gov/Heat tailored for older adults, outdoor workers, schools and more.



Fire Prevention Public Information



Fires caused by lithium-ion batteries have dramatically risen in the United States. These rechargeable batteries are found in electric bikes, mopeds, and scooters. Damaged or unstable batteries and improper charging, storage, and disposal can cause batteries to overheat, leading to an explosive, aggressive fire that rapidly spreads. These fires are also challenging to extinguish and can reignite. Call 911 if your battery starts to smoke or catches fire.

<https://youtu.be/iey3fTy3hFM>

Use Approved Batteries

Only purchase and use devices with a reputable testing agency mark, such as UL. These show the product has been safety tested.

Use Supplied Charger

Follow the manufacturer's instructions for charging and storage. Only use the correct cord and power adapter made for the device.

Use The Wall Outlet

Always plug directly into a wall electrical outlet for charging.

Make Sure You Can Get Out

Never block your primary way in or out of a room/apartment.

Store In Open Space

Batteries should be stored away from anything flammable. (Ex. Pillow, bed, or couch)

No Overnight Charging

Do not leave devices unattended while charging them or charge them overnight.

Keep Away From Heat

Keep batteries and devices at room temperature. Keep away from direct sunlight and any heat source.

Dispose Of Batteries Safely

Do not place lithium-ion batteries in the trash or recycling bin. Find an approved battery recycling center near you.

Volunteers

The Phoenix Fire Department is proud to have volunteer programs. Each program has specific requirements, please see the following for more information:

- [Community Assistance Program](#)
- [Cadet Program](#)
- [CERT](#) (Community Emergency Response Team)

If you'd like more information on volunteering for other departments within the city please click [HERE](#).

Valley Watch



Brought to you by Phoenix Fire's good friends at Bonneville Broadcasting, **Valley Watch** airs every Sunday at 5:15 AM on KTAR News 92.3

FM. The radio show is dedicated to sharing news and stories involving public safety and other related information from the City of Phoenix. Valley Watch is hosted by the Phoenix Fire Department's Deputy Communications Director, Ali Pardi. Dedicated to both proactive and reactive messaging, Ali has a background in broadcast journalism. Prior to joining the Phoenix Fire Department, she was formerly known as Ali Vetnar from KTAR News 92.3 FM.

Fire Department's New Fire Data Link Map

This new online data map shows all the emergency incidents dispatched in the Phoenix Fire Department service area, which is the City of Phoenix, Town of Paradise Valley and Laveen. The map has a 30-day rolling window and has filters for Neighborhood and Council District. Incident locations are displayed based on their Category and all incidents are geocoded down to the street level, so that there should not be any incidents shown on someone's home. [Launch the Map.](#)



Call for Smoke Alarm Services. Smoke Alarm Medic specializes in Smoke Alarm / Smoke Detector installation, Smoke Alarm / Smoke Detector battery changes, Carbon Monoxide Alarm / Carbon Monoxide Detector installation and residential Fire

Extinguisher installation & dryer vent cleaning.

We also offer a **premier Home Watch service** for part-time residents or people on extended leave from their property.

Did you know that three of every house fire deaths resulted from fires in homes with no smoke alarms or no working smoke alarms per NFPA? Don't let you or your family be part of this statistic.

Call us for all your fire alarm and fire safety needs! We are a Firefighter owned and operated company!

(623) 221-8434

<https://smokealarmmedic.com>



Set Up a Payment Plan Today for Individual Tax Liability

Bill notices for unpaid 2023 individual income tax liability are being sent to taxpayers. For individuals who cannot afford to pay their individual income tax liability in full, the Arizona Department of Revenue (ADOR) offers the option to request a payment plan and manage their liability through the [AZTaxes.gov](#) website. By making a payment as soon as possible, taxpayers can avoid further penalties and interest.

A payment plan is an arrangement with ADOR to pay tax debt incrementally within an agreed upon timeframe. Taxpayers can quickly and easily set up a payment plan without calling the Department. Simply visit [AZTaxes.gov](#), then under the Individual menu, select Request a Payment Plan.

What you should know if considering a payment plan:

- If a bill has been received for the tax period in question, then the process to establish a payment plan request in ADOR's system may take up to 2 weeks.
- If you have not received a bill for the tax period in question, then the process to establish a payment plan request in ADOR's system will take up to 8 weeks.
- While on a payment plan, taxpayers must not incur any new liabilities, but will continue to incur interest until the outstanding liability is paid in full.
- Payments must be made on time per the payment arrangement through [AZTaxes.gov](#).
- If the payment plan defaults, ADOR can and will enforce without notice through a levy and/or lien action.

Owe on your state taxes and cannot pay? Additional instructions and details on the process can be found at <https://azdor.gov/individuals/payment-arrangement-individuals>. View our [video tutorial](#) for further assistance.



Juniper Branch Phoenix Public Library
1825 W. Union Hills Dr.

Cassandra Hamilton, Asst. Branch Mgr. Adult Services Librarian
Phoenix Public Library Juniper Branch 602-534-2348

Phoenix Public Library Juniper Branch
1825 W. Union Hills Dr.
phoenixpubliclibrary.org

Please check the Calendar at phoenixpubliclibrary.org for additional program details.
Storytime space limited, tickets available 30 minutes before programs.

Baby Time Babies up to age two
Tuesdays, 10:30 am

Toddler Time Toddlers ages 2-36 months
Wednesdays, 9:30 am

Tools for School Children ages 3 to 5 years
Wednesdays, 10:30 am

Music & Movement Children birth to age 5
Thursdays, 9:30 & 10:30 am

Family Storytime Children birth to age 5
Saturdays, 10:30 am

Imagination Lab STEAM activities for age 6 and up
Thursdays, 4:00 pm

TEEN PROGRAMS:
Rock the Tabletop: D&D and Beyond, Tuesdays, 3:30 pm

ADULT PROGRAMS:
Plants, Animals, and Nature of the Sonoran Desert—Saturday, September 9, 1:00 pm

Juniper Book Discussion Group, Wednesday, September 13,
1:30-3:00 pm

Crafternoon—Saturday, September 16, 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Gaming Around, Wednesday, September 20, 3:30-5:00 pm

Medicinal Plants of the Sonoran Desert—Saturday, September 23,
1:00 pm

The Amazing Library Card



Know someone who needs a Phoenix Public Library card? Help them get one!

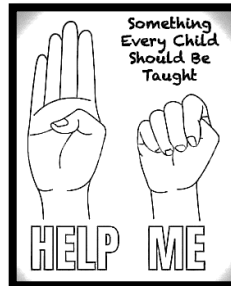
A Phoenix Public Library card is an all-access pass to complimentary resources to promote learning and literacy at every age.

Access a wide spectrum of informative and entertaining films, listen to music, check out physical and virtual materials, or learn a language with the help of Phoenix Public Library's eResources.

[Learn how to get every member of your family their very own Phoenix Public Library card.](http://phoenixpubliclibrary.org)

INFO OF THE MONTH

Share a tip, recipe, info, or some humor, e-mail it to bmca200@gmail.com





Park Activation Grant Program

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ACTIVATE YOUR PARK!

Grant Awards up to \$10,000

The City of Phoenix Parks and Recreation Department is offering grant opportunities for Phoenix neighborhood groups and nonprofits that would like to create programming, host events, or plan activities at their Phoenix Parks.

Registration is OPEN!

[Submit Your Application](#)

Register for a webinar:

Wednesday, September 6 at 6 p.m.

- English Session

Thursday, September 7 at 6 p.m. -

Spanish Session

Tuesday, September 12 at 10 a.m. -

Spanish Session

Thursday, September 14, at 10 a.m. -

English Session

<https://www.phoenix.gov/parks/arpa>

**Deadline to apply is Friday, September 29,
2023 at 7:00 p.m.**

Staff Contact

Tannia M. Ruiz, Neighborhood Grant

Administrator

602-262-4994

tannia.ruiz@phoenix.gov

FOOD TRUCK FRIDAY
is September 29th 5 – 8 pm
FUN, GAMES & FOOD
MOVIE IN DEER VALLEY PARK
will be back in November!

For more info call 602-495-3735

For more information, contact Deer Valley Community Center

DIRECTOR Noreena M. Ortega Office: 602.495.3734

Email: noreena.ortega@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

Phoenix is home to more than 41,000 acres of desert parks and mountain preserves, and 200-plus miles of trails. Millions of people enjoy city trails every year, but sadly, more than 200 hikers annually are rescued from City of Phoenix desert and mountain parks and preserves. This simple checklist can help you from becoming a statistic, [HERE](#).

[Find a Trail Location Near you](#)

[Register for Hikes and Outdoor nature Programs](#)

[Take a Hike. Do it Right.](#)

[Contact Natural Resource Divisions Staff](#)

Take a Hike. Do it Right.

More than **200** hikers annually are rescued from City of Phoenix desert and mountain parks and preserves. This simple checklist can help keep you from becoming a statistic.

- Watch the Weather:**
Yes, "it's a dry heat" – but Arizona's temperature can be deceiving and deadly. Hike when it's cool outside, try early mornings and evenings when there's more shade.
- Dress Appropriately:**
Wear proper shoes, clothing, hat and sunscreen.
- Bring Water:**
Hydrate before you go. Have plenty of water, more than you think you need. Turn around and head back to the trailhead before you drink half of your water.
- Keep in Contact:**
Carry a mobile phone.
- Team Up:**
Hike with others. If hiking solo, tell someone your start and end times, and location.
- Be Honest:**
Do you have a medical condition? Asthma, heart problems, diabetes, knee or back problems? Don't push yourself! (Even trained athletes have been caught off guard by getting dehydrated on Arizona trails.)
- Don't Trailblaze:**
Enjoy the Sonoran Desert's beautiful and undeveloped landscape, but please stay on designated trails.
- Take Responsibility:**
Don't be "that person" – the one who wasn't prepared, shouldn't have been there for health reasons or ignored safety guidelines. Be the responsible hiker, who takes a hike and does it right!

A public service message from the City of Phoenix Parks & Recreation Department and Fire Department

[phoenix.gov/parks/trails](https://www.phoenix.gov/parks/trails)

facebook.com/phoenixparks
[@PhoenixParks](https://twitter.com/PhoenixParks)
[phxparks](https://www.instagram.com/phxparks)

Whether you are in Congressional District 1 (Dave Schweikert) or District 8 (Debbie Lesko), here are some services offered.

Website links:

- <https://lesko.house.gov/>
- <https://schweikert.house.gov/>

- [Service Academy Applications](#)
- [Flags](#)
- [Internships](#)
- [Veterans](#)



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/cgi-bin/id/city.cgi?city=Phoenix&state=AZ>

www.givesmartaz.org



Download Phoenix's mobile app now!

In addition to launching this new mobile app, the city of Phoenix has

recently upgraded the "At Your Service" web portal (now Phoenix.gov/myPHX311). Now you are in full control of getting help with a wide range of services including:

- Requesting water / trash services
- Viewing / paying city services bill
- Reporting issues in the community (streetlights, potholes, water main breaks, etc.)
- Accessing city calendars and public meetings.

BMCA AND BLACK MOUNTAIN PRECINCT COMMUNITY BUSINESS PARTNERSHIPS

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO STARBUCKS



Erica Pravecek
store manager
1-17 & Bell Rd
MAIN 602.376.2940
EMAIL us2956907@starbucks.com

Starbucks Coffee Company
2450 W. Bell Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85023

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!



Deer Valley II Self Storage

Gus & Teresa Johnson
Resident Managers
(623) 582-0252
dv2@arizonastoragecenters.com

20550 N. 19th Ave.,
Phoenix, AZ 85027



Second Chance Pallet Art

Bill Cook
Owner
931-644-8767

JOIN BLACK MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE ON FACEBOOK!



WHERE WE SHARE INFORMATION!

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

LIVE ANOTHER DAY

Mental health and substance use resources

www.liveanotherday.org

MY COMMUNITY MAP

Neighborhood map and information

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

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS

24/7 Helpline 1-844-991-2962 Since 1953

www.Arizona-na.org

NEIGHBORHOOD CRIME STATS

www.communitycrimemap.com

or check out: www.spotcrime.com

PHOENIX C.A.R.E.S.

Help the homeless! 602-262-6251

[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.knoxbox.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

MEETING and EVENT CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER 2023

NO SEPTEMBER FIRST FRIDAY PNP PATROL – Summer Break

Saturday, SEP. 2nd THRIVE BELL ROAD CLEAN-UP
7 - 11 am Meet at 1512 W. Bell Road

Wednesday, SEP. 6th BMCA BOARD MEETING
6:30 pm at the DVCC Conference Room

Wednesday, SEP. 6th WEAR BLUE TO SUPPORT OUR PD!

Thursday, SEP. 7th NBWGP Oversight Committee Mtg.
6:00 pm - e-mail Michael.noyd@phoenix.gov for link info

**Wednesday, SEP. 13th
BMCA / BLK MTN PRECINCT COMMUNITY MEETING**
6:30 pm at the DVCC

Thursday, SEP. 14th BLOCK WATCH GRANT BOOTCAMP
6:30 pm at Washington Activity Center

Tuesday, SEP. 19th BELL RD BUSINESS ALLIANCE MTG.
11:00 am at Bell Ford

Tuesday, SEP. 19th CITYWIDE PNP MEETING
6:00 pm in person at Mt. View Precinct and on WebEx

**Wednesday & Thursday, SEP. 20th & 21st
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

Thursday, SEP. 21st DISTRICT 3 COFFEE CHAT
8:30 am at the Sunnyslope Senior Ctr., 902 E. Vogel

Tuesday, SEP. 26th PBWAB MEETING
6:30 pm at location TBD Hosted by Maryvale Estrella Precinct

Wednesday, SEP. 27th CPCA MEETING
6:30 pm at Cortez High School

Thursday, SEP. 28th BLACK MTN. COFFEE with COPS
8:30 am at Biscuits Café, 310 E. Bell Road

Friday, SEP. 29th FOOD TRUCK FRIDAY
5-8 pm in Deer Valley Park, Fun, Games & Food

Friday, SEP. 29th DISTRICT 1 BREAKFAST
7:30 am at the Doubletree in Metrocenter

**Saturday, SEP. 30th Neighborhood Synergy Conference /
G.A.I.N. KICK-OFF EVENT (3pm)**
7:30 am – 5 pm at the Phoenix Convention Center

OCTOBER 2023

Wednesday, OCT. 4th BMCA BOARD MEETING
6:30 pm at the DVCC Conference Room

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

Friday, OCT. 6th WEAR BLUE TO SUPPORT OUR PD!

Friday, OCT. 6th PNP FIRST FRIDAY ART WALK PATROL
e-mail Rick Sain at ussyorktown25@hotmail.com or at 602-799-0143 Good training for PNP Members!.

Saturday, OCT. 7th THRIVE BELL ROAD CLEAN-UP
9 - 11 am Meet at 1512 W. Bell Road

**Wednesday, OCT. 11th
BMCA / BLK MTN PRECINCT COMMUNITY MEETING**
6:30 pm at the DVCC

Tuesday, OCT. 17th BELL RD BUSINESS ALLIANCE MTG.
11:00 am at Bell Ford

Tuesday, OCT. 17th CITYWIDE PNP MEETING
6:00 pm in person at Mt. View Precinct and on WebEx

**Saturday, OCT. 21st BMCA, DVPNBWO, MVGBW, DVCC
G.A.I.N. EVENT in Deer Valley Park**
5 – 9 pm

Saturday, OCT. 21st CITYWIDE G.A.I.N. DAY
Events all day in Phoenix

Tuesday, OCT 24th PBWAB MEETING
6:30 pm at location TBD Hosted by Maryvale Estrella Precinct

Wednesday, OCT. 25th CPCA MEETING
6:30 pm at Cortez High School

Thursday, OCT. 26th BLACK MTN. COFFEE with COPS
8:30 am at TBD

NOVEMBER 2023

**Wednesday, NOV. 1st BLOCK WATCH GRANT
APPLICATIONS OPEN**

Wednesday, NOV. 1st BMCA BOARD MEETING
6:30 pm at the DVCC Conference Room

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

Friday, NOV. 3rd PNP FIRST FRIDAY ART WALK PATROL
e-mail Rick Sain at ussyorktown25@hotmail.com or at 602-799-0143 Good training for PNP Members!.

Saturday, NOV. 4th THRIVE BELL ROAD CLEAN-UP
9 - 11 am Meet at 1512 W. Bell Road

Monday, NOV. 6th WEAR BLUE TO SUPPORT OUR PD!

Wednesday, NOV. 8th BMCA GRANT WRITING WORKSHOP
6:30 pm at TBD

Tuesday, NOV. 21st BELL RD BUSINESS ALLIANCE MTG.
11:00 am at Bell Ford

DECEMBER 2023

Saturday, DEC. 2nd THRIVE BELL ROAD CLEAN-UP
9 - 11 am Meet at 1512 W. Bell Road

**Monday, DEC. 4th BLOCK WATCH GRANTS
ARE DUE BY 4:00 pm !**

Wednesday, DEC. 6th WEAR BLUE TO SUPPORT OUR PD!

Wednesday, DEC. 6th BMCA BOARD MEETING
6:30 pm at the DVCC Conference Room

Thursday, DEC. 7th NBWGP Oversight Committee Mtg.
6:00 pm - e-mail Michael.noyd@phoenix.gov for link info

Friday, DEC. 8th PNP FIRST FRIDAY ART WALK PATROL
e-mail Rick Sain at ussyorktown25@hotmail.com or at 602-799-0143 Good training for PNP Members!.

Saturday & Sunday, DEC. 9th & 10th INDIAN MARKET
at S'edav Va'aki Museum

Wednesday, DEC. 13th BMCA HOLIDAY PARTY POTLUCK
6:30 pm at the DVCC

JANUARY 2024

Wednesday, JAN. 3rd BMCA BOARD MEETING
6:30 pm at the DVCC Conference Room

Thursday, JAN. 4th NBWGP Oversight Committee Mtg.
6:00 pm - e-mail Michael.noyd@phoenix.gov for link info

Friday, JAN. 5th PNP FIRST FRIDAY ART WALK PATROL
e-mail Rick Sain at ussyorktown25@hotmail.com or at 602-799-0143 Good training for PNP Members!.

Saturday, JAN. 6th WEAR BLUE TO SUPPORT OUR PD!

Saturday, JAN. 6th THRIVE BELL ROAD CLEAN-UP
9 - 11 am Meet at 1512 W. Bell Road

**Wednesday, JAN. 10th
BMCA / BLK MTN PRECINCT COMMUNITY MEETING**
6:30 pm at the DVCC

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
D2 Councilmember Jim Waring	602-262-7445
D3 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
Animal Control	602-506-7387
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
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

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: info@bmcainfo.com

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

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