



DEER VALLEY PARK NEIGHBORHOOD

BLOCK WATCH ORGANIZATION NEWS

"The world is a dangerous place to live, not because of the people who are evil, but because of the people who do nothing about them." Albert Einstein

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The DVPNBWO encompasses the square mile neighborhood from Union Hills Dr. to Beardsley / SR101 and I-17 to 19th Avenue around Deer Valley Park.

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THE DEER VALLEY PARK NEIGHBORHOOD BLOCK WATCH COMMUNITY ZOOM MEETINGS

PARTNER WITH THE
BLACK MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE

NEXT ZOOM MEETINGS

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 2021 6:15 pm

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2021 6:15 pm

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2021 6:15 pm

Join us and talk to our Community Action Officers, hear Precinct Updates and Crime Prevention Presentations.

Go to our website: www.dvpngwo.com and look for the Zoom Meeting link on the PDF Meeting Flyer under Upcoming Meetings and Events.

All you need to do is click on the link and it should bring you directly to the meeting connection.

If there is a problem with the link, call 480-467-7399.



DEER VALLEY PARK COMMUNITY CENTER NEWS



**NO AFTER DARK IN THE PARK EVENT
OR ANY CITY OF PHOENIX FIREWORKS
DISPLAYS AGAIN THIS YEAR...**



**THE DEER VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTER WILL BE
OPENING UP TO A LIMITED CAPACITY!**

Contact Deer Valley Community Center
Jeanne Shockley at 602-495-3712 for more information.

JOIN THE PHOENIX NEIGHBORHOOD PATROL!

**OUR DEER VALLEY PARK NEIGHBORHOOD NEEDS
YOUR INVOLVEMENT!!!**

If you like to walk, bike or drive around the park or neighborhood, you can patrol!

Join the Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol, sign up or get more information, call Laura Robins at 623-533-0847.

"It's a great way to get involved in your neighborhood and take pride in your area," said Kornegay, who coordinates the program. Phoenix police are working on streamlining training to allow more residents to participate. The 2021 Block Watch Basics and Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol Training Classes continue online at this time. Next classes are:



**May 19 & 20 and July 21 & 22
Both days are from 5:00 – 7:00 pm**

e-mail Det. Brian Kornegay at PNP.Coordinator@phoenix.gov
or call 602-256-4303 for information

CONGRATULATIONS!

to the Winner of the SUMMER 2021
"Best Looking Home in the Neighborhood!"



2044 W. Morrow Drive

NOMINATE THE NEXT GREAT LOOKING HOME IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD!

Is there a home on your block that is exceptionally well cared for and meticulously maintained? Then honor your neighbor by nominating them! E-mail dvpngwo@aol.com or call 623-533-0847 to nominate the next best looking home in our neighborhood. The address with the most nominations will win! The FALL 2021 winner will be published in the FALL Sep/Oct/Nov 2021 Newsletter!

MARCH 10, 2021

DVPNBWO,

Black Mountain Community Alliance & BLACK MOUNTAIN PRECINCT ZOOM MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

with 42 in attendance!

ZOOM Meeting called to order at 6:39 pm



COUNCIL DISTRICT NEWS:



District 1 Councilwomen Elect Ann O'Brien thanked us for having her. District 3 Chief of Staff Rose Ferguson mentioned the upcoming Virtual Budget Hearings, Covid Rent Assistance and the Covid Testing Van Schedule.

Black Mountain Precinct Updates by Cmdr. Darren Viner:



Cmdr. Darren Viner and Lt. Brian Rimsza

Cmdr. Viner said that there are no in person meetings or events yet. He gave us the current crime stats in Black Mountain Precinct. The ongoing Thursday Enforcement has been successful.

PRESENTATION: BUS TRANSIT ENFORCEMENT UNIT with Lt. Mark Schweikert



An excellent presentation on bus stop safety. Frosty K. shared her article in The Tattler about this presentation:

BUS TRANSIT ENFORCEMENT: THE SPECIAL POLICE UNIT IS BACK by Frosty Kroening
Lt. Mark Schweikert of the Bus Transit Enforcement Team at the Phoenix Police

Department spoke at the March 10 Black Mountain Community Alliance zoom meeting. He reported that during the "year of Covid" and election demonstrations, the team was redeployed to take care of other police duties. But, now they are back policing buses and light rail and the bus stops and light rail stations. Some buses now will have protective barriers put in place to protect drivers from riders' abusive actions, including having items thrown at them. People need to take transit to work, so it is important to provide safe and clean transit experiences. Neighborhood group representatives pointed out problems around QT gas and food centers along the I-17 corridor. Food apparently is less expensive there for people and the QT company provides bathrooms for the public. QT's management has been cooperating with police and now will commission a new security unit of employees to help patrol their stores. And, the company also has dismantled its outside electrical outlets so people cannot charge their phones at the store. QT wants to be a good neighbor in communities. Other neighbors of Circle K stores are hoping that company will join this effort. Some convenience stores have pony walls that provide cover for homeless people's encampments. Solutions for this issue will be addressed. Citizens are urged to call Lt. Brian Rimsza at (602)495-5032 if we see overloaded trash cans or dirty or damaged bus stops or light rail stations. The City has cleanup crews who will go out and service these areas. Some bus stops are having chairs placed at safe distances from each other rather than using benches. This is more expensive than benches, but keeps people from sleeping on benches. If areas in back of and near bus stops are filled with trash, the property owner is called to clean up. Police are constantly challenged with keeping public transit functions clean and safe. The City upgrades lighting to LED brightness where appropriate. It is good to know that Phoenix has identified these needs and has assigned officers and cleaners to keep buses, bus stops, and light rail cars and stations safe and clean. We applaud the men and women who are our first responders. For homeless people, bus and light rail shelters may feel like safety and home. But, the police have information about how to access other city services that will not only provide true shelter but also food and jobs and health care. The City of Phoenix is trying really hard to address the needs of the people. The next BMCA meeting will be April 14th at 6:30 on zoom. Use www.bmcainfo.com to find the informative newsletter and the zoom meeting information.

APRIL 14, 2021

DVPNBWO,

Black Mountain Community Alliance & BLACK MOUNTAIN PRECINCT ZOOM MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

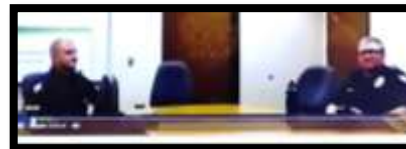
with 27 in attendance!

ZOOM Meeting called to order at 6:39 pm by BMCA Secretary Laura Robins



Mari said the Bell Road Clean Up Meeting went well. They missed Candice. There are 25 small businesses and this may be a good time to get them together.

Black Mountain Precinct Updates by Officer Dave Hurt:



Officer Dave Hurt and CAO Tim Tewers



Sgt. Linda Miller

Officer Dave Hurt said that the northern command post had issues with their audio. Sgt. Miller wanted to remind you about the BELL ROAD CLEAN UP on Thursday, April 29th from 8 – 11 am.

PRESENTATION: POLICING REFORM with Asst. Chief Steve Martos

An excellent presentation on Policing Reform by Chief Martos who was coming to us from Council Chambers during the Budget Hearings.



There has been a lot of discussion on policing change. 2018 had the most officer involved shootings. Chief Williams had a study done on why this was happening. Most reform is done thru transparency. We are showing the stats on how often guns are drawn. There are videos from body worn cameras online for the public to see within fourteen days on officer involved shootings. Most officers wear the body worn cameras. CAP is an alternative for mental crisis calls. We have stopped using choke holds. There have been several changes made to policing across the country to embrace the community. A question was asked about the tragic shooting in Minnesota where a gun was used instead of a taser. In highly stressful situations, muscle memory takes over, so we wear our tasers on the opposite side of our guns. There is always a human element to any situation. The 911 Operators are so important and should be commended for their calm voices during traumatic situations. **Response to Resistance is a better name than Use of Force!** When we respond to a call, we usually have no idea of what to expect. There were questions asked about non-lethal weapons like guns that shoot teargas or slime. There are bills in the legislature about unlawful assembly. Last year there were nearly 200 demonstrations and over a million dollars in property damage in downtown Phoenix.



Black Mountain

Precinct News

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BARKING DOGS

DRONE REGULATIONS

The Christmas rush is gone, winter is coming to a close, and we are all still obeying restrictions regarding the current pandemic. Since we are spending a lot of time outside, or at home, many of us may have picked up some new hobbies. One that is somewhat fascinating and quickly growing, is flying a drone, and drone operations. The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) calls this, unmanned aircraft systems, or UAS.

Because this is becoming so popular, let's just review some basic regulations regarding flying drones. They come in so many shapes and sizes. For a full breakdown on UAS, please review the FAA website at FAA.GOV/UAS/. They have divided drone usage into several categories. My focus here, is simply aimed at those who want to fly them for fun. They are fun!

Drones need to be registered with the FAA, regardless of size. There are two categories, 55 lbs. and under, and 55 lbs. and over. Once registered, your registration number needs to be on the actual drone itself. A drone operator must also indicate why they are flying a drone; for fun, for educational purposes, for business, or for government use.

Listed here are some basic rules for flying Drones. Be cautious as a violation of some of these rules, can result in a ticket or even an arrest. Violations may vary from civil, to misdemeanor charges all the way up to felony charges. (Although Phoenix Police Department officers are capable of enforcing the state laws on unlawful/unsafe drone flights, they are encouraged to educate the public on proper drone use when possible.)

1. Drones cannot be flown out of the line of sight. Some can be pre-programmed to fly a certain flight path, however, that is not an exception to this rule.
2. A drone cannot be flown higher than 400 feet above the ground.
3. You cannot fly a drone within a 5-mile radius of and airport or tower, or after sunset, without the approval of the tower, or a waiver from the FAA.
4. Drones cannot be flown over crowds of people or over vehicle traffic.

Both the city of Phoenix, as well as the State of Arizona have laws regarding drone use, too. The city code, PCC 24-49 addresses the use of drones in public parks. This also includes using remote control planes as well. Under the city code, users must operate the drone in an area of the park that is unobstructed by objects within 400 feet on all sides, and children under 17 must be accompanied by an adult while operating one. Under ARS 13-3729 a person cannot fly a drone where it is prohibited by federal regulations, it cannot interfere with any law enforcement, fire department or other emergency service operation, and a person cannot use drones to intentionally photograph or loiter over or near a critical facility in furtherance of any criminal offense. Critical facilities include jails, police stations, power facilities, water facilities, and military installations to name a few. There is a full list of some of these locations on the FAA UAS section of their website.

The bottom line is, enjoy using your drone and educate yourself on what the rules are. These rules and laws are designed so that operators can use the drones safely, and not interfere with the community either. We want to protect our public, but at the same time, we want you to enjoy your new hobby! For further details and a more in depth review of drone regulations, please review the FAA website, then read up on local regulations as well.

Have you ever had an issue with a neighbor's barking dog (or your own)? Do you feel like there is nowhere to turn? For starters, try understanding why the dog is barking. There are many reasons why a dog might bark excessively, including anxiety, attention-seeking, boredom, responding to other dogs, and playfulness or excitement. Many times if you can figure out what is troubling your dog, you can stop its barking, make the dog more relaxed, comfortable and happy, and at the same time, bring peace to your neighbors and your family.

In Phoenix, it is a Class 1 Misdemeanor for any person to keep a dog that is in the habit of barking or howling or disturbs the peace and quiet of another person (See Below - Phoenix Barking Dog Ordinance). If you have been informed your dog is disturbing another person's peace, you need to take action.

Instead of getting upset and having the situation turn worse, try and resolve the issue peacefully. Below The City of Phoenix offers some helpful tips on how to assist you in resolving the barking dog issue.

- Monitor your dog to assess the reason it is barking.
- Talk to your neighbors to find out when your dog is barking. Often a dog barks only when the owner is not home, so owners do not realize the extent of the disturbance that neighbors face.
- Make sure your dog gets plenty of exercise, so your dog has less pent-up energy to burn by barking. Take your dog for walks instead of just letting it out in the yard.
- Be mindful of the access that doggie doors provide to the outside.
- Avoid leaving a lonely dog alone for long periods of time if possible.
- Give your pet toys and provide soothing sounds, like radio or television while you are away.
- Never comfort, pet, hug or feed your dog when barking for attention or out of anxiety (rewarding unwanted behavior encourages barking instead of stopping it.)
- Shouting at your dog to stop barking does not help; in fact, this may actually cause your dog to bark even more. A dog cannot be trained to stop barking by yelling across the yard.
- Consider a bark collar or muzzle. There are different varieties that work in different ways; your veterinarian can help you choose the right collar.
- DO NOT let your dog bark constantly outside, regardless of the reason.
- Train your dog; many books and online resources are available.
- Try confining your dog to an area away from neighbors or away from things that stimulate barking.
- Consult your veterinarian and/or trainer if you continue to face barking issues despite your best efforts.
- Try mediation with your neighbors who are disturbed; often these issues can be resolved when you and your neighbor are both in the room with a neutral mediator.
- Refer to Website:

<https://www.phoenix.gov/law/prosecutor/barking-dogs/>.

I hope these helpful tips are beneficial and provide you with a quieter, more peaceful community.

CA Officer Tom Owsley #8047at 602-495-5192 or
thomas.owsley@phoenix.gov

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

CA Officer Jennifer Zak #9170 at 602-495-5274
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2021 CRIMES

REPORTED IN OUR DEER VALLEY PARK NEIGHBORHOOD

www.spotcrime.com

NEIGHBORHOOD HOMES (722)

4/25	theft	2200 block W. Sequoia Drive
4/24	theft	2000 block W. McRae Way
4/4	assault	2100 block W. Wickieup Lane
4/2	theft	1900 block W. Kristal Way
4/1	assault	2200 block W. Marco Polo Road
3/23	theft	2100 block W. Morrow Drive
3/19	assault	2100 block W. Sequoia Drive
3/16	theft from car	18600 block N. 22 nd Lane
3/7	theft from car	18800 block N. 22 nd Drive
2/11	assault	2100 block W. Morrow Drive
2/9	theft	2000 block W. Morrow Drive
2/1	theft	2100 block W. Tonto Lane
1/13	theft	2100 block W. Oraibi Drive

APARTMENTS / CONDOS (Element, Wickertree, Cinnabar)

4/30	car theft	2000 block W. Union Hills Drive
4/23	assault	19900 block N. 23 rd Avenue
4/22	burglary	2000 block W. Union Hills Drive
4/22	assault	19900 block N. 23 rd Avenue
4/20	theft	20000 block N. 23 rd Avenue
4/19	theft	19900 block N. 23 rd Avenue
4/17	theft	19900 block N. 23 rd Avenue
4/15	assault	19900 block N. 23 rd Avenue
4/13	assault	20000 block N. 23 rd Avenue
4/13	assault w/firearm	19900 block N. 23 rd Avenue
4/12	theft	2000 block W. Union Hills Drive
4/10	drug arrest	2000 block W. Union Hills Drive
4/9	theft	20000 block N. 23 rd Avenue
4/8	assault	19900 block N. 23 rd Avenue
4/8	burglary	19900 block N. 23 rd Avenue
4/8	car theft	20000 block N. 23 rd Avenue
4/6	burglary	19900 block N. 23 rd Avenue
4/6	sex assault	19900 block N. 23 rd Avenue
4/4	assault	2000 block W. Union Hills Drive
4/2	burglary	2000 block W. Union Hills Drive
4/1	car theft	2400 block W. Behrend Drive
3/29	theft	2400 block W. Behrend Drive
3/23	car theft	2000 block W. Union Hills Drive
3/7	assault	19900 block N. 23 rd Avenue
3/6	theft	2000 block W. Union Hills Drive
3/5	theft	2000 block W. Union Hills Drive
2/25	theft	20000 block N. 23 rd Avenue
2/24	car theft	19900 block N. 23 rd Avenue
2/21	assault	19900 block N. 23 rd Avenue
2/20	theft	2000 block W. Union Hills Drive
2/19	burglary	19900 block N. 23 rd Avenue
2/13	theft	2000 block W. Union Hills Drive
2/8	theft	2000 block W. Union Hills Drive
2/7	assault	19900 block N. 23 rd Avenue
2/6	burglary	2500 block W. Behrend Drive
1/31	assault	20000 block N. 23 rd Avenue
1/31	theft	19900 block N. 23 rd Avenue
1/30	theft	20000 block N. 23 rd Avenue
1/28	assault	19900 block N. 23 rd Avenue
1/27	burglary	19900 block N. 23 rd Avenue
1/26	assault	19900 block N. 23 rd Avenue
1/24	theft	19900 block N. 23 rd Avenue
1/24	burglary	19900 block N. 23 rd Avenue
1/23	assault	20000 block N. 23 rd Avenue
1/20	domestic violence	2000 block W. Union Hills Drive
1/19	assault	20000 block N. 23 rd Avenue
1/19	assault	19900 block N. 23 rd Avenue
1/15	theft	19900 block N. 23 rd Avenue
1/14	assault	19900 block N. 23 rd Avenue
1/3	assault	20000 block N. 23 rd Avenue

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5/1	burglary	2300 block W. Utopia Road
4/14	theft	2300 block W. Utopia Road
4/4	burglary	2600 block W. Union Hills Drive
4/3	burglary	2300 block W. Utopia Road
3/25	burglary	2300 block W. Utopia Road
3/18	burglary	2400 block W. Union Hills Drive
3/16	drug arrest	2400 block W. Union Hills Drive
3/14	arrest	2400 block W. Union Hills Drive
2/27	theft	2400 block W. Union Hills Drive
2/22	burglary	1900 block W. Union Hills Drive
2/20	assault	2400 block W. Union Hills Drive
2/16	burglary	2500 block W. Union Hills Drive
2/8	assault	19900 block N. 23 rd Avenue
2/7	assault	19600 block N. 19 th Avenue (DVP)
2/6	theft from car	19600 block N. 19 th Avenue (DVP)
2/6	burglary	2500 block W. Behrend Drive
2/5	car theft	19600 block N. 19 th Avenue (DVP)
2/3	theft	19900 block N. 23 rd Avenue
2/3	burglary	2000 block W. Union Hills Drive
2/1	burglary	20000 block N. 19 th Avenue
1/28	theft	2500 block W. Union Hills Drive
1/22	burglary	2500 block W. Union Hills Drive
1/20	burglary	2400 block W. Union Hills Drive
1/16	theft	2500 block W. Behrend Drive
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CRIME TIPS

DEBT RELIEF SCAMS CAN MAKE A BAD PROBLEM WORSE

When debt seems like a hole you'll never climb out of, an offer promising to settle your liabilities for pennies on the dollar can be tempting. But proceed with care: Some debt relief offers will line a scammer's pockets while digging you a deeper financial hole.

HOW IT WORKS:

Scam debt relief offers promise "guarantees" to get you out of debt quickly and cleanly.

They ask you to pay advance and ongoing fees for the "services" they provide.

They offer to enroll you in a debt relief program without reviewing your financial situation with you.

They might tell you to stop paying your creditors.

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW:

There simply is no guarantee that any debt relief program will get you out of debt or stop collection calls or lawsuits. Anyone promising this is lying to you.

There is no way a debt relief plan can work for you if it isn't based on your specific financial situation. Offers to enroll you without that review are bogus.

It's illegal for debt relief companies to seek upfront payment before they provide services to you. Walk away when you learn about upfront fees.

In a scam scenario, you might be led to believe fees you are paying to the debt relief company are going to your creditors. If you follow their guidance to stop paying your creditors, you could end up being sued by them.

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO:

Check with your state attorney general and consumer protection agency before working with a debt relief service to see if it has been the subject of complaints.

Consider negotiating with creditors directly or connect with a debt counselor through a nonprofit credit counseling organization, such as the National Foundation for Credit Counseling (www.nfcc.org).

Report any debt relief scams to the Federal Trade Commission by calling 1-800-382-4357 or going online to ReportFraud.ftc.gov.

FIRST CAME PHISHING, NOW THERE'S ... SMISHING

Most of us have heard of the term "phishing." But did you know that phishing done by SMS (that stands for Short Message Service) text message has its own name? That's right, it's called "smishing." (Get it? SMS + phishing?) And just like other types of phishing, smishing relies on the senders pretending to be someone they are not in hopes of getting ahold of your money or personal information.

HOW IT WORKS:

You receive a text message that appears to be from a government agency or a company you are otherwise familiar with.

The text asks for personal information, such as a Social Security number or an online account password.

It may direct you to click a link to resolve a problem or access a service — during the ongoing pandemic, it may relate to COVID-19 testing, vaccines or contact tracing.

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW:

Scammers use technology to make it appear that texts are coming from a particular number, like the IRS or Social Security Administration, or from a company you may do business with.

The message will relay seemingly urgent information that requires you to act right away — your benefits have been suspended, your account has been compromised, or you need to sign up for a COVID-19 vaccine, for example.

The message will include a link for you to click on to address the situation.

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO:

Develop a habit of pausing before clicking on texts. Surveys show we are more likely to read and react to a text message than an email, which is why scammers have flocked to smishing.

Don't click on links from suspicious texts; it may result in loading malicious software onto your device that will harvest your credentials, or sending you to a website that will do the same.

If you have reason to believe the text may be legitimate, reach out to the sender — the IRS, UPS, Amazon or whomever — at a number or web address you know to be legitimate.

ARE YOU SURE THAT'S YOUR BANK REACHING OUT?

Here at the Fraud Watch Network, we're seeing a rise in scammers posing as banks or other financial institutions with the hope of stealing sensitive information — including your account information or Social Security number. These plays occur by phone, email and text.

HOW IT WORKS:

By phone, a call from someone claiming to be with your bank or other financial institution warns of suspicious account activity. They may even have some personal information, like the last four digits of your Social Security number.

By email, you receive a message that looks legitimate — complete with the bank's logo, directing you to click a link to take care of an urgent matter.

By text, a message seemingly from your bank urges you to click a link to address an issue.

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW:

Between social media and data breaches, there's enough information floating around to help a scammer craft a personalized message that seems entirely legitimate.

Scammers often use scare tactics to get us to react emotionally — like claiming they have detected fraud on our account — making it difficult to access our logical thinking processes.

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO:

Greet any message from your bank with caution — ask yourself, "Would my bank really text me?"

If you do get an email, a text or a phone call claiming to be from your bank, don't interact. Look at an account statement or the back of your credit or debit card for a number you can call to determine if the bank is trying to reach you.

If you, like so many others, are now banking online, protect your accounts by using unique passwords, opting for your bank's app if available for added security, and enabling two-factor authentication — the bank will send you a one-time code when logging in to ensure it's you accessing the account.

GET THE SKINNY ON WEIGHT-LOSS SCAMS

Looking to slim down for summer? If so, you are not alone. More than 100 million Americans are watching their diet, spending more than \$70 billion a year to lose weight. It is not surprising that bogus diet products and programs was ranked #1 among health care scams reported to the Federal Trade Commission last year.

HOW IT WORKS:

On-the-make marketers deploy a variety of schemes to get people to purchase their wares.

Some create websites that look like those of legitimate magazines and news organizations and fill them with phony articles claiming celebrities have achieved amazing results from various diet pills or herbal supplements.

Others use social media, posting bogus stories or quietly paying "influencers" to promote unproven products.

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW:

Weight-loss products touted as "natural" or "herbal" don't necessarily mean "safe" or "wholesome," and some herbal ingredients are toxic in certain doses.

Diet and weight-loss programs often encourage you to sign up for a free trial — which, if you read the tiny print, opts you in to getting charged for regular orders or additional products.

Claims that sound too good to be true, such as losing weight while eating as much as you want, are, well, too good to be true.

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO:

Seek advice from a trustworthy source, such as your doctor or a dietitian, before you buy a weight-loss product.

Be skeptical about a product or program promising you'll lose a specific amount of weight per day, week or month.

Be wary of ads that tout weight-loss products as "a miracle," "revolutionary" or "a scientific breakthrough."

If a product claims to be backed by scientific studies, look them up to verify that they exist and are credible.

Check out a weight-loss company's reputation by searching with the [Better Business Bureau](#).

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 [Fraud Watch 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.*



BLOCK WATCH IMPROVES THE QUALITY OF LIFE WITHIN OUR DEER VALLEY PARK NEIGHBORHOOD!

Block Watches come in all sizes. They can be a few houses in a cul-de-sac to a whole square mile neighborhood organization. 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 a safe haven. By rights there should be several "Layers of Protection" around our homes starting with National and State Governments controlling our Borders, then State and City Police Departments with local precincts and City Governments that provide education and resources, then Community Member Groups providing Phoenix Neighborhood Patrollers and PNP signs posted on neighborhood streets and then a Block Watch on our own street with neighbors watching out for neighbors and then our own home security alarms and lighting from burglary prevention education.

If you are interested in starting up a Block Watch on your street please contact our Black Mountain Police Precinct Community Action Officer Tom Owsley at **602-495-5192** or thomas.owsley@phoenix.gov

Come to the Black Mountain Community Alliance Meeting on the second Wednesday of each month (except July, August & November) at 6:30 pm at the Deer Valley Community Center where we hold our Deer Valley Park Neighborhood Block Watch

Organization Meetings and meet with our Community Action Officer!



PARKS AND RECREATION SERVICES UPDATE

The Phoenix City Council approved a plan during its recent meeting to begin reopening the city's outdoor recreational amenities, as well as procedures to resume athletic field reservations and local tournaments this month, and open select city pools this summer. The Council also approved Easter weekend restrictions for parks citywide.

Effective Wednesday, March 17, the process to reopen ramadas and picnic tables, basketball and volleyball courts, fitness equipment and sports complexes began in all city parks. All other park amenities have been open since Oct. 8, 2020, following a Council vote one day earlier, and all city parks, hiking trails and golf courses have maintained normal hours of operation throughout the pandemic. Use of some city park amenities has been restricted intermittently since a Council decision on April 2, 2020. Athletic field reservations and local tournaments at facilities managed by the city's Parks and Recreation Department will resume effective March 22. Reservations and tournaments at those facilities have been paused since Dec 3, 2020. Organizations and teams participating in activities on these fields will be required to follow various safety procedures; including having spectators, officials and coaches wear a mask or face covering; maintaining six feet between the field and spectators; and having an on-site contact to work with city staff.

The Parks and Recreation Department will open the following 12 city pools this summer: Cortez, Deer Valley, El Prado, Encanto, Falcon, Maryvale, Paradise Valley, Pecos, Perry, Starlight, Sunnyslope and University. Those pools will operate at a reduced capacity, have modified open swim and swimming lesson formats and staff will follow an enhanced cleaning protocol. Youth age 17 and younger will receive free admission for open swim at all pools through the city's Kool Kids program. The pools will operate on the city's normal seasonal schedule and be open six days a week from May 29 to Aug. 1 (closed Fridays), and on Saturdays and Sundays only from Aug. 7 to Sept. 6. Swim and dive teams, the water basketball league, and other aquatics activities and special events will not be offered this summer. Additional details about the 2021 pool season, and information regarding registration for swimming lessons, will be available later this month.

Community members using the city's outdoor recreational amenities should continue to follow these guidelines.

- Do not use public recreational amenities if you are exhibiting symptoms of illness.
- Wear a mask or face covering.
- Bring your own wipes and hand sanitizer.
- Keep a safe distance of six feet or more from others. Detailed information about the city's outdoor recreational options and free virtual recreation and fitness programs is available at www.Phoenix.gov/Parks

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City of Phoenix NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Our Neighborhood Specialist is **RONNIE MC GUIRE** 602-262-1682
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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.



Arizonans can now renew driver licenses online

Contactless option will allow older adults to make healthy choices

PHOENIX – Renewing a standard Arizona driver license and a commercial driver license can now be completed with a few clicks on a website.

As Governor Doug Ducey’s Executive Order on [deferring standard driver license expiration dates](#) ends on Feb. 28, the Arizona Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Division is giving many Arizonans the ability to [renew their driver license](#) online. Previously, renewals could only be processed during an office visit.

“Most Arizonans with a standard driver license must renew their license when they turn 65 years of age and every five years thereafter,” ADOT Director John Halikowski said. “During the pandemic, ADOT wants to continue Governor Ducey’s efforts to help protect our most vulnerable and we’re pleased to be able to offer a contactless renewal option so people can continue making healthy choices.”

An in-office visit will be required to renew a standard Arizona driver license if an individual’s photo of record was taken more than 12 years prior to renewal, but most Arizonans will be able to renew their driver license without visiting an MVD office. Driver license-holders can log-in to their account at [AZMVDNow.gov](#) to see their eligibility for online renewal.

To renew a CDL online at [AZMVDNow.gov](#), an individual’s address must remain the same, a [valid primary document](#) is on file with MVD and their current credential must be in good standing. CDL holders with a hazmat endorsement will not be able to renew their license online.

This new, streamlined renewal option was made possible, in large part, when MVD implemented a state-of-the-art computer operating system last spring. That change replaced an obsolete system that contained elements that were older than 35 years and no longer sustainable. The new system has made it possible for MVD to offer customers the ability to complete most services online at [AZMVDNow.gov](#), eliminating the need to visit an MVD office for many Arizonans.

“We’ve all seen a lot of change over the last year, but this is something new that everyone can embrace,” MVD Director Eric Jorgensen said. “The website [AZMVDNow.gov](#) has added convenience for customers and made it easier for Arizonans to conduct their business with MVD. Adding driver license renewals to the long list of other services, like registration renewals, change of address and ordering a replacement license, will help keep Arizonans out of line and safely on the road.”

When renewing online, an individual’s official driver record will be updated with the new expiration date in the MVD system when the application and payment are submitted electronically.

When it comes time to renew a driver license, individuals can follow the below steps to renew online.

- Go to [AZMVDNow.gov](#) and sign-in to your account. If you need to activate your account – everyone with an Arizona driver license has an account – follow those steps.
- After logging in, select “Renew Now” in the “My Credential” section and follow the instructions.

Allow about 15 days for processing and mail delivery of your new driver license.



Taxpayers with Limited Income May Be Eligible for State Tax Credits

Arizona provides tax credits to taxpayers whose income is below a certain threshold and who are not required to file an individual income tax return. Individuals may be eligible for state tax benefits by submitting two forms available through the Arizona Department of Revenue - *Form 140PTC Property Tax Refund Claim or Form 140ET Credit for Increased Excise Taxes*.

These credits aim to provide low-income individuals and seniors with financial assistance in the form of tax relief.

- Form 140PTC is used by qualified seniors to claim a refundable income tax credit for taxes paid on property located in Arizona that is either owned by or rented by the taxpayer. Additionally, taxpayers under age 65 who receive Supplemental Security Income (SSI) can file Form 140PTC. Form 140PTC provides a tax credit of up to \$502. To claim a property tax credit, you must file your claim or extension request by April 15, 2021. An extension will give you until October 15, 2021 to file the claim for this credit.
- Form 140ET is used by individuals not required to file an Arizona individual income tax return but qualify to claim the refundable excise tax credit. The increased excise tax credit allows a credit of \$25 per individual with a maximum credit of \$100 per household.

Individuals not filing an income tax return **and** claiming both credits only need to complete Form 140PTC. However, individuals not submitting a tax return and not claiming the property tax credit **must** complete Form 140ET to claim the credit for increased excise taxes. Taxpayers who do not file an income tax return cannot electronically file Form 140PTC or Form 140ET and must mail these forms to the department using the address provided on the form.

To determine eligibility for either Form 140PTC or Form 140ET, see form instructions at [www.azdor.gov/Forms/Individual](#).

Taxpayers should remember to not staple any documents, schedules, or payments to the return. Additionally, check for math errors and sign the return.

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CHERYL WATSON, FOR ALL OF YOUR
DEER VALLEY PARK NEIGHBORHOOD
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Maricopa County Expands Rent and Utility Assistance

With the CDC eviction moratorium set to expire at the end of April, Maricopa County is providing a new way for individuals and families to get help with rent or utility payments. Today, the County began accepting applications for the federal Emergency Rental Assistance program. It's an effort supported by the Board of Supervisors with the goal of preventing evictions.

[APPLY ONLINE](#)

"Over the past eight months, Maricopa County has provided an unprecedented amount of assistance to individuals and families struggling to pay their bills, an increase of more than tenfold what we can typically provide," said Bruce Liggett, Director of the Maricopa County Human Services Department. "But we understand the need for help in our community is still immense and housing stability is critically important. This new federal funding allows us to continue the important work of supporting families and keeping people in their homes."

HOW THE PROGRAM WORKS

As part of the COVID-19 relief package recently passed by Congress, Maricopa County received \$46.1 million through the federal Emergency Rental Assistance program (ERA). The money is intended to provide rental and utility assistance for people with the greatest need. The Board of Supervisors approved use of the funds last month, which will be administered through the Human Services Department, based on the most recent federal guidance updated on March 16, 2021.

Maricopa County will serve eligible county residents outside of the cities of Phoenix, Mesa, Glendale, Chandler, and Gilbert. Those five cities received direct federal funding and are operating their own programs. Maricopa County will serve all other cities, towns, and the unincorporated areas of the county.

Qualifying households may receive up to 15 months of assistance for rent and utilities. Per the federal guidelines, priority is given to households who have been unemployed for the past 90 days or for those at or below 50% of the County's median income, which is \$38,900 for a household of three.

WHO QUALIFIES

To qualify, households must have an income at or below 80% of the County's median income, which is \$56,050 for a family of three.

In addition, under ERA guidelines, one or more individuals in the household must:

1. Qualify for unemployment benefits **OR** have experienced reduced income or increased expenses due to COVID-19; **AND**
2. Demonstrate a risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability as evidenced by past due notices.

HOW TO APPLY

Households can apply through Maricopa County (via the [website portal](#)).

The portal will provide people with a screening tool to determine potential eligibility, and a secure link to submit a complete application, including uploading required documents.

Maricopa County will process applications on a first come, first served basis. We anticipate significant demand will exceed available funding, and processing and applicant notifications may lag. We ask that applicants are patient during this time.

"We understand the urgency felt by many families and will work diligently to process applications as quickly as we can," said Liggett. "I am grateful to the Board of Supervisors for approving this funding for our community, and I'm so appreciative of the tremendous work done by our staff and Community Action Program partners in response to this crisis."

For detailed information on how to apply, visit maricopa.gov/renthelp.

BACKGROUND

The Maricopa County Human Services Department has historically provided rent and utility assistance to low income households on a smaller scale, using multiple fund sources. Prior to the COVID-19 crisis, approximately 6,600 households received 10,000 months of combined utility and rent assistance from a budget of \$5 million annually.

Over the past 8 months, in response to the pandemic, the County has expanded that assistance greatly. The Department developed policy, modified automated systems, hired and trained staff, and provided over \$55 million in funding for 13,300 households and a total of nearly 45,000 combined months of assistance.

This effort was funded primarily through CARES Act dollars allocated by the Board of Supervisors. The County provided \$46.25 million in rental assistance and \$13 million in utility assistance between July 2020 and February 2021, largely through simplified eligibility and payment procedures for families impacted by COVID-19.

In addition to ERA funds, Maricopa County expects to receive an additional \$30 million from the recently passed American Recovery Act.

WATER SAFETY RULES FOR CHILDREN

The most important rule for water safety still lies with adults: **never leave your child unsupervised** near any amount of water for any amount of time. Nonetheless, you should still teach your children about water safety. Here are ten water safety rules for your children.

1. Walk near water

The pool deck and the bathroom floor can be slippery. It's important to use slow and safe walking feet even when excited. Otherwise, your children could hit their heads and develop a serious injury.

2. Wear a life jacket

If your child is a non-swimmer or a new swimmer, it is prudent to wear a [life jacket](#) or [puddle jumpers](#) in the pool every time. [Pool noodles](#) and [arm floaties](#) are not approved safety devices and can provide a false sense of security. Near natural bodies of water like rivers, lakes, or the ocean, life jackets are the smart decision.

3. Ask permission to get in the water

Your child should always ask permission from you to approach or enter the water. They should be taught never to turn on the bathwater or the hose without your expressed permission.

4. Have an adult watch the children

There needs to be an adult in the event of an emergency. Constant, uninterrupted and undistracted adult supervision is non-negotiable.

5. Go in the water in feet first

Diving in head first can cause serious head injuries. It is important to ask lifeguards if diving is okay and look for posted signs. It's better to always jump in feet first. Never dive into a shallow end of a pool or a body of water with an unknown depth.

6. Swim with a buddy

This goes along with always ask permission, but it is important to reiterate that a child should never be in the water without someone else. If your child is a non-swimmer, it should be a competent adult with sound judgment.

If your child can swim and is extremely responsible with sound judgment, a buddy system can work to alert near adults when something is wrong.

7. Don't swim in moving water

Teach your children that water with a current can be unpredictable. While there are definitely slow moving areas that are safe, children should be taught rivers, streams, and creeks are off limits.

Of course, if your child asks permission (rule #3) and you know it's safe, then there is a clear exception to this rule. There can be safe, life-guarded areas that are safe exceptions. Nonetheless, adult supervision and a lifejacket still are the safest choices for any natural body of water with a current.

8. Stay in the designated area

Teach your children to look for the designated markings. At pools, teach your child to read the signs that demonstrate the depth of the water. Make sure your child understands that a lane marker or lane rope with float in a pool is not a toy to hang on but instead a boundary to respect.

9. Get out when you are tired

Drowning can occur when someone is too tired to make it back to shore or to the side of the pool. Set a time limit for swimming with your children and have them get out of the pool before they are too tired.

10. No horseplay

Adolescents are at a greater risk of drowning when participating in horseplay. They can dunk one another in a playful way but not realize when a peer is struggling.

Model this yourself as an adult. Resist the temptation to toss your child around in the water. It is important that small children have a sense of their own body autonomy so they can set and defend boundaries with peers when they get older.

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

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JUST DIAL 211 or 877-211-8661

www.211arizona.org

SEX OFFENDER

NOTIFICATION INFORMATION

IN AND AROUND YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD

Sex Offender information can be accessed all of the time at

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

www.offenderwatch.com

www.missingkids.org www.nspow.gov

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.)

SIGN UP FOR REVERSE 911 *IN CASE OF EMERGENCY*

Getting an emergency message out to those living near a catastrophe can be difficult. In Arizona, there is a reverse 911 system.

The Community Emergency Notification System helps those managing a disaster send a message to potential victims, alerting them to stay away and stay safe.

The Community Emergency Notification System is a robo-voice message alert going straight to your phone.

The system automatically dials the landlines in the area of the active scene, but with landline phones nearly extinct, you must register your cell phone if you want to get the message.

[\[Click here to register your phone\]](#)

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

The system will be able to send text messages out and not only to those who are registered but also to anyone who is near a cell tower where the situation is ongoing.

VISIBLE HOUSE NUMBERS

Please take a moment to step out in front of your home and look for your address. Seriously, if you were an emergency responder is your address visible? Have bushes grown and now obscure or is there an RV parked in such a way that the house numbers are not easily seen? DO NOT rely on the painted curb because a parked vehicle can cover it up. If you have an alley, please take the time to be sure your address is visible on your fence also. Also, make sure the address numbers are visible after dark! Solar LED Spotlights work great!

FOLLOW POLICE DISPATCH CALLS ONLINE

If you see a police helicopter or other police activity in your area, go to www.radioreference.com and you may be able to follow police dispatch reports. Click on Live Audio, AZ, Maricopa, Phoenix Police and speaker

DYPNBWO GRAFFITI WATCH



Our neighborhood needs help! If you would like to join our Graffiti Team to paint over the graffiti as soon as it shows up around the neighborhood, please e-mail dypnbwo@aol.com. When you see it in and around our neighborhood please call Laura Robins at 623-533-0847. THANKS!

IMPORTANT INFO ABOUT NEXTDOOR!

The Police can only post information and events, they cannot see any posts by you or your neighbors unless the posts are directly responding to the Police post. When you or your neighbors talk about suspicious activity, burglaries, etc. on the neighborhood list, the police cannot see it. So, you need to call the information in to CRIME STOP 602-262-6151 or to be anonymous, call SILENT WITNESS 480-WITNESS.

Phoenix Library Events

JUNIPER BRANCH LIBRARY RE-OPENED ON MAY 3RD!

Customers making a reservation for an in-building visit will be able to access select services inside a library facility such as:

- use a computer or the internet.
- browse the library collection.
- use a printer, scanner, or copier.
- pick up holds.
- check out materials.
- check out a laptop and/or Wi-Fi hotspot.

For complete details, specific schedules and hours of operation, Call JUNIPER BRANCH LIBRARY located behind KFC at 19th Avenue and Union Hills Drive at 602-262-4636.)



Website: www.IdentityTheft.gov

Recovering from identity theft is easier with a plan. If someone has stolen your identity, or you've gotten a notice about a data breach, visit the FTC's new site at IdentityTheft.gov for help. IdentityTheft.gov is the federal government's one-stop resource to help you report and recover from identity theft. It's also available in Spanish at RobodelIdentidad.gov.

If you visit the website for the Federal Trade Commission www.ftc.gov and go to Publications (type publications in the search bar) you should be able to locate approximately 187 different FREE publications on all types of different topics. This may be a good resource for community information without the burden of paying for printing.

You can also get on the DO NOT CALL REGISTRY!

The **Do Not Call Registry** accepts registrations from both cell phones and land lines. To register by telephone, call 1-888-382-1222 (TTY: 1-866-290-4236). You must call from the phone number that you want to register. To register online (donotcall.gov), you will have to respond to a confirmation email.

Some Arizona residents to use new phone dialing procedure

April 23, 2021

PHOENIX (AP) — The Arizona Corporation Commission has announced residents in three large area codes in Arizona will have to transition to 10-digit dialing for all local calls later this year.

The commission said residents with area codes 480, 520 and 928 should begin dialing area codes with phone numbers beginning this weekend before the transition is permanent starting Oct. 24. Calls made after that date that do not include area codes may not go through, officials said.

The announcement was made after the Federal Communications Commission last year approved 988 as the three-digit abbreviated dialing code to reach the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline starting July 16, 2022.

The order requires all telecommunications carriers, interconnected Voice over Internet Protocol providers and one-way VoIP providers to make necessary network changes to ensure anyone who dials 988 in the U.S. reaches the existing National Suicide Prevention Lifeline.

The statement said safety and security equipment, such as medical devices and security systems, must also be re-programmed to use 10-digit dialing. Many systems use 10-digit dialing by default.

The 520 area code covers southern Arizona, including Tucson, Nogales and other cities. The 928 area code covers northern and western Arizona, including Yuma, Flagstaff, Lake Havasu City and other cities. And the 480 area code covers the East Valley and parts of Pinal County, including Mesa, Tempe, Apache Junction and other cities.

Arizona also has two other area codes — 602 and 623 — that are not listed as part of the change. Those area codes include Phoenix and some parts of the West Valley, including Glendale, Goodyear, Surprise and other cities.

The change does not affect the price of a call, coverage areas or other rates and services. Long-distance calls will still need a 1 before the area code followed by the number. Residents will still be able to dial 711 for relay services and 911 for emergency services.

The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline can still be reached by dialing 1-800-273-TALK (8255) even after the three-digit code is in effect, the commission said.

Suicide Warning Signs

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

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

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Our Deer Valley Park Neighborhood Block Watch Organization will be installing these new metal Block Watch Signs on light poles in our neighborhood in the near future.

We will be replacing the old Block Watch and PNP Signs around the park. If you would like one on your street within our neighborhood, please e-mail dvpnbwo@aol.com on the location.



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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:

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YOUTH JOB LISTINGS

Enterprising Neighborhood Youth, please call or e-mail us and add your name to this FREE list!

BABYSITTING, PET SITTING, HOUSE SITTING & CLEANING
Tayler Godard 623-271-8645 or 623-262-6780

WANT ADS

This is a great place to list (for free) needs such as carpooling to work or schools, work needed, etc. Be sure to call or e-mail us!

WANTED: Neighbors (elderly or infirm) who need help with yard clean up. Call 623-533-0847 or email dvpnbwo@aol.com

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Laura Robins 623-533-0847
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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
Councilwoman Ann O'Brien	602-262-7444
Abandoned Shopping Cart	602-CRT-PKUP
Abandoned Vehicle off street	602-534-4444
Abandoned Vehicle on street	602-262-6151
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
Humane Society 8am-6pm	602-997-7585
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
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
Report Green Swimming Pools	602-506-0700
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
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



**DEER VALLEY PARK
NEIGHBORHOOD
BLOCK WATCH ORGANIZATION**

BE THE FIRST ON YOUR BLOCK TO GET THE NEWS!

GET ON THE DVPNBWO E-MAIL LIST !

E-mail dvpnbwo@aol.com and request to be put on the e-mail list to receive CRIME ALERTS, reminders for the Deer Valley Park Neighborhood Community Meetings, early copies of this neighborhood newsletter IN COLOR and timely information about Lost Pets, Neighborhood Events and Concerns.

A REMINDER: PLEASE REMEMBER ON COLLECTION DAYS TO PUT YOUR GARBAGE AND RECYCLE CANS IN THE STREET WITH THE WHEELS AGAINST THE CURB AND NOT ON THE SIDEWALK WHERE OUR KIDS RIDE THEIR BIKES, ETC.

BULK TRASH PICKUP

The next date for our neighborhood (Area 12) to start putting out bulk trash will be on **Saturday, JULY 31st**. Pick up begins on **Monday, AUGUST 9th**.

Remember, there is a **ONE WEEK RULE**, so don't put the trash out too early.

Bulk trash consists mainly of materials that cannot be placed in your green/black garbage container or recycled in your blue Phoenix Recycles container.

Unacceptable Materials

Our Bulk Trash crews will not pick up the following:

- More than 20 cubic yards per residence, or a pile the size of a SUV
- Loose debris and litter
- Loose grass, leaves, weeds, twigs and hedge clippings
- Household hazardous waste (HHW), such as antifreeze, pool chemicals, oil, batteries and paint
- Community piles
- Materials placed in the Bagster bags
- Materials such as bricks, concrete, dirt, rocks, asphalt and roofing shingles/tiles
- Construction materials in excess of 25 pounds or over four feet long
- Metal or car parts in excess of 20 pounds or over four feet long
- Tires, any shape or size
- Glass such as windows, shower doors, patio doors, mirrors, fluorescent tubes, etc.
- Tree trunks or stumps larger than 12" in diameter
- Appliances that use refrigerants such as freezers, refrigerators and air conditioners

(Remember that the trash needs to be 5 feet away from any object, behind the curb, and no larger than a pile 10 feet long, 9 feet wide and 6 feet high. If the pile runs up into your driveway expect to clean the area above the sidewalk yourself.)

Check out our website: www.dvpnbwo.com

For questions, concerns or e-mails to the Editor, please e-mail them to: dvpnbwo@aol.com

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