



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.

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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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The BMCA storage unit at the Deer Valley II Storage facility wasn't burned down in the fire, however it was in the same building about 12 units away from the fire. We haven't been able to access our unit because of the ongoing investigation. Hopefully we didn't suffer too much smoke or water damage...



NEXT BMCA & PNP MEETING **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12th at 6:30pm**

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

BOARD ELECTIONS for V-Chair & Secretary **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:
TBD

Crime Prevention Materials Distributed!

Refreshments

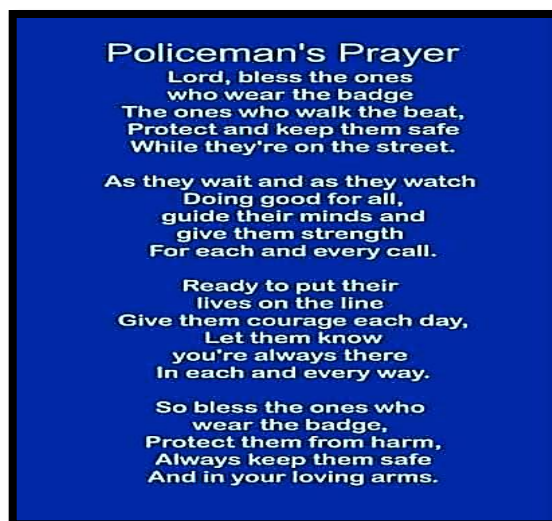
NEXT BLACK MOUNTAIN PRECINCT **COFFEE WITH COPS**



Next Coffee is Thursday, March 27, 2025
8:30 am at Biscuits Café, 310 E. Bell Rd.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

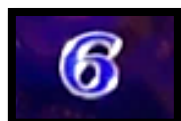
GET TO KNOW YOUR CAO!



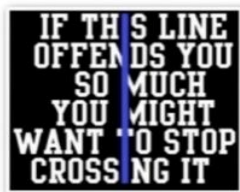
**Wear BLUE on
the 6th day of each month to show support of
PHOENIX POLICE OFFICERS!**

***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 USE OF FORCE DASHBOARD

<https://stories.opengov.com/phoenixaz/published/6EtqIY5qQ>

PHOENIX PD APP

The Phoenix Police Department 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 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 RESERVE Protect and Serve, Become a Reserve!

www.phoenixpolicereserve.org
602-534-9000

Phoenix Police Department Black Mountain Precinct NEWS



Black Mountain Precinct

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

Precinct: 602.495.5002

DRONE REGULATIONS

Spring is almost here and 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 system, 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 can enforce 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 an 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-controlled 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 educating 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.



Black Mountain Precinct CAO Sgt. Linda Miller

602-495-5112 or 602-904-9195

linda.m.miller@phoenix.gov

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



Phoenix Police Chief Recruitment Survey



The City of Phoenix is looking for a permanent Police Chief. As we go through the hiring process,

we want your feedback. [Take the survey and let us know your top priorities for police leadership and what questions we should be asking.](#)

Phoenix Police Department Implements New "Use of Force" Policy

The Phoenix Police Department is implementing its new "Use of Force" policy. The purpose of this new policy is to clearly define when it is permissible for officers to use force and an officer's duties before, during, and after a force encounter. You can read more about the changes to the [Use of Force Policy here.](#)

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

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Black Mountain Precinct Community Programs Lt. Ben Sywarungsymun #7094

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Black Mountain Precinct Commander Matt Siekmann

602-262-5063

matt.siekmann@phoenix.gov



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: ceb2024

(This is the same meeting number for all of 2024 to make it easier for everyone)

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, 2025. It is now 70 cents a mile.

PNP merchandise order forms and cost:

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

PNP LUNCHEON: Tentative date: April 12, 2025

Brian Kornegay #5132, Detective,
Phoenix Police Department
Community & Employee Resource 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

**2025 TRAINING CALENDAR
PHOENIX NEIGHBORHOOD PATROL CLASSES**

In-Person : March 22, July 26, November 15 (1-Day)
Mountain View Precinct's Community Room
2075 E. Maryland Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85016
8am to Noon, check-in begins at 7:30am
Seating limited to 45 people
pre-registration required

Virtual: (2-Days)
January 22 & 23, May 21 & 22, September 17 & 18
Using Cisco Webex Meetings online platform
5pm to 7pm each day, check-in begins at 4:30pm
Pre-registration is required to get the login information

Virtual class system requirements:
Attendees need to have a computer or mobile (cell phone or tablet) with internet access and a camera and microphone to participate in the class. Mobile devices will need to download the Cisco Webex Meetings app prior to joining the class.

To register for the class please contact:
pnpc.coordinator@phoenix.gov or call 602-256-4303

Classes are added throughout the year, for the most current list visit:
www.pnpgmembers.com or www.phoenix.gov/police

**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 IS IN PERSON
MARCH 22nd**

PNP GROUP PATROL

Contact Rick Sain at ussvorktown25@hotmail.com or at 602-799-0143

**Next First Friday's Group Patrol is on
Friday, March 7th**

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



Team PNP at the HONOR WALK 3/23/25

INFO OF THE MONTH

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



A Note from the Mayor's Office:

I wanted to reach out and introduce myself and my colleague, Ynez Chacon, as the new Community Relations Coordinators in the Office of the Mayor. I want to offer ourselves both as a contact and as a resource for you and your association. Please don't hesitate to keep us aware of events, meetings, or anything else that you think is important for our office to know.

The best way to reach me is at michael.pissos@phoenix.gov or on my direct line at (602) 534-9527. Ynez can be reached at ynez.chacon@phoenix.gov or on her direct line at (602) 534-1665.

We look forward to getting to know you and working together!
Respectfully,

Michael Pissos

Community Relations Coordinator
o: (602) 262-7111
c: (440) 667-8856

Ynez Chacon

Community Relations Coordinator
o: (602)-534-1665
ynez.chacon@phoenix.gov



Join the City of Phoenix Aquatics Team!

Ready to make a splash this summer? The City of Phoenix Aquatics is hiring lifeguards, and we need YOU!

Get certified with a Lifeguard Certification Class – all you need to do is:

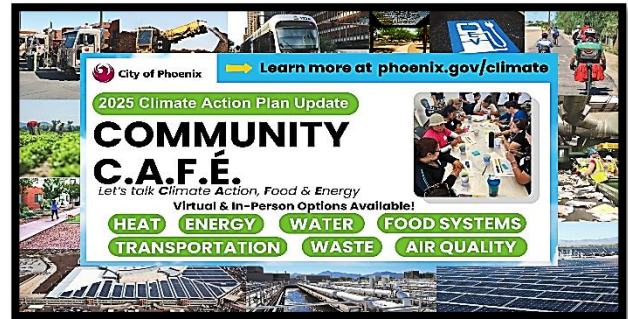
- Be 15 years old by the end of the class
- Pay a class fee of just \$20
- Attend all class dates (mandatory!)

[Sign up today! Click here to find a class date & time.](#)

Don't forget to:

- [Submit your City of Phoenix application](#)
- Watch your email to sign up for an interview in March!

Get ready to dive into a rewarding summer job with Phoenix Aquatics!



Community C.A.F.E. Conversations

Be a part of developing the 2030 Food Action Plan, the Energy Access Plan and the update to the Climate Action Plan.

Participate in community C.A.F.É. (Climate, Action, Food, and Energy) conversations. Conversations will focus on different elements of the plans – from heat to energy, water, food, air, and more. These conversations are intended to be an engaging and interactive space. Each community C.A.F.É. conversation will be approximately two hours with both in-person and virtual options available as well as English and Spanish language interpretation options. In-person sessions will include food in appreciation for your time and participation, and activities for children. To learn more about dates, times, and how to register click

visit www.phoenix.gov/oep/cap



Trail Heat Safety Survey: Share Your Feedback!

As temperatures rise, it's more important than ever to ensure Phoenix trails remain enjoyable for everyone while minimizing heat-related risks to both trail users and first responders. The Parks and Recreation Department is seeking your feedback on proposed changes to the Trail Heat Safety Program, which could impact trail usage during extreme heat conditions. We invite you to complete a short survey to share your thoughts. [Learn more about the Trail Heat Safety Program and complete the survey.](#)

Share Your Feedback on How Phoenix Spends Grant Funds

Every five years, the City of Phoenix partners with the community to develop a strategic Consolidated Plan. The plan defines strategies to address housing, community development needs, and current market conditions in order for the City of Phoenix to make informed decisions on an estimated \$130 million in HUD grant funding. Grants include the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Home Investment Partnership (HOME), Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG). Your feedback is crucial to improving your community. [Take the survey now!](#)

ACCESSIBILITY COMPLIANCE ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM

The Accessibility Compliance Enforcement aide is a volunteer who has committed to serve a minimum of four hours each week to assist the community and the Phoenix Police Department. Volunteers patrol the city of Phoenix, writing disabled parking citations. The mission of the ACE Program is to provide safe and accessible parking spaces for the disabled community through enforcement and education. Directed patrol is accomplished by responding to locations identified through the disabled parking violation hotline, **602-534-SPACE**.

The City of Phoenix has created the Save Our Space Campaign to educate the public about the importance of saving disabled parking spaces for those people who really need them. Recently, the City of Phoenix has more than doubled the fine for illegal use of designated accessible parking spaces. The fine for this violation is \$296/\$565.

The authority granted to accessibility compliance Volunteers is limited to non-law-enforcement functions. ACE volunteers will not engage in any activities that would place them in the role of a sworn law enforcement officer, and/or subject them to unreasonable and unnecessary hazards.

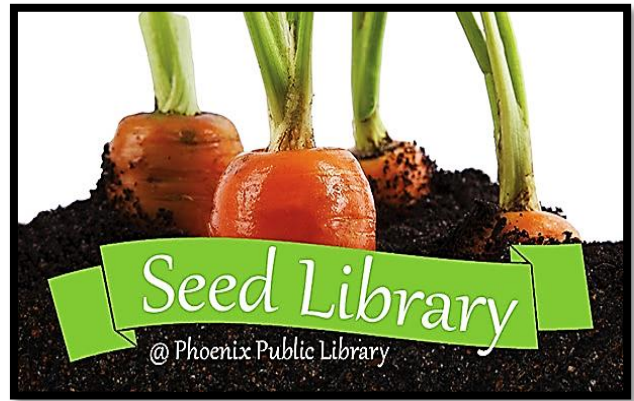
MOTORIST ASSIST PROGRAM

The Motorist Assist aide is a volunteer who has committed to serve a minimum of four hours each week to assist members of the community and the Phoenix Police Department. Serving as a uniformed civilian, the volunteer assists motorists who have encountered vehicular problems while using city streets. Assistance provided may include, but is not limited to, pushing vehicles; starting vehicles; opening vehicle doors; providing fuel, air, or water; assisting with changing a tire/s; arranging transportation; or other assistance reasonably required to aid the temporarily stranded motorist.

Volunteers also work closely with sworn police personnel and may be called upon to assist at vehicular accident scenes for traffic control or other duties. In addition, the volunteer may be requested to assist at special events. The philosophy of the Motorist Assist Program is service as opposed to enforcement. The authority granted to Motorist Assist aides is limited to non-law-enforcement functions. Motorist assist aides will not engage in any activities that would place them in the role of a sworn law enforcement officer, and/or subject them to unreasonable hazards.

If you would like to join the MAP team of volunteers contact:
City of Phoenix Police Department
Community Relations Bureau
C.O.P.S. Volunteer Coordinator
desk: 602-262-7218
fax: 602-534-2346

 [Join Cops](#)



Phoenix Public Library is More Than Books

Get ready for spring gardening! Visit a Seed Library at any one of our 17 locations and check out some seed packets to take home. We have a wide variety of fruit, vegetable and perennial seeds available along with tips and materials to get you started. All for free with your PPL card!





District 1 Community Breakfast/Dinner with Vice Mayor Ann O'Brien

Next Dinner will be on Monday, March 24th at 5:30 pm
at Location TBD

Please RSVP at 602-262-7444 council.district.1@phoenix.gov

Message from Vice Mayor Ann O'Brien

My staff joined me on a tour of the Safe Outdoor Space located downtown. The Safe Outdoor Space is one of many diverse shelter types we have opened over the past couple of years. As called for in my Proposed Homeless Solutions Plan, diversity in shelter options reduces the impediments of folks on the street accepting shelter. Previously, we were hearing concerns from unsheltered families not wanting to be separated, folks with pets who needed shelters that accommodated their furry companions, and even those who may just not be ready to enter a full shelter space. As we continue to tackle homelessness, we need to create spaces for everyone, and the Safe Outdoor Space is one of those. This community offers unsheltered folks who may not be ready to fully reintegrate into a structured environment safe from the streets and drugs while they start their journey to recovering from homelessness. This is just one of many homeless programs that are at risk of being defunded due to the loss of revenue from the State Legislature's removal of rental tax and decreased state shared revenue funds. But, with the proposed sales tax increase I've been talking about, this community and our other programs that are showing a high success rate in keeping people off the street and reducing our homeless populations will be able to continue.

Currently, in the northern part of my district, I'm working closely with Pulte Homes to rezone and plan 6,400 acres of land into a master-planned community called North Park. This community would have anywhere from 16,000 to 19,000 residential doors. Estimating 2 to 2.5 people per door, we're looking at 32,000 to 47,500 new residents in North Phoenix over the next ten years. That's about half the population of Flagstaff, to put it into perspective. With this community, we're quite literally building a town with restaurants, grocery stores, retail, and entertainment. Yesterday's panel helped solidify my desire to see an urban, walkable community in the middle of the desert. The trend for master-planned communities is for everyone within the community to be within a 10-minute walk to their nearest restaurant or retail space. I've been working to ensure this community isn't like a standard suburban neighborhood with all the commercial crunched up at one intersection. But instead, spread throughout the community so no resident is located too far from their nearest restaurant or retail store.

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

[Learn more about Vice Mayor O'Brien](#), her priorities and focus for District 1 on the [district's webpage](#).

DOJ Investigation Update

- President Trump has put a stay on all investigations related to Civil Rights Violations. While staff continues to speak with the DOJ, the future is uncertain.

City Launches Community Survey

The survey is served up to residents on various websites and social media platforms. Residents can also respond to the survey directly with [this link](#).

We've also created a [survey landing page](#) on Phoenix.gov to answer questions, including the security and privacy of the survey.



Twitter: [JimWaring](#)

Facebook: facebook.com/waringjim

Upcoming City Council Meetings

Next City Council Formal Meetings: MAR. 5th & 26th

Next City Council Policy Meeting: MAR. 18th & 25th

Subcommittee Schedule

Public Safety and Justice (PSJ) – 10:00 a.m., first Wednesday of the month
Economic Development and Housing (EDH) – 10:00 a.m., second Wednesday of the month

Transportation, Infrastructure and Planning (TIP) – 10:00 a.m., third Wednesday of the month

Interested in serving on Phoenix's Boards and Commissions?

District 1 is seeking community leaders interested in serving as the District's representative for various boards and commissions, such as the Village Planning Committee.

To start the application process, please visit the [Boards and Commissions webpage](#).



District 3 Councilwoman Debra Stark

602-262-7441 council.district.3@phoenix.gov

DISTRICT 3 COMMUNITY MEETING

Please join us for the District 3 Community Meeting on Tuesday, March 19th, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the North Mountain Visitor Center (12950 N. 7th Street).

We are pleased to welcome guest speakers from the Budget and Research Department, who will provide insights into the upcoming budget season, and the Planning and Development Department, who will discuss the General Plan.

Food and refreshments will be provided.

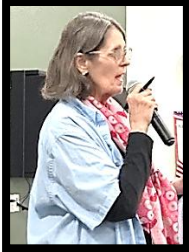
Please RSVP by March 17th by calling 602-262-7441 or council.district.3@phoenix.gov



FEBRUARY 12, 2025

BLACK MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE & BLACK MOUNTAIN PRECINCT COMMUNITY BW / PNP MEETING HIGHLIGHTS With 57 in attendance at the DVCC

Meeting called to order at 6:35 pm



BCMA Chair Candice Fremouw Sharon & Betty did check in



CITY COUNCIL:

D 1 Vice Mayor Ann talked about the celebration for reaching the housing plan goals in 5 years instead of 10 years! The city is trying to provide more affordable housing for seniors and young people. Budget season is approaching, please give us your input. We have to balance our budget, so we are looking at 3% cuts across the city. The D 1 Budget Hearing will be on April 1st at the Doubletree. We are trying to hire more officers and looking to add part-time positions. Also, there is a bill to allow officers who retire to return to SRO positions. The Honor Walk is coming up on February 23rd to help raise funds for our officers to make the trip to Washington to honor Officer Coolidge. The D 1 Breakfast is on Friday, February 28th at the Doubletree.



MCS:



D 3 Supervisor Kate McGee's Deputy Chief of Staff Carissa Cortez introduced herself.

NSD:

Mari said that February is Graffiti Free Month and passed out cards with information for reporting graffiti.



DVCC:



Noreena said they are gearing up for the summer programs.

Black Mountain Precinct Updates

Cmdr. Matt Siekmann said that in Black Mountain Precinct there is an 8% reduction in violent crimes and an 18% reduction in property crimes. There have been two ICE protests in our precinct with no major violence. One at Cave Creek & Bell and the other at 19th Avenue & Thunderbird. Palomino Park has a new basketball court funded by Devon Booker. Ocotillo has been quiet with almost no calls for service.



SIGN / FIRST AID KIT PRESENTATIONS:



CAO Jeremy Campbell and Bill Carlyle
One First Aid Kit to Ridge Runners Block Watch



CAO Tim Tewers and Jill Vater
Two VBW Signs to Seven Palms BW



CAO Jeffrey Blair picked up two Signs
for new Stone Butte Block Watch



Goldie came for a visit! Goldie and Karin



Lots of Info!



BREAK OUT SESSION

to meet with Area 21, 22 & 23 CAOs



Area 21 met with CAO Jeffrey Blair & Lt. Ben



Area 22 met with CAO Tim Tewers



Area 23 met with CAO Jeremy Campbell

PRESENTATIONS:

ENGAGING WITH THE MAYOR'S OFFICE with Michael Pissos, Community Relations Coordinator



Candice introduced Michael who is a former police officer who has a degree in political management. He worked for Mayor Gallego in her recent re-election. I wanted to come by and introduce myself and thank you for being here. Please don't hesitate to reach out to me. Michael.pissos@phoenix.gov Think about joining our Boards and Commissions. I encourage all of you to stay engaged in your communities. He asked if anyone has used the new Bulk

Trash System. If you have been having problems with it, please email me.

ANGELS ON PATROL

Melinda talked about how the program supports the community through law enforcement. The crisis response has been going on since 2009 and has assisted those in need over 26,000 times! In 2024, Angels on Patrol received 325 requests from on-duty law enforcement officers. Those requests were translated into assistance for 4,108 individuals. At the most critical time, basic emergent needs are supplied along with the connection to long-term resources designed to encourage self-sustainability and empowerment. She shared several amazing stories!



CRIME PREVENTION & SAFETY ITEM DISTRIBUTION:



Everyone always receives something!

50/50 DRAWING: BMCA donated their half of the 50/50 to Angels on Patrol! Kathleen B. won \$64.00 and donated it to Angels on Patrol, too! Thank you, Kathleen! Along with \$45.00 donated, \$173.00 went to Angels on Patrol!



Kathleen B. and Bud



Kathleen, Melinda, and Bud



REFRESHMENTS: YUM!



Special Valentine Cupcakes for our Officers!
Thank you to everyone who brought delicious goodies!



BMCA

ATTENDS & SUPPORTS. . .

Meetings and Events all over Black Mountain Precinct and beyond each month!

FEBRUARY 1, 2025

Black Mountain Community Alliance
at the THRIVE BELL ROAD CLEAN UP



FEBRUARY 5, 2025

Black Mountain Community Alliance
at the STARBUCKS MINI BMP
COFFEE WITH COPS



Erica and CAO Jon the Barista!



FEBRUARY 11, 2025

Black Mountain Community Alliance
at the NSD NEIGHBORHOOD COLLEGE
BW GRANT CLASS MEETING



Mari, Candice and Laura met up to plan the 2025 Block Watch Grant Boot Camp and Grant Writing Workshops at Starbucks.





BRBA MISSION STATEMENT

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

FEBRUARY 18, 2025

BELL ROAD BUSINESS ALLIANCE MEETING at 11 am at GAMER’S GUILD



BRBA Vice Chair Erica



Lt. Ben



Great presentation on Phoenix Community & Economic Development



Next Bell Road Business Alliance meeting is on Tuesday, March 18, 2025, at 11 am.

at GAMER’S GUILD, 1818 W. Bell Road

For more information contact bellroadbusinessalliance@gmail.com



The next Thrive Phoenix community clean-up on Bell Road is Saturday, March 1st from 9 am to 11 am
For more information visit Thrivephoenix.org or email at info@thrivephoenix.org

FEBRUARY 18, 2025

**Black Mountain Community Alliance
at the CITYWIDE PNP MEETING
at Mt. View Precinct & Webex**



Det. Brian Kornegay



FEBRUARY 21, 2025

**Black Mountain Community Alliance
at the DISTRICT 3 MEETING
ON NATIONAL AND LOCAL EMERGENCY
RESPONSE**

A community meeting with [Councilwoman Debra Stark Phoenix](#), [Councilman Kevin Robinson](#) and [Kate Brophy McGee](#). Find out what these long-time community leaders have to say about current events in the [City of Phoenix, AZ USA](#)



Councilwoman /Deb, Councilman Kevin, and County Supervisor V-Chair Kate



FEBRUARY 22, 2025

**Black Mountain Community Alliance
at the HOLIDAY SPA ROADSHOW PNP TRAINING**



Detective Brian Kornegay taught the class



Snacks!

FEBRUARY 23, 2025

Black Mountain Community Alliance at the HONOR WALK



Team PNP at City Hall



Candice and Sandy in the support vehicle



Vice Mayor Ann



Councilwoman Deb & Co. Supv. Kate



AJ at the check in booth



Interim Chief Michael



Cmdr. Matt



There were around 600 participants!



5K Run starting



1K Walk starting



Councilwoman Deb



Zane Coolidge's 700 Squad



Aurora at the finish!



We all got our medals!

FEBRUARY 26, 2025

Black Mountain Community Alliance at the T-BIRD BUSINESS ALLIANCE MEETING at Home Depot

The TBBA Mixer is on March 12th at Starbucks
19th Ave. & T-Bird 5-7 pm



Next TBBA Meeting will be at Gamer's Guil on March 26th at 10 am

FEBRUARY 27, 2025

Black Mountain Community Alliance at BLACK MOUNTAIN PRECINCT COFFEE WITH COPS 8:30 am at Biscuits Café



Cmdr. Matt



Lt. Ben gave the Precinct Updates



Councilwoman Deb & Candice



Vice Mayor Ann O'Brien



Cmdr. Matt and Kathleen



CAO Jeffrey



CAO Sgt. Linda and CAO Jon



CAO Jeremy & Cao Tim



FEBRUARY 27, 2025

**Black Mountain Community Alliance
at the REACH Meeting
at Juniper Branch Library at 2 pm**



Delicious breakfast! Thank you, Ann!



Greg



Laura, Candice & Monte

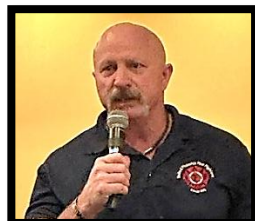


FEBRUARY 28, 2025

**Black Mountain Community Alliance
at the DISTRICT 1 BREAKFAST
7:30 am at the Doubletree in Metrocenter**



Vice Mayor Ann O'Brien



Public Safety Funding Presentation



Lt. Ben



Lt. Scott



City of Phoenix

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES DEPARTMENT

General Information 602-534-4444



NEIGHBORHOOD SPECIALISTS

District 1 – JOHNNY MENDOZA 602-463-6776
Johnny.mendoza@phoenix.gov

District 2 – E. MARI HERRERA-DANIELS 602-261-8587
e.mari.herrera-daniels@phoenix.gov

District 3 – KRISTA ROY
krista.roy@phoenix.gov

BLIGHT AND ZONING LAWS

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

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

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

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

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

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



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

CHECK THE www.phoenix.gov website for info...



Did you know that NSD operates a Tool Lending Program? The goals of the program are to support homeownership and maintenance and assist in the revitalization of neighborhoods. The Tool Lending Program currently offers 16 different types of tools available for loan. Tools can be borrowed by neighborhood associations and block watches registered on Neighborhood Link, and recognized non-profit organizations for valid community projects. Learn more about the program at phoenix.gov/nsd/programs/cleanups-and-tool-lending or email ToolLend.nsd@phoenix.gov or call 602-534-4444.

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](#)

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 Linda Nixon nixonlinda62@gmail.com

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 Jim Rogers 602-471-2201 co/chair with Phil Carlisle 480-519-3087

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:

CUPID'S CONNECTION TO CRYPTO

[Online romance scams](#) have caused heartbreak and financial ruin for years. But now, criminal enterprises have found even more ways to exploit their targets and compound the damage by engaging them in crypto-investment schemes. The way it starts out? An errant text. And the people sending these texts? They may be captives forced to do it.

HOW IT WORKS

You receive a text you think was sent in error — maybe it's a pet owner trying to reach the vet, or it's a text asking if you're still on for dinner that night.

Being polite, you respond to let the sender know their text didn't make it to the intended recipient.

This is all it takes for an "errant" text to begin a conversation that sparks a friendship or love interest, that becomes a trusted relationship, which opens the door for "learning" how to invest in [cryptocurrency](#).

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

Romance scams have become one of the top drivers of cryptocurrency fraud, which has taken a quantum leap in recent years. The Federal Trade Commission pegged reported [theft through romance scams](#) at \$1.14 billion in 2023, marking the highest reported losses among all impostor scams. With fraud significantly underreported, we know the amounts are likely far higher.

Behind this fraud are transnational criminal enterprises who lure front-line "workers" with fake employment offers and kidnap them to ensnare targets. Authorities estimate that more than 200,000 people have been forced into being on the front line of these schemes.

While the errant text is the latest mode, this scam still plays out on the traditional channels of social media and dating sites and apps.

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO

If you get a text like this, or any suspicious text, and your smartphone has a "report junk" option, use it to flag the message for your carrier or [forward the message](#) to 7726. This allows service providers to update their protective algorithms in real time to block the numbers.

Sadly, danger lurks behind all forms of communications as fraud grows unabated. It's not safe to engage with texts, messages or friend requests on apps when you don't know the person already. Avoid clicking on links in email or text messages, especially those that are unsolicited. And let your voicemail or answering machine handle calls you are unsure about.

By reading this, you now have the power to protect yourself from this insidious scheme. Share what you know to help protect others.

WHY GRANDPARENT SCAMS LIVE ON

Criminals will exploit any opportunity to steal your money, and family connections are no exception. The "[grandparent scam](#)" has been around for years; and like many other successful schemes, it's deliberately designed to get targets into a heightened emotional state.

HOW IT WORKS

You receive a phone call or text from a panicked grandchild or other family member.

They say they're in a time-sensitive crisis—hospitalized after a car accident or jailed for example—and beg for immediate financial help.

They may hand the phone over to someone they say is a police officer, lawyer or court official who provides detailed instructions for sending money.

You may be asked to send money via [gift cards](#), wire transfer, [cryptocurrency](#) or to provide cash, which someone will pick up from your home.

Your loved one or the official may also insist you keep the incident a secret and not involve others.

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

Criminals mine social media and purchase stolen data for personal information they can use to craft believable storylines.

While these scams have been effective for years, criminals now have the advantage of artificial intelligence (AI) to make voices and images that much more convincing.

Scammers use our emotions against us, such as fear and panic over the safety of a loved one. These emotions make it hard for us to access logical thinking.

Anytime an unexpected communication puts you into a state of high emotion and involves urgency, let that be your signal to slow down and think things over because it may be a scam.

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO

Adjust privacy settings on your social media accounts so that only people you know can access your posts and photos.

As hard as it may be in the moment, disengage from a loved one's distress call that seeks urgent financial help. Give yourself a moment to check on the person; call them directly or call a family member to check things out.

If you or someone you know has experienced this scam, seek to limit the financial damage—contact your bank if the transaction involved your account, or contact the gift card issuer (see the back of the card) to see if they can help you recover any funds if that was the mode.

Report the crime to local law enforcement, and press for a written report even if you experience resistance. You will want a record of the crime in the event there is a means for restitution down the road.

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 loved ones. We also advocate at the state, federal and local levels to enact policy changes that protect consumers and enforce laws.

And one more thing...

AARP Fraud Watch Network™ offers free [emotional support sessions](#) for people affected by fraud. Trained peer facilitators conduct hour-long small group online sessions. Experiencing fraud can be devastating, but it

doesn't have to define you.

[Learn more](#)

There has been a resurgence in phishing emails coming from Local Government Agency email addresses across the state. The majority of these phishing attempts come from the addresses of persons at these agencies whom we have assisted in the past and include an attachment or link. Due to our internal security requirements, we have been able to weed out these attempted attacks. When possible, we will always attempt to notify the affected agency of potential compromised email addresses.

We kindly ask that if you are aware that your agency has been the subject of an email attack, that you let us know (to the extent possible) so that we may ensure the members of our team take special care when trying to respond to requests. To ensure your requests are not flagged as spam:

- - Include all documents and forms as PDF ATTACHMENTS. Linked items cannot be opened by our team due to our inbox security settings. You will be asked to resubmit.
 - Utilize CLEAR and CONSISTENT subject lines when submitting requests.
 - Provide as much detail in the body of the email as possible when submitting requests.

Finally, we would like to share some *general* resources that may help with recognizing suspicious emails and provide tips on how to enhance your online security:

US Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency: [Teach Employees to Avoid Phishing](#)

US Federal Trade Commission: [How To Recognize and Avoid Phishing Scams](#)



Fire Prevention Public Information



Fire Department's New Fire Data Link Map

This new online data map shows all the emergency incidents dispatched in the Phoenix

Valley and Laveen. Fire Department service area, which is the City of Phoenix, Town of Paradise

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 geo-coded down to the street level, so that there should not be any incidents shown on someone's home. [Launch the Map.](#)

Department Data



[Active Incidents](#)

[Incident History](#)

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.

Contact Fire Prevention 602-262-6771

pfd.prevention@phoenix.gov

[Sign-up for Fire Prevention News & Information](#)

Find It Fast

[Arizona Task Force 1 \(AZ-TF1\)](#)

[Baby Shots / Vaccinations Program](#)

[Community Assistance Program Survey Summary 2022](#)

[Fire Station Map](#)

[Info For Life \(Español\)](#)

[Lockbox Information Form \(District 1 Pilot Program\)](#)

[Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Management](#)

[Phoenix Fire Foundation](#)

Phoenix Fire Department Presents WUI Firefighting Strategy to City Council February 25, 2025

Phoenix, AZ — Following the devastating wildfires in Los Angeles, the Phoenix Fire Department presented to the City of Phoenix Mayor and Council, emphasizing the priority for wildland firefighting strategies, improved resource allocation, and complemented the interdepartmental collaboration that protects urban areas at risk from fires in the wildland-urban interface. During Tuesday's policy session, the Phoenix Fire Department provided an in-depth presentation on strategies for Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) firefighting and outlined key efforts that help manage the rising fire risk in areas where urban development intersects with wildland environments. One of those efforts was implemented in 2019, known as Community Risk Reduction. This program aims to address WUI incidents through emergency response, fuels reduction programs, and prevention tactics. Programs like the Tres Rios Prescribed Burn aim to reduce vegetation in high-risk areas, preventing fires from igniting or spreading rapidly.

The Phoenix Fire Department also discussed a new deployment plan that ensures more resources are available earlier in the event of a wildland-urban interface fire. That plan includes a surge of department resources dispatched immediately to help contain fires before they escalate. The Phoenix Fire Department has focused on continuous training and enhancing equipment to ensure crews are fully prepared to tackle WUI fires effectively.

"Our fire department is committed to always being in a state of readiness. We are constantly training, preparing, and ensuring that we provide the best possible customer service to our community," Executive Assistant Tim Kreis added. "Although our resources are at capacity, our teams are well-prepared to respond to any wildland fire threat. The safety of Phoenix residents is our top priority, and we will continue to adapt and improve our readiness, learning from every experience along the way."

To further prevent any hazards, the Phoenix Fire Department uses specific criteria for assessing fire risk, including fuel loads, defensible space around structures, topography, and preparedness of fire services. A joint effort with the Water Service Department, State and Federal Air Support Assets, and Phoenix Police Air Support ensures a coordinated response.

The department noted that fire risk elevates when temperatures exceed 105°F and humidity drops below 15%. These conditions, combined with strong winds, make fires vulnerable to rapid fire spread. Phoenix Fire's new WUI deployment plan ensures that more resources are available earlier in the event of a fire. A surge of department resources is dispatched immediately to help contain fires before they escalate. The Phoenix Fire Department has focused on continuous training and enhancing equipment to ensure crews are fully prepared to tackle WUI fires effectively.

The presentation clearly demonstrated how the Phoenix Fire Department and the Water Department work closely together to ensure readiness for wildland-urban interface firefighting. The Fire Department relies on the Water Department's infrastructure to ensure access to reliable water sources for firefighting, especially in areas with limited hydrants. They also collaborate on emergency response strategies, ensuring that water flow and pressure are adequate during wildfires.

The City of Phoenix is prepared for wildfires based on a comprehensive review of its water infrastructure, which includes 57,000 fire hydrants and 7,000 miles of water pipes, playing a critical role in managing wildland-urban interface (WUI) incidents. With over 99% of hydrants in service, the city's water system is ready to support firefighting efforts. A 2021 review of the program reinforced the system's operational readiness, ensuring an efficient and reliable response to wildfire emergencies.

Phoenix Water Services Director Troy Hayes highlighted the importance of this partnership, stating, "Our collaboration with the Phoenix Fire Department ensures that our water infrastructure is ready to support wildfire response efforts in the Wildland Urban Interface. By maintaining over 57,000 fire hydrants and optimizing water flow across 7,000 miles of water mains, we help protect communities and first responders when every second counts."

The Office of Emergency Management also joined the presentation demonstrating its efforts to continue to refine emergency response plans, preparing for scenarios where evacuations may be necessary in WUI zones. The presentation underscored Phoenix's proactive approach to safeguarding residents in high-risk areas, with collaborative efforts between various city departments and external agencies. Take-aways from the meeting show that the Phoenix Fire Department is well-prepared to combat wildland fires with the resources it currently has in place, including a trained workforce, equipment, and a reliable water infrastructure.

However, as the city continues to grow rapidly, there is an increasing demand for 911 emergency responses, which can place additional strain on the department's ability to maintain timely and effective firefighting efforts. While the department is committed to ensuring readiness, continued growth and heightened demands may require ongoing evaluation and enhancement of resources to sustain optimal response capabilities.

The City Council will review the proposed initiatives as part of ongoing efforts to strengthen wildfire resilience. The Phoenix Fire Department continues to educate the public through its Community Risk Education efforts. You can learn more about wildland and brush fire safety by visiting Phoenix.gov/fire.

[Fire Home](#) [PageFire NewsMedia](#) [Contact Directory](#)



“PRESTON’S LAW” TAKES ON TEEN VIOLENCE



County Attorney Rachel Mitchell and Rep. Matt Gress at a press conference to introduce "Preston's Law" on Jan. 23, 2025. They were joined by Queen Creek Police Chief Randy Brice and Preston Lord's family.

Maricopa County Attorney [Rachel Mitchell](#) and State Representative [Matt Gress](#) introduced "Preston's Law," a bill aimed at ending the kind of attack that ultimately killed 16-year-old Preston Lord. Preston died in 2023 after he was beaten by a group of teenaged boys.

Under the current Aggravated Assault statute, there is no category for group-style or "swarming" attacks. Unless an offender causes serious physical injury, these crimes are often considered misdemeanors.

Preston's Law would make two significant changes:

- First, it creates a new aggravated assault category for group-style attacks or "swarming" incidents that occur when an attacker has two or more accomplices.
- Second, it makes these types of attacks a Class Four Felony, preventing them from being pled down to misdemeanors.

Why It Matters: These types of attacks are significantly more dangerous for the victim and have a higher potential for serious injury. By having the right tools in place, prosecutors can hold offenders accountable and deter future attacks.

Next Steps: Keep track of this bill and MCAO's legislative priorities on our website.

Legislative Priorities

WHY REPORTING MATTERS: SOCIAL MEDIA AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Incidents like the one that led to Preston's death highlight the critical need to report suspicious or violent social media content to local law enforcement, rather than sharing or re-posting the violent content.

What happens when videos or posts go unreported?

- **Violence Escalates:** Sharing violent content on social media can inspire copycats and more acts of harm.
- **Justice is Delayed:** Without reports, law enforcement can't investigate, and cases can't move forward for prosecution.

The Bottom Line: When you report instead of repost, perpetrators are held accountable, and future violence can be prevented.

Next Steps: As the school year moves along, remind your teens, young adults, and even adult friends and family, about the importance of reporting suspicious or harmful content—not resharing it.

[Report. Don't Repost](#)



2025 Citizens Academy Dates!

The Wait is Over! (Drumroll, please...) Registration for our 2025 Citizens Academy is now open!

MCAO's Citizen's Academy is a great way for

community members to get involved and learn more about one of the nation's largest prosecutorial agencies. As part of the program you'll learn about:

- The criminal justice process from arrest to sentencing,
- How charging decisions are made,
- MCAO services and more!

Why do we host Citizens Academy programs?

- Our goal is to help the community gain a deeper understanding of how the criminal justice system operates and the vital role MCAO plays in ensuring public safety.

The bottom line: If any of that sound interesting to you, sign up for a program!

[Register Here](#)



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STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES

The commitment of the Maricopa County Attorney's Office to a safe and well-governed community extends far beyond the courtroom. We use our talent and experience to help people and businesses throughout Maricopa County improve their neighborhoods and quality of life.

1. **Adoptions**
Learn how the Maricopa County Attorney's Office handles uncontested adoptions.
2. **Advisory Boards**
The Maricopa County Attorney values input from community and business leaders. Learn more here.
3. **Community Education**
The Maricopa County Attorney's Office provides experts to speak to students, civic organizations, business groups and parents on a wide range of criminal justice issues.
4. **Community Programs**
The Maricopa County Attorney's Office is actively involved in a number of outreach efforts to protect and strengthen local communities.
5. **Organized Retail Crime (ORC)**
6. **Events Calendar**
View the events calendar for the Maricopa County Attorney community programs.
7. **K9 Victim Support Program**
Learn more about the K9 Victim Support Program, whose service dogs provide calming, comforting support for these victims throughout the often stressful criminal justice process.
8. **Monthly Newsletters**
Each month, our newsletter will include brief, useful updates on the projects, programs and developments that are helping the people of Maricopa County live safer lives.
9. **RICO Community Grants**
The Maricopa County Attorney's Office funds community programs using funds recovered from criminals or criminal activity under the Racketeering Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act (RICO) by our Asset Recovery Bureau.

[MCAO Community Outreach](#)

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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](#)
- Call [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.

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
- 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](#)



Do You Need Flood Insurance?
Find out if you are in a floodplain.
[Floodplain Map](#)

New Board Members
[Maricopa.gov/BOS](#)

MCACC SERVICES MISSION MICROCHIP

MCACC is offering [free microchipping services](#) for dogs in Maricopa County through the end of the year.

For now, the free service is only available at the West shelter at 2500 S 27th Avenue in Phoenix. Registration is required ahead of time.

To receive a microchip through the Mission Microchip event, please register for an appointment. Times open up two weeks in advance. Please check back daily if no appointments are available.

If you would like more information on microchips and the benefits of chipping your pet, [take a look at this article on didyouknowpets.com](#).

[Schedule Microchip Appointment](#)



COMMUNITY CATS

Helpful Information and Tips for the Community

A Community Cat is a catch-all term often used to describe any outdoor cat that may appear to not have an owner. Feral cats, which are under- or not socialized, fall under this umbrella, as do free-roaming, friendly cats.

In Maricopa County, cats are not subject to the same licensing and leash laws as dogs. Because of this, Maricopa County Animal Care and Control (MCACC) cannot pick up stray or feral cats or take action against those feeding cats in their neighborhoods.

Many times, members of the community act as colony managers to ensure that a feral cat colony is a managed colony. Cats in these communities are usually fed, watered, vaccinated, spayed, or neutered, and monitored for overall health. Other times, the cats are self-reliant and can survive in the neighborhood on their own, without any direct assistance.

TNR (Trap-Neuter-Return) is a long-proven and effective method for humanely addressing community cat populations across the world.

Trap: The cats are humanely trapped and brought to a clinic.

Neuter: The cats are fixed, vaccinated, and their left ear is "tipped" to indicate they have been fixed.

Return: The fixed cats are safely returned to their colony.

Benefits of TNR

- Cats become better neighbors as it reduces or eliminates unwanted mating behaviors (e.g., yowling, fighting, spraying).
- Cats will be healthier when treated with this humane solution and typically are less likely to wander from their food source.
- Halts the breeding cycle which allows community cat populations to stabilize and eventually decline.
- Protects and respects cats' lives.

HOW TO HELP KEEP COMMUNITY CATS AWAY FROM YOUR PROPERTY

- Remove or secure all potential food and water sources from your property, including dog food.
- Spray concentrated orange juice or hang orange or lemon peels in areas where cats are spraying — cats do not like the citrus scent.
- Keep all trash and recycle bins tightly closed as cats are considered opportunistic feeders/hunters.
- Use a motion-detecting device that turns on a sprinkler or bright light in response to motion on your property, such as ScareCrow™.
- Remove or secure potential shelter areas — secure access under houses, sheds, decks, porches, and buildings with wire fencing.
- Use plastic carpet runners spike-side up and covered lightly in soil to prevent cats from digging in your garden.
- Keep landscaping trimmed to avoid creating hiding/nesting spots.
- Spread dried wild animal manure in the areas you notice feral cats in your yard; wild animal urine also may work to deter the cats.
- There are also many commercial cat repellants (chemical and non-chemical options) available in garden stores, pet shops, and online.

For more information about TNR, please call the Spay Neuter Hotline at 602-265-7729 or complete the online form: <https://adlax.org/spay-neuter-hotline/outdoor-cats/newrequest-for-tnr-services/>.

Additional Resources

Alley Cat Allies: <https://www.alleycat.org/>

Altered Tails: <https://www.alteredtails.org/stray-outdoor-cats>

ALTERED TAILS at Phoenix: 602-943-7729

Fix.Adopt.Save.: <https://www.fixadoptsave.org/trap-neuter-return-program>

Foundation for Homeless Cats: <http://www.thefoundationforhomelesscats.org/faqs/>

Spay Neuter Clinic: <https://www.spavaz.com/>

Spay Neuter Hotline (ADLA): 602-265-7729

Injured or Sick Animals (AHS): 602-997-7585

2500 S. 27th Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85009 : 602-506-7387 : Maricopa.gov

Meet the cat ladies tackling Phoenix's stray problem all by themselves There may be a million outdoor cats on the Phoenix streets. A small band of women catches them and gets them fixed.

<https://www.phoenixnewtimes.com/news/phoenix-stray-cat-problem-meet-women-committed-to-fixing-it-20432448>



ADOT GETS FEDERAL GRANT TO ENHANCE WILDLIFE CONNECTIVITY AND SAFETY

Nearly \$600,000 will fund mapping tool identifying collision hotspots

PHOENIX – The Arizona Department of Transportation has received a \$566,000 federal grant to support its continuing efforts to reduce the number of crashes involving wildlife and to better connect habitats. ADOT will use this grant, through the Federal Highway Administration's [Wildlife Crossings Pilot Program](#), to develop an online mapping tool that will help identify wildlife-vehicle collision hotspots, analyze data about collisions and identify wildlife corridors for habitat connectivity. This will help the department develop and prioritize projects and build cost estimates to support future projects to protect wildlife and drivers.



Geographic information systems (GIS) mapping technology will enable ADOT to combine habitat connectivity information, crash data and strategies developed through the years to reduce collisions with wildlife. The final product will help ADOT efficiently identify and evaluate wildlife crossing locations.

It's an important undertaking when it comes to ADOT's vision of safely connecting Arizonans. In 2023 alone there were 2,014 collisions with animals, resulting in 241 injuries and four fatalities, according to statewide crash figures reported by ADOT.

This system will build on a 2006 [Arizona Wildlife Linkages Assessment](#) that ADOT developed with partners to address wildlife connectivity needs during project planning. It also will draw on a 2021 [Statewide Wildlife Vehicle Conflict Study](#) that used crash data to identify collision hotspots, as well as using Arizona Game and Fish Department data from GPS collars used to monitor wildlife and other sources of critical information from within and beyond ADOT.

ADOT's is one of 16 projects selected nationally for fiscal year 2024-25 using funds provided by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, which makes a total of \$350 million available over five years through fiscal year 2025-26 under the Wildlife Crossings Pilot Program. This grant requires a \$32,000 state match.

In the first round of grants awarded in late 2023, Arizona received a \$24 million grant [for a wildlife overpass and other improvements](#) designed to reduce crashes involving wildlife and better connect habitats along Interstate 17 in northern Arizona. That project, which is expected to begin this spring, includes double cattle guards at interchanges and 8.4 miles of fencing between the Munds Park traffic interchange, about 25 miles south of Flagstaff, and the Kelly Canyon traffic interchange to the north. The new 8-foot-tall wildlife fencing will tie into existing culverts and ramps to help wildlife escape fenced areas.

Other efforts by ADOT and partners to reduce collisions with wildlife include constructing wildlife overpasses and underpasses along US 93 near Hoover Dam; a system of fencing and wildlife crossings on State Route 260 east of Payson; a wildlife overpass and underpass on State Route 77 (Oracle Road) north of Tucson; and two wildlife underpasses and 6 miles of fencing on State Route 86 between Tucson and Sells.

We have seen a resurgence in phishing emails coming from Local Government Agency email addresses across the state. The majority of these phishing attempts come from the addresses of persons at these agencies whom we have assisted in the past and include an attachment or link. Due to our internal security requirements, we have been able to weed out these attempted attacks. When possible, we will always attempt to notify the affected agency of potential compromised email addresses.

We kindly ask that if you are aware that your agency has been the subject of an email attack, that you let us know (to the extent possible) so that we may ensure the members of our team take special care when trying to respond to requests. To ensure your requests are not flagged as spam:

- Include all documents and forms as PDF ATTACHMENTS. Linked items cannot be opened by our team due to our inbox security settings. You will be asked to resubmit.
- Utilize CLEAR and CONSISTENT subject lines when submitting requests.
- Provide as much detail in the body of the email as possible when submitting requests.

Finally, we would like to share some *general* resources that may help with recognizing suspicious emails and provide tips on how to enhance your online security:

US Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency: [Teach Employees to Avoid Phishing](#)

US Federal Trade Commission: [How To Recognize and Avoid Phishing Scams](#)



You can subscribe to episodes of On the Road with ADOT through [Apple Podcasts](#) and [Spotify](#). You also can find episodes at [azdot.gov/Podcast](#) and featured in [ADOT Blog posts](#).

Explore Arizona

- [Lodging](#): Modern amenities and Old West history come together at Prescott's Grand Highland Hotel.
- [Local Favorite](#): FreeForm Coffee Roasters, in Sedona, specializes in small-batch beans from around the world.
- [Around Arizona](#): The Flagstaff area is home to the country's first forest research experiment station.
- [Drive](#): Head out to Eastern Arizona for a scenic, shady drive along Upper Eagle Creek Road.
- [Hike](#): The road to the Kinder Crossing Trail is challenging, but this lovely hike is well worth the effort.

Photography

- [Photo Editor Forum](#): Joel Hazelton talks about how he drove all night to get a sunrise shot in the Kofa Mountains.
- [Photo Contest](#): There's still time to submit your images for our wildlife photo contest. Upload your shots today!
- [Photo of the Day](#): A new photo is posted daily! Share your images, and one of them just might pop up on our website.



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 Tuesdays, 9:30 am & 10:30 am
For babies 0 to 2 years and their favorite grownup.
TODDLER TIME Wednesdays, 9:30 am
Toddlers ages 24-36 months and their favorite grownup.
TOOLS FOR SCHOOL Wednesdays, 10:30 am
Children 3 to 5 years and their favorite grownup.
MUSIC & MOVEMENT Thursdays, 9:30 & 10:30 am
Wiggle worms age 0 to 6 years and their favorite grownup.
FAMILY STORYTIME Saturdays, 10:30 am
Children 0 to 5 years and their favorite grownup.
KIDS CREATE: Thursdays 4:00 - 5:00 pm
Creative time for young artists
BRICK BUILDERS: Fridays 3:30 – 4:30 pm

FOR CHILDREN!

Mini Tales: Read to a Miniature Horse
Saturday, March 1, 12:00 pm-1:00 pm
This program is specifically designed for beginner and Chapter book readers, please!

*REGISTRATION REQUIRED.

FOR TEENS!

ROCK THE TABLE: D&D FOR TEENS
First Tuesday of the month, 3:30 pm-5:30 pm

FOR ADULTS!

SATURDAY BOOK CLUB Saturday, March 1, 1:00 pm-2:30 pm
JUNIPER BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP Wednesday, March 12, 1:30 pm-3:00 pm
MEDICARE REVIEW: HOW DO YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO?
Wednesday, March 12, 4:30 pm-5:30 pm
HUMANA PRESENTS: THE AHAKEDOWN ON SUGAR
Monday, March 10, 1:00 pm-2:00 pm
CRAFTERNOON
Saturday, March 15, 1:00 pm-4:00 pm
***REGISTRATION REQUIRED.**
WHISPERS AND WORDS BOOK CLUB
Monday, March 24, 1:00pm-2:00 pm
TAI CHI EASY
Monday, March 10, March 10, & April 7, 10:00 am-11:00 am

The Amazing Library Card

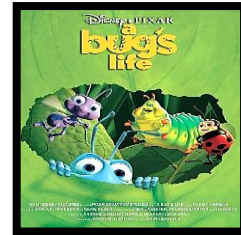
Know someone who needs a Phoenix Public Library card? Help them get one!

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.

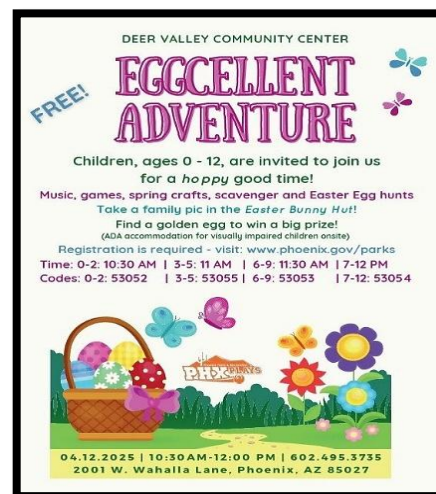
[Learn how to get every member of your family their very own Phoenix Public Library card](http://phoenixpubliclibrary.org)



MOVIE IN THE PARK



Friday, March 14th at 6:30 pm



Saturday, April 12th

in DEER VALLEY PARK

2001 W. Wahalla Lane, Phoenix, AZ 85027

For DVP information, contact Deer Valley Community Center

DIRECTOR Noreena M. Ortega Office: 602.495.3734

Email: noreena.ortega@phoenix.gov

NORTH PHOENIX PARK RANGERS!

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



602-534-9919



FAQs
Frequently Asked Questions

Q: How long will it take for a Park Ranger to respond?

A: Calls will be assessed by a Park Ranger who will prioritize them based on other calls and needs for all 167 City of Phoenix parks.

Q: Will the public be able to talk to a Park Ranger?

A: Park Rangers are typically occupied serving the parks. The 24/7 Code of Conduct Answering Service is the most efficient method to relay concerns to Park Rangers.

Q: Will I receive a callback?

A: A callback will not be made unless additional information is needed from the caller. We will record the caller's name and email address in case we have any follow-up questions.

Q: What rules can Park Rangers enforce?

A: Park Rangers have the authority to enforce the Parks Code of Conduct and any violations of Phoenix City Code they have observed. Their jurisdiction is only within park boundaries.

Q: What is the Parks Code of Conduct and what are the trespassing policies?

A: You can read the Parks and Recreation Department Code of Conduct here: <https://www.phoenix.gov/parks/code-of-conduct>

Q: What is the Phoenix City Code regarding...?

A: <https://phoenix.municipal.codes/CC>

Find the code of conduct online at phoenix.gov/parks/code-of-conduct

Scan me!




Ability360 is now at Telephone Pioneer Park daily!

[https://ability360.org/sports/tp/ \[ability360.org\]](https://ability360.org/sports/tp/ [ability360.org])



PHOENIX.GOV/PUBLICWORKS/BULKTRASH

Public Works Announces Switch to Appointment-Based Bulk Trash Collection

For more information on the program, visit the Bulk Trash [homepage](#).

Related Social Media Hashtags and Handles:

[#bulktrash](#) [@PHXpublicworks](#) [@talkingtrashphx](#)

Keywords: [bulk trash](#), [garbage collection](#)

[Public Works \(Trash and Recycling\) Home Page](#)
[Public Works \(Trash and Recycling\) NewsMedia Contact Directory](#)

988 988 988

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.



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.
- ♦ 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.
- ♦ 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.

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.

CENTRAL ARIZONA CRISIS LINE
602.222.9444
TOLL FREE: 800.631.1314
TTY/TDD: 800.327.9254

WARM LINE (Peer-to-Peer)
602.347.1100
CrisisNetwork.org



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
24 – HOUR HOTLINES
FOR LOCAL SHELTER CALL:
602-263-8900 OR 1-800-799-7739

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

NATIONAL HOTLINE: 1-800-799-SAFE (7233)
LEGAL ADVOCACY HOTLINE: 602-279-2900
OLDER ADULTS: 602-264-HELP (4357)



Barry Goldwater Reopens Student Run Restaurant

Barry Goldwater High School is excited to announce the re-opening of Avenue 27 with all newly trained student-staff and management.

This year the restaurant is open for dining on Thursday evenings instead of Fridays and service will run from 4-7 p.m. to give the students an opportunity to reflect and continuously learn from each experience.

Reservations can be made via Avenue27@dvusd.org

Avenue 27 Restaurant dates are as follows:

March 13 & 27, April 03, 17, & 24

Thursday Evenings (4 pm - 7 pm)

We look forward to serving you!

JOIN BLACK MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE ON FACEBOOK!



WHERE WE SHARE INFORMATION!



Office of Homeless Solutions

The Office of Homeless Solutions (OHS) provides support for people experiencing homelessness and is committed to ending homelessness through a comprehensive, regional approach to shelter and heat relief, outreach, supportive and behavioral health services, homelessness prevention, and supportive housing.

This monthly report does not encompass the totality of the City's efforts to address homelessness but rather provides a review of the key highlights from the preceding month and an update on major upcoming projects.

[View the latest report.](#)

[View the Phoenix Homeless Solutions Data Dashboard.](#)

PLEASE DONATE TO STARFISH PLACE!



WHAT WE NEED!

Peanut Butter, Jelly, Mustard, Mayo, Ketchup, Pancake Syrup, Pasta and Sauce, Meal Sides in a box: Mashed Potatoes, etc., Seasonings, Olive Oil, Cooking Oil, Pancake and Waffle Mix, Kid's Cereal, Granola/Protein Bars, Juice Packs, Apple Sauce, Graham Crackers, Fruit Snacks, Fruit Cups, Mac & Cheese, Canned Tuna and Chicken, Ramen Soup, Snack size Chips for lunches, Honey, Olives, Pickles, Dried Fruit, Trail Mix, Herbal Teas.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Stefanie Calens at stefanie.calens@asu.edu 623-570-4339



As we all know, graffiti is a form of blight that may decrease property values in neighborhoods and attract other forms of criminal activity if it is not promptly removed. We encourage residents to be aware of their surroundings and report any graffiti they notice or observe in

progress.

To report graffiti, residents can use any of these three methods:

- Go online to phoenix.gov/myphx311 or the app myPHX311.
- Email blight@phoenix.gov.
- Or call 602-534-4444.

If you see graffiti in progress, please dial 911.

Not only do we encourage neighborhoods to take an active role in reporting graffiti, but we challenge them to learn how to remove graffiti and be a partner in combating it. If you and your neighbors are interested in learning how to remove graffiti in your neighborhood, please contact Betsy.Cable@phoenix.gov. We can coordinate a free class for your neighborhood group.

Did you know that Neighborhood Services' Graffiti Busters work seven days a week removing graffiti all over the city?

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



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!



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BMCA RESOURCE LIST



www.bmcainfo.com

ARIZONA ANGEL INITIATIVE

Help with substance abuse

www.substanceabuse.az.gov/angelinitiative

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

www.211arizona.org

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

www.phoenix.gov/phxcare

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](http://PoliceVirtualBlockWatch)

www.phoenix.gov

WATCH YOUR CAR PROGRAM

ARIZONA AUTO THEFT AUTHORITY

www.AZWatchYourCar.com

WRIC WASHINGTON School District

FAMILY RESOURCE INFORMATION CENTER

www.wedschools.org/wric

BMCA MEETING and EVENT CALENDAR

MARCH 2025

Wednesday, MAR. 5th BMCA BOARD MEETING
6:30 pm at the DVCC Conference Room

Thursday, MAR. 6th WEAR BLUE TO SUPPORT OUR PD!

Thursday, MAR. 6th NBWGP Oversight Committee Mtg.
6:00 pm - e-mail george.martin@phoenix.gov for link info

Friday, MAR. 7th PNP FIRST FRIDAY ART WALK PATROL
e-mail Rick Sain at ussyorktown25@hotmail.com or at 602-799-0143 Good training for PNP Members!.

Wednesday, MAR. 12th
BMCA / BLK MTN PRECINCT COMMUNITY MEETING
6:30 pm at the DVCC BOARD ELECTIONS

Tuesday, MAR. 18th BELL RD BUSINESS ALLIANCE MTG.
11:00 am at Bell Ford

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

Wednesday, MAR. 19th T-BIRD BUSINESS ALLIANCE MTG.
10 am Location TBD

Saturday, MAR. 22nd CITYWIDE BW / PNP TRAINING
8 - noon In person at Mt. View Precinct Attendees must pre-register at pnpcordinator@phoenix.gov

Tuesday, MAR. 25th PBWAB Meeting
6:30 pm Location TBD

Wednesday, MAR. 26th CPCA Meeting
6:30 pm at Cortez High School

Thursday, MAR. 27th BLACK MTN. COFFEE with COPS
8:30 am at Biscuits Café, 310 E. Bell Road

APRIL 2025

Wednesday, APR. 2nd BMCA BOARD MEETING
6:30 pm at the DVCC Conference Room

Thursday, APR. 3rd NBWGP Oversight Committee Mtg.
6:00 pm - e-mail george.martin@phoenix.gov for link info

Friday, APR. 4th PNP FIRST FRIDAY ART WALK PATROL
e-mail Rick Sain at ussyorktown25@hotmail.com or at 602-799-0143 Good training for PNP Members!.

Sunday, APR. 6th WEAR BLUE TO SUPPORT OUR PD!

Wednesday, APR. 9th
BMCA / BLK MTN PRECINCT COMMUNITY MEETING
6:30 pm at the DVCC

Tuesday, APR. 15th BELL RD BUSINESS ALLIANCE MTG.
11:00 am at Bell Ford

Tuesday, APR. 15th CITYWIDE PNP MEETING
6:00 pm in person at Mt. View Precinct and on WebEx

Wednesday, APR. 16th T-BIRD BUSINESS ALLIANCE MTG.
10 am Location TBD

Tuesday, APR. 22nd PBWAB Meeting
6:30 pm Location TBD

Wednesday, APR. 23rd CPCA Meeting
6:30 pm at Cortez High School

Thursday, APR. 24th BLACK MTN. COFFEE with COPS
8:30 am at Biscuits Café, 310 E. Bell Road

MAY 2025

Thursday, MAY 1st NBWGP Oversight Committee Mtg.
6:00 pm - e-mail george.martin@phoenix.gov for link info

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Tuesday, MAY 6th WEAR BLUE TO SUPPORT OUR PD!

Wednesday, MAY 7th BMCA BOARD MEETING
6:30 pm at the DVCC Conference Room

Wednesday, MAY 14th
BMCA / BLK MTN PRECINCT COMMUNITY MEETING
6:30 pm at the DVCC

Tuesday, MAY 20th BELL RD BUSINESS ALLIANCE MTG.
11:00 am at Bell Ford

Tuesday, MAY 20th CITYWIDE PNP MEETING
6:00 pm in person at Mt. View Precinct and on WebEx

Wednesday, MAY 21st T-BIRD BUSINESS ALLIANCE MTG.
10 am Location TBD

Wednesday & Thursday, MAY 21st & 22nd
CITYWIDE BW / PNP TRAINING
5 - 7 pm both days on Webex. Attendees must pre-register at pnpcordinator@phoenix.gov

Thursday, MAY 22nd BLACK MTN. COFFEE with COPS
8:30 am at Biscuits Café, 310 E. Bell Road

Tuesday, MAY 27th PBWAB Meeting
6:30 pm Location TBD

Wednesday, MAY 28th CPCA Meeting
6:30 pm at Cortez High School

JUNE 2025

NO JUNE FIRST FRIDAY PNP PATROL – Summer Break

NO JUNE PHX BW ADVISORY BOARD MTG – Summer Break

NO JUNE CPCA MEETING – Summer Break

NO JUNE BLK MTN Coffee with Cops – Summer Break

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

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

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

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

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

Wednesday, JUN. 18th T-BIRD BUSINESS ALLIANCE MTG.
10 am Location TBD

Saturday, JUN. 21st AFTER DARK IN THE PARK Fireworks!
6 pm in Deer Valley Park

JULY 2025

NO JULY BMCA BOARD MEETING – Summer Break

NO JULY BMCA GENERAL MEETING – Summer Break

NO JULY FIRST FRIDAY PNP PATROL – Summer Break

NO JULY PHX BW ADVISORY BOARD MTG – Summer Break

NO JULY CPCA MEETING – Summer Break

NO JULY BLK MTN Coffee with Cops – Summer Break

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

Tuesday, JUL. 15th BELL RD BUSINESS ALLIANCE MTG.
11:00 am at Bell Ford

Tuesday, JUL. 15th CITYWIDE PNP MEETING
6:00 pm in person at Mt. View Precinct and on WebEx

Wednesday, JUL. 16th T-BIRD BUSINESS ALLIANCE MTG.
10 am Location TBD

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

EMERGENCY Police/Fire	911
Police CRIME STOP	602-262-6151
Police General Information	602-262-7626
Black Mountain Police Precinct	602-495-5002
Mayor Kate Gallego	602-262-7111
D1 Councilmember Ann O'Brien	602-262-7444
D 2 Councilmember Jim Waring	602-262-7445
D 3 Vice Mayorr 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

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e-mail to: info@bmcainfo.com

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

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