



BLACK MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE

THE BMCA e-BULLETIN

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

BMCA website: www.bmcainfo.com

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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, Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol 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.



www.bmcainfo.com



**JOIN COMMANDER MYKEL MOLLER
AND OUR BLACK MOUNTAIN
PRECINCT CAO SQUAD
FOR AN EVENING COFFEE WITH COPS!**

NEXT BMCA & PNP MEETING WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11 at 6:30pm

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

UPDATES FROM CITY COUNCIL

**BLACK MOUNTAIN PRECINCT UPDATES
by Commander Mykel Moller**

**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!*

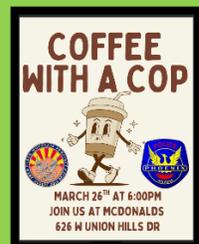
PRESENTATIONS:

SILENT WITNESS with Sgt. Jen Zak

CITY PROSECUTOR Chance East

**Crime Prevention Materials Distributed!
Refreshments**

BLACK MOUNTAIN PRECINCT COFFEE WITH COPS

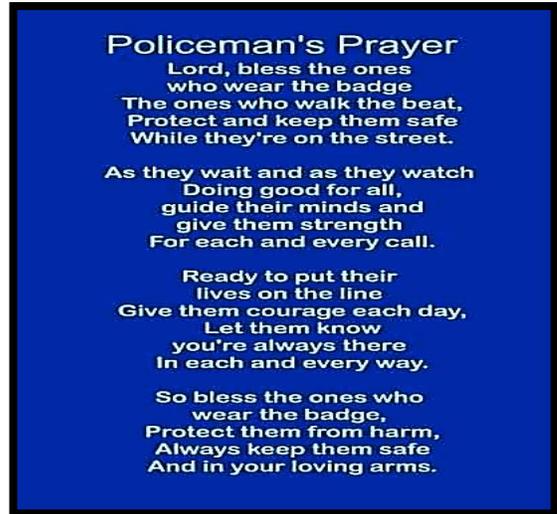


**Next Coffee is on
Thursday, March 26, 2026**

**6:00 pm at McDonald's
626 W. Union Hills Drive**

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

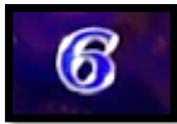
GET TO KNOW YOUR CAO!



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.



Phoenix Police Department Officer-Involved Shootings Information

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

PPD USE OF FORCE DASHBOARD

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

Phoenix Police Department's "Use of Force" Policy

You can read about the changes to the

[Use of Force Policy here.](#)

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 reporter will not have to 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 disabled 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

PRECINCT CLEAN UPS



Thank you to CAO Sgt. Henry Trevino for sharing these before and after pictures of the Clean Ups!

FREE CPR & First Aid Training
by Training Hearts



Hosted by the Moon Valley Neighborhood Association &
Black Mountain Precinct

Class is free to all (but if you need a basic CPR Certification Card – good for 2 years – please bring \$25 cash or a credit card)

CPR class is for ages 10 years and older

Date: Thursday, March 19, 2026

Location: Moon Valley Country Club, 151 W Moon Valley Drive (Gym)

Time: 6:30 – 8:30 pm (check-in time is 6:00 pm)

TO REGISTER:

Please email your full name, email and daytime phone # to:

Officer Jeff Blair #7966 – Jeffrey.blair@phoenix.gov

Space is limited. Registration is required and is on a first-come/first-served basis.

Funds for this class are provided by the Phoenix Neighborhood Block Watch Grant Program. Free first aid kit upon completion of class.

We kindly ask that once registered, please show up for the class.

A reminder from the
PHOENIX POLICE DEPARTMENT

Property crimes are crimes of opportunity. Remove that opportunity with

Take it Lock it Conceal it

Take it with you

Lock your vehicle

Conceal valuables

In case of emergency, Call 9-1-1. If you can't call, you can text! To report a crime, suspicious behavior or file a police report call CrimeStop (602) 262-6151. For more tips on safety visit www.phoenix.gov/police. Follow us on social media: @phoenixpolice

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

BLACK MOUNTAIN POLICE PRECINCT COMMUNITY ACTION OFFICER SQUAD:



21 Area North/South (Beats 212 & 213)
(**W** 7th Street to **E** Scottsdale Rd. & **S** SR101 to **N** Carefree Hwy..)
21 Area North (Beat 214)
(**W** 83rd Ave to **E** 7th Street & **S** Dynamite Blvd. to **N** Mingus Rd.)
21 Area South (Beat 211)
(**W** I-17 to **E** 7th St. & **S** SR101 to **N** Dynamite Blvd.)
CA Officer Kelsie Sanborn #10649
602-495-5213 kelsie.sanborn@phoenix.gov



22 Area North (Beats 223 & 224)
(**W** I-17 to **E** 7th/16th Sts. & **S** Bell Rd. to **N** SR101)
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 Jeffrey Blair #7966
at 602-495-5481 jeffrey.blair@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. Henry Trevino
602-495-5112
henry.trevino.miramontes@phoenix.gov



Black Mountain Precinct Community Programs Lt. TJ Denny
602-684-4372
timothy.denny@phoenix.gov

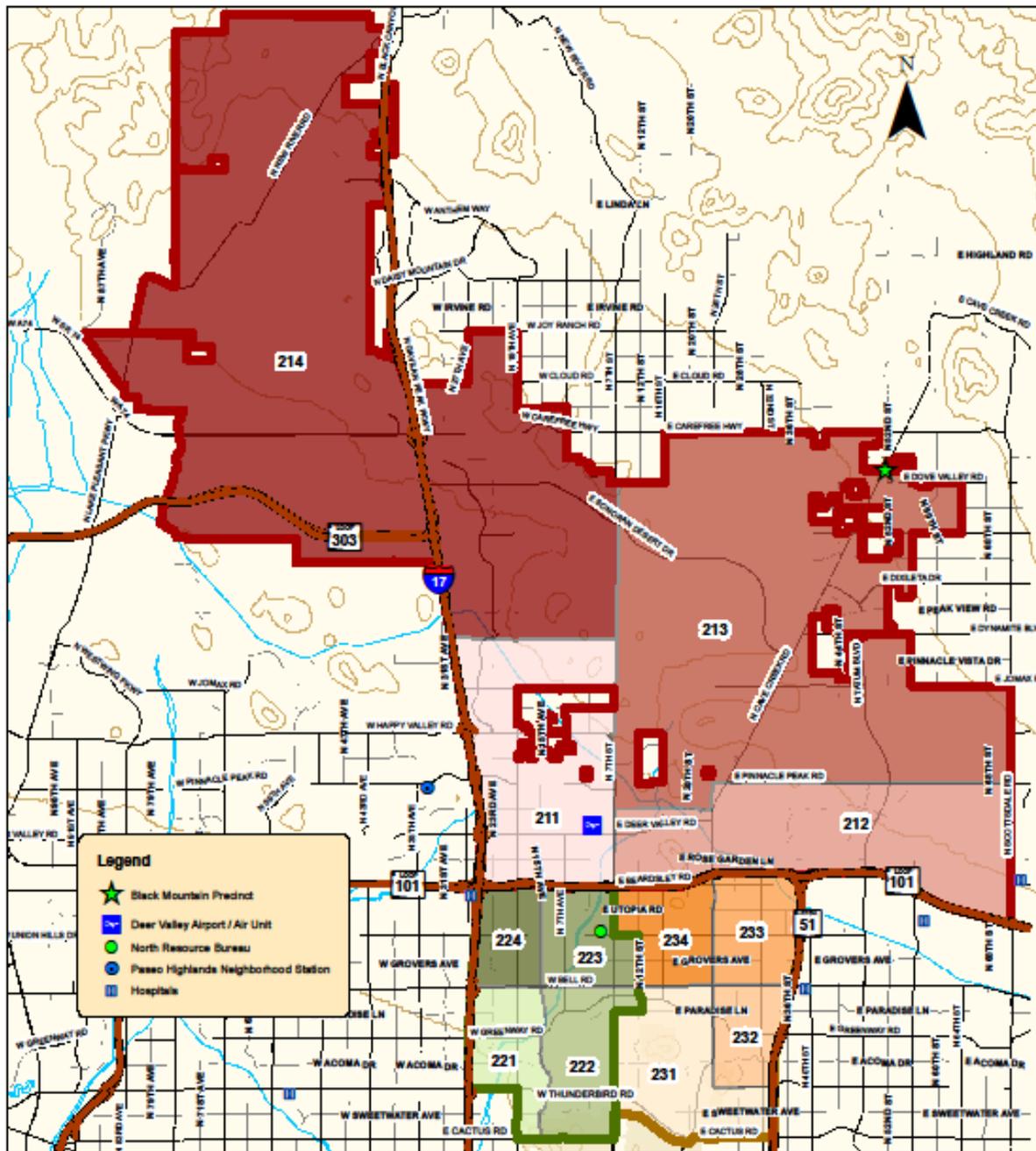
WELCOME NEW BLACK MOUNTAIN PRECINCT COMMANDER MYKEL MOLLER!



Black Mountain Precinct Commander Mykel Moller
602-495-5566
mykel.moller@phoenix.gov



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



Boundaries Effective October 20, 2014

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



PNP Coordinator Detective Erin Sayegh!
pnp.coordinator@phoenix.gov
 602-256-4303

I look forward to seeing you at the next PNP meeting on Tuesday, March 17, 2026, from 6-8pm, to be held at our regular location, 2075 E Maryland Ave.

Please visit [PNP Members – The Official PNP Members website](#)
 Erin Sayegh - Citywide PNP Coordinator

Monthly Citywide PNP Meetings Third Tuesday of each month, 6 to 8 pm

We have 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: (access code): 2460 133 9355
 Meeting password: ceb2024

PNP/PVSA hours

I am working on a QR code to make logging hours quicker for some, but it is still under construction.

What are “Admin hours:” Going to a PNP class, meetings, working on newsletters, website design, coffee with a cop, shop with a cop, First Fridays, Indian Market, going to a meeting where PNP is a topic, stuffing GAIN bags, monthly meetings, anything that benefits PNP but is not patrol, etc. Please reach out to me with other examples – it’s probably Admin Time!

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 increased to 72.5 cents per mile as of January 1, 2026.**

PNP Merchandise Order Forms and Cost:

PNP equipment, like clothing, street signs and/or vehicle signs are expected to increase in 2026. 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

**2026 TRAINING CALENDAR
 PHOENIX NEIGHBORHOOD PATROL CLASSES**

**In-Person : January 31, May 16, August 29
 (1-Day)**
 Mountain View Precinct's Community Room
 2075 E. Maryland Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85016
 8am to Noon, check-in begins at 7:30am

**Virtual:
 (2-Days)**
 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

**March 11 & 12, July 15 & 16,
 November 4 & 5**

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

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.

Classes are added throughout the year, for the most current list visit www.pnpmembers.com

**Block Watch and
 Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol
 TRAINING**

Phoenix Neighborhood Patrol / Block Watch 4-hour Training

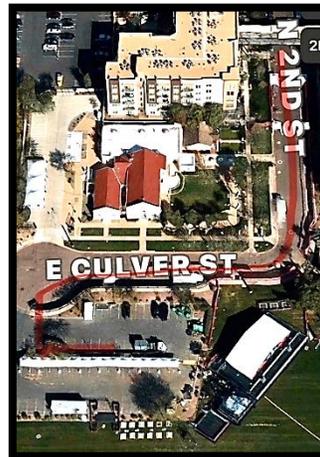
- Helps neighbors to be better eyes and ears for the Phoenix Police Department.
- Know when to call 911 or Crime Stop [602 262 6151](tel:6022626151)
- Understand the process of why the operator asks the questions and what information to be prepared with.
- Be an observer without being confrontational.

NEXT TRAINING CLASS IS ON WEBEX
 MARCH 11 & 12

PNP GROUP PATROL

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

Next First Friday's Group Patrol is on
 Friday, March 6



There is a new meeting place with a better entrance/ exit. The parking lot is between the Burton Barr library and Margaret T. Hance Park. The address is 1218 N. 2nd St.

Spots do fill up fast, but Rick will save you a spot if you let him know you are coming! The new meeting time will be 6:30pm. Patrol will start at 7:00pm and end at 10:00pm. If you have trouble finding us, please call Rick's cell at 602-853-2271. If you have any radios, please bring them. If not, Rick will have some extra.

PLEASE LET RICK KNOW IF YOU CAN MAKE IT.

Text or email Rick with your cellphone number if you would like to go. This also helps in case something comes up last minute

and he needs to cancel for that night.

Rick's email is ussyorktown25@hotmail.com

Thanks. Rick



**Mayor's Office Official Historian
Meet Steve Schumacher**

Steve Schumacher is the inaugural Mayor's Office Official Historian and grew up in West Phoenix. He has always been a historian at heart and channels his passion to raise awareness of Phoenix's history for all citizens and visitors. Since his appointment, Steve has been actively engaging and educating the community about the unique history that has shaped Phoenix as we know it today. His projects have included recovering the first Phoenix flag from more than 100 years ago and creating a 30-minute history special about the city. Steve is an avid reader, enjoys doing crossword puzzles, public speaking, and exercising daily. He is an Arizona State University alumnus and has two adult children.



About the Mayor's Office Official Historian

The Mayor's Office Official Historian is an appointed position that was created in 2022 by Mayor Kate Gallego. The Historian oversees projects to educate the community about Phoenix's past. This involves working closely with all City of Phoenix departments, school districts, history-related organizations, and businesses to enhance cultural awareness throughout the community.

"I have always believed the future of Phoenix builds on the strong foundation of its past, beginning with the ancient indigenous peoples who first lived here. By understanding our unique cultural history and traditions, we can celebrate in a way that helps residents learn, understand, and respect our past," said Mayor Gallego.

The Mayor's Office Official Historian is the point-of-contact for anyone who would like to learn or share more about [Phoenix history](https://youtu.be/sctwhERN8zQ) <https://youtu.be/sctwhERN8zQ>

A Note from the Mayor's Office:

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



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

**Next Dinner will be on Monday, March 30
at 5:30 pm at Beuf CC, 35th Ave. & Pinnacle Peak
602-262-7444 council.district.1@phoenix.gov**

Message from Councilwoman Ann O'Brien

I want to share important information about a proposed increase to our monthly residential solid waste rates. I know many residents already feel financially squeezed, and I understand the real impact this has on household budgets.

The City of Phoenix Public Works Department has proposed an increase to monthly residential solid waste rates. The last adjustment was approved in 2020. Since that time, vehicle costs are up 52%, construction and maintenance costs for critical infrastructure have increased 40%, and staff costs have grown 32%. As a result, the Solid Waste Division is projecting a \$20.8 million budget shortfall this fiscal year. Without an adjustment, the department has indicated it would be unable to sustain many of the services residents currently rely on, resulting in significant service reductions.

The proposal outlines a \$6 monthly increase for 2026 and 2027, and \$5 for 2028. I encourage you to review the full proposal, share input, and find the full list of community information sessions, including a virtual option at www.phoenix.gov/swrate2026. The department will hold two community meetings in District 1. On Thursday, March 19 at 6pm at Beuf Community Center and Wednesday, March 25 at 6pm at Deer Valley Community Center. I am committed to carefully weighing the operational needs of our solid waste system against the financial realities facing our residents, and your input will help inform my decision on this matter.

Over the past week, I've had the privilege of celebrating the Lunar New Year with the Chinese Restaurant Association of Arizona and the Arizona Asian Chamber of Commerce as we welcomed the Year of the Fire Horse. Attending and participating in such events create opportunities for cross-cultural understanding and supporting our local economy, particularly the family-owned restaurants and small businesses that serve as gathering places where traditions are preserved and shared. By celebrating together, we honor heritage while also building a stronger, more inclusive City. Please mark your calendar for a free, family-friendly Lunar New Year celebration on Saturday, February 28 from 5 to 8 pm at Deer Valley Community Center. There'll be entertainment, crafts, food and drinks, and a lantern lighting!

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

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

**Take the MindCrowd Memory Test – let's help them get to their
1 million participant goal!**

MindCrowd is an innovative, free online study designed to engage users in cognitive research while providing them with valuable insights into their own mental abilities. By participating in simple, fun tasks, you help TGen scientists better understand how the human brain works—while learning more about your own cognitive strengths.

MindCrowd isn't just another survey—it's a citizen-scientist opportunity to contribute to meaningful research while having fun. They are close to their 1 million participant goal – help them get to their goal by the end of 2025. Take the test at mindcrowd.org and watch the BBC StoryWorks Film on the City of Phoenix and [MindCrowd here](#).



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

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

Upcoming City Council Meetings
Next City Council Formal Meetings: MAR 4 & 25
Next City Council Policy Meetings: MAR 24

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

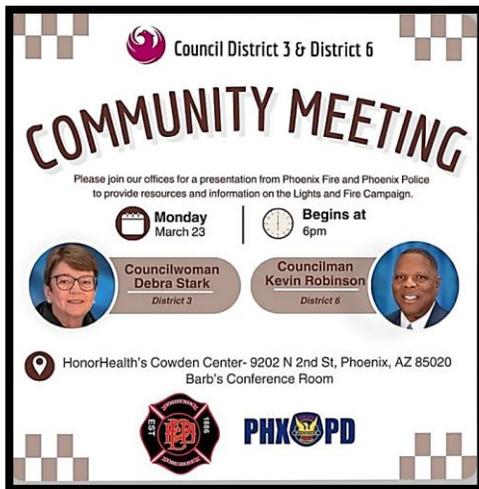


DISTRICT 3 NEWSLETTER
 A Message from Phoenix City Councilwoman Debra Stark

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

Public Works Proposed Solid Waste Rate Increase

The Public Works Department has recommended an adjustment to the monthly residential solid waste rate in order to keep up with solid waste expenses. If approved, your rate would increase each of the next three years, starting on July 1, 2026. To learn more or to give feedback, visit www.phoenix.gov/swrate2026



COMMUNITY MEETING
 Council District 3 & District 6
 Please join our offices for a presentation from Phoenix Fire and Phoenix Police to provide resources and information on the Lights and Fire Campaign.
Monday March 23 | **Begins at 6pm**
 Councilwoman Debra Stark (District 3) | Councilman Kevin Robinson (District 6)
 HonorHealth's Cowden Center- 9202 N 2nd St, Phoenix, AZ 85020
 Barb's Conference Room
 PHX PD

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](#).



City 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.



Kate Brophy McGee
 Maricopa County
 District 3 Supervisor

District 3 | Chair Kate Brophy McGee Me

MEET YOUR DISTRICT 3 SUPERVISOR!

<https://youtu.be/uwndJeOOBu4>

Joint Statement from Chair Kate Brophy McGee and Vice Chair Debbie Lesko on Letter to Recorder

"Today we sent a [letter to Recorder Heap](#) about in-person early voting now that his office oversees that important function. Big decisions need to be made in short order to ensure that sufficient voting locations, staff, and equipment are available for the July Primary Election. Failure to act now could have a detrimental impact on voters.

In the letter, we indicated our strong preference that Mr. Heap provide the same level of service that Maricopa County voters have come to expect in past years, when the Board oversaw in-person early voting. That means a large number of sites spread out evenly and fairly across our county during the 27 days of early voting, as outlined by statute.

We asked Mr. Heap whether he would like to collaborate with the Board's Elections Department which is staffed, resourced, and experienced in this area. This letter follows Mr. Heap's claim in court that he is willing to cooperate on logistical issues, and a staff-level message on Monday detailing the key decisions that must be made. We've given Recorder Heap until Friday to respond so that we can meet statutory deadlines.

Should the Recorder choose not to respond, the Board will assume he is able to manage in-person early voting without our help."

IMPORTANT LINKS

1. [Animal Care & Control](#)
2. [County Contacts & Resources](#)
3. [County Library](#)
1. [County Parks](#)
2. [Find your District](#)
3. [Public Health](#)
1. [Register to Vote](#)
2. [Strategic Plan](#)
3. [Watch Board Meetings](#)

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Kate Brophy McGee, Maricopa County Supervisor, District 3

District 3

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[Email Supervisor Kate Brophy McGee](mailto:Email_Supervisor_Kate_Brophy_McGee)

Page Gonzales, Chief of Staff 602-506-7074

Sarah Griffith, Deputy Admin. at (602) 506-4758

or sarah.griffith@maricopa.gov

INFO OF THE MONTH

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



HELP KEEP PHOENIX GRAFFITI-FREE!

February marked the 12th annual Graffiti Free Phoenix Month, a citywide effort to keep neighborhoods clean and safe, by preventing and removing graffiti. Graffiti vandalism harms neighborhood pride, raises safety concerns, and impacts residents and businesses. That's why the Graffiti Free Phoenix

program, led by the City of Phoenix Neighborhood Services Department (NSD), works year-round to remove graffiti quickly and promote long-term prevention. In 2025, the City's Graffiti Busters team cleaned 46,118 sites citywide, responding seven days a week to reported graffiti by residents and businesses.

Three ways to report graffiti within the city of Phoenix

- Phone: 602-534-4444
- Email: blight@phoenix.gov
- Online: Phoenix.gov/myPHX311

For graffiti on private property, Property owners must provide permission before removal. Residents can also request paint and supplies to tackle graffiti as part of a community clean-up effort. To learn more about reporting graffiti, available resources, and ways to participate in Graffiti Free Phoenix Month, visit Phoenix.gov/graffiti. To report graffiti when it's happening, call 9-1-1



March 14th, 2026 - *Happy Valley Towne Center*
Enter off Happy Valley Road, West of Walmart

April 4th, 2026 - *Desert Ridge Marketplace*
Enter off Deer Valley Road, East of AMC Theatre

[Click here to find out more](#)



LIFEGUARD HIRING

Ready to make a splash this summer? The City of Phoenix is hiring lifeguards! We've made it easier than ever to join the team and serve your community. Secure your summer plans in just 3 simple steps: Sign up for a certification class Apply online – Head to phoenix.gov/jobs and search "lifeguard." Check your email – Keep an eye out in March for your interview invitation. Get started today:

www.phoenix.gov/lifeguard



Get Paid \$500 to go Grass Free

Phoenix residents can cash in by removing non-functional grass. The City of Phoenix Water Services Department is offering financial incentives to homeowners who remove non-functional grass. Homeowners are eligible to receive \$2 per square foot of grass removed. This program helps residents save money on their bills and strengthens the City's commitment to sustainable urban living.

Website: Water Services Residential Grass Incentives

BMCA PDFs AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE:

www.bmcainfo.com



PNP DOOR HANGERS



Designed by Laura and printed at:
GORDON GRAPHICS, INC.
1507 W. Parkside Lane, Phoenix, Arizona 85027
623-582-0099, FAX 623-582-0333 www.gg-az.com

AZ Water-Wise Kit

Smart water use starts with small changes. The City of Phoenix Water Services Department invites residents to get a free, customizable AZ Water-Wise Kit to fit your needs in 2026. From efficient showerheads to leak detectors and hose timers, each item is designed to make water conservation easy. The kits are made possible through a partnership with [Water-Use It Wisely \(WUIW\)](#) and [Salt River Project \(SRP\)](#).



To order, visit wuiw.com/kit and select "Not listed – Get your AZ Water-Wise Kit" from the drop-down menu.

MAKE A DEDUCTIBLE CONTRIBUTION BY APRIL 15, 2026, FOR YOUR 2025 TAX FILING!



Single taxpayers can contribute up to \$200, and married households filing jointly can contribute up to \$400 to the school or program of your choice. You do not need to have a student enrolled in school to contribute!
Visit: DVUSD.org/taxcredit

<https://www.wesdschools.org/about-wesd/tax-credit> or

www.GUHSDAZ.org/taxcredit



The City of Phoenix uses a humane, effective approach to manage feral cat populations through Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR); a proven method that helps both community members and cats thrive.

- ✓ Cats are safely trapped
- ✓ Spayed/neutered and vaccinated
- ✓ Returned to their original location

Ear-tipping shows a cat has already been fixed and vaccinated
Why TNR matters:

- Reduces fighting, spraying, and loud yowling
- Keeps cats healthier and closer to their food source
- Prevents new, unaltered cats from moving in
- Humanely reduces the overall cat population over time

Whether you're a resident needing help or someone interested in supporting this work, resources and nonprofit partners are available. Learn more about Phoenix's Feral Cat Welfare Program here:

https://www.phoenix.gov/.../resources/Feral_Cat_Welfare.html

Let's create safer, healthier neighborhoods for everyone.

FEBRUARY 11, 2026

BLACK MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE & BLACK MOUNTAIN PRECINCT COMMUNITY BW / PNP MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

With 60 in attendance at the DVCC

Meeting called to order at 6:33 pm



BMCA Chair Candice Fremouw

Thank you Lois & Kathie for helping with the sign in table!



BMCA BOARD ELECTIONS: Nominations for Treasurer 2-year term: Candice nominated Deb Pameticky. Vote: unanimous Nominations for Chairperson 2-year term: Laura nominated Candice Fremouw. Vote: unanimous

CITY COUNCIL:



Council District 1 Councilwoman Ann O'Brien congratulated Candice on 10 years as Chairperson. She thanked some of our congressmen for money for a flight simulator and the Real Time Operations Centers. There will be nine rotation cameras installed for the Photo Safety Program. A list of the locations is available on the info table. For the first 30 days there will only be warnings. Also, there will be some Streetlight Safety improvements along 14 high-crash corridors expected to begin this

summer. She participated in the Point in Time Homeless Count at 27th Avenue and SR 101 near Target. We helped two individuals take services. About 70% of those who accept shelter get out within 126 days and are back on their feet. There will be a rate adjustment for Solid Waste pick up. A monthly \$6 increase for 2026 and 2027 and \$5 for 2028. The Ethics Committee will have a Republican vacancy, so please consider applying.

DVCC:

DVCC Director Noreena Ortega and Jordan talked about the Lunar New Year Event on February 28 from 5 – 8 pm and thanked the sponsors, the fund raisers dept., Sister Cities and Councilwoman Ann. There will be entertainment, food, calligraphy, a lantern lighting, a 40-foot Dragon Boat in the parking lot, etc. Please come and visit! The registration for the summer program starts in March. The After Dark in the Park Event on June 27 from 6 – 9 pm will be a DRONE SHOW again! Candice asked about how the Lifeguard program was going. There have been some ideas like the shallow-water guards that have helped regrow the decimated program after Covid.



Black Mountain Precinct Updates



Candice welcomed our new Cmdr. Mykel Moller to his first BMCA Meeting! Sgt. Henry introduced him. He has been in Black Mountain Precinct since 2016 as an Lt. in Patrol. He talked about his career and his experience working with the Office of Homeless Solutions, Patrol, Walking Beat,

Neighborhood enforcement team, air support unit, downtown operations unit, and the homeland defense bureau. He is happy with the new funding for the Real Time Operations Center which greatly benefits our precinct. Sgt. Henry talked about the extensive work done at the wash by 7th Avenue and Bell Road. They are now on the third day working at 19th Avenue and Greenway. He will provide us with pictures next month.

PNP UPDATES:

The next PNP Citywide Meeting is on Tuesday, February 17 at 6 pm at Mt. View Precinct and on Webex. Next PNP/BW Training is on Webex on March 11 & 12 from 5 – 7 pm both nights. Email pnp.coordinator@phoenix.gov or call 602-256-4303 to register.

BW/PNP SIGN & FIRST AID KIT PRESENTATIONS:

One PNP Sign to Lee Reynolds Colina Del Norte BW and a First Aid Kit to Frosty Kroening with Hillcrest Improvement Association.



CAO Kelsey and Lee Reynolds



CAO Jeffrey and Frosty



Two Wooden Flags were brought by Bud & Deb to be signed for Cmdr. Christie and CAO Jon McQuillan



BREAK OUT SESSION

to meet with Area 21, 22 & 23 CAOs



Area 21 met with CAO Kelsey Sanborn



Area 22 met with CAO Jeffrey Blair



Area 23 met with CAO Jeremy Campbell

PRESENTATION:

REAL TIME OPERATIONS CENTER
with Sgt. Jeffrey Tobey
and Real Time Operator Cindy



Candice introduced Sgt. Tobey. He thanked Councilwoman Ann for being one of the early supporters of the Real Time Operations program in the city. He oversees the Desert Horizon Precinct Real Time Operations Center called Desert Ops. The Cactus Park Precinct RTOC is called Cactus Ops. When Black Mountain

Precinct gets one, it will be called Black Ops! A Real Time Operations Center (RTOC) is a central hub that integrates layered public safety technology to provide real-time information and support to field personnel. By centralizing Surveillance Cameras, Gun Shot Detection Systems, and License Plate Readers, RTOCs help officers make faster, more effective decisions, leading to quicker response times and improved public safety. The Real Time Operations Specialists are Intelligence Officers who have gone through the equivalent of I.O. school as sworn officers and have advanced training through our partners at HIDTA, ACTIC and NRTTCA. He showed a short video and answered many questions. What a great presentation on this amazing technology!

CRIME PREVENTION & SAFETY ITEM DISTRIBUTION:



Everyone always receives something!

50/50 DRAWING: Richard I. won \$50.00 and donated it back to BMCA! Thank you, Richard!!!



50/50 Host Bud and Richard I. Thank you, Lisa for helping!

REFRESHMENTS: YUM!



Thank you to everyone who brought goodies!
Especially Aurora for her famous cookies!



BMCA ATTENDS & SUPPORTS...

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

FEBRUARY 9, 2026

Black Mountain Community Alliance
at DISTRICT 3 SIP & CHAT



Susan



CAOs Jeremy and Jeffrey



Lois, Lana, and Laura working the corner!



FEBRUARY 12, 2026

Black Mountain Community Alliance
at the BWG Oversight Comm. Meeting



FEBRUARY 14, 2026

Black Mountain Community Alliance
at the Village Meadows Clean Up
on Bell Road & 19th Avenue





BRBA MISSION STATEMENT

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

**FEBRUARY 17, 2026, at 11 am
BELL ROAD BUSINESS ALLIANCE
Meeting at GAMER’S GUILD**



Roxanne, Greg, and Susan



Council District 3 Amber and Nyjah



CAO Sgt. Henry



Lois, Cmdr. Mykel, and Sgt. Henry



Lois and Cmdr. Mykel



Patrol Officer, CAO Jeremy, CAO Jeffrey, and CAO Kelsey



PRESENTATION: Rezoning Request for Warespace
on W. Grandview Road & I-17



Shane Ross with Tiffany & Bosco P.A.



Starlight Community Theatre is relocating to I-17 & Bell Road



Kage Kral

**Next Bell Road Business Alliance Meeting is on
Tuesday, March 17 at 11:00 am
at GAMER’S GUILD, 1818 W. Bell Road**
For more information contact bellroadbusinessalliance@gmail.com

For information on the next Thrive Bell Road Community Clean up
visit Thrivephoenix.org or email at info@thrivephoenix.org



If your community needs a meeting place for your Block Watch Group, this is it! Call Kage for details.

We also offer **quiet workspace, free Wi-Fi, and food and drink service after 3 PM** at Forks & Boards, which makes the space flexible for many different needs.

If you already have a book club, Bridge, Gin, Pinochle, or other card group, craft circle, or social club and is interested in trying a new place to meet and have fun, we'd love to host you. Gamers Guild is always excited to welcome existing groups and help them feel at home here.

Ambassador Program. If there are community members who enjoy teaching games or hosting regular meetups, **we actively support them.** We help provide space, structure, and promotion, and we focus on nurturing the community that grows around those games or recurring events.

Craft Connection is on **Tuesday mornings and Thursday evenings.** Bring your own crafts and enjoy working alongside like-minded community members.

LEGO Build Night every **Thursday at 5 PM.** Bring your own sets or pick something up in-store.

Hobby Night every **Wednesday at 5 PM,** focused on miniature painting and model building.

Gamers Guild Book Club meets in person on the **third Sunday of each month,** with additional independent book clubs meeting on **Sundays at Forks & Boards.**

Between our in-person Book Club Meetups on the 3rd Sunday of each month, the book discussions keep on going! We wrapped up our February discussion for *Dungeon Crawler Carl* (we aren't done with Carl just yet!) and the next selection is *Leviathan Wakes: Book One of The Expanse* by **James S. A. Corey!** Political tension, detective noir vibes, and a crew trying to survive something much bigger than them. If you've been sci-fi curious, **this is a great entry point.** If you already love space opera, you probably own it. <https://discord.gg/xjPeZF5z3B>

Jigsaw Puzzle Meetup on **Tuesday evenings at 5 PM** and **Thursday mornings at 10 AM.**

Mahjong Night every **Tuesday at 5 PM.**

Learn 2 Play Fest on the **First Saturday of each month,** with the next few being on **March 7, and April 4.** These are **open community days** where anyone can drop in and **learn how to play new games** with guidance from staff and our volunteer game Ambassadors. This event is designed to be **approachable, social, and beginner friendly.**

Bring your laptop, your notebook, or your to-do list and make yourself at home. Work From the Guild is a relaxed, work-friendly daytime space with a calm atmosphere, plenty of room to spread out, powered tables and free Wi-Fi.

Set up at open tables, enjoy a relaxing environment, and focus at your own pace. Need privacy? Premium Rooms are available to reserve for meetings or private calls. Forks & Boards opens at 3PM if you want food or drinks to power you through the afternoon!

Chef's Movie Night every **Wednesday evening** at **Forks & Boards.** This is a ticketed event with a themed 3- or 5-course meal paired with an AAA movie, crafted by Chef Gil. Tickets sell out fast.

Coming soon!

Paint and Sips! Costume making classes! Tabletop terrain making classes! Industry guests from the game development community! Summertime activities! Trivia Nights! Charity events and more!

Kage Kral,
Events and Community Engagement Mgr.
Gamers Guild, 1818 W. Bell Road
communitymanager@gamersguildusa.com
602-486-3872

FEBRUARY 17, 2026

**Black Mountain Community Alliance
at the CITYWIDE PNP Meeting**



Det. Erin Sayegh and Laura



We picked up our Honor Walk Shirts



Det. Erin and Jennifer

FEBRUARY 19, 2026

**Black Mountain Community Alliance
at the BWG Oversight Comm. Meeting**



FEBRUARY 21, 2026

**Black Mountain Community Alliance
at the Crystal Terrace Block Watch
TRASH BASH CLEAN UP**



FEBRUARY 22, 2026

Black Mountain Community Alliance at the HONOR WALK/RUN



New PD Headquarters Lobby



Honor Wall



Cmdr. Christie & Candice Deb & Candice Det. Erin



Councilwoman Ann & Terry



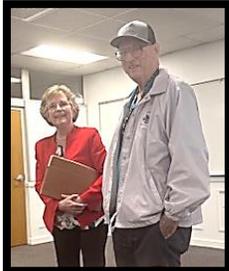
FEBRUARY 25, 2026

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



FEBRUARY 25, 2026

**Black Mountain Community Alliance
at the CPCA MEETING**



MCS Chair Kate Brophy McGee and Stan



D1 Aide Ruben

CAO Sgt. Julio

NSD Johnny

FEBRUARY 26, 2026

**Black Mountain Community Alliance
at the Hillcrest Improvement Assoc. Mtg.**



CAO Jeremy and CAO Jeffrey

Frosty



FEBRUARY 26, 2026

**Black Mountain Community Alliance
at the REACH COALITION MEETING**



Pina, Lisa, and Kelly



Tony, Kathie, Lisa, Pina, Kelly, and Laura

FEBRUARY 27, 2026

Black Mountain Community Alliance at the DISTRICT 1 BREAKFAST



Councilwoman Ann O'Brien



Phoenix City Manager Ed Zuercher



Derrick



Greg and Ruben



BMP Cmdr. Moller



BMP Sgt. Henry



CPP Lt. Michaud



Transit Lt. Abernathy



CAOs Jeremy and Jeffrey



Councilwoman Ann and Cmdr. Mykel

FEBRUARY 28, 2026

Black Mountain Community Alliance at the LUNAR NEW YEAR EVENT at DVCC



CAOs Jeremy and Jeffrey and a 40 ft. Boat



Crafts



Ribbon Cutting



Cake Cutting



Food



Entertainment



Lantern Launch



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



NEIGHBORHOOD SPECIALISTS

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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 dates you can request four times a year for Bulk Trash pickup.

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 50% 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.

ABANDONED SHOPPING CART RETRIEVAL PROGRAM

The City of Phoenix Abandoned Shopping Cart Retrieval Program strives to remove empty, abandoned shopping carts found off-premises city-wide, from public right of way, sidewalks, and City streets within 2 business days of the complaint.

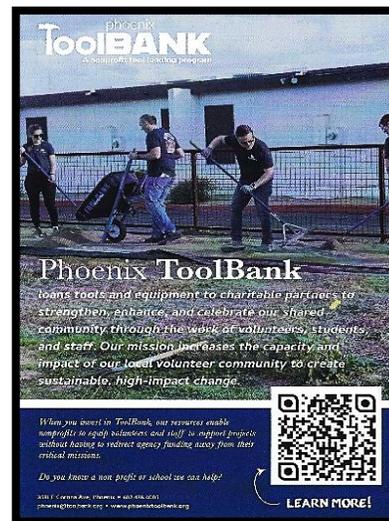
To report an empty and abandoned shopping cart, not on private property, you may call [602-534-4444](tel:602-534-4444), email shopping.carts.nsd@phoenix.gov, or go online at myPHX311.

To report a filled shopping cart, [submit a report through PHX C.A.R.E.S.](http://submitareportthroughphxcaree.s)
www.phoenix.gov/shoppingcarts



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...



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 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 or bmca200@gmail.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

CRYSTAL TERRACE BLOCK WATCH for info e-mail: crystalterracecommunity@gmail.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. mvgc@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:

NOT JUST ROMANCE: THE RISE OF FRIENDSHIP SCAMS

Online romance scams have been wreaking havoc for years. A growing trend has a similar path, but the focus is on building deep trust friendships and seeking to steal every last penny from the target. Here's how [friendship scams](#) work.

HOW IT WORKS

You meet someone online through social media or another platform. They may comment on your posts or reach out by direct message. Or you could receive what appears to be a wrong-number text ("Hi, are we still on for dinner tonight?"). You reply to be polite, and a conversation begins.

Over time (weeks, months – sometimes years), a deep trust relationship develops.

Eventually, your new friend asks for financial help, or they may pitch an [investment opportunity](#) that they have made a lot of money with, and want you to benefit from their knowledge.

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

Criminals infiltrate social media and other online spaces (yes, even texting your phone), showing interest in things you're interested in or claiming to be in similar circumstances to form emotional connections. The platonic nature may reduce suspicion, making these scams harder to recognize.

The money subject comes up as a personal and urgent need for your financial help, or a can't-miss investment opportunity.

The nature of the criminal enterprises behind this scam is to steal everything from their victims.

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO

Ignore (or delete and report if your phone has that option) seemingly errant text messages.

Be exceedingly cautious getting to know new friends online; this scam is everywhere right now.

Tell a close friend or family member about a new relationship, or call the AARP Fraud Watch Network Helpline to talk to someone trained in scams (877-908-3360).

If you become a victim, immediately contact the relevant financial institution to see if you can get back any of your money.

Report to local law enforcement (and insist on a report), and to the FBI at [IC3.gov](#).

FBI Warns of Impersonation Scams

The FBI is sounding the alarm on fake agent scams, and the AARP Fraud Watch Network Helpline (877-908-3360) has seen a rise in reports of [impostors posing as government officials](#).

Criminals impersonate a wide range of local, state and federal government agencies, and the use of artificial intelligence makes these scams harder than ever to detect.

Here's what you need to know about these trending scams.

HOW IT WORKS

You receive an unexpected call, text, or email from someone claiming to be from the FBI or another government authority.

They could say there's a warrant for your arrest.

Or they may claim your identity was stolen and used to buy child pornography or launder money. They may say they need your help to catch the criminal and urge you to transfer your money for "safekeeping."

And they'll likely insist on secrecy, pressuring you not to discuss the situation with anyone.

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

These communications can sound highly professional, may spoof legitimate phone numbers, and sometimes include personal details.

Some even use the real names of FBI agents or local officials to appear legitimate when searched online. The goal, however, is to steal money or sensitive information.

Remember that government officials will never contact people out of the blue to seek payment in any form or ask them to wire money, send cryptocurrency, or purchase gift cards or gold.

WHAT YOU SHOULD DO

Avoid engaging with anyone who unexpectedly contacts you claiming to be a local, state, or federal agency official.

If the message seems like it could be legitimate, contact the agency directly using a verified phone number from its official website.

If you shared personal information and feel it was part of a scam, go to [IdentityTheft.gov](#) for step-by-step guidance on protecting yourself—or recovering—from identity fraud.

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.

MORE FROM AARP

[Five of the Biggest Scams to Watch for in 2026 >](#)

[How to Recover After Your Identity Has Been Stolen >](#)

[15 Worst Things to Carry In Your Wallet >](#)

[Learn More About Work-From-Home Job Scams >](#)

[10 Common Government Impostor Scams >](#)

[Understanding and Avoiding Tariff Scams >](#)

[15 Ways to Protect Yourself From Fraud >](#)

[Criminals Are Stealing More Money Through Text Scams Than Ever Before >](#)

[Learn More about the Latest Medicare Scams >](#)

[Government Impostor Scams Are on the Rise >](#)

[How to Spot a Phone Scam >](#)

[Stay Safe From Scams: Pause. Reflect. Protect. >](#)

Do you think you have been targeted or have fallen victim to a scam? Contact [AARP Fraud Watch Network Helpline](#). Call 877-908-3360.

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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](#)



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

The map has a 30-day rolling window and has filters for the Neighborhood and Council District. Incident locations are displayed based on their Category and all incidents are geocoded down to the street level, so that there should not be any incidents shown on someone's home. [Launch the Map.](#)

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 \(Español\)](#)

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

[Phoenix Fire Foundation](#)

NEW ONLINE RECORDS REQUEST SYSTEM

The Phoenix Fire Department is launching a new online system for submitting a records request. This system will be used for Fire Prevention Records requests

- Fire Prevention Reviewed Plans
- Fire Inspection Permits
- Fire Prevention Inspection Notices
- The Compliance Engine Third Party Safety System Inspection Reports

As well as other types of records:

- Fire Records
- Medical Records (subject to privacy and authorization requirements)
- Media requests

The new system is designed to improve communication, tracking, and response times while ensuring compliance with applicable privacy and confidentiality laws.

The system is scheduled to go live on February 17, 2026. Once live, requests must be submitted through this system.

You may prepare now by:

- Creating an account in advance | [Click here to create an account](#)
- Review the How-To Guide that explains how to submit a request [How-To Guide](#)

Please note Fire Prevention's records may not represent a complete record of all fire inspections, plans, and/or permits. Many of these types of records are located in the City of Phoenix Planning and Development Department's permitting systems and available via a free self-help web portal at <https://www.phoenix.gov/pdd/onlineservices> and

<https://shapephx.phoenix.gov/s/advanced-search>

Any questions, please contact the office at 602-262-6771 or email pfd.prevention.records@phoenix.gov

SENIOR CITIZENS

The city has a number of services available for our Senior Citizens.

[How do I find programs for Seniors?](#)

[Download a Medical Information Form.](#)

TEEN DRIVER SAFETY PROGRAM

The purpose of the Teen Driver Safety Program is to educate new drivers and parents on the dangers of distracted and impaired driving. This class was previously held only in high schools and is now being expanded and open to the public. This program is taught by iPAP, the Injury Prevention Alliance of Phoenix, which is a collaboration of Phoenix Fire Department and valley hospitals.

[Teen Driver Safety Program Sign Up](#)

Trauma Bleeding Control Training (STOP THE BLEED®)

If you would like to request a Trauma Bleeding Control Training (STOP THE BLEED®) for you and your organization, please submit your request by following the link below:

[Presentation and Training Request Form](#)

If you would like to attend a Trauma Bleeding Control Training (STOP THE BLEED®), please click the link below to find a training near you:

[Trauma Bleeding Control](#)

THE CITY OF PHOENIX CITYWIDE LOCKBOX PROGRAM

This program allows firefighters to gain entry to your home in case of emergency without causing any damage to your residence. This is done by utilizing a key that you provide in a secure lockbox attached to your entryway. This program not only provides free lockboxes to those vulnerable Phoenix residents, it also allows those who already have their own lockbox in place to register their lockbox code with the fire department.

Free lockboxes are donated by the Phoenix Area Association of Realtors and are distributed on a first come, first served basis to vulnerable Phoenix residents who are 55+, have special needs or mobility issues.

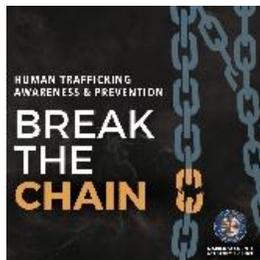
Your information and the code to the lockbox is provided only to firefighters in the event there is an emergency call to your home. You will need to provide the appropriate key or keys to put in the lockbox at the time of the delivery.

If you have any questions about the City of Phoenix Lockbox Program or would like to be removed from the program, please email pfd.lockbox@phoenix.gov.

[Lockbox Request Form](#)



NOT A “SOMEWHERE ELSE” ISSUE



Human trafficking happens throughout Maricopa County and is far more prevalent than many realize.

This month, the Maricopa County Attorney's Office (MCAO) started the year by raising awareness of one of the most underreported crimes: human trafficking.

By the numbers: Over the past several years, MCAO has seen an increase in the number of sex trafficking cases submitted by law enforcement.

- These cases often involve buyers identified through sting operations or traffickers exploiting children online.
- In 2023, the office received 107 submittals from law enforcement related to sex trafficking. Last year, that number jumped to 172, a 60% increase.
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County Attorney Rachel Mitchell explains the issue:



What's next: Follow along the next few months as we continue to talk about this issue, educate the community, and take action to end trafficking.

[Follow Us On Social!](#)

2025 CITIZENS ACADEMY



[Register Here](#)

STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES

The commitment of the Maricopa County Attorney's Office is to help provide a safe and well-governed community that 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.
<https://www.facebook.com/MCAOK9/>
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

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



MEASLES UPDATE

Measles is a highly contagious viral illness that causes fever and rash. It is spread through the air by an infected person breathing, coughing or sneezing and is so contagious that any child or adult who is exposed to it and is not immune will probably get the disease.

Current Situation (last updated 2/24/2026)

- MCDPH is actively responding to community transmission of measles in Maricopa County.
 - [View current case counts](#)
 - [View press releases](#)
- MCDPH is working closely with the Arizona Department of Health Services and local healthcare providers to identify and investigate suspected measles cases, and to promptly notify people who may have been exposed so they can watch for symptoms and take steps to prevent further spread. View [current public exposure notifications](#).
- Measles is highly contagious and early recognition is critical to preventing further spread. Vaccination is the most effective way to avoid measles infection and serious outcomes. Residents are advised to check their immunization records to see if they are up to date on MMR and other vaccines.
 - Residents can check Arizona immunization records via the Arizona Department of Health Services [MyIR](#) portal.
 - If you do not have the [recommended doses of MMR vaccine](#) or are unsure if you do, talk with your healthcare provider about next steps.
 - Assistance is also available through the MCDPH CARES Team at 602-506-6767 Mon.-Fri. from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Public Exposures

People who were exposed, especially those without immunity through vaccination or previous disease, should monitor for symptoms which appear typically seven to 12 days after exposure but may take up to 21 days.

If you were at any of the locations listed below and have developed measles-like symptoms, immediately contact your healthcare provider, urgent care, or emergency room by phone and inform them you have been exposed to measles and are displaying symptoms. Call ahead before you visit a health center to help reduce exposures.

The measles virus can survive in the air for up to two hours, so exposure times listed include two hours after the individual left that location.

Public exposure locations are added as they are identified and removed once the recommended symptom watch period has concluded. Last updated 2/24/26.

MYTH VS. FACT: EMERGENCY EDITION

Myth Vs. Fact
Emergency Edition

Myth or Fact?
"I can out-drive a dust storm."

In Arizona, you cannot outdrive a dust storm. They move fast, visibility drops to zero in seconds, and speeding only makes it deadlier. Pull aside, stay alive. Get off the roadway, turn off your lights, keep your foot off the brake, and wait it out before continuing your journey.



NEWS BITES

PAWLITICS: MEET PAPI

Hang out with District 2 Supervisor Thomas Galvin and co-host, Papi, for our most recent episode of Pawlitics! Supervisor Galvin runs through the Board's latest updates, with support from this adorable German Shepherd mix!



If you're interested in adopting Papi, visit Maricopa.gov/Pets.

[View All Adoptable Pets](#)

Know What to Do if Your Dog Gets Lost?
1 in 3 pets will go missing in their lifetime
[Report Lost Pet](#)



ADOT ADOPT A HIGHWAY VOLUNTEERS MADE A BIG IMPACT DURING 2025

They removed more than 12,000 bags of litter from state highways

PHOENIX – Numbers only begin to describe the value that Adopt a Highway volunteers brought to state highways during 2025, but they are impressive nonetheless:

- Bags of litter collected: 12,211
- Individuals volunteering: 7,270
- Groups participating: 764
- Total hours worked: 16,163
- Value of these efforts: \$545,000



“ADOT is grateful to these civic-minded individuals and groups who dedicate time and effort to their adopted stretches of highway,” said Mary Currie, ADOT’s Adopt a Highway Program Manager. “We hope their contributions inspire others to follow their example by volunteering themselves, encouraging others not to litter and securing their loads.”

There are plenty of miles to adopt along state highways, and getting started is as simple as visiting azdot.gov/adoptahighway. Groups receive two-year permits to clean up roadside litter on highway segments, usually a mile in each direction and largely in rural areas, that are deemed safe for volunteers.

Groups agree to pick up litter in an adopted stretch at least once per year and preferably three or more times a year. They coordinate with ADOT to arrange for safety vests, litter bags and training for pickup events.

Another benefit: Each adopted stretch has a recognition sign bearing the Adopt a Highway group’s name.

For more information and to join our Adopt a Highway family, please visit azdot.gov/adoptahighway

ADOT OIG HOW TO AVOID BEING A POTENTIAL TITLE AND REGISTRATION VICTIM

ADOT Fraud Hotline easy online way to submit incident complaints

The Arizona Department of Transportation Office of Inspector General investigates numerous complaints involving car dealerships in Arizona and other Southwestern states. ADOT is encouraging anyone who has vehicle title or registration issues when involved in a vehicle purchase to file an incident report through the ADOT Fraud Hotline.



ADOT’s Office of Inspector General receives the occasional complaint about the purchase of a vehicle and not receiving the assigned title or vehicle registration during the purchasing experience and protocols.

If you or someone you know has done business with a dealership company and has not received the vehicle title or registration, you can file an incident report using the following link: azdot.gov/mvd/report-fraud.

“Many times buyers don’t know who to contact for help with reconciling a vehicle title dispute with a dealership which delays their ability to file a complaint,” said Detective Bruce Pankow. “Our priority is to ensure anyone dealing with issues from the dealership or others file an incident report so we can look into it and help them be able to legally use that newly purchased vehicle.”

ADOT diligently investigates each complaint to assist the complainant, as well as ensure the dealers are following Arizona statutes and regulations.

ADOT investigators are [Arizona POST](http://Arizona_POST)-certified police officers that are uniquely trained and qualified to pursue regulatory compliance and criminal prosecution of motor vehicle and criminal laws, particularly those related to vehicle dealers, title fraud, odometer fraud, automobile identification, and driver license and state identification card fraud.

EXPLORE LOCAL COLOR WITH OUR VIBRANT MARCH ISSUE



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From the March Issue

We’re taking a look at wildflowers, cottonwoods and more in this spectacular issue:

- **Colors — The Music of the Eyes:** “The colors of Arizona’s landscape do not startle you with their brilliance,” Jack Foster wrote in this month’s *Archive Classic*.
- **The Nerve of Mother Nature:** For centuries, ancient and Indigenous cultures from around the world have used plants as medicine. Turns out, desert plants can be medicinal, too.
- **We Might Be Up a Tree:** Cottonwoods provide shade and habitat along Arizona’s waterways, but because of drought and other factors, they’re in trouble.
- **Spring to Life:** From brittlebush blooms in the Phoenix area to sand verbenas along the Colorado River, Arizona’s desert areas are bursting with color in springtime.
- **The Land of Lost Opportunity:** In 1914, a new national monument was born in the Phoenix area, but less than two decades later, it was gone. Our writer found a long list of sites that never came to pass.



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 limited, tickets available 30 minutes before programs.

CLOSED CESAR CHAVEZ DAY, MARCH 31, 2026

Storytimes

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

Kids Create-Creative Time for Young Artists Thursdays 4:00 pm-5:00 pm

Brick Builders—Fridays 3:30 pm-4:30 pm

Spring Break Project program, Monday, March 16, 1:00-2:30 pm

Movie at Juniper Library: Mr. Rogers, Wednesday, March 18, 3:30-5:30 pm

Bike Safety Fair – March 21 from 10 am - noon

TEENS

Rock the Tabletop: D&D for Teens, Tuesday, March 3 & 17, 3:30-5:30 pm

Teen Volunteer Training, Saturday, March 14, 1:00-3:00 pm & March 28, 3:00-5:00 pm

ADULTS

Saturday Book Club Saturday, March 7, 1:00 pm-2:30 pm

GLP-1 Medications and Multiple Sclerosis, Tuesday, March 10, 1-2 pm

Juniper Book Discussion Group, Wednesday, March 11, 1:30 pm-3:00 pm

Medicare Review: How Do You Know What to Do? Wednesday, March 11, 4:30 pm-5:30 pm

Adult Crafternoon, Saturday, March 21, 1:00 pm-4:00 pm

Movie at Juniper Library: Red Tails, Monday, March 23, 2:00 pm-4:00 pm

GLP-1 Medications and Nutrition, Wednesday, March 25, 1:00 pm-2:00 pm



Phoenix Public Library Blood Pressure Kits

Phoenix residents can now check out an American Heart Association Blood Pressure Kit at the service desk of a participating Phoenix Public Library location. Kits are available while supplies last. Learn more at phoenixpubliclibrary.org

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](#)



DEER VALLEY PARK
2001 W. Wadhalla Lane, Phoenix, AZ 85027

UPCOMING EVENTS



MAR 28 EGGCELLENT ADVENTURE
10 AM – 2 PM IN THE DVCC COURTYARD

SAVE THE DATE!
AFTER DARK IN THE PARK DRONE SHOW
SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2026!

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



<https://ability360.org/sports/tp/> ability360.org

YARD SIGN PILOT PROGRAM



The Yard Sign Pilot Program aims to influence safer driver behavior on neighborhood streets where children and other pedestrians are likely to be walking, jogging or bicycling. Residents and businesses are encouraged to plant a free sign on their property. You can pick up your sign in person at any one of five designated Parks and Recreation Department community centers:

- Goelet A.C. Beuf -3435 W. Pinnacle Peak Rd.
- Maryvale - 4420 N. 51st Ave.
- Longview - 4040 N. 14th St.
- Pecos- 17010 S. 48th St.
- Cesar Chavez - 7858 S. 35th Ave.
- Residents can also pick up a sign in person at Phoenix City Hall, 200 W. Washington St, 5th Floor.

The signs are free to the public and include a yard stake. Funding for the signs comes from money the Mayor and Council specifically set aside for road safety education and infrastructure improvements.

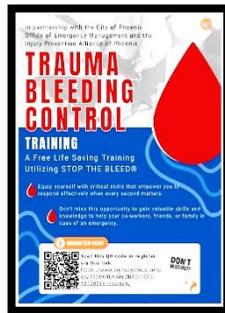
Trauma Bleeding Control Training

The Office of Emergency Management would like to share information about ongoing efforts to educate the public on trauma bleeding control. Throughout coming months, OEM will be hosting "Stop the Bleed" trainings across all Council Districts.

Over the past year, OEM has successfully trained more than 500 City of Phoenix employees and installed several trauma bleeding control stations across the city. Now, we are proud to bring this initiative to the broader community.

Individuals will be able to register from this link or by going to our website:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10COA48A9A62BA3FFCF8-58120714-trauma/#/>



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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.

Suicide Warning Signs

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

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

Call the Lifeline at 1-800-273-TALK (8255).

With Help Comes Hope

Crisis Response
NETWORK

Inspiring Hope

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

<p style="font-weight: bold; font-size: 0.8em;">CENTRAL ARIZONA CRISIS LINE</p> <p style="font-size: 1.2em; font-weight: bold;">602.222.9444</p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em;">TOLL FREE: 800.631.1314 TTY/TDD: 800.327.9254</p>	<p style="font-weight: bold; font-size: 0.8em;">WARM LINE (Peer-to-Peer)</p> <p style="font-size: 1.2em; font-weight: bold;">602.347.1100</p> <p style="font-weight: bold; font-size: 0.8em;">CrisisNetwork.org</p>
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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)



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.](#)

DON'T GIVE TO INDIVIDUALS, GIVE TO SHELTERS



To end panhandling, we must 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

Substance Awareness Coalition Leaders of Arizona
 Lisa Magarelli, MS
 Executive Director
 480.306.3297

Funding was made possible by MATFORCE through a grant from Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, State Council Response grant.

Connect with us here

REACH PSA: Starting a conversation with teens about them not beginning to use drugs and alcohol can be difficult. We're here for you. Our goal? Stop alcohol and drug misuse before it starts and help get the conversation started. Alcohol and other drugs can seriously affect a child's life. They want to know the facts and if you don't tell them, who will? You can make a difference. Stay informed. Be prepared. Take action! Visit www.TalkNowAZ.com
 A message brought to you by the Substance Awareness Coalition Leaders of Arizona.

Strong body, Strong heart, Strong mind.

Substance Abuse Coalition Leaders of Arizona

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Help Address Homelessness in Our Community



If you have concerns about encampments in your neighborhood or frequently see individuals in the same general area who need resources or services, we encourage you to contact [PHX C.A.R.E.S.](#) PHX C.A.R.E.S is the City's reporting system for residents to request

encampment cleanups and to provide resources for people experiencing homelessness through a coordinated, multi-departmental response.

When Should You Report to PHX C.A.R.E.S? When a crime is NOT in progress and:

- You see an encampment.
- You regularly see the same people in the same area experiencing homelessness and in need of services.
- You see homelessness-related debris.
- You see unattended personal belongings.

You can submit a report online 24/7 by visiting myPHX311: phoenix.gov/myphx311 or by calling: [602-262-6251](tel:602-262-6251) Monday-Saturday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Download our Homelessness Resource Guide to find additional resources to connect someone in need with help: [English](#) | [Spanish](#)



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

JOIN BLACK MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY ALLIANCE ON FACEBOOK!



WHERE WE SHARE INFORMATION!



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?

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.



You're invited to join **REACH North Phoenix** for a relaxed and engaging coalition meeting! Come connect with community members, enjoy some pizza, and take part in a fun **stress card game** led by our Coalition Coordinator, **Kelly Gonzalez**. It's a great way to unwind, build connections, and learn more about how you can get involved. All are welcome – we'd love o see you there!

Community Public Service Announcement: As a parent, it's our job to keep our children safe. Providing or allowing young people to use alcohol is violating this rule and is also against the law. Protect, don't provide. A message brought to you by the Substance Abuse Coalition Leaders of Arizona.

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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SCHEDULE YOUR LIVE DEMO TODAY!

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PROTECTING PEOPLE AND PROPERTY BY MAKING YOUR EXISTING WINDOWS BULLET AND IMPACT RESISTANT!

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OUR LAMINATE IS APPLIED ONSITE TO EXISTING WINDOWS IN YOUR BUILDING WITH NO DISRUPTION DUE TO OUR FLEXIBLE INSTALLATION HOURS, TAILORED TO YOUR SPECIFIC NEEDS.

EMAIL - BEAU.ROBINS@SAFEHAVENDEFENSE.COM

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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

COMMUNITY CANOPY GRANT PROGRAM

Residents can check their [eligibility requirements](#) and apply [here](#).

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 abuse resources

www.liveanotherday.org

MOTORIST ASSIST PROGRAM

[Join Cops](#)

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/phxcares

PHOENIX POLICE DEPARTMENT SMART NOTIFICATION PROGRAM

[You can sign up and learn more about this program by clicking here.](#)

PUBLIC RECORDS REQUESTS

[online Public Records Request](#)

Call [602-506-1974](tel:602-506-1974)

SENIOR LOCK BOXES Citywide

In partnership with Phoenix Fire

[Lockbox Request Form](#)

SEX OFFENDER NOTIFICATION

In and around your neighborhood

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

www.offenderwatch.com

www.missingkids.org www.nsopw.gov

VIRTUAL BLOCK WATCH

Sign up now!

[Police Virtual Block Watch](#) www.phoenix.gov

WATCH YOUR CAR PROGRAM

ARIZONA AUTO THEFT AUTHORITY

www.AZWatchYourCar.com

WRIC WASHINGTON School District FAMILY RESOURCE INFORMATION CENTER

www.wesdschools.org/wric

BMCA MEETING and EVENT CALENDAR

MARCH 2026

Wednesday, MAR 4 BMCA BOARD MEETING
6:30 pm at the DVCC Conference Room

Thursday, MAR 5 NBWGP Oversight Committee Mtg.
6:00 pm - e-mail nicole.costanza@phoenix.gov or link info

Friday, MAR 6 WEAR BLUE TO SUPPORT OUR PD!

Friday, MAR 6 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 11
BMCA / BLK MTN PRECINCT COMMUNITY MEETING
6:30 pm at the DVCC SILENT WITNESS

Wednesday & Thursday, MAR 11 & 12 CITYWIDE BW / PNP TRAINING 5 pm – 7 pm both nights. Attendees must pre-register at pnpcordinator@phoenix.gov

Saturday, MAR 14 VILLAGE MEADOWS FLEA FEST
9:00 am Telephone Pioneer Park, 1946 W. Morningside Dr.

Tuesday, MAR 17 BELL RD BUSINESS ALLIANCE MTG.
11:00 am at Gamer's Guild, 1818 W. Bell Road

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

Thursday, MAR 19 BMP & Moon Valley NA CPR Class
6:30 – 8:30 pm at Moon Valley CC, 151 W. Moon Valley Dr.

Friday, MAR 20 T-BIRD BUS ALLIANCE CLEAN UP
8 am at Zia

Saturday, MAR 21 JUNIPER LIBRARY BIKE RODEO
10 am – noon at 19th Ave. & Union Hills Drive

Monday, MAR 23 DIST 3 & DIST 6 COMMUNITY MEETING
6:00 pm at Honor Health, 9202 N. 2nd Street

Tuesday, MAR 24 PBWAB MEETING
6:30 pm Location TBD

Wednesday, MAR 25 T-BIRD BUSINESS ALLIANCE MTG.
10 am at the THS Thunderdome

Wednesday, MAR 25 CPCA MEETING
6:30 pm at Cortez High School

Thursday, MAR 26 BLACK MTN. COFFEE with COPS
6:00 pm at McDonald's, 7th Avenue & Union Hills Drive

Saturday, MAR 28 EGGCELLENT ADVENTURE
10 am – 2 pm at the Deer Valley Community Center

Monday, MAR 30 DISTRICT 1 DINNER
5:30 pm at the Beuf Comm. Ctr., 35th Ave. & Pinnacle Peak

APRIL 2026

Wednesday, APR 1 BMCA BOARD MEETING
6:30 pm at the DVCC Conference Room

Thursday, APR 2 NBWGP Oversight Committee Mtg.
6:00 pm - e-mail nicole.costanza@phoenix.gov or link info

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

Saturday, APR 4 SLOPEFEST
8 am – 2 pm at Harmon Park, 12th Street & Dunlap

Monday, APR 6 WEAR BLUE TO SUPPORT OUR PD!

Wednesday, APR 8
BMCA / BLK MTN PRECINCT COMMUNITY MEETING
6:30 pm at the DVCC

Wednesday, APR 15 T-BIRD BUSINESS ALLIANCE MTG.
10 am Location TBD

Tuesday, APR 21 BELL RD BUSINESS ALLIANCE MTG.
11:00 am at Gamer's Guild, 1818 W. Bell Road

Tuesday, APR 21 CITYWIDE PNP MEETING
6:00 pm in person at Mt. View Precinct and on WebEx

Wednesday, APR 22 T-BIRD BUSINESS ALLIANCE MTG.
10 am at the TBHS Thunderdome

Wednesday, APR 22 CPCA MEETING
6:30 pm at Cortez High School

Tuesday, APR 28 PBWAB MEETING
6:30 pm Location TBD

MAY 2026

Friday, MAY 1 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, MAY 6 WEAR BLUE TO SUPPORT OUR PD!

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

Thursday, MAY 7 NBWGP Oversight Committee Mtg.
6:00 pm - e-mail nicole.costanza@phoenix.gov or link info

Wednesday, MAY 13
BMCA / BLK MTN PRECINCT COMMUNITY MEETING
6:30 pm at the DVCC

Saturday MAY 16 CITYWIDE BW / PNP TRAINING
7:30 am at Mt. View Precinct Attendees must pre-register at pnpcordinator@phoenix.gov

Tuesday, MAY 19 BELL RD BUSINESS ALLIANCE MTG.
11:00 am at Gamer's Guild, 1818 W. Bell Road

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

Tuesday, MAY 26 PBWAB MEETING
6:30 pm Location TBD

Wednesday, MAY 27 T-BIRD BUSINESS ALLIANCE MTG.
10 am at the TBHS Thunderdome

Wednesday, MAY 27 CPCA MEETING
6:30 pm at Cortez High School

Thursday, MAY 28 BLACK MTN. COFFEE with COPS
8:30 am at TBD

JUNE 2026

NO JUNE FIRST FRIDAY PNP PATROL – Summer Break

NO JUNE PHX BW ADVISORY BOARD MTG – Summer Break

NO JUNE CPCA MEETING – Summer Break

Wednesday, JUN 3 BMCA BOARD MEETING
6:30 pm at the DVCC Conference Room

Thursday, JUN 4 NBWGP Oversight Committee Mtg.
6:00 pm - e-mail nicole.costanza@phoenix.gov or link info

Saturday, JUN 6 WEAR BLUE TO SUPPORT OUR PD!

Wednesday, JUN 10
BMCA / BLK MTN PRECINCT COMMUNITY MEETING
6:30 pm at the DVCC

Tuesday, JUN 16 BELL RD BUSINESS ALLIANCE MTG.
11:00 am at Gamer's Guild, 1818 W. Bell Road

Tuesday, JUN 16 CITYWIDE PNP MEETING
6:00 pm in person at Mt. View Precinct and on WebEx

Wednesday, JUN 24 T-BIRD BUSINESS ALLIANCE MTG.
10 am at the TBHS Thunderdome

Saturday, JUN 27 After Dark in the Park DRONE SHOW
6 – 9 pm in Deer Valley Park

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 Vice Mayor Ann O'Brien	602-262-7444
D2 Councilmember Jim Waring	602-262-7445
D3 Councilmember Deb Stark	602-262-7441
Abandoned Shopping Cart	602-CRT-PKUP
Abandoned Vehicle off street	602-534-4444
Abandoned Vehicle on street	602-262-6151
Alcoholics Anonymous	602-264-1341
Animal Control	602-506-7387
AZ Humane Society 8am-6pm	602-997-7585
Barking Dogs	602-262-6466
City Bus Service	602-253-5000
City Elections	602-262-6837
City of Phoenix General Info	602-262-6011
Complaints on Mosquitoes	602-506-6616
Construction Noise	602-262-6538
Construction Permits	602-262-7884
Dead Animal Pickup	602-262-6791
Dial-A-Ride	602-253-5300
Gang Hotline	602-534-4264
Garbage Collection	602-262-7251
General Investigations	602-262-6141
GRAFFITI Busters Hotline	602-534-4444
Graffiti Cell Phone Hotline	602 #4663
Graffiti Reward Hotline	602-262-7327
Green Swimming Pools	602-506-6616
Illegal Dumping	602-262-7251
Impounded Property	602-262-8371
Liquor Complaints	602-438-6625
Loud Party Information	602-262-7821
Loud Party Reporting	602-262-6151
Narcotics Anonymous	480-897-4636
Narcotic Complaints	602-275-5886
Neighborhood Enforcement	602-534-4444
Parking Complaints	602-262-6151
Parks Dept. after hours	602-534-9440
Poison Control	602-253-3334
Prostitution (Vice) Hotline	602-426-1231
SILENT WITNESS	480-WITNESS / 480-948-6377
Spay Neuter Hotline	602-265-7729
Speeding/Traffic Hotline	602-534-7733
Street Light Maintenance	602-495-5125
Street Repairs	602-262-6441
Traffic Signal malfunction	602-262-6021
Traffic Signs damage	602-262-4659
Transient Enforcement	602-534-4444
Transit Bus Stop reporting:	ppd.comm.eng@phoenix.gov
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'ers:
REMINDER!
ONLINE REPORTING OF PNP HOURS
volunteer@phoenix.gov

WE APPRECIATE THE SUPPORT AND DONATIONS FOR OUR CRIME PREVENTION & SAFETY PROJECTS FROM OUR COMMUNITY BUSINESS PARTNERS!

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

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