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Need to get in touch with a member of Phoenix City Council or the Phoenix Mayor? Residents can contact their district representative at

Phoenix.gov/MayorCouncil.

Para información en español, visite phoenix.gov/informacion
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April is Fair Housing Month

The Equal Opportunity and Housing Departments, the Southwest Fair Housing Council and the nation are celebrating National Fair Housing Month. The Federal Fair Housing Act was passed in 1968 and this April we celebrate its 55th anniversary.



Federal and local laws prohibit discrimination in the sale, rental, financing, and other housing-related transactions based on race, color, religion, sex (including Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity or Expression), national origin, disability, and familial status.

For free Fair Housing workshops or to file a complaint, call the Equal Opportunity Department at 602-262-7486.

Join the Ride: Bike to Work Day Event



The City of Phoenix, Maricopa County, and Valley Metro have partnered to host a FREE Bike to Work Day event on Wednesday, April 19. A group ride will start at Park Central, 3100 N. Central Ave., at 7 a.m. (check-in starts at 6:30 a.m.) and end at approximately 7:30 a.m. downtown at Phoenix City Hall Plaza near Second Ave. and Adams St. (east of the Orpheum Theater). A prize drawing and a light breakfast at the finish line reception. Registration not required. Learn more: Maricopa.Gov/BTW

PHX Library Celebrates 125 Years

National Library Week is April 23-29! It highlights the role libraries, librarians, and library workers play in strengthening our communities. 2023 also marks Phoenix Public Library's 125th Anniversary! For 125 years, the library has connected people with their interests, brought communities together and much more. Your library stories are essential for us to know where we came from and help us navigate where we are going!

Share your Phoenix Public Library story with us by visiting PhoenixPublicLibrary.org.

Get Grants to Lower Your Energy Bills

The summer heat is just around the corner! Is your home ready? The Phoenix Weatherization Assistance Program can help you lower your power bills by increasing the energy efficiency of your home at no cost to you. Repairing or replacing an old AC, sealing air ducts, or adding window screens can help you beat the heat! Find out if you qualify for a grant to make improvements to your home at Phoenix.gov/NSD/Weatherization or call 602-534-4444 ext.3.



Proposed Rate and Tax Increase



The Phoenix Water Services Dept. is proposing a rate increase to address rising costs for water and wastewater services. While the increase is necessary to meet inflationary pressures affecting utilities across the nation, Phoenix will still have some of the most affordable water services compared to other large cities, and customers who conserve water will be able to lessen the impact of the higher rates. There is also a request to increase the Stormwater Excise Tax by 0.25 cents to fund

the City's compliance with new requirements for preventing pollution from entering waterways.

For more information, visit Phoenix.gov/ProposedRates or scan the QR code.





PHX Budget Hearings

The City Manager's Trial Budget was presented to the Phoenix City Council on March 21. From April 3-15, provide your input at one of 11 budget hearings in the community. You can also provide your feedback using the interactive FundPHX tool. For FundPHX and hearing dates and locations, visit Phoenix.gov/Budget. To share your ideas and comment on the budget, call 602-262-4800 or email budget.research@phoenix.gov.

The City Manager's Budget will be presented to City Council on May 2. The City Council will vote on the budget on May 16 and legally adopt the budget in June. Hearings will be recorded and available to watch on the City of Phoenix YouTube channel.

2023-24 BUDGET HEARINGS SCHEDULE

DATES	TIMES	LOCATIONS	DISTRICTS
APRIL 3	8:30 a.m.	Devonshire Senior Center	District 6
	6 p.m.	Paradise Valley Community Center	Districts 2, 3
APRIL 4	8:30 a.m.	Shadow Mountain Senior Center	District 3
	6 p.m.	Washington Activity Center	District 5
APRIL 6	8:30 a.m.	Cholla Library	District 1
APRIL 10	6 p.m.	Maryvale Community Center (Bilingual)	Community -Wide
APRIL 11	8:30 a.m.	Desert West Community Center	District 7
	6 p.m.	Central High School (Youth)	Community -Wide
APRIL 12	6 p.m.	Steele Indian School Park	District 4
APRIL 13	6 p.m.	South Phoenix Youth Center	District 8
APRIL 15	10 a.m.	South Mountain Community College Library	Community -Wide



Help Tutor PHX Kids

Did you know only 35% of Phoenix third graders are reading at grade level? The City of Phoenix Youth and Education Office is teaming up with AARP to recruit volunteers ages 50 and up to tutor elementary students in reading two days per week. Last year, a 91% improvement rate was seen thanks to volunteers. Interested in volunteering? To learn more about the volunteer program or to sign up for an information session below, visit Phoenix.gov/Education/Experience.

BURTON BARR LIBRARY | 10:30 A.M.-12 P.M.



VIRTUAL VIA WEBEX | 10:30 A.M.-12 P.M.

