



August 31, 2022

Greetings,

In this newsletter you will find the latest news, announcements, and event details that I want to share with you:

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As always, please do not hesitate to contact my office with questions, comments, or concerns at (602) 262-7441 or council.district.3@phoenix.gov.

Respectfully,

Debra Stark
Councilwoman
City of Phoenix
[Council District 3](#)



September 1 – Hatcher Road Improvement Project Meeting

The Street Transportation Department is hosting a second public meeting on the Hatcher Road Improvement Project on **Thursday, September 1 at 6 p.m.** The project focuses on Hatcher Road from 19th Avenue to Central Avenue.

At the [last public meeting in November of 2021](#), the department presented two options, plus the option to make no changes, to the community. At the upcoming meeting, the department will share the final design, timeline, and plan.

Register for the upcoming meeting at phoenix.gov/streets/hatcher.



September 3 – Thrive Phoenix Bell Road Cleanup

Thrive Phoenix, a local organization dedicated to meeting immediate needs and creating lasting impact, organizes monthly cleanups of Bell Road. Cleanups take place the first Saturday of each month. Volunteers are needed and welcomed!

Saturday, September 3
7 – 9 a.m.

Meeting location:
Schlotzsky's at 1520 W. Bell Rd.

Contact Nina Poole at info@thrivephoenix.org for more information on how to participate.



September 13 - Sky Harbor Airport Job Fair



Phoenix Sky Harbor Airport is hosting a job fair on **September 13 from noon to 4 p.m.** to fill

hundreds of available positions. Available jobs include customer service agents, drivers, sales associates, and security. Benefits vary by each company, but may include health, insurance and retirement options, retention bonuses, employee assistance programs and sign-on bonuses.

The event will take place at the 44th Street PHX Sky Train® Station located at 44th and Washington streets. The station is easily accessible by bus and Valley Metro Rail and transit pass will be offered to attendees. Parking is also available. No preregistration is required to attend the event. Additional Sky Harbor job fairs will take place October 4, November 1, and December 6.

More info: skyharbor.com/jobs/jobfair

September 14 – District 3 Community Coffee Chat

Mark your calendars! Join us for our District 3 Community Coffee Chat **Wednesday, September 14** at the North Mountain Visitor Center!

Budget and Research Department director Amber Williamson will join us to talk about the proposed General Obligation (GO) Bond Program. GO Bonds are municipal bonds that provide a way for local governments to finance large capital improvements such as parks, libraries, streets, storm drainage, police and fire stations, and affordable housing.



Wednesday, September 14

8:30 – 9:30 a.m.

North Mountain Visitor Center (Education Room)
12950 N. 7th St.

Coffee and pastries will be provided!

Let us know you're coming. RSVP to council.district.3@phoenix.gov or 602-262-7441.

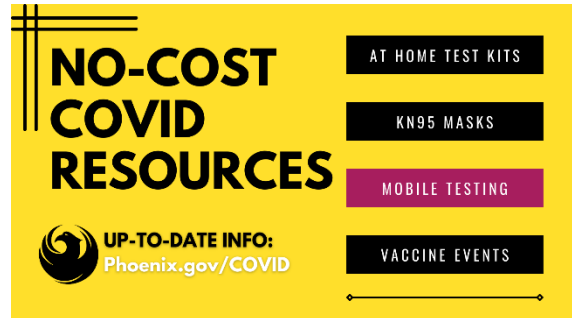
September 19 – Free COVID Resources

The COVID-19 Mobile Testing Van #2 will be in District 3.

Monday, September 19

Roadrunner Park
3502 E. Cactus Rd.
7 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Register: premierlabsolutions.com/covid-19/phoenix



For all testing and vaccination events citywide, visit phoenix.gov/covidtesting.

FitPHX Free Health Workshops & Family Fitness Classes

The Park and Recreation Department's FitPHX program is partnering with Molina Healthcare to offer FREE health workshops and family fitness classes.

Sunnyslope Community Center
802 E. Vogel Ave.
6 -7 p.m.



September 14: Family Fitness Class

September 21: Be Kind to Your Mind: A Heart & Soul Workshop

October 12: Family Fitness Class

October 19: Self-Care is Your Superpower: A Heart & Soul Workshop

Pre-registration is required for these free workshops and classes.

For questions, call 602-262-6864 or email fitphx@phoenix.gov.

For more information and to register, visit phoenix.gov/fitphx.



Free Cooling Center Rides

Did you know there are FREE rides available for anyone who needs to get out of the heat and into a cooling center? Just dial 2-1-1 anytime from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (including weekends!) for a ride to and from any of the 50+ cooling

and hydration centers across Phoenix. Use the Heat Relief Network map to find one near you: hrn.azmag.gov/#/map.

Partner with a Principal

Phoenix is bringing business leaders back to school! Local corporate executives and community leaders will work alongside Phoenix public, charter, and private school principals and actively participate in the school's administration for one day. The goal is to form lasting partnerships to improve the quality of education, workplace readiness, and leadership development programs in Phoenix.



Applications are now being accepted: phoenix.gov/education. Once completed, you will be matched with a local school in your area. Your visit can occur between Sept. 19 – Oct. 14, 2022.

For more information, call 602-256-4388.



Taipei Virtual Culture Camp

Phoenix Sister Cities Taipei City Committee is pleased to present a virtual culture camp for all ages. For the second year in a row, the Committee has developed these online resources to share the culture of Taipei with residents of Phoenix. From fabulous recipes to paperfolding and painting to traditional dance, the instructional and demonstration videos offer something for everyone. Recipes and supplies lists are provided for viewers to follow along at home in creating signature dishes and works of art.

The 2022 Taipei Virtual Culture Camp may be found at phoenixsistercities.org.

Changes to the Police Department Phone Line

Earlier this year, a phone tree was implemented when callers contact the non-emergency phone number for the police department (602-262-6151). This was done to allow those callers who were looking to reach other departments or outside

agencies the ability to directly connect to them. Recently, the Police Department streamlined the menu options.

In an emergency, always call 911. **To reach the non-emergency police line, dial 602-262-6151, then press 4.** Please listen to all the prompts for all other inquiries.

NEED TO CALL
Phoenix Police?

CRIMESTOP NON-EMERGENCY LINE
602-262-6151 **EMERGENCY → 9-1-1**

PLEASE LISTEN TO THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS WHEN CALLING...

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

Now Hiring
PHX PD

- ▶ **Top Salary \$105,539**
- ▶ **\$7,500 Hiring Bonus**
- ▶ **Recruit Starting Salary \$68,661**
- ▶ **Health and Retirement Benefits**
- ▶ **Tuition Reimbursement**

Learn More at:
JoinPHXPD.com

Phoenix Police Department is Hiring

The Phoenix Police Department is the highest-paying law enforcement agency in Arizona. A Recruit's starting salary is \$33.01/hour (\$68,661 annually). An Officer's maximum salary is \$50.74/hour (\$105,539 annually). With differential pay, overtime, a bilingual language bonus, and a \$7,500 hiring bonus your earning potential is even higher.

Learn more: joinphxpd.com

Phoenix Fire Department is Hiring

The application period for Firefighter Recruit has been extended to **September 5, 2022**, (previously August 29). Applications for Fire Emergency Dispatcher remains open until **September 5, 2022**.

FIREFIGHTER RECRUIT
APPLICATIONS
EXTENDED
APPLY NOW
APPLICATIONS CLOSE
MONDAY SEPT. 5th, MIDNIGHT
LEARN MORE AT PHOENIX.GOV/FIRE

There are several steps those interested must take to be eligible to become a professional firefighter. Every Phoenix Firefighter is required to obtain and maintain a State of Arizona Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) Certification. Proof of successful

completion of a Candidate Physical Ability Test (CPAT) from a licensed agency within six months is required at the scheduled date of your final selection interview. Additionally, candidates must have a high school diploma or GED and driver's license.

The City is offering a \$7,500 hiring incentive to new hires for Firefighter Recruits that are either National Registry or Arizona State certified Paramedics, which will be paid in accordance with A.R. 2.55.

Fire Emergency Dispatchers are responsible for operating Computer-Aided Dispatching equipment to quickly and accurately receive and transmit information of an emergency nature for Phoenix and surrounding communities. The work involves answering and evaluating incoming 911 calls to determine the appropriate level of fire or emergency medical assistance required, dispatching units, giving medical pre-arrival instructions, and transmitting information and messages according to established procedures.

Learn more:

phoenix.gov/fire

phoenix.gov/newsroom/fire/2446

recruitment.pfd@phoenix.gov

Gated Alley Program

The Gated Alley Program began as a pilot in two parts of the city (East Sunnyslope and Royal Palm) in 2017. Since then, the pilot had been expanded with additional funding with a limited number of alleys in each council district. Due to wide community interest in the program, the City Council approved making the program permanent, allocating funding in the FY 22-23 Budget.

The program provides an opportunity to install a gate at the end of each residential alley to improve security, deter illegal dumping, decrease criminal activity, traffic, and other undesirable activities in your alley.

The permanent Gated Alley Program is expected to open in September citywide. In preparation, interested residents may obtain a request form to begin obtaining necessary signatures to gate their alleys. Applicants must provide a completed petition signed by 50% +1 or more of all property *owners* (*not renters*) abutting the alley, amongst other requirements. Funding is limited and available on a first-come first-serve basis.



To receive the request form, please email our office at council.district.3@phoenix.gov. For assistance completing the form, please email gatedalley@phoenix.gov or call 602-534-0742.

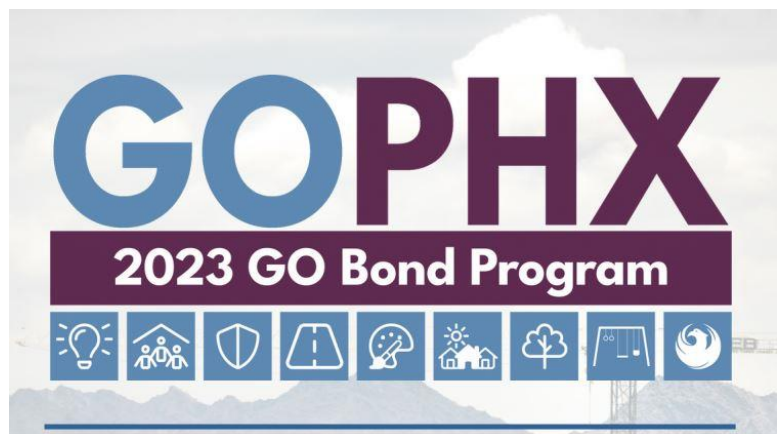
Community Input Needed at General Obligation Bond Meetings

The City of Phoenix is considering a proposed General Obligation (GO) Bond Program of \$500 million. GO Bond programs help to fund critical infrastructure and rehabilitation needs of City facilities such as parks, libraries, fire and police stations, affordable housing, streets, and storm drains. GO Bond Programs require City Council and voter approval.

Subcommittees will consider needs identified by City departments, and hear suggestions from the public, then develop recommendations for the Executive Committee.

Subcommittees:

- Arts & Culture
- Economic Development & Education
- Environment & Sustainability
- Housing, Human Services & Homelessness
- Neighborhoods & City Services
- Parks and Recreation
- Public Safety
- Streets & Storm Drainage



Share your input

Community input is encouraged at the City's GO Bond Committee meetings. Anyone interested in speaking can sign up online to speak, or attend in person, at one of our hybrid, in-person and virtual meetings.

Residents can also engage with the city on social media by using the #GOPHX2023, or by using the interactive GOPHXTOOL, an online tool that allows residents to tell the GO Bond Committee which projects they would like to see recommended to City Council. Residents may also call or submit comments electronically.

For more information, please visit phoenix.gov/bond or call (602) 262-3111.

District 3 Street Transportation Department Updates

This report from the Street Transportation Department covers the period from July 1 through July 28 in District 3.

Street Right-of-Way Landscape Maintenance

Crews maintained the landscaped areas within the street right-of-way at 7th St. and Thunderbird Rd., and at 7th Ave. and Greenway Pkwy. This work typically includes weed and trash removal and landscape pruning. This helps provide a safe environment for the public and enhances the image of the city's streets. For more information about the street right-of-way landscape maintenance program, visit phoenix.gov/streets/ROWlandscape.



Roadway Repair Work

Street maintenance crews completed significant roadway repairs at 21st Ave. and Larkspur Dr., and Greenway Rd. from 32nd St. to 34th St.

Drainage Maintenance

As part of routine maintenance, crews inspect for obstructions, clear vegetation, and make repairs to keep flow lines open. Crews performed maintenance, construction, or repair work near Sharon Dr. and 1st St., and 7th St. and Greenway Pkwy.



ADA Curb Ramp Retrofit

These projects include the removal and replacement of non-ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) compliant curb ramps, damaged concrete curb, gutter, valley gutters, and aprons or sidewalks, and the installation of new ADA compliant curb ramps citywide. Newly

compliant ADA ramps were installed in the areas bounded by Cave Creek Rd. to 32nd St. and Thunderbird Rd. to Greenway Rd.

Paving

From July 1, 2018, to July 31, 2022, crews have completed the following work:

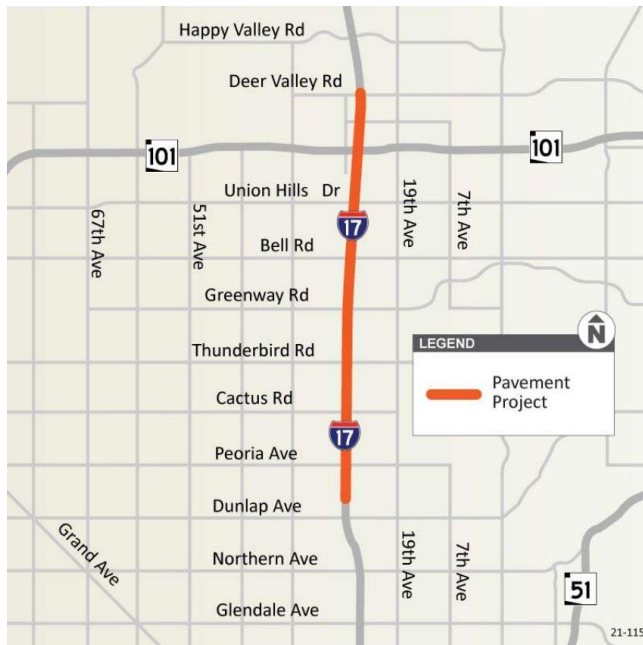
- 106.9 miles of mill and overlay work
- 143.1 miles of preservation treatments
- 183.9 miles of crack seal
- 2,731 ADA ramps

To view planned or completed street maintenance, visit the interactive pavement maintenance dashboard at phoenix.gov/pavement.



News from ADOT:

I-17 Dunlap Ave. to Deer Valley Rd. Pavement Improvement Project



The Arizona Department of Transportation is making final preparations on a pavement improvement project on Interstate 17 between Dunlap Avenue and Deer Valley Road. The project will begin in **late September**. Construction is expected to take approximately 12 months.

The purpose of the project is to extend the life of the pavement and to improve safety and the driving experience on the existing roadway. The project includes removing the existing asphalt pavement and using a diamond grinding treatment to provide a smooth roadway surface.

The project will require weekend closures and overnight lane restrictions on I-17 that will impact travel in the area. ADOT will provide information about restrictions and closures in advance so drivers can plan to use alternate routes and allow extra time.

More info: <https://azdot.gov/.../i-17-dunlap-avenue-deer-valley-road...>

Daytime Closures of SR 51 Off-Ramps at Northern Avenue

The Arizona Department of Transportation advises drivers to plan for north- and southbound State Route 51 off-ramps at Northern Avenue to be closed daily from **9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, September 6 through Thursday, September 8** for city of Phoenix pavement improvement work.

Lane restrictions also are planned along Northern Avenue near SR 51. Access to on-ramps will remain open.

DETOUR: Drivers may consider using the SR 51 off-ramp at Glendale Avenue and using 16th Street to reach Northern Avenue.

Scheduling for this city of Phoenix project is subject to change due to weather or other factors.

ADOT advises drivers to slow down and use caution around maintenance personnel and equipment while work is underway.