



# DISTRICT 3 NEWS

A Message from Phoenix Vice Mayor Debra Stark

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Hello District 3,

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

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](mailto:council.district.3@phoenix.gov).

Respectfully,

Vice Mayor Debra Stark



## City of Phoenix

The Phoenix City Council will have a Formal meeting on **Wednesday, May 1 at 2:30 p.m.**

Members of the public can attend and speak in-person, by phone, or virtually via Webex. Pre-registration is required to speak on an agenda item or during the Public Comment period. To find the agenda and information on how to register to speak and how to submit an e-comment, visit [Phoenix City Council Meetings](#).



## District 3 May Community Chat

Please join us on May 23 at 6pm •  
Mesquite Library-  
4525 E Paradise Village Pkwy N,  
Phoenix, AZ 85032

Our guest speaker is Stefanie Nader, the Program Manager  
from the Human Services Department  
to present on the Landlord Tenant Program.

We will share District 3 and citywide updates.

Pizza and refreshments will be provided.



Please let us know you are coming!  
RSVP to [council.district.3@phoenix.gov](mailto:council.district.3@phoenix.gov) or call 602-262-7441

### District 3 Community Meeting

Please join us on **May 23 from 6p.m – 7p.m.** for our District 3 Community Chat at the **Mesquite Library – 4525 E Paradise Village Pkwy N, Phoenix, AZ 85032.** Our guest speaker will be Stefanie Nader, the Program Manager of the Landlord Tentant Program.

Pizza and refreshments will be provided.

Please RSVP by Tuesday, May 21 by calling 602-262-7441 or [council.district.3@phoenix.gov](mailto:council.district.3@phoenix.gov)!



### **Popular Phoenix Trails to Close During Extremely Hot Days**

Three popular City of Phoenix hiking trails will close during extremely hot days.

On days when the National Weather Service issues an Excessive Heat Warning, Camelback Mountain's Echo and Cholla Trails and all trails associated with Piestewa Peak Trailhead in the Phoenix Mountains Preserve will close from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

During Excessive Heat Warnings, trail access is limited, parking lot gates will be closed, and signage will be posted. Closure information will be posted on the Phoenix Parks and Recreation Department's website and social media accounts, and to local resorts and hotels. Additionally, Phoenix Park Rangers will be visible at those locations to remind and educate trail users about the restrictions. Email notifications are also available by [signing up for "Hiking and Heat Updates" online](#).

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### **City Pools and Swim Lesson Information for Summer 2024**

The Parks department will open 16 pools all season long and an additional two pools, one in June and one in July, for a total of 18 pools this summer.

Pools open for the entire season: Coronado, Cortez, Deer Valley, El Prado, Encanto, Falcon, Harmon, Madison, Maryvale, Paradise Valley, Pecos, Perry, Roosevelt, Starlight, Sunnyslope, Washington pools. These pools will be open May 25-27, June 1-July 28 (closed Fridays).

Select pools open for extended season include Cortez, Encanto, Maryvale, Paradise Valley, Pecos, Perry, Roosevelt, Sunnyslope pools. These 8 pools will be open weekends through Labor Day. Open dates are August 3-4, 10-11, 17-18, 24-25 and August 31 - September 2.

Find more information about specific pool and office hours, call 602-534-6587 or email [aquatics.pks@phoenix.gov](mailto:aquatics.pks@phoenix.gov).

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**NOW OPEN**

**COMMUNITY CANOPY GRANT PROGRAM**

**WHAT**  
City of Phoenix is offering grants for individuals and neighborhoods to apply for trees for their homes

**APPLY NOW**  
Visit [Phoenix.gov/Heat](https://phoenix.gov/Heat) to apply and find more information.

**CONTACT**  
Please contact Kayla Killoren at [kayla.killoren@phoenix.gov](mailto:kayla.killoren@phoenix.gov) or 602.534.1203 with any questions.

**FAQS**  
All projects must:  
Be completed by December 31, 2024  
Be in a Qualified Census Tract (QCT) in the City of Phoenix. Scan this QR code to check your location

**FOLLOW**  
For tree planting tips and more information, Follow @HeatReadyPHX.

### Community Canopy Grant Program

Get Involved! As part of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), the City of Phoenix is offering two grant opportunities to increase tree and shade coverage in Phoenix. The grant programs are: Community Canopy and Canopy for Kids.

Please contact Kayla Killoren at [kayla.killoren@phoenix.gov](mailto:kayla.killoren@phoenix.gov) or call 602.534.1203



**PROGRAMA DE SUBSIDIOS DE DOSEL DE ÁRBOL PARA LA COMUNIDAD**

**ABIERTO**

**QUÉ**  
La Ciudad de Phoenix está ofreciendo subsidios para que las personas y los vecindarios soliciten árboles para sus casos

**APLICA AHORA**  
Visita la página de [Phoenix.gov/heat](https://phoenix.gov/heat) para aplicar y más información.

**CONTACTO**  
Por favor póngase en contacto con Kayla Killoren para preguntas [kayla.killoren@phoenix.gov](mailto:kayla.killoren@phoenix.gov) 602.534.1203

**FAQ**  
Todos los proyectos deben ser finalizados antes del 31 de diciembre de 2024.  
Debe estar ubicado dentro de una zona del Censo calificada en la Ciudad de Phoenix. Para ver si usted está en una zona del Censo calificada, usar este código QR.

**SIGA**  
Para consejos de plantación de árboles y más información, siga a @HeatReadyPHX en las redes sociales.

### Programa de Subsidios de Doles de Arbol Para la Comunidad

¡Participa! Como parte de la Ley del Plan de Rescate Estadounidense (ARPA), la ciudad de Phoenix ofrece dos oportunidades de subvenciones para aumentar la cobertura de árboles y sombra en Phoenix. Los programas de subvenciones son: Community Canopy y Canopy for Kids.

Por Favor comuníquese con Kayla Killoren en [kayla.killoren@phoenix.gov](mailto:kayla.killoren@phoenix.gov) o llama a 602.534.1203.

# NOTICE

## PLAYGROUND CLOSED

**DUE TO SAFETY ISSUES**

**NEW PLAYGROUND INCLUDED IN  
UPCOMING PARK RENOVATION PLANS!**



**QUESTIONS? CALL 602-495-5506**



**City of Phoenix**

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Website: [Phoenix.gov/Parks/Trails/Projects](http://Phoenix.gov/Parks/Trails/Projects)

Take a  
**HIKE.** Do it  
**RIGHT.**



## **North Mountain Playground Closure**

The North Mountain Playground has safety concerns that include:

- Completely sheared off/missing nuts and bolts that hold the structures together.
- Sharp exposed edges throughout where the protective covering on the metal has worn off, leaving bare metal.
- Compromised surface decking throughout.

For the safety of the public, the playground equipment has been removed. However, the swings have been left in place to be enjoyed by the public. To enjoy a playground near you, please visit one of our nearby parks: Norton, Palma and Mountain View Parks.

The timeline of anticipated construction of the park renovations is estimated as:

- Design – April 2024 to March 2025
- Construction – Late spring 2025 to early summer 2026

For questions, please contact Claire Miller 602-495-5506.

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### **Fire Ban in Desert Parks and Preserves Starts May 1**

The Phoenix Parks and Recreation Department will put into effect its annual ban of open fires in the City's desert parks and mountain preserves starting Wednesday, May 1, 2024. The Maricopa County Parks and Recreation Department's annual fire ban goes into effect the same day.

In consultation with the Phoenix Fire Department, smoking and charcoal fires are included in the ban due to the extreme fire danger that the combination of low humidity, increased temperatures, excessive dry vegetation, and frequent high winds create each spring.

The ban applies to **Camelback Mountain, Deem Hills Recreation Area, Lookout Mountain, Papago Park, Phoenix Mountains Park and Recreation Area, Phoenix Mountains Preserve, Phoenix Sonoran Preserve, North Mountain Park, Rio Salado Habitat Restoration Area, and South Mountain Park/Preserve.**

For more information please visit [Fire Ban in Desert Parks](#).

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## What is Opioid Overdose, Causes and How to Respond

This program will cover what is an overdose, signs, and symptoms, what causes an overdose, safety messaging and how to respond to opioid overdose using naloxone

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**4:30–5:30 p.m. Thursday, May 9**

**Acacia Library | 750 E. Townley Ave, 85020**

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This program is presented by the City of Phoenix Office of Public Health and Southwest Behavioral Health Services.

For more information or to find additional programs in this series, visit [phoenixpubliclibrary.org](http://phoenixpubliclibrary.org) or call 602-262-4636 (for TTY use 7-1-1).



**PhoenixPublicLibrary**



## **Library and Public Health Education Presentations**

The Office of Public Health and the Phoenix Public Library are partnering with Southwest Behavioral & Health Services to offer free community health education presentations in April and May. These community education events will increase community awareness.

Community health education will be presented in English on the following dates and library branches:

- May 6th at Ironwood Library at 3:00pm
- May 8th at Harmon Library at 5:00pm
- May 9th at Acacia Library at 4:30pm\*
- May 11th at Agave Library at 2:00pm
- May 23rd at Cholla Library at 11am
- May 23rd at Acacia Library at 4:30pm\*

\*District 3 locations

Community health education will be presented in Spanish on the following dates and library branches:

- May 2nd at Palo Verde Library at 10:00am
  - May 10th at Cesar Chavez Library at 11:00am
  - May 15th at South Mountain Library at 5:00pm
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### **Phoenix Awarded \$1.2 Million for Phoenix Light Rail**

The City of Phoenix was awarded a Transit Oriented Development (TOD) grant of \$1,200,000 from the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration to help with efforts to improve access to public transit and create a transit oriented walkable, livable, and sustainable community.

Accessible public transit is critical to the economic health and growth of our City's communities. After the completion of the South Central Downtown Hub light rail extension, scheduled for 2025, the existing light rail line - the Phoenix Light Rail Main Line - will become a multi-line system with the downtown Phoenix area serving as the center for system transfers. The FTA awards this TOD grant for Phoenix's Light Rail Main Line that includes the Reinvent PHX, 19North, downtown Phoenix and the 50th Street station areas.

- The TOD funds will be utilized with the following primary goals in mind:
- Evaluate current and projected growth and development.
- Assess affordable housing and development opportunities with emphasis on city-owned, vacant, and large development sites.
- Make recommendations to streamline permitting for rental housing and other community visions.
- Educate and engage community stakeholders on various transit-oriented development growth opportunities.

This is the 5th TOD grant awarded to Phoenix under the Transit Oriented Development Planning Program. For more information about grants, call 602-262-1833 or visit the [Phoenix Government Relations Office website](#).

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### **Desert Horizon Precinct Coffee with a Cop**

On Wednesday, May 15 at 9am come out and visit with Commander Brewer and your Community Action Officers at First Watch, 9645 N Black Canyon Hwy. This is a great way to connect with the Phoenix Police.

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Interim Police Chief Michael G. Sullivan

## **BLACK MOUNTAIN PRECINCT**

### **COFFEE WITH A COP EVENT**

Meet precinct Commander Matthew Siekmann along with Community Action Officers who serve your Black Mountain Precinct at this upcoming event.



## **Biscuits Café**

### **310 E. Bell Rd.**

### **May 23<sup>rd</sup> 2024 (Thursday) at**

### **8:30 a.m.**

\*\*\*Please note there will be *NO* Coffee with a Cop in the months of June, July, August, and December\*\*\*

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## **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. \[stories.opengov.com\]](#)

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