



STREET TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Hello Street Transportation team,

My first month on the job has gone by very quickly, and I'd like to thank you all for the warm welcome and helping me with the transition. I've enjoyed meeting you and learning about how I can best support the important work that each of you do. As I settle into the director's role, I have several priorities to share.

One is getting out in the field to all facilities to see where you work and attend your Safety Meetings. I've already been to several facilities and have more visits scheduled in January. If I haven't met you yet, I look forward to seeing you soon.

I'm dedicated to building and strengthening the department's workforce. I know there are many critical vacancies that need to be filled and other employment concerns that need to be addressed. Please know that I'm dedicated to this and that

we're already working to find solutions to those issues.

I'm also focused on the continued implementation of Vision Zero, which is something that all of us within the department connect to in some way. Keeping residents safe and alive as they use the city's roadways is our top priority, and you'll be reading and hearing a lot more from me about that.

In closing, I wish you Happy Holidays and a festive New Year! During the next few weeks please find time to take a break and spend time with family and friends. This time of year, I'm reminded of what I'm most thankful for in life. I'm very thankful to be working with Street Transportation staff and look forward to the things we can accomplish together for the residents of our great city!

Joe



**A
NOTE
FROM
JOE**

As we close out the calendar year, I'd like to highlight the department's major accomplishments during the past 12 months. You can read more about the work of your colleagues in an article posted on the [Phoenix.gov Newsroom page](https://www.phoenix.gov/newsroom).

**YEAR-END
REVIEW
2023**

MAINTENANCE completed **360** miles of roadway pavement maintenance!

Pavement maintenance efforts also included adding 21 more miles of Cool Pavement to bring the total miles treated during the four-year history of the Cool Pavement Program to more than 100!

The maintenance ranged from mill and overlay (new asphalt), to various forms of resurfacing

A breakdown of pavement maintenance mileage this year:

Mill and Overlay: 272 miles
(19 miles of arterial streets, 70 miles of residential streets)

Resurfacing: 89 miles
(54 miles of arterial streets, 218 miles of residential streets)

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SIGNING AND STRIPING: Installed **7,060** new signs
Replaced **1,822** existing signs Painted **1,059** crosswalks
Installed **8,997** raised pavement markers
Painted/striped **1,150** miles of roadway



As the department implemented year one of the city's Vision Zero Road Safety Action Plan, the **TRAFFIC SERVICES TEAM** completed **13** traffic signal rebuild projects, **10** new traffic signal installation projects and **4** HAWK pedestrian signal crossings activations (High-intensity Activated crossWalk).

As part of ongoing efforts to improve accessibility for those who use wheelchairs and other mobility devices, **2,348** curb ramps were upgraded to the latest ADA standards.



The **RIGHT-OF-WAY MANAGEMENT TEAM** assisted with the planning and logistics associated with Super Bowl festivities held at the Phoenix Convention Center and Margaret T. Hance Park. The team issued **78** permits for street restrictions for Super Bowl related events.

The **PARKING METER TEAM** completed the replacement of **2,200** parking meters. The new smart meters utilize wireless technology, allowing them to accept and monitor payments, monitor status and use, provide remote diagnostics and for all settings to be changed remotely.



COMMUNICATION AND PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT TEAM facilitated **23** public input opportunities for residents. Those opportunities consisted of in-person and virtual public meetings, online surveys and other stakeholder outreach strategies.