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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,

Councilwoman Debra Stark

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**City of Phoenix**

The Phoenix City Council will have a Formal meeting on **Wednesday, February 1st 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](#).

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A flyer for a community chat event. The top left features the text "DISTRICT 1 AND 3" in a bold, sans-serif font, with "Community Chat" written below it in a large, elegant, cursive script. The background of the flyer is a warm-toned photograph of a group of people, including a woman with glasses and curly hair, engaged in conversation. The text on the flyer provides details about the event: the date and time (February 16th at 6:00pm), the location (Deer Valley Community Center, 2001 W Wahalla Ln, Phoenix, AZ 85027), the speaker (Scott Hall, Deputy Director of Homeless Solutions), and the topics (city's response to homelessness and district/citywide updates). It also mentions that food and refreshments will be provided and includes an RSVP contact: council.district.3@phoenix.gov or 602-262-7441.

**DISTRICT 1 AND 3**  
*Community Chat*

Please join us on February 16th at 6:00pm at Deer Valley Community Center: 2001 W Wahalla Ln, Phoenix, AZ 85027

The Office of Homeless Solutions Deputy Director Scott Hall will be speaking about the city's response to homelessness. We will also share District and citywide updates.

We will provide food and refreshments.

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 Chat

We hope you will join us for our District 3 community chat on **Thursday, February 16th at 6p.m.** at **Deer Valley Community Center – 2001 W Wahalla Ln.** We will be partnering with District 1's office to talk about the City's response to ongoing homelessness issues. Food and refreshments will be provided.

RSVP: [council.district.3@phoenix.gov](mailto:council.district.3@phoenix.gov) or 602-262-7441.



## Volunteers Needed for Water Wrangler Conservation Program

Phoenix Water is asking community members to donate their time to help others learn about the importance of water conservation.

The Water Wrangler program includes a 12-hour training program that spans four sessions and covers Water 101, Utility Operations, Water Resources and Conservation, and Outreach Education. After completing Phoenix Water Wrangler Institute, participants receive a Certificate of Participation and a shirt. In addition, they will get opportunities to serve as community representatives at local events, public meetings, and City of Phoenix programs.

To apply, [submit an online application](#) by Jan. 31 for the virtual training.

These are the requirements to participate:

- Volunteers who are at least 18 years or older
- A high school graduate/GED equivalent, or higher
- An excellent communicator
- Able to fully complete pre-service, required training
- Comfortable with public speaking, familiar with community development, and experienced in collaborating across diverse groups
- Creative, responsible, flexible, and self-motivated
- Passionate about learning and promoting water conservation and sustainability in our desert city

Where: Virtual via WebEx (or another digital platform).

When: Trainings are on Thursday evenings starting February 16 to March 9.  
Volunteer opportunities range across weekdays, weekday evenings, and weekends.

Deadline: Registration for the Spring 2023 cohort is now open until January 31, 2023. All four training sessions are required to complete the program.

Apply: [phoenix.gov/waterwrangler](https://phoenix.gov/waterwrangler)

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## **Volunteers Needed - Habitat for Humanity**

Please join us on Saturday, February 25th as we help repair homes in West Sunnyslope! We will be partnering with local families to paint and/or landscape their homes.

Register to volunteer: <http://vhub.at/Sunnyslope> [vhub.at]

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**Cesar Chavez Community Engagement Scholarship**

**REQUIREMENTS**

- Current high school seniors moving to a 2 or 4-year university or trade school
- 2.5 minimum GPA score
- City of Phoenix resident

**APPLY NOW**

[phnhispanicnetwork.org](http://phnhispanicnetwork.org)

[phn.hispanic.network@phoenix.gov](mailto:phn.hispanic.network@phoenix.gov)

Applications due Friday, March 3

## PHN Cesar Chavez Community Engagement Scholarship

As part of the Phoenix Hispanic Network's (PHN) vision, PHN is dedicated to collaborating with community partners to strengthen relationships with the residents we serve. We are pleased to announce our fifth annual Community Engagement Scholarships, to be presented at our Cesar Chavez Celebration on March 30, 2023. Two scholarship recipients will be selected and will receive a \$1,500 scholarship to be used towards their college education in the field of local government or civic engagement.

### Eligibility

- City of Phoenix resident
- Current high school seniors who are moving on to a two or four-year university,

- Must submit a copy of a high school transcript showing a minimum 2.5 Grade Point Average.

Website - [phoenixhispanicnetwork.org/phn-scholarship](http://phoenixhispanicnetwork.org/phn-scholarship)

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## Phoenix Public Transit Seeks Input on DASH Route Options

The Phoenix Public Transit Department is rolling into Phase 2 of the Neighborhood Transit Study (NTS) and is seeking community input on the Downtown Area Shuttle Circulator (DASH) proposed routing options.

Based on public feedback in Phase 1 and a technical assessment, four proposed options were developed for DASH. Each option includes an extension of the current (Government) loop into a proposed Downtown Loop to create connectivity to entertainment, shopping, and housing.

The proposed options - on a specific part of the route - provide extended weekday hours (until 11 p.m.) and weekend service (Saturday and Sunday). The public is invited to check out [phoenix.gov/neighborhoodtransit](https://phoenix.gov/neighborhoodtransit) and the corresponding [StoryMap](#) before [filling out the survey](#) on or before Feb. 10, 2023.

The Neighborhood Transit Study is an important component of the [Transportation 2050 program](#) to continue expanding and improving Phoenix's neighborhood circulator routes.

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**\$500  
incentive pay  
on 1st  
paycheck!**



## STARGUARD LIFEGUARD CERTIFICATION CLASSES

Lifeguard wage \$15.72/hr

Wage + Incentives = \$25.08/hr.\*

\*Based on working 320 hours over the season\*

**Note: Must be 15 years old by the last day of the class  
\$20 classes! Register on-line at [phoenix.gov/lifeguard](http://phoenix.gov/lifeguard)  
by selecting the "Get StarGuard Certified" link.**

### January Classes

- Paradise Valley Pool--17648 N. 40th St.--Jan. 7th
- Cortez Pool--3434 W. Dunlap Ave--Jan. 21st
- David C. Uribe (DCU)--3801 W. Cactus Rd.--Jan.21st

### February Classes

- Pecos Pool-17010 S. 48th St.--Feb. 4th
- Cortez Pool--3434 W. Dunlap Ave--Feb. 4th
- Paradise Valley Pool--17648 N. 40th St.--Feb. 18th

**RECEIVE AN  
ADDITIONAL  
\$2500  
INCENTIVE AT  
END OF  
SEASON!!**

**Scan here to register today!!**



**Get certified and  
apply for a job:**



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# Lifeguard Certification

Registration is open for January and February StarGuard Lifeguard Certification classes at Paradise Valley Pool, Cortez Pool, David. C. Uribe (DCU), and Pecos Pool. Interested individuals can register online by visiting [phoenix.gov/lifeguard](https://phoenix.gov/lifeguard)

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## Phoenix Launches Community Survey Tool to Assess Resident Concerns

The City of Phoenix is launching a new public survey tool to better understand local priorities and concerns on a wide range of City services and the quality of life in Phoenix. The tool will enable the City to more holistically understand neighborhood issues and enhance our responsiveness to community priorities. The survey asks



residents to evaluate their experience with different aspects of life in Phoenix including affordable housing, transportation, public safety and other City services.

“Phoenix is an innovative, data-driven city,” said City Manager Jeff Barton. “We are always striving to get input from residents and this partnership with Zencity will be a great step forward in really understanding the needs and concerns of our residents so we can continue building the Phoenix of tomorrow.”

Take the survey now in English or Spanish or learn more about the community surveys at [Phoenix.gov/pio/survey](https://phoenix.gov/pio/survey).



## **Public Input on Police Use of Force Policy**

The Phoenix Police Department is now taking public input on proposed draft revisions to its Use of Force policy. As part of the Department’s ongoing commitment to transparency with the community we serve, we will be seeking public input involving major policy revisions.

A draft copy of the proposed Use of Force policy is [available here for review](#).

You can access the [Public Input Form Here](#) and give us your feedback after reading the proposed policy.

It is important to note that this draft is not the entire policy.

This initial draft includes the foundational components of the Use of Force Policy: *Core Principles*, expanded *Definitions*, *Levels of Force*, and revised *General Policies*.

The public input and comment period will last for two weeks beginning today, Tuesday, January 17, 2023, and ending on Tuesday, January 31, 2023. The public is invited and encouraged to submit feedback. All comments will be reviewed and taken into consideration before the policy is finalized.

In the near future, the remaining sections of the policy will be amended and released for public review and comment. Those sections of the policy include: *Force Options*, *Reporting Requirements*, and *Duty to Intervene*

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## **Become a Zero Waste Ambassador as Part of The Super Bowl Experience**

Valley residents have a chance to be part of the Super Bowl Experience in downtown Phoenix by volunteering as Zero Waste Ambassadors.

Zero Waste Ambassadors will be instrumental in helping the City of Phoenix reach its goal of a Zero Waste Super Bowl. As defined by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Zero Waste means diverting at least 90% of waste away from the landfill. Phoenix's goal for Super Bowl LVII is 92% waste diversion, which would make it the greenest Super Bowl yet!

Zero Waste Ambassadors will be stationed at nearby trash and recycle containers in the downtown Phoenix area.

Duties may include:

- Educating attendees about what is recyclable and compostable
- Ensuring attendees place items in the correct container
- Monitoring containers and reporting fill levels to Public Works staff

- Reporting littering or other issues to Public Works staff
- Conducting any other pertinent duties to ensure the event reaches its zero waste goal

Volunteers must be at least 18 years old. To volunteer, sign up here or contact the Volunteer PHX Office at [volunteer@phoenix.gov](mailto:volunteer@phoenix.gov) with questions.

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## **Volunteers Needed for Income Tax Assistance**

Every year, the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Program prepares free tax returns for low-to-moderate-income individuals and families.

VITA volunteers receive free training and are certified by the IRS to prepare basic tax returns. Greeters, screeners, bilingual interpreters, and site coordinators are also needed.



Training is free and available online to complete at your own pace. You can become a volunteer with as little as 8 hours of training and get IRS certified with 24 hours of training.

Learn more and sign up at [Phoenix.gov/TaxHelp](https://phoenix.gov/TaxHelp).

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## Healthy Giving

