



City of Phoenix

2009 – 2010 COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS REFERENCE GUIDE MEET AND DISCUSS UNITS / CITY MANAGER-REPRESENTED UNITS

Executive

BENEFIT CATEGORY	010 - General 018 - Police 019 - Fire
UNIT CODE	008
ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVE	City Manager
NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES (APPROXIMATE)	92
SALARY PLAN(S)	018, 025, & 027
CHANGE FROM 2008 – 2009	Range only adjustments of 1.9% for general City executives, 4.8% for Assistant Fire and Police chiefs, and 4.3% for Executive Assistant Fire and Police chiefs, Fire and Police chiefs, and Public Safety Manager.
STEP PROGRESSION	No steps - only minimum and maximum established. Pay increases are performance-based.
WORK WEEK	Time required to accomplish work. (AR 2.21) (AR 2.14)
<u>PAY</u>	
CALL OUT (CALL BACK)	Exempt
COMPENSATORY TIME LIMITATION	Exempt
MILEAGE ALLOWANCE	55.0 cents per mile, effective 1/1/2009 (AR 6.21)
OUT-OF-CLASS	Exempt
OVERTIME	Exempt

<u>PAY</u>	
PAY FOR PART-TIME EMPLOYEES <i>Also see "INSURANCE FOR PART-TIME EMPLOYEES" in Insurance Section below.</i>	Part-time employees (excluding seasonal employees), may be considered for advancement from Pay Step 1 to Step 2 after completing 1,040 hours of work at Step 1. Advancement from Pay Step 2 to Step 3 and each subsequent step in a grade may be considered after 2,080 hours at each step. (Pay Ord. 11q) When working a City holiday, part-time employees who are non-exempt shall be paid 1½ x regular rate for time worked, up to 8 hours. (AR 2.11)
PERFORMANCE-BASED AWARD PROGRAM	Employees at the top of their salary ranges may be awarded up to \$6,112 annually.
SHIFT DIFFERENTIAL	Exempt
SICK LEAVE PAYOUT AS SALARY FOR PUBLIC SAFETY	Sworn public safety employees: Optional monthly conversion of sick leave accrual to pay, for minimum 3 yrs, if at least 1,714 unused hrs (2,400 hours for 56-hr employees). 6-yr maximum. (AR 2.44)
STANDBY	Exempt
UNIFORMS/CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	Sworn Police employees: \$1,550 annual allowance (AR 2.26) Sworn Fire employees: \$925 annual allowance (AR 2.26)
VACATION PAYOUT – PUBLIC SAFETY	Members of the Arizona Public Safety Personnel Retirement System who have accrued maximum vacation carryover, with 17 years of service, can be paid for additional vacation leave for a 3-year period. A PPSLA employee may receive a one-time extension for up to 3 years and may stop and restart this benefit one time. Middle managers and executives in the Fire Department may receive an extension for up to 3 years without additional qualification and may stop and restart this benefit one time. Middle managers and executives in the Fire Department can receive a third 3-year extension (for a maximum possible benefit of 9 years) if the employee's vacation balance is at least 120 hours for a 56-hour employee or 86 hours for a 40-hour or executive employee. If the employee stops this extension, the remainder of the 3-year period is lost. PPSLA employees, and middle managers and executives in the Fire Department: 80 hours/10 days of vacation can be accrued above maximum vacation carryover into the last 3 years of service. These hours must be used as paid time off prior to retirement. The retirement maximum payout allowance is not affected. (AR 2.171)
VACATION SELL BACK	May be paid up to one week of vacation time in May and up to 2 weeks in November for an annual max of 3 weeks. Two weeks must be taken as time off during the same calendar year to sell back time in November. (AR 2.18) (Pay Ord. 17a)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE	
BEREAVEMENT LEAVE	Up to 3 days for death of immediate family member with additional time for air travel if out-of-state. (Personnel Rule 15g)
EDUCATION LEAVE	2.5 days per year (AR 2.51)
FAMILY LEAVE	Up to 12 weeks unpaid leave upon the birth/adoption of a child or to care for a seriously ill immediate family member. (Personnel Rule 15e5)
<i>Dependent Care</i>	Up to 5 incidents/40 hours of unscheduled accumulated vacation or compensatory time per calendar year for the dependent care of an immediate family member without the leave being considered a negative factor. (AR 2.30)
<i>Emergency Family Care</i>	Up to 1 shift (8 or 10 hours) of unscheduled sick leave per incident for sudden illness or accident of an immediate family member, or up to 5 days or 40 hours (add'l 2 days if out-of-state travel required) per incident for care of an immediate family member experiencing life-threatening illness or injury. (AR 2.30) (Personnel Rule 15)
<i>Family Leave Management</i>	Employees shall be limited to a maximum of 7 incidents per calendar year for the combination of Dependent and Emergency Family Care without the leave being considered a negative factor (unless the leave qualifies as FMLA leave). (AR 2.30)
FAMILY/MEDICAL LEAVE	Up to 12 weeks for the birth/adoption of a child, to take care of a seriously ill immediate family member, or an employee's serious health condition. This includes maternity leave taken. (AR 2.143) (Personnel Rule 15c7)
HOLIDAYS	11½ legal holidays. The Christmas Eve half-day holiday is granted only when December 24 falls on the employee's regularly scheduled work day. In the case of continuous or 7-day operations, holidays shall be observed only on the calendar days on which they fall. (AR 2.11)
JURY DUTY	No loss of regular pay – may keep jury pay. (AR 2.24)
MILITARY TRAINING	An employee must be given time off for up to 240 hours/30 days in any two consecutive years. For National Guard and Military Reserve, only workdays are counted. (AR 2.39)
PERSONAL LEAVE	3 personal leave days. 6-month wait for new employees to take personal leave. Executives with less than 5 years City service receive 3 additional personal leave days until 5 years of employment have been completed. (AR 2.11)
SICK LEAVE	Unlimited accrual; Hourly: Accrues 10 hours per month, Salaried: Accrues 1.25 days/month.***(Personnel Rule 15c) (AR 2.30)
<i>Also see "SICK LEAVE PAYOUT AT RETIREMENT" in the Retirement Section below</i>	Upon the in-line-of-duty death of a City employee (or active work/approved leave status for sworn Police employees), the City will pay the full cash value of accrued sick leave existing at the time of the employee's death. (AR 2.43) (Pay Ord. 20j and 20k)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE				
VACATION EXEMPT (SALARIED) EMPLOYEES	<u>Yrs of Svc</u>	<u>Annual Accrual Rate (based on 8-hr days)</u>	<u>Maximum Carryover***</u>	<u>Max Accrual That Can Be Compensated at Separation</u>
	0-5th	12 days	24 days	30 days
	6th-10th	15 days	30 days	37.5 days
	11th-15th	16.5 days	33 days	41.25 days
	16th-20th	19.5 days	39 days	48.75 days
	21st +	22.5 days	45 days	56.25 days
New employees must wait 6 months before using vacation. (Personnel Rule 15b) (AR 2.18)				
VOTING TIME OFF	Maximum time allowable is time necessary to provide three consecutive hours between opening of polls and start of work or end of work and closing of polls, as required by State law. Must be requested in writing to supervisor three days prior. (AR 2.16)			
BENEFITS				
BEHAVIORAL/MENTAL HEALTH	<p>Provided under one of the three medical insurance plans:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CIGNA HMO – services provided by CIGNA Behavioral Health, (800) 343-2183 • Blue Cross Blue Shield HMO – services provided by Biodyne, (800) 224-2125 • Blue Cross Blue Shield PPO – services provided by BCBS of Arizona, (800) 232-2345 			
BUS/LIGHT RAIL CARD	Free (100% subsidized) bus/light rail card (Platinum Pass) available to all active part-time and full-time employees. Contact your payroll clerk, or call Central Payroll at (602) 262-6555.			
CHILDCARE – MONTHLY FINANCIAL AID	Monthly assistance with childcare expenses for City employees with a gross household income of \$32,500 or less, and one or more children younger than 13 living in the home. Other qualifying criteria also will apply; participants must reapply annually. For information or an application, call the Benefits Office at (602) 262-4777.			
COMMUNICATIONS ALLOWANCE	\$100 per month (AR 2.29)			
DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN – 457	Provides employees with voluntary investment options designed to supplement income at retirement. Employees may choose to defer the lesser of 100% of includable income for 457 deferrals or \$16,500 during calendar year 2009. Contact Nationwide Retirement Solutions at phoenixdcp.com or (602) 266-2733, or call the Benefits Office at (602) 256-3282.			

<u>BENEFITS</u>	
DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN – 401(a)	<p>Provides employees with additional option for tax-deferred retirement savings. Eligible employees may make personal contributions to the City 401(a) Plan by electing to defer a designated percentage of their salary to the Plan. 401(a) personal contribution elections are irrevocable. For active employees the 2009 annual maximum is \$49,000. Contact Nationwide Retirement Solutions at phoenixdcp.com or (602) 266-2733, or call the Benefits Office at (602) 256-3282.</p> <p>City contributes to 401(a) on employee's behalf an amount equal to 9.6% of employee's gross salary. If the 9.6% of gross annual salary does not equal at least 60% of the federal maximum allowed for 457 deferred compensation plan contributions excluding catch-up provisions, the City will contribute 60% of the federal maximum allowed for 457 deferred compensation plan contributions excluding catch-up provisions. (Pay Ord. 19i)</p>
ELDER CARE	Provides employees, retirees, and their immediate family members with an important, free service to help with the problems of aging parents and other family members. Call EAP Preferred at (602) 534-5433.
EMERGENCY RIDE HOME PROGRAM	Provides cab vouchers for employees who ride the bus, car-pool, van-pool, bike, or walk to and from work at least three days a week. For more information call the Public Works Department, Transportation Coordination at (602) 262-7119.
EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (EAP)	<p>Professional counseling for full- and part-time employees for personal, family, and work-related problems, and supervisor referrals for work performance issues.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confidential counseling services for personal and work-related problems are available to employees and their immediate household members. For information about EAP counseling services or to schedule an appointment, call the contracted EAP provider, EAP Preferred at (602) 534-5433*. Supervisors who want to consult with the EAP about an employee's work performance issues or have questions about a supervisor referral to the EAP can call EAP Preferred at (602) 534-5433 or the City EAP Coordinator at (602) 262-7216. <p>*All Fire Department employees and their families call Ron Tapscott at (602) 495-7551 or the contracted EAP provider, CONTACT Behavioral Health Services, at (800) 222-8335. Fire supervisors who want to consult with the EAP about an employee's work performance issues or have questions about a supervisor referral to the EAP also can call Ron Tapscott.</p>
FIRE EMPLOYEE BENEFIT TRUST – 401(h) Fund	Sworn Fire: City pays \$29.00 per pay period, per currently participating/newly promoted employee.

<u>BENEFITS</u>	
FLEXIBLE REIMBURSEMENT ACCOUNT PROGRAM (FLEXRAP)	Flexible Spending Accounts provide pre-tax dollars for eligible health care and dependent care expenses. Call the Benefits Office at (602) 495-5710.
HEALTH EXAMINATIONS	Mandatory once every two years.
HOUSING DISCOUNT PROGRAMS	The “Welcome to Phoenix” and “Make Phoenix Home” programs are designed to offer discounts on mortgage financing as well as exclusive housing discounts for City employees who purchase a primary residence within the city of Phoenix boundaries. Call Chase Home Finance Corporation at (602) 956-6454 for information on mortgage programs. Call the Benefits Office at (602) 262-4777 for a listing of builders participating in the Housing Discount Program.
PREPAID LEGAL PLAN	Provides employees and their families access to legal representation at an affordable price. While not all legal services are covered, the reasonable monthly rate allows employees to have an “attorney on retainer.” Coverage includes wills, powers of attorney, living wills, trusts, and other personal legal services. Contact Hyatt Legal Plans at legalplans.com or (800) 821-6400, or the Benefits Office at (602) 262-4777.
TRANSPORTATION ALLOWANCE	\$435 per month if City car not assigned. (AR 2.29)
<u>INSURANCE</u>	
COMMUTATION POLICY	City provides coverage for employees commuting directly between home and their job location. Employees have a \$200,000 death benefit and a reduced dismemberment benefit, if the accident occurs within two hours of leaving their home or work. Part-time employees (excluding seasonal & temporary) may qualify for this benefit. Refer to the SelectCare® Life and AD&D Benefits booklet for eligibility requirements. (AR 2.451)
DENTAL INSURANCE	City pays 100% of the monthly premium: \$50.38 for single CIGNA PPO dental coverage, and \$27.99 for single CIGNA DHMO coverage. City pays 75% (\$104.16) of the monthly premium for family CIGNA PPO dental coverage with a \$2,000 annual benefit maximum. City pays 75% (\$57.90) of the monthly premium for family CIGNA DHMO coverage with no annual benefit maximum.
INDUSTRIAL INSURANCE	Industrial insurance pays 2/3 of base wage up to \$3,600 per month for first year. City pays remaining to equal regular net take-home pay. (AR 2.32)
INSURANCE FOR PART-TIME EMPLOYEES	Year-round part-time employees can become eligible for commuter life insurance only after working 12 consecutive months, with at least 24 pay periods with hours worked/paid. Refer to the SelectCare® Life and AD&D Benefits booklet.

<u>INSURANCE</u>	
LIFE INSURANCE <i>(City coverage includes a provision for continuation of term group life under certain conditions.)</i>	<p>City pays for 1 ³/₄ x base annual salary basic life, same basic life amount for accidental death & dismemberment, and \$75,000 on-duty protection.</p> <p>Employees may purchase additional coverage for themselves and their dependents.</p> <p>Sworn Police: City pays for \$100,000 on-duty protection.</p> <p>Public Safety Officers' Benefits paid by federal government for public safety employees, under duty-related circumstances.</p>
LONG-TERM DISABILITY INSURANCE	66 2/3% of base wage, starting after three months, continuing to age 80. (AR 2.323)
MEDICAL INSURANCE ACTIVE EMPLOYEES	<p>City pays 80% of the monthly premium: \$364.64 for single CIGNA HMO medical coverage and \$1,050.80 for CIGNA HMO family coverage.</p> <p>\$324.88 for Blue Cross Blue Shield HMO single coverage and \$936.16 for Blue Cross Blue Shield HMO family coverage.</p> <p>\$372.56 for single Blue Cross Blue Shield PPO medical coverage and \$1,073.68 for family Blue Cross Blue Shield PPO medical coverage.</p>
MEDICAL INSURANCE SURVIVORS OF BENEFIT-ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES	City pays 100% of monthly premium to continue existing medical insurance coverage for dependents of deceased benefit-eligible employees due to in-line-of-duty death; limitations apply. (Pay Ord. 20i) (AR 2.451)
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE	When unemployment is beyond the control of the employee, terminated individual is entitled to apply for benefits from the Arizona Department of Economic Security.
<u>TRAINING AND EDUCATION</u>	
TRAINING	Entry and periodic job-related training may be required. Other special training available with supervisory approval (see Employee Training and Development Catalog).
TUITION REIMBURSEMENT	Maximum payment for tuition reimbursement through Management Development Fund for FY 2009 – 2010 is \$5,998 . (Full \$5,998 is available if employee is using the funds to pursue a higher educational degree). (AR 2.281)
<i>Seminar/Workshop/ Conference/ Professional Membership Reimbursement</i>	Employees may use up to \$500 of the tuition fund for professional memberships, certifications, and licenses. (City Manager memo dated 2/2/09)

RETIREMENT

RETIREMENT PROGRAMS

These groups include employees in the City of Phoenix Employees Retirement System and Arizona Public Safety Personnel Retirement System. See **General employees** and **Public safety employees** below.

The City will reimburse middle manager and executive employees an amount equal to 0.5% of retirement-applicable gross wages for the employee's contribution to the City of Phoenix Employees Retirement System or Arizona Public Safety Personnel Retirement System.

General employees are covered by Social Security and the City of Phoenix Employees Retirement System (COPERS). Employee contributes 5% of total wages, while City's contribution is based on actuarial need. To qualify: age 60 with 10 or more yrs of service; age 62 with 5 or more yrs of service; combined age and credited service equals 80 ("rule of 80"); or if totally and permanently disabled after 10 yrs of service (no minimum service requirement if duty-related). Pension is calculated on highest 3 consecutive yrs of the last 10 yrs salary, and total time of service. The benefit increment is 2% for each year up to 32 ½ yrs of credited service and for all unused sick leave. The benefit increase for credited service in excess of 32 ½ yrs is at a lesser rate of 1% each year between 32 ½ and 35 ½ and ½ % each year thereafter. Employees may purchase or transfer eligible service credit in other public retirement systems and active duty military service to be used towards City of Phoenix retirement. Employees may also purchase previous eligible COPERS membership, City of Phoenix full-time temporary and job-share employment. Call the Retirement Office at (602) 534-4400 for additional information.

General employees: Credited service for unused sick leave will exclude any sick leave hours compensated through the Sick Leave Payout at Retirement program (see next page). (AR 2.441)

Public safety employees are covered by Arizona Public Safety Personnel Retirement System (PSPRS). Employee contributes 7.65% of total wages, while City's contribution is based on actuarial need. Employees become eligible for normal retirement benefits after 20 years of service, or at age 62 with 15 years of service. With 20 or more years of credited service an employee may enter Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP). Normal retirement is 50% of highest 3 consecutive yrs out of the last 20 yrs of credited service. Percentage increases in amount after 20 yrs to a maximum of 80% after 32 yrs of service. Employee may apply for a disability pension if unable, due to illness or injury, to perform a reasonable range of duties. Employees may purchase or transfer eligible service credit in other public retirement systems and active duty military service to be used toward PSPRS retirement eligibility. Call PSPRS at (602) 255-5575 or the Retirement Office at (602) 534-4400 for additional information.

RETIREMENT	
<p>MEDICAL EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT PLAN (MERP)</p>	<p>Employees eligible to retire in 15 years or less from August 1, 2007, will receive a monthly check (up to \$202) from the City's Medical Expense Reimbursement Plan (MERP) when they retire. Additionally, if you choose City health insurance coverage as a retiree, the City will reduce the health insurance premium deducted from your pension check with a Qualified City Contribution ranging from \$90 to \$375, depending upon your type of coverage; this may include a \$50 City credit for family coverage. If qualified, an additional contribution is calculated if your gross annualized pension amount is less than \$25,000. Questions regarding MERP should be directed to the Benefits Office at (602) 262-4777. (A.R. 2.42)</p> <p>General City employees (including Public Safety Manager) retiring on or after 7/1/07 receive \$202/mo regardless of years of service.</p> <p>General City employees (including Public Safety Manager) retiring on or after 7/1/09 receive additional \$100/month if enrolled in City's coverage. Ends with Medicare eligibility.</p>
<p>POST EMPLOYMENT HEALTH PLAN (PEHP)</p>	<p>This is a 100% employer-paid benefit. Program provides employees eligible to retire in more than 15 years from 8/1/07 (or who were hired on or after 8/1/07), who have a payroll deduction for City medical insurance coverage (single or family) with a PEHP account. This account is to be used by the employee when he/she retires or separates employment with the City for qualified medical expenses (including health insurance premiums). The current administrator of the City's PEHP is Nationwide Retirement Solutions. Any questions regarding PEHP should be directed to Nationwide at (602) 266-2733 or toll-free at (877) 677-3678.</p>
<p>SICK LEAVE PAYOUT AT RETIREMENT</p>	<p>Upon retirement, General City employees with a minimum of 750 hours of accrued and unused sick leave may elect to be paid for up to 20% of the unused hours at base hourly wage. (AR 2.441)</p>
<p>SICK LEAVE PAYOUT AT RETIREMENT – SWORN PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEES</p>	<p>Upon retirement, sworn public safety employees paid 40% of base hourly wage for all accrued sick leave hours exceeding 500 (700 for 56-hour employees) if a minimum of 1,000 (1,400 for 56-hour employees) has been accrued. Percentage is increased by 1% for each full year of service in excess of 20 full years to a maximum of 50%.</p> <p>OR Police: 60% of base hourly wage for all accrued sick leave hours exceeding 386 hours if a minimum of 1,286 hours has been accrued.</p> <p>OR Police: 60% of base hourly wage for all accrued sick leave hours if a minimum of 1,714 hours has been accrued.</p> <p>OR Fire: 60% of base hourly wage for all accrued sick leave hours exceeding 386 hours (540 for 56-hour employees) if a minimum of 1,286 hours (1,800 for 56-hour employees) has been accrued.</p> <p>OR Fire: 60% of base hourly wage for all accrued sick leave hours if a minimum of 1,714 hours (2,400 hours for 56-hour employees) has been accrued. (A.R. 2.44)</p>

MISCELLANEOUS	
CAREER CONSULTATION	Career consultation services available to City employees. For information call the Personnel Department, Employment Services at (602) 495-5703.
JOB INFORMATION	Job titles and descriptions, rates of pay, and benefits information are available at phoenix.gov. Information on jobs currently open for recruitment is available at phoenix.gov or the Job Line at (602) 534-5627.
PARKING	Low-cost parking available to car-pools and van-pools in downtown area. Other spaces available on first-come, first-served basis with cost comparable to other similarly-located lots. Call the Public Works Department, Employee Parking at (602) 262-7119.
SUGGESTION PROGRAM	Cash (up to \$3,500) and other awards are given for suggestions that improve productivity or cut costs. For information, call the Personnel Department, Employee Development at (602) 262-6401. (AR 2.27)
OTHER APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS*	Personnel Rules, Administrative Regulations, Pay Plan, Management Procedures, Personnel Department Letters, and City Manager Letters

*** For employees who have a 56-hour workweek, accrual rates are calculated by multiplying equivalent 40 hour rate by 1.4.

If any conflict exists between the language of this Compensation and Benefits Reference Guide and the language of applicable documents, e.g., Administrative Regulations, Personnel Rules, Pay Ordinance, etc., the language of the applicable documents shall prevail.