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Police agencies need volunteers

Citizen volunteers are sought for service

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Now more than ever, volunteers are needed throughout our communities to help our neighbors and maintain the quality of life we enjoy. Giving back to the community takes many forms, including working with city agencies and law enforcement.

The police departments in the cities of Goodyear and Phoenix are seeking volunteers to serve in variety of capacities.

City of Goodyear:

The city of Goodyear Police Department's Volunteers in Police Service (VIPS) will be implementing a free program called You Are Not Alone (YANA) for its senior residents. The program will promote peace of mind and a sense of security for the elderly individual who may also be disabled and enjoy the independence of living alone, but have no friends or family members available to check on them with any consistency.

Volunteers are needed on Saturdays Aug. 21 and 28 to walk door to door in Goodyear neighborhoods to distribute informational door hangers. The door hanger will give a brief overview of the new YANA program which will begin on Sept. 27.

Adults and students 14 years and older are encouraged to participate. Children ages 12-13 must be accompanied by a guardian.

For more information and to participate, please contact Rose Beals at (623) 882-7430.

City of Phoenix:

The city of Phoenix is looking for new C.O.P.S. – Citizens Offering Police Support. COPS is the citizen volunteer force of the Phoenix Police Department. Volunteers play a vital role in the city's daily police operations by working together with sworn officers in almost all aspects of law enforcement.

Volunteers can choose from a variety of assignments: Motorist Assist, Crisis Outreach, or in one of the precincts, to name just a few. Volunteers are placed in assignments based on their particular areas of interest, location in the Phoenix area, skills and proficiencies and availability.

Please note: Employees wishing to participate must do so on their own time and not during their normal work hours unless they take PTO.

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