



NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

A Message from the Office of Councilman Daniel Valenzuela, District 5

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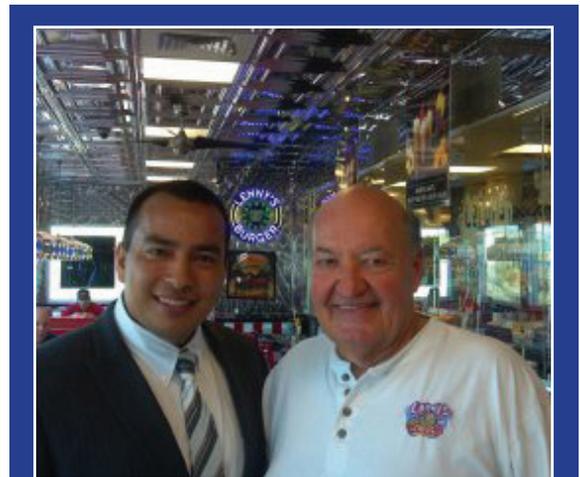
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Your District 5 team is always readily available to serve you. If you have a community event or need assistance with any City service, please contact our office directly at 602-262-7446. This month's edition of Neighborhood News features why Phoenicians should shop local, the Young Man and Young Woman of the Year Award, D5 sidewalk and street light improvements, D5's tour of the Utah Transit Authority, upcoming car seat safety events and Maryvale Hospital's National Award. We hope you enjoy this edition of Neighborhood News - your source for information and tools to make our neighborhoods the best they can be!

This month's DTV feature

Lenny's Burgers, located at 2545 W. Glendale Ave., is our business of the month and has some of the best burgers in town! Burgers are not your only choice. This delicious delight also features hot sandwiches, fries, as well as beef hot dogs. Their malts and shakes are among the best and are definitely worth a try! For more information including specials and contact information, please visit Lenny's Burgers.

Be sure to catch DTV at youtube.com/DTVPHX



Shop Local

The City of Phoenix launched its “Shop Phoenix!” campaign, asking residents to “Show Us How You Shop Phoenix!” Ready to bite into a burger from your favorite Phoenix restaurant, just purchased a new car or getting started on holiday shopping? Photograph the moment at your favorite restaurant, auto dealership, local business or mall, tell us where you like to “Shop Phoenix!” and email us the photo.

Through the end of December, residents can “Show Us How You Shop Phoenix!” by submitting photos of places to shop, eat or visit in Phoenix. Send photos as an attachment to contactus@phoenix.gov with “Shop Phoenix!” in the subject line. Photos will be featured in a photo album on the city’s Facebook page, and the top photo each week will be the city’s Facebook cover photo.

Sales taxes on the merchandise purchased at businesses in Phoenix go directly to the city’s General Fund, which pays for city services such as police and fire protection, parks, libraries, senior centers, neighborhood preservation, neighborhood clean up and street maintenance.

The largest revenue component for funding our city’s basic services is sales tax, it accounts for 39 percent of General Fund revenues. By shopping in Phoenix, residents have a direct impact on the city services they enjoy.

To view “Show Us How You Shop Phoenix!” photos, like the city’s Facebook page at facebook.com/cityofphoenix



Applications Now Available Online for Phoenix Young Man/ Young Woman of the Year

Do you know any outstanding young men or young women? Phoenix is seeking applications from exceptional high school students for the 27th Annual Outstanding Young Man and Young Woman of the Year Awards.

Students must be in grades nine through 12 and live in the city of Phoenix. Applications are available online at the Neighborhood Services Department's Young Man/Young Woman website. Deadline to apply is Friday, Dec. 7.

The program evaluates students on their leadership ability, community involvement and commitment to excellence. Applicants must write a personal statement describing their involvement in the Phoenix community, commitment to excellence and their future goals. Students also must identify a teacher who has had the greatest impact on their lives.

An exceptional young man and young woman will be selected to represent each of the eight City Council districts. All 16 district finalists will be recognized at an event in the spring and receive a \$250 cash reward and a plaque commemorating their achievements.

Of the 16 finalists, one overall young man and woman will be awarded the honor of Phoenix Young Man/Young Woman of the Year and will each receive an additional \$2,000.

Previous winners have been involved in activities such as science club, speech team, choir, theater, community food drives, National Honor Society and student council.

Funding for the Outstanding Young Man and Young Woman of the Year Awards is provided by Phoenix Rotary Club 100 and Soroptimist International of Phoenix in coordination with the city of Phoenix.

For more information, contact the Neighborhood Services Department at 602-534-4444 or mailbox. youth@phoenix.gov.

D5 Sidewalk and Street Light Improvement projects

The Streets Department's Bicycle Specialist has reported that the bicycle program has had a significant role in the installation of bike lanes on Osborn Road, from 59th to 67th avenues. This is wonderful news as it will help promote healthier lifestyles and environmental sustainability. These bike lanes will be very useful as our bus route has been extended even further west in our district. Thank you Streets Department for all that you do!

We are excited to have the upcoming improvement projects in our neighborhoods. You may notice sections of sidewalk and new street lights in the following locations:

- 33rd Avenue, Glenrosa Avenue to Campbell Avenue.
- Hazelwood Street, 31st Avenue to Coolidge Street.
- 33rd Avenue, Elm Street to Camelback Rd.
- 30th Avenue, Campbell Avenue to Hazelwood Street.

Construction has already begun; the projects are scheduled to be complete Spring 2013. Construction work hours will be 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday; hours will vary with seasonal changes. Construction crews will work weekends, if needed.

For more information, please call the 24-Hour Construction Hotline at 602-956-2670.



Maryvale Hospital
named one of the
nation's best by
The Joint Commission



The Joint Commission recently announced its list of the nation's best hospitals, and Maryvale Hospital was one of just five in Arizona to earn this prestigious ranking. The list featured the top 18 percent of Joint Commission-accredited hospitals, just 620 hospitals across the nation whose quality met the accrediting organization's stringent guidelines to qualify for this upper-echelon recognition. Congratulations to the entire team at Maryvale for this exemplary achievement!

Councilman Valenzuela on the Move!

“Phoenix continues to grow our public transit system in a smart, sustainable way, including the recent announcement of the northwest extension of the light rail,” said Phoenix City Councilman Daniel T. Valenzuela. “We have experienced first hand in Phoenix and our partnering Valley cities, that when it comes to light rail, if you build it, they will come. With each new mile, new riders have stepped on board and new businesses continue to open and prosper. It was a great benefit to join MAG on a recent visit with our friends at Utah Transit Authority, who are a little ahead of us in terms of build-out and connectivity, to see how creating a seamless system of commuter trains, light rail, buses and street cars creates a new model for economic growth and provides residents a transportation solution to drive a major city into the future. It was great to see that Phoenix is indeed on the right track!”



Councilman Valenzuela participated with city staff and other regional leaders on a tour of the multi-model transit system in Utah.

Councilman Valenzuela Hosts Child Car Safety Seat Events



“As a first responder, I have witnessed time and again how car safety seats save children’s lives. Arizona’s new car/booster seat laws took affect in August, requiring children under 8 years old, and at- or less than 4’9” to use car safety seats. I encourage residents to take a little time to ensure that their child’s safety seat is properly installed. Please join me for one of my community car seat safety events to learn how to properly install your child’s car safety seat. The first event will be held from 8 to 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 10, at Villa De Paz Elementary, 4940 N. 103rd Ave. A second event will be held from 8 to 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 15, at Maryvale Community Center, 4420 N. 51st Ave. I hope to see as many parents and caregivers as possible at these events – so spread the word! And remember to always check that your child’s car seat is properly secured every time you drive. It could save your child’s life.”

Snapshots From Our Neighborhoods



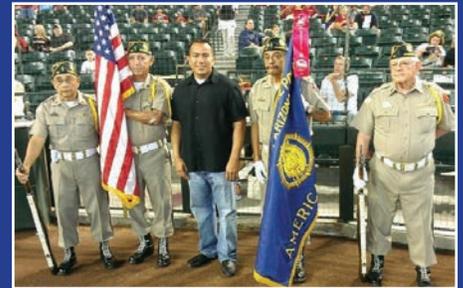
Councilwoman Williams and Councilman Valenzuela spoke to the Washington Park Business Advisory. Thank you for inviting us to this productive and informative meeting.



Phoenix remembers those who made the ultimate sacrifice in one of the greatest rescue missions in history- 9/11/2011.



We kicked off our first PlanPHX meeting in Villa de Paz- Thank you for your ideas about the future of our wonderful city!



Councilman Valenzuela was at Chase Field along with veterans for celebrating Hispanic Heritage Day.



Thank you to all the residents that have attended any of the golf public input meetings. Photo features Phoenix Golf meeting in Maryvale.



Above Councilman Gates, Councilman Valenzuela, Councilman Nowakowski, Councilwoman Williams and Mayor Stanton visit with Phoenix Sister Cities supporters of the Japanese Friendship Garden for the dedication of the Mayoral plaque.



We are inspired by the community work being done by Living United for Change Arizona . Thank you!