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Hello District 5 Residents and Friends!

As the monsoon season begins and extreme heat continues this June, I'm excited to update you with community events and resources. Read this month's edition of Neighborhood News to learn about our Independence Day fireworks celebration, 27th Ave. retail survey, movie in the park event, heat relief options, landlord and tenant resources, fireworks safety and more.

Independence Day in Maryvale: Annual Light Up the Sky

Phoenix Parks & Recreation
PHX PLAYS

LIGHT UP THE SKY

PHOENIX PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

FREE FAMILY EVENT

WEDNESDAY, JULY 3, 2024 6:30-9:30PM
FIREWORKS SHOW AT 9:10PM

AMERICAN FAMILY FIELDS OF PHOENIX

INFLATABLES **ENTERTAINMENT** **FOOD FOR SALE** **ACTIVITIES**

FREE EVENT PARKING LOCATED AT:
**3600 N. 51ST AVE
PHOENIX, AZ 85031**

FOR A LIST OF PROHIBITED ITEMS PLEASE VISIT
[HTTPS://WWW.MLB.COM/BREWERS/SPRING-TRAINING/TRIP-PLANNING](https://www.mlb.com/brewers/spring-training/trip-planning)

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 602-262-5030 OR EMAIL [DAVE.E.ADAMS@PHOENIX.GOV](mailto:dave.e.adams@phoenix.gov)

   

Get ready for an unforgettable Independence Day celebration on Wednesday, July 3rd! Join us for an exciting car show by Jax Wax, a fun kids' zone, and enjoy live music by La Banda Alterada. They'll be performing live to set the stage for a spectacular fireworks show at 9:10 PM at the American Family Fields of Phoenix with the parking lot located at 3600 N. 51st Ave Phoenix, AZ 85031.

Doors will open at 6:30 PM until 9:30 PM with the fireworks at 9:10 PM. Bring your family and friends for a day filled with fun, cars, music, and patriotic spirit. Don't miss this chance to celebrate Independence Day in style!



Last year's Light Up the Sky was a huge success! After a three-year break due to the pandemic and supply chain issues, thousands of community members came out to celebrate with free live music, kids' activities, and fireworks!

27th Ave. Survey Closes Sunday, June 30

**EAT.
SHOP.
PLAY!**

27th Ave Retail Corridor Survey



Where do you shop? What is your favorite neighborhood restaurant? What new businesses would you like to see in your community? Please tell us! Phoenix District 5, Councilwoman Betty Guardado, in collaboration with the City of Phoenix Community and Economic Development Department are conducting a retail survey to learn more about your community's strengths and assist us in identifying opportunities to attract amenities that are missing in your neighborhood.

SCAN HERE
TO TAKE SURVEY



We invite you to share your opinions on what you want to see along the 27th Ave Retail Corridor by completing the survey located in the QR Code on the left. Please share with your friends and neighbors.

The QR Code will take you to the survey and will close on June 30, 2024. If you have questions or comments, please reach out to Karla Scott at 602-534-7511 or karla.scott@phoenix.gov.



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We invite you, your friends and neighbors to share your opinions on what you want to see along the 27th Ave Retail Corridor* by completing the survey below. The 27th Ave Retail Corridor Boundary: Peoria Ave to Indian School Rd and I-17 to 35th Ave. The survey will close next Sunday, June 30th. [Click here to complete the survey here.](#)

Movie in the Park on Saturday, June 29



Phoenix Parks & Recreation
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YOUR INVITED TO OUR
**MOVIE IN THE PARK
SUMMER SERIES**

Movies will start at approximately 7:30
Bring your own chairs and blankets
Popcorn will be provided

JOHN F. AND MARY P. LONG
HOMESTEAD PARK

2602 W GLENDALE AVE
PHOENIX, AZ 85051

7PM - 9:30 PM

Betty Guardado
COUNCILWOMAN | DISTRICT 5

JUNE 15 **JUNE 29**
JULY 13 **JULY 27**

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 602.262.6575 OR EMAIL CHRIS.AYO@PHOENIX.GOV

The poster features four movie posters: Super Mario Bros. Movie (June 15), Clifford: The Big Red Dog (June 29), Wonka (July 13), and Lyle Lyle Crocodile (July 27). At the bottom, there is a graphic of red and yellow theater seats.

We are excited to invite you to a delightful evening under the stars at Homestead Park. Join us this Saturday, June 29th for a fun and relaxing movie night with your friends, family, and neighbors! It starts at 7:00 PM until 9:30 PM at Homestead Park (26th Ave & Glendale Ave). The featured movie, Clifford: the Big Red Dog, will start around 7:30 PM. The popcorn is free, but please bring your own chairs and blankets.

Heat Respite and Cooling Centers



EXTENDED HEAT RELIEF OPTIONS



OVERNIGHT RESPITE CENTERS

**Burton Barr
Central Library**
Open 24/7

**Senior
Opportunities West**
Open nightly 6 p.m. to 5 a.m.



COOLING CENTERS

**Harmon Library
Cholla Library
Yucca Library**

*Monday-Saturday: Open until 10 p.m.
Sundays: Noon - 10 p.m.*



All 17 Phoenix Public Library locations serve as cooling centers during regular operating hours as part of the Valley's Heat Relief Network.



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The City of Phoenix is expanding public heat relief options this year. For the first time, Phoenix offers two heat respite centers that will be accessible overnight. Now through Sept. 30, Burton Barr Central Library will operate as a 24-hour

respite center. Additionally, the Senior Opportunities West Senior Center at 7th Ave. and Buckeye will offer overnight respite hours daily from 6 p.m.-5 a.m.

Other cooling centers also have extended hours in 2024. Yucca, Cholla, and Harmon Libraries will now stay open as cooling centers Mondays through Saturdays until 10 p.m. On Sundays, these three locations will open as cooling centers from noon to 10 p.m. All other Phoenix Public Libraries now serve as cooling centers during their regular business hours.

To find any of the 95+ cooling centers now open in Phoenix, along with hydration stations where free bottled water is available, [click here for the Heat Relief Network's countywide map.](#)

Landlord and Tenant Workshop



Do you have any questions? We have answers! Landlord/tenant rights, security deposits, evictions, repairs and more!

The landlord and tenant program provides educational services and information to homeowners and tenants on their rights under the Arizona Residential Landlord and Tenant Act. We offer one-on-one counseling and education by telephone and in-person appointments at the Travis L. Williams Family Services Center. To make an appointment, call (602)262-7210 or email landlord.tenant.hsd@phoenix.gov.

The City of Phoenix also partners with Community Legal Services to provide the Tenants Eviction Assistance Project (TEAP). TEAP provides legal assistance, advocacy, and representation at no cost to help tenants navigate the Arizona eviction process. The next free workshop is July 10th. [Click here for more information.](#)

Fireworks Safety and Laws



How to Safely Dispose of Fireworks

- 1 Read Instructions:** Always carefully read and follow the manufacturer's instructions on how to use and dispose of fireworks.
- 2 Water Soak:** Submerge used fireworks in water for 24 hours to ensure they are fully saturated.
- 3 Bucket Method:** Place used fireworks in a metal bucket filled with water for disposal.
- 4 Non-Flammable Container:** Use a non-flammable container, such as a metal trash can, to dispose of soaked fireworks.
- 5 Double Bagging:** Double-bag soaked fireworks in plastic bags to prevent any residual moisture from leaking out.

PHX FIRE

Fireworks can be a fun way to celebrate various occasions, but they also present significant safety risks if not handled properly! Here are some fireworks safety tips recommended by the Phoenix Fire Departments:

Dispose of fireworks properly: After the fireworks display, clean up the area and dispose of used fireworks debris properly. Be sure to soak used fireworks in

water for at least 24 hours before disposing them! Any unused or malfunctioning fireworks should also be soaked in water for 24 hours before disposing.

Purchase from reliable sources: Buy fireworks only from permitted vendors! Never purchase homemade or illegal fireworks. They can be dangerous.

Designate a responsible adult: Assign a responsible adult to supervise fireworks activities. This person should have a clear understanding of how to safely handle fireworks and should not consume alcohol or drugs while doing so.

Choose a safe location: Select a clear, open outdoor area away from buildings, dry grass, and other flammable materials. Ensure there are no overhead obstructions such as trees or power lines.

Obey local laws: Ensure that fireworks are legal in your area before purchasing or using them. Follow all regulations and restrictions, you can learn more at

[Phoenix.gov/fire!](https://www.phoenix.gov/fire)

LEGAL VS. ILLEGAL FIREWORKS



Sparklers



Ground Spinners



Fountains



Firecrackers



Bottle Rocket



Aerial Fireworks



Yesterday, City Council approved the funding for a container vertical farm to be built by Homer Farms, Inc., a locally owned small business who established the first vertical farm in Phoenix in 2022. The project will be located on the vacant lot on 27th Ave. and Belmont Ave. The Office of Environmental Programs will provide oversight for the project and \$250,000 to be awarded through a Grant Agreement funded by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). This project also contributes to the 2025 Food Action Plan goals of increased access to healthy food and further agri-food tech innovation. The project will:

- Use photovoltaics for power and integrate an energy storage system;
- Implement water-saving techniques;
- Support local food distribution of up to 20% of the produce grown; and
- Provide workforce development training in controlled environment agriculture (CEA) to residents and businesses in disadvantaged census tracts within the surrounding area.

Phoenix Fire Department is providing approximately one acre of land located at 2644 W. Belmont Ave. for a 3-year lease, with an option for a two-year

extension. SRP will award \$300,000 and ASU-KER will award \$50,000. ASU is interested in research and development opportunities to refine the technical performance of vertical farming systems, to understand the role these systems can play in urban food production, and to identify education and training needs and opportunities. Homer Farms is a clean-tech startup company based in Phoenix, Arizona that converts organic waste into liquid fertilizer and bioenergy to aid in the growth of organic food in vertical farms that we design and construct. [To learn more, visit their website here.](#)

Thank you for reading and sharing the June Neighborhood News with family, friends, and neighbors. As always, please contact our office for your comments, questions, and concerns, at [\(602\) 262-7446](tel:6022627446) or council.district.5@phoenix.gov. For regular updates, follow us on our social media accounts by clicking on the icons below.



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