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Central City South
Community Action Team Meeting - CAT
“Fighting blight and crime together, connecting our community”

2019 - Dates

- August: Summer Break
- Thursday: September 12
- Thursday: October 10
- Thursday: November 14
- December: Holiday – Break

Crime Updates
Community Announcements
Connect with Neighbors

⇒ Meetings are open to and hosted by the many neighborhood associations, resident leaders and community stakeholders in Central City South (CCS).

⇒ Presentations and information are provided to keep the community aware of crime and blight issues and efforts, development projects, zoning variances, and liquor applications and resources that impact the neighborhoods of CCS.

⇒ No more than 3 presentations by groups are scheduled for a maximum of 5-7 minutes at each meeting.

⇒ Time is reserved for public announcements at the end of each meeting.

⇒ Refreshments are served and we have a community table available.

Working for positive community change Together!

Whose invited?
- Neighborhood Associations
- Tenant Councils
- Block Watch Groups
- Faith Based Groups
- Businesses
- Service Providers
- Government Agencies/Departments
- Any and all interested stakeholders

Host Site:
City of Phoenix HOPE VI
Emmett McLoughlin
Community Training and Education Center
1150 S. 7th Avenue
(NW corner of 7th Avenue & Buckeye)
5:30-7:00 p.m.

Facilitated by:
Phoenix Revitalization Corporation
Patricia Blaisdell - Director /Events
patricia@phxrevitalization.org
Office: (602) 253-6895

Other projects of the CAT:
- Neighborhood Clean Ups
- Community Connection Fair
- G.A.I.N. Event
Thank you to everyone who came out this summer to make it another successful safe year! Here are some photos of our exciting Summer Pool Parties!
Vernell Coleman Recreation Center (830 W. Tonto) On Saturday, July 27, 2019 Vernell Coleman Recreation Center in partnership with Gal Patch, Phoenix Revitalization Corporation, and City of Phoenix Housing Department hosted their 2nd Annual Back to School 30 youth received backpacks and school supplies, there where beauticians and barbers on site that gave the kids haircuts also braided the girl’s hair. The youth also enjoyed presentations from the Phoenix Library and BRAVE, youth enjoyed BBQ hotdogs and Burgers.

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The City of Phoenix Water Services Department has contracted with J. Wise Corporation for installation of new water mains and associated laterals, water service connections, and new fire hydrants in the area bounded by Maricopa Freeway, Buckeye Road, 7th Street, and 16th Street.

Project Schedule
Installation of new water mains, water services, and fire hydrants will generally be done one street at a time. Residents and businesses will be notified prior to the start of work on the street adjacent to their property. Construction will begin mid-August and the anticipated completion is 9 months.

What Should I Expect?
- Traffic will be restricted adjacent to the contractor’s work area. Please expect some minor delays and use caution when traveling through the construction area and observe construction barricading and signage at all times.
- During trenching and pipe installation work, driveway access may be temporarily restricted; however, the contractor will notify affected residents prior to any driveway access restrictions.
- **No Parking** will be allowed in the construction zone.
- During water service connection work, the contractor may be required to temporarily interrupt water services at various locations; however, affected residents and businesses will be notified prior to any scheduled water service interruptions.
- Most work will occur Monday through Friday between 6:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. - summer hours, and 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. - winter hours.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation during this water main replacement project. We want you and the work crew to be safe, so please use caution when traveling through the construction areas. We will do our best to minimize disruptions.

Contact Information
Call the project hotline at (480) 281-1506 with any questions or concerns.

To acquire this publication in Braille, large print or audio tape contact the project hotline at (480) 281-1506 or TTY:7-1-1.
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During the past academic year, GateWay Community College Precision Machining students have benefited from $25,000 in scholarship grants from the Gene Haas Foundation. These grants were made to the Precision Machining program at GateWay Community College-Central City Campus.

Recently, eight more students received these grants. To date, 17 students this academic year have received much needed tools, which will help them transition to industry, easily.

“This grant helps ease the financial burden of qualified students who are interested in machine operation and maintenance coursework,” said James Smith, lead program instructor for the GateWay program.

Graduating high school seniors, students currently in machining or machining technology programs, GED recipients and displaced workers (anyone unemployed or looking to re-career) who want to pursue an associate degree or technology certificate in machining are eligible for the scholarship grant. The funds may be used for tuition, books, and/or supplies the student is required to purchase, such as personal tooling.

To be considered, students need a GPA of 80% or better by Week 23 of the program, which is in the second block of the program at GateWay.

Each of the 17 students received a tool kit worth $1,000 to support continued efforts in employment opportunities upon graduation. These tools also help reinforce their skills using industry standard tooling as opposed to tools that are used for training purposes.

“These types of tools are very expensive,” added Smith. “Many companies require their employees to own their tools upon employment and this is a way to help ease the financial burden for the students entering the manufacturing industry. To be honest, I wish we could start all the students off with a tool kit like these.”

The first nine students to receive their awards in Fall 2018, were the first to benefit from this scholarship grant at the college.

Smith hopes these won’t be the last of the students to benefit from these scholarships, so he is not stopping at this grant. “I recently applied for another Gene Haas grant and hope to hear by August,” he said.

For information on the program, visit gatewaycc.edu/precision-machining or call (602) 238-4350 for enrollment services.
Free Immunizations & Health Fair at GateWay Community College
Join Maricopa Community Colleges, GateWay Community College and the City of Phoenix Fire Department for a free Integrated Health Fair and Immunization Clinic for the uninsured and under-insured.

Adult and child vaccinations will be available at the GateWay-Central City location at 1245 E. Buckeye Road in Phoenix.

In addition, you will have the opportunity to tour the campus and learn information about the Maricopa Community College’s Healthcare programs.

Bring the whole family and enjoy snacks, music and fun!

DATE & TIME
Friday, Sept. 6, 2019
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

LOCATION
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Special to Central City South

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Flights will depart on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday. The flight will leave Frankfurt at 2:05 p.m. and arrive in Phoenix at 5:05 p.m. Arizona time. Flights from Phoenix will depart at 6:55 p.m. and arrive in Frankfurt at 3:05 p.m.

Aircraft for the flight will have a three-class configuration, with 22 business class seats, 17 premium class seats and an economy class offering 231 seats. In total, the flights will have a capacity of 270.

The announcement is welcome news to customers who have seen an uptick in new flight service recently at America’s Friendliest Airport®.

In July, Frontier Airlines revealed that it was adding service to four new cities from Phoenix. Beginning in November, travelers will be able to fly to Detroit, Fargo, N.D., San Diego and Salt Lake City. Service to San Diego and Salt Lake City will be offered year-round, while service to Detroit and Fargo will be offered seasonally. These new routes followed shortly after the Denver-based airlines announced it would debut a daily service to Las Vegas beginning Sept. 6.

The introduction of new destinations succeeded news by Condor Airlines that it was expanding its nonstop Phoenix-Frankfurt flight in 2020. Next year, Condor will expand its current service, adding two days a week for the month of April, then continue its three-day a week service from May to October.

Moreover, Volaris Airlines in June began a new route between Puerto Vallarta and Phoenix. The low-cost airline also offers flights to Culiacán and Guadalajara from Phoenix Sky Harbor.

American Airlines also recently announced a second daily flight to Hermosillo, Mexico, and new service to Chihuahua, Mexico. Both begin December 18.

For the latest information on all flight travel, visit skyharbor.com/flights/flyphx
FREE SPORTS PHYSICALS!

FREE sports physicals are being offered this summer to athletes and students across the Valley on Saturdays & Sundays* from 8am-4pm in July and August at Phoenix Sky Harbor’s convenient, comprehensive US CareWays Airport Urgent Care. US CareWays offered more than 120 FREE sports physicals to the Arizona youth community last summer, which included 25 student athletes from Western Valley Middle School, whom the school provided transportation to the airport for in order to receive sports physicals that they wouldn’t normally be able to afford. The Airport Urgent Care looks forward to giving families the opportunity again this summer for the $50 savings (on average) with FREE sports physicals. The Airport Urgent Care is located in Terminal 4, Level 3 (pre-security, inside the Drugs & More retail store). Those in need of a sports physical need to bring their sports form and can park in the short-term Terminal 4 parking and take Elevator 4C to Level 3; the center is on the left as you head towards the dining area. Our qualified, licensed medical professionals—who provide medical care for travelers and airport employees every day of the year—will get people in and out quickly for their physicals.

**What:** FREE Sports Physicals (a $50 value, on average)
**When:** Saturday August 24 & Sunday August 25, 2019
**Where:** US CareWays Airport Urgent Care at Phoenix Sky Harbor Airport
3800 E Sky Harbor Blvd (Terminal 4, Floor 3) Phoenix, AZ 85034 Parking: Terminal 4, Short-Term
**Who:** Athletes, students, Phoenix locals, airport employees
**Why:** To provide a safe upcoming fall sports season and to showcase the convenient urgent care addition at Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport that provides quality medical care

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Child care information (incl provider TaxID)
Education statements (1099-T)
Health Care statements (1095-A/B/C)
Deductions (donations, mortgage interest, property and vehicle tax, medical expenses)
Bank Routing/Accounts for direct deposit
Creating Urban Sanctuaries in Phoenix

Urban Farming Education (UFE) was started to help nonprofits such as schools, homeless shelters, veterans, seniors, and foster homes, create their sanctuaries by growing sustainable gardens. Besides teaching the importance of food sustainability, these gardens are meant to help these organizations supply their food needs. As of now, we have planted four gardens using the Ready Go Garden system for some fantastic nonprofit organizations in Phoenix. With these projects, we intend to fulfill our mission which is to end food scarcity through education.

The first garden was installed for the homeless at the Grace Lutheran Church. It was built with the Ready Go Garden System, which a bag system developed to facilitate its usage to anyone who wants to plant and harvest food. The Ready Go Garden system comes with a complete substrate where the compost has been cooked for nine months, and a complete irrigation system to install in each bag. Since the soil and the water are completely done, this takes away two major problems that many people face when starting a garden. This system lasts for many seasons before needing to be replaced, which is perfect for anyone.

The next garden was installed at UMOM New Day Center. We are working with the local head Chef Dina Altieri, the Director of Workforce Development, to plant and develop a harvesting program with other training chefs. These chefs will eventually enter the workforce and will be armed with loads of nutritional education. This is a great program, and we are looking forward to a bountiful harvest of squash, pumpkins, and corn with her group.

We are also implementing a plan with UMOM’s children to develop a regular program where they can also get involved in the future of the garden. This program will help them see where food comes from and how they can participate in their own nutrition.

Next, we had a wonderful opportunity to install a beautiful garden at CPLC de Colores shelter. We have been educating children how to plant their own food with Ready Go Garden system. We are currently developing an on-going program with Cindy Garcia, the Shelter Program Manager, to continue educating children about food sustainability. At CPLC, we also installed fruit trees, a fence, mulch and roses to beautify the entire area, making it a peaceful place for anyone who lives there.

We also had the amazing opportunity to install the Ready Go Bag system along with fruit trees at Thrive Arizona in Phoenix. This organization plays an integral role in foster care prevention and biological family reunification by providing resources and support to these kids. We showed the kids that we can plant and harvest all year round in Arizona despite the weather. We planted squash, corn, and pumpkins for their summer garden. Soon, we will start working with them in putting in a fall garden. Thrive is planning an event where we will celebrate what we have harvested.

Now we are working with Espiritu Schools to raise funds to install an entire farm for them. We will be installing a much larger Ready Go Garden system. Along with the system, we will plant fruit trees, a pond, a gazebo, a fence, and a vineyard. If you would like to donate for this project, then please visit www.urbanfarmingedu.org to donate and see future posts of UFE.

If you would like to see how the garden system works, then come see us at Agave Farms when we open in October. We have an entire system installed there.
What it Means to Be A CASA --
Helping Children in Need
By Christine Slomski

Summer has come to an end, and children are going back to school. It’s a time of excitement and uncertainty for kids of all ages, but for children living in foster care it can signify another year of unexpected change and disorientation.

These children have been separated from their families and friends, even their siblings, due to abuse and/or neglect by their parents or guardians. For their own safety, they are commonly placed with people they don’t know and attend a school in a new and unfamiliar environment that’s most often located in a new school district. A Court Appointed Special Advocate, or CASA volunteer, could make a world of difference to them throughout this tumultuous journey.

CASA volunteers are vetted community members who are appointed by a judge to advocate for the best interests of the child. CASA volunteers help ensure that children don’t get lost or forgotten in the overwhelmed legal and social services system. Once appointed, CASA volunteers will stay with a case until it’s resolved or closed and the child is placed in a safe, permanent home. For many abused children, their CASA is the one constant adult presence in their lives.

According to the National CASA Association, independent research demonstrates that children who have a CASA are substantially less likely to spend time in long-term foster care, and are less likely to re-enter care. The problem? Not enough volunteers. Inside Maricopa County, there are thousands of abused and neglected children. Of the 9,000 children in care, currently recorded in the Maricopa County system, only 1 in every 10 children have the benefit of a CASA in their corner.

Heather Varela of Paradise Valley was looking for ways to give back to the community, and to create a space for herself that went outside of the role of wife, mother and marketing director. She recalled hearing about the CASA program on the radio, and decided to act.

“As my kids have gotten older, my work/life balance has become far more flexible. Going to court dates, hearings and meetings is a lot easier now,” Heather explained. “As CASAs, we’re the eyes and ears of the judge. It’s our job to ensure kids have the services they need, and that they don’t fall through the cracks.”

However, that’s just the beginning. Heather’s current areas of focus as a CASA are tending to the needs of four siblings. Through the support of Voices for CASA Children, the nonprofit arm to CASA of Maricopa County, she is able to help the kids cope better with their new situation and ease their fears. Even small tasks that others might dread or take for granted become empowering acts, such as having the ability to purchase necessities for each child through utilizing their Child Enrichment program. Organizations like Voices for CASA Children are vital to the CASA of Maricopa County volunteer community and the children being served.

“The eldest starts high school this year. He’s in a new placement situation and will be attending a predominantly white school. He was worried about being the only Latino person and about dressing differently. So we went to school shopping together to give him some control over things, and to help him fit in better,” said Heather.

“His younger sister is starting middle school. She and I did some school shopping as well, picking up some cute earrings and a new water bottle for her first day. We also reviewed her orientation materials together, so that she felt comfortable and prepared.”

Anyone can be a CASA. There’s no requirement for a special talent or training - just a passion for kids, and the ability to follow up and follow through. It’s worth the effort. “I learn so many things from my CASA kids that help me connect better with my own kids, and from my kids that help my CASA kids too,” Heather concluded.

“Everyone benefits.”

For more information on how you can become a CASA, visit https://voicesforcasachildren.org/casa-advocate/.
Valley Metro Rail Summer Interns Get Valuable Insight & Experience

Over the summer, seventeen high school students near Valley Metro light rail extensions completed a hands-on internship where they networked and gained valuable experience from engineer mentors.

During the program, the interns built projects that offer real-life application including a scale model of a self-sustaining bridge, developing a transit app to plan trips and pay fare, creating programmable Lego Mindstorms robots using computer-aided design (CAD) software, and constructing cantilever structures.

In addition, they toured the light rail system to find out how art integrates with architecture, visited the Phoenix Signal Shop where the city maintains its street traffic signals and received mentorship from professional engineers at firms around the Phoenix area.

The program, which would typically be geared for college-age students, took place June 4 to July 23. The interns were selected through a competitive application process and received $1,000 each upon completion.

Habitat for Humanity Central Arizona has partnered with the residents of Grant Park, Central Park, Mathew Henson and 7/11 to provide affordable home repairs through Habitats Neighborhood Revitalization program. In the past year, Habitat has partnered with more than 55 families to provide 100 plus repairs throughout the community. Habitat is works to build safe and sustainable housing in communities in Arizona and around the world. Habitat will also start construction on 30 new homes in a partnership with the City of Phoenix and with the support of organizations like Phoenix Revitalization Corporation. Habitat seeks to ensure everyone has a decent and affordable place to live. For more information please call our offices at 602-268-9022 or visit our website at habitatcaz.org.
2019 TEEN DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS

LOGO AND SLOGAN DESIGN CONTEST

This October, in observance of National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, the City of Phoenix’s Domestic Violence Campaign is holding a slogan and logo design contest for high school students. Youth are asked to create a new slogan and logo to raise awareness to teen dating violence and increase knowledge of positive and healthy teen relationships.

GUIDELINES

- One entry per person
- Open to all city of Phoenix resident high school students
- Must be original artwork or design
- No copyrighted submissions will be accepted
- No nudity, reference to drug use or graphic violence
- Incorporate the color orange in recognition of Teen Dating Violence Awareness month
- The logo must adapt well to electronic and print media and to reproduction on small and large graphics
- Original source file must be in in pdf format (source file from the winner will be requested at a later date)
- Submissions must be 11 X 17
- All submissions become the property of the City of Phoenix

Submissions will be on display through the month of October at Burton Barr Central Library—Teen Central

1st Place—$300
2nd Place—$150
3rd Place—$75

Award Presentation
Burton Barr Central Library—Teen Central
Tuesday, October 8, 2019 at 6 p.m.

“Reach Out”
2018 Teen Art
1st Place Winner
Amanda Phillips

DEADLINE

Completed submissions and registration forms must be submitted by September 20, 2019 by 4 p.m.

Submissions can be dropped off with your school or organization liaison:
School or organization liaison/contact: __________________________
Uplifting the Caregiving Journey
A gathering of those who care for their loved ones

Motivational Speakers • Interactive Sessions
Door Prizes • Ha-Ha-Spa • Complimentary Lunch

FSL will provide four events focused on emotional health. The jamboree themed events will feature self-care as the central subject. The activities will assist participants with:

- Reflecting on giving themselves credit for the tough work they do
- Recognizing their resiliency
- Moving away from the negative self-talk
- Practicing “Me Time”

TIME: 9:00AM-2:30PM

MONDAY
SEP 23
2019
Ability 360
5031 E. Washington St.
Phoenix

THURSDAY
OCT 24
2019
Rio Vista Recreation Center
8866-A W. Thunderbird Rd.
Peoria
https://bit.ly/2Y0K8H2

TUESDAY
FEB 25
2020
Franciscan Renewal Center
5802 E. Lincoln Dr.
Scottsdale
https://bit.ly/2YReQza

SATURDAY
MAR 28
2020
Red Mountain Multigenerational Center
7530 E. Adobe Rd.
Mesa

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