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### **THE CITY OF TUCSON IS PROUD TO PARTNER WITH THE GIRL SCOUTS OF SOUTHERN ARIZONA FOR CAMP FURY**

The Tucson Fire Department and Tucson Police Department are pleased to partner with the Girl Scouts of Southern Arizona and the Northwest Fire Department for the 5<sup>th</sup> annual Camp Fury, which runs from Tuesday, May 28, 2013 through Saturday, June 1, 2013.

Camp Fury is a five-day, four-night experience where girls 15 to 17 years-old train alongside public safety personnel to learn rescue skills, fitness drills, and crime scene investigation techniques. The week ends with a recognition ceremony acknowledging the participants' achievements.

Camp Fury was founded by Deputy Chief Laura Baker and Northwest Fire Department Division Chief Cheryl Horvath to introduce local girls to a career in firefighting while encouraging leadership and physical fitness.

"The fire service has 3.7 percent of women in firefighting positions nationally, we want to open those doors and educate the community," says Deputy Chief Baker. "Camp Fury empowers girls to look at nontraditional jobs and helps build the confidence and helps them believe, 'I can do that.'"

Earlier this year, Tucson Mayor Jonathan Rothschild presented Camp Fury alumni Erika Yee with the title of Outstanding Citizen of Tucson. Erika was able to use the Continuous-Chest-Compression CPR that she learned at camp to save the life of her schoolmate when he collapsed after band practice with sudden cardiac arrest.

Scholarships are available for Camp Fury. More information on the program can be found at <http://www.girlscoutsoaz.org/camp/resident-camp/>

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