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### TOUMEY PARK MULTI-USE PATH DEDICATION OCTOBER 4, 2014

Ward 6 Council Member Steve Kozachik, Pima County District 2 Supervisor Ramón Valadez, and the City of Tucson Parks and Recreation Department invite you celebrate the opening of the multi-use path at Toumey Park. Tucson Department of Transportation (TDOT) helped coordinate the planning effort with the community. There were two years of community involvement and planning TDOT engineers and staff identified the needs of the neighborhood, were able to prepare construction documents in-house, saving a significant amount of money for a design consultant was not needed. TDOT also provided construction management and inspection services to ensure the project was built to City and County standards while maintaining constant communication with home owners to ensure a seamless transition between private property and public improvements.

This project provides an eight foot wide paved walking path with ADA access and drinking fountains to help improve walkability in the neighborhood and provide opportunities for fitness to the community. Additionally, several traffic mitigation elements were installed to slow down traffic through the Toumey Park Neighborhood. The path has been coated with a heat reducing epoxy paint to minimize the heat stored and radiated back from black asphalt. Lights and electrical outlets have been installed under the ramada. Several new picnic tables have been installed and areas have been created to provide more visual appeal and decrease water use. An ADA accessible paved walk has been constructed to provide clean access to the existing playground which has also been enlarged to accommodate a new swing set. Funding for this project has been provided by Pima County Neighborhood Reinvestment Funds in the amount of \$488,000.

What: Multi-Use Path Dedication

Where: Toumey Park, 4500 E. Eastland Street

When: Saturday, October 4 at 10 a.m.

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