



ABOUT WARD 4

Tucson's Ward 4 is represented by Council Member Shirley C. Scott. Shirley has represented the Ward since 1995 and is honored to continue serving the constituents of Ward 4 and the City of Tucson.

In the Know

Roads

Mayor and Council recently approved adding 45 major roadways to the voter-approved Bond Program – Road Recovery. The vote will also add about four different neighborhood areas to the resurfacing program and also includes pavement preservation work on roadways that have been recently repaved.



A favorable bidding environment, high original estimates and lower petroleum prices created excess capacity of approximately \$40 million in the Road Recovery Bond Program. The 11-member Bond Oversight Commission last month recommended the Mayor and Council approve the additional roadway segments beyond the original commitment that voters approved on November 2012. The \$100 million, five-year bond program is in its second year.

Work is currently taking place in four different residential areas and on 22nd Street between Swan Road and Wilmot Road. Over the next two months, 13 additional major roadways throughout the City of Tucson will be milled and paved or reconstructed.

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Housing Assistance

Chicanos Por La Causa (CPLC) is a nonprofit organization offering services to low-income individuals regardless of ethnic origin. Currently they are offering a Homeownership Assistance Program. You can receive the following services at no cost to you.

- *Down Payment & Clothing Costs Assistance
- *Homebuyer education workshops
- *One-on-one counseling to help you with the process
- *Referrals to Lenders & Realtors

If credit is a problem, the CPLC group will be there to help counsel you on credit repair. This is a great non-profit that has been helping the community for over 42 years, so give them a call at 882-0018 or visit their website, www.cplc.org and click on the tab "Program Areas" for more information including Education, Economic Development and Health & Human Services.



Blue Barrel

A recent survey from the City of Tucson's Environmental Services (ES) Department found that approximately 90 percent of Tucsonans regularly set out their blue barrels for recycling, but 20 percent of the material put in barrels is not recyclable. I guess it's a good job on taking the blue bins out, just not what we have been putting in them.

Contamination - especially food, yard waste, and dirty diapers, plastic bags, garden hoses, and clothing- can ruin a complete truckload of recyclables. Some of the things that go through the plant also are potentially harmful to the health and safety of the workers.

Recycling is a positive for Tucson. The local recycling processor sells the recyclables and divides the profits with the City. Those revenues help ES offset a portion of collection costs and keep rates stable for our customers. ES residential collection rates have not increased for four years. Follow the link <http://www.tucsonaz.gov/environmental-services> to read more, and learn what is acceptable and not acceptable for the blue barrels.

Be Cool Tucson

The hot temps are a major source of concern because they can lead to heat stress, heat stroke, and serious illness – and an effective home cooling system is the number one way to prevent these dangers. The elderly, people with chronic medical conditions and young children are particularly at risk for heat-related sicknesses. In Pima County, this extra-vulnerable population includes more than 63,000 children under 5 living in poverty. Often, low-income families and individuals do not have the resources available to fix their cooling system if it breaks.



Community Home Repair Projects of Arizona (CHRPA), is a Tucson-based non-profit with a 34-year history of serving low-income homeowners and is looking for your help.

The day after Mary called CHRPA, a team of staff and volunteers arrived at her home to remove the broken cooler and install a donated unit. Mary was overjoyed that the over-100 degree temps outside would no longer be hazardous to her health. "We had given up on having a cooler this summer," she said, "This has made us both happy to be alive."

Repairing broken evaporative coolers is a simple task that can make a huge difference in the lives of at-risk community members. The plan is to complete 500 cooler repairs in 2015. To find out how to get involved, or make a financial or material donation, visit CHRPA's website (www.chrpaz.org) or call their office at 745-2055.

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Fitness Month



YMCA locations.

Join Mayor Rothschild in "May is Tucson Fitness Month." Check out the free fitness classes. Health and wellness is important and, whatever our situation, we can take steps to improve both – literally – by moving, so get active and fit! In order to participate, you will have to bring a photo ID to all

Many thanks to the City of Tucson Parks & Recreation and Fire Departments, the Tucson Jewish Community Center and the YMCA of Southern Arizona for providing instructors. Thanks also to our sponsors: Whole Foods, Walgreens, Tucson Medical Center, Southern Arizona Roadrunners, the City of Tucson and Arizona Party Rental. Public-private partnerships like these make Tucson a better, stronger community. www.mayorrothschild.com/fitness.



Mail Protection

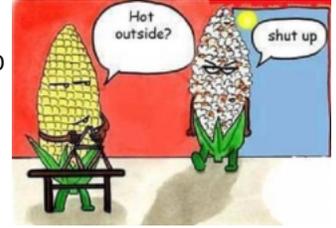
The U.S. Postal Inspection Service says they need your help in protecting your mail, and who wouldn't need help with more than 100 million addresses to deliver to! Here's what you can do:

- * Use the letter slots inside your Post Office for your mail, or hand it to a letter carrier.
- * Pick up your mail promptly after delivery. Don't leave it in your mailbox overnight. If you're expecting checks, credit cards, or other negotiable items, ask a friend or neighbor to pick up your mail.
- * If you don't receive a check or other valuable mail you're expecting, contact the issuing agency immediately!
- * If you change your address, immediately notify your Post Office, or if your leaving town on vacation, let them know so they can hold your mail until you return.
- * And of course the golden rule, NEVER send cash in the mail.

These are only a few ways to help protect your mail. For a full list, please visit the U.S. Postal Inspection Service at 1.usa.gov/1GHOoS.

Beating the Heat

Arizona is one of the hottest places on earth from June to September. In addition to being uncomfortable, the heat can actually be harmful. People can suffer from heat-related illness when their bodies cannot properly cool themselves. Every year, people in Arizona get sick and even die from extreme heat. Nearly 800 people in Arizona are admitted to hospitals because of heat related illnesses each year. Each year 30-50 Arizonans die from heat-related illness. In fact, body temperatures may rise to 106°F or higher within 10 to 15 minutes.



The good news is that heat-related illnesses and deaths are preventable. Here are a few ways to help beat the heat this summer.

Cool Down

Stay indoors during the hottest times of the day. Seek out air-conditioned locations, such as libraries or malls.

- * Do not rely on a fan as your primary cooling device. Take cool showers or baths.
- * Avoid outdoor activities or limit them to the morning and evening hours.
- * If you do go outside, wear loose, light-colored clothing and use a shade hat or an umbrella to block the sun.

Drink a lot of fluid to replace what you lose through sweat, which is your body's way of cooling itself.

- * Drink more water than usual.
- * Don't wait until you're thirsty to drink fluids.
- * Avoid alcohol, caffeinated beverages or liquids containing high amounts of sugar.

There are people who are more susceptible to heat-related illness such as:

- * Infants and children younger than 4 years old
- * People age 65 and older
- * People with heart disease or high blood pressure
- * People who are overweight
- * People who drink alcohol
- * People taking certain medications

This is just a bit of information you need to know, there is more that can be found on the Pima County Health webpage, found here

http://webcms.pima.gov/health/education_and_outreach/beat_the_heat/. Make sure you prepare for the upcoming hot summer days and be safe out there.

Seeking Volunteers

In honor of Wildfire Community Preparedness Day the Southern Arizona Buffelgrass Coordination Center, Tucson Clean & Beautiful, and Cherry Avenue Neighborhood Association are hosting a buffelgrass removal project. The project will include removal of the invasive buffelgrass, include neighborhoods outreach, and sharing information about the buffelgrass threat with area resident. There are various job options and volunteers of all skill levels are welcome. This event takes place on Saturday, May 2 from 8am – noon. Head over to Desert Shadow Park (5041 S. Greenway Dr, near Campbell Ave and Irvington Rd). Please bring water bottles, work gloves and a tool (shovel or digging bar if able). Wear long pants, a long-sleeved shirt, closed-toe shoes, and a hat, but most of all don't forget sunscreen. There will be snacks and ice water for refills. If you have any questions about this event, call (520) 837-6832 or email tcb-admin@tucsonaz.gov for more information.

Summertime with P&R



The City of Tucson Parks & Rec Department has partnered with the American Red Cross Aquatics Centennial Program, to offer \$2 summer swim lessons to the first 1,400

registered who qualify for the discount program. Lessons will be offered at 18 pool locations throughout the city. To find out if you qualify, view the Discount Program guidelines at tucsonaz.gov/parks or call 791-4877. You must register for the discounted lessons in person at 900 S. Randolph Way. For those who do not qualify for the Discount Program, swim lessons will be \$15. Lessons are offered in four, two-week sessions, with eight lessons per session during June and July. See page 8 of the Summer Program Guide and Class Catalog for more information.

Now this is worth another mention. The City of Tucson and Sun Tran are offering the SummerGo Youth Pass for UNLIMITED summer rides on transit and entrance to City pools. High school students will need a valid student ID to purchase the pass, which will be effective from May 22 through August 5. Here's a bonus! The passes also offer summer discounts at Skate Country, Funtasticks Family Fun Park, and Goodness Fresh Food and Juice Bar. The cost for the pass is \$45, which isn't much for a whole summer of fun. These passes are available now through June.

If you are interested in obtaining a SummerGo Pass, visit <http://www.tucsonaz.gov/parks/announcement/summergo-pass> or view the Parks & Rec catalog at visiting <http://www.tucsonaz.gov/parks/announcement/summer-catalog>, if you prefer a hard copy of the catalog at all Parks & Rec facilities. Do take a moment to look at the catalog; it has everything you need to know about planning a great and eventful summer.

ANGEL THUNDER

The 8th annual ANGEL THUNDER Personnel Recovery exercise will take place May 30th - June 13th throughout the southwes. ANGEL THUNDER is the world's largest Personnel Recovery exercise, integrating sister services and numerous state, national, multinational and interagency assets dedicated to saving lives in incredible circumstances.

Our D-M provides an ideal training location due to its close proximity to a variety of training areas such as the easy access to many military ranges, a variety of environments with higher elevations, and access to the Californina coastline.

If you have any questions regarind ANGEL TUNDER, you can direct them to the 355th Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office at 228-3406 or email them at 355WGPA@us.af.mil.



M&C

On Cinco De Mayo, Mayor and Council meeting will be in session starting with the Study Session promptly beginning at 1pm.

Study Session:

- Item #1: Charter Review Committee Discussion
- Item #2: Discussion of Recommended Fiscal Year 2016 Budget

Regular Session:

- Item #8: Public Hearing: City of Tucson Recommended Annual Budget for Fical Year 2016
- Item #9: Public Hearing: Approving the City of Tucson Consolidated Plan, Including the annual Action Plan and the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing

For the complete agenda please go to www.tucsonaz.gov/clerks/mcdocs. You can also watch the live stream provided by Tucson 12 by going to www.tucson12.tv.

Coming Up...

Fiestas de 5 Mayo

Sat. May 3, 2pm-10pm, Casino Del Sold Resort, Spa and Conference Center (5655 W. Valencia Rd.)
 Food City host a Cinco de Mayo fiesta with live entertainment, food and a chance to win a 2014 VW Jetta. This event is free. For more information call 760-0745.



Second Saturday's

Sat. May 9, 5pm-10:30pm, On Congress St, from Toole Ave to Church Ave.



This is a fun family event for all ages, and the best thing is that some of the downtown businesses offer specials or may schedule their own entertainment. The Kids' Area at the Southern Arizona

Transportation Museum, (414 N. Toole Ave.), has interactive fun for the kiddos and a free movie designed to delight all ages. On this night the movie will be "The Box Trolls" and starts at 7pm. Check out www.2ndsaturdaysdowntown.com to find out who's playing, where to eat and where to shop!

Mother's Day Brunch

Sun. May 10, 11am-12pm, Reid Park Zoo

What a better way to say thanks for being a great mom than to take her to the Zoo! Start off the morning with a scrumptious breakfast including mimosa at the Conservation Learning Cent's deck overlooking the beautiful Mill Pond. Take a stroll through the Zoo and participate in a variety of activities. Make a card for your mom, or your favorite Zoo animal mom! Then you can watch zookeepers give animal moms special treats to celebrate the day. Check out the Reid Park Zoo's website for additional information including what is on the menu, reidparkzoo.org/events/public/mothers-day-breakfast/. And Happy Mother's Day to all you mother's out there!



City Pools

May 28 – Aug 5



It's getting warm out there and even though we still have a few more weeks before the pools open, we can at least start looking forward to that day. You can find a City pool that is close to you by going to www.tucsonaz.gov/parks/aquatics. The cost is \$1 for youth and \$2 for adults.



In the 411

Eastside Police Substation – 791-5700

9670 E. Golf Links

For additional information in regards to tickets or other departments within the Tucson Police Department log on to <http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/police>

Transportation (TDOT) - 791-4259

201 N. Stone Ave. 5th Floor.

Got a question about construction, traffic, streets, graffiti removal, landscaping, stormwater, RTA or anything along these lines? Visit

<http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/transportation> to get more info.

Environmental Services - 791-3171

Information on trash, recycling, landfills, brush and bulky and even neighborhood cleanups is what you can find here. They even do Hazardous Household Waste Collections. Visit <http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/es> for more info.

Tucson Water - 791-4331

310 W. Alameda St.

Have questions on billing, water conservation, water quality or general service, then call the public info line or check out <http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/water>

William Clements Center - 791-5787 or 791-4730

8155 E. Poinciana

There is a lot happening here! Additional information, including calendar of events, go to <http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/parksandrec/clements>

Miller-Golf Links Branch Library - 594-5355

9640 E. Golf Links Rd

Get info of scheduled events or what's currently happening at this library. Better yet go to www.library.pima.gov/locations/golfinks

Pima Council on Aging - 790-7262

8467 E. Broadway

This is a great place that offers programs and services to older adults and their families living in Pima County. Learn more about this great organization by going to

www.pcoa.org

Code Enforcement - 791 - 5843

310 N. Commerce Park Loop

Chapter 16 and 3 fo the City Code is what they enforce. If you suspect property or housing violations within the City give them a buzz or go online for more information visit <http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/pdsd/code-enforcement>

Graffiti Removal Program - 792 - 2489

If you see someone "tagging" call 911. If The graffiti is already there, then call the number above to report it. Check out <http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/graffiti> for more information on removal or reporting.