



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.



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In the Know

TPD & TFD

Do you have what it takes, that is the question? If your answer is yes, then consider serving our community and join the Tucson Police Department (TPD). TPD is currently accepting applications for the position of Police Officer Recruit. Successful candidates from this testing period will be considered for any funded academy class(es) through October 2015. The earliest academy that will be filled from this list will be in April. Applications are being accepted through July 19. Please visit <http://1.usa.gov/1ryvy0q> for more information on the position and what it takes to wear that badge.



If being a police officer isn't your color of blue, then how about another color of blue? Tucson Fire Department (TFD) is also hiring. If you are interested, you will have to go through the Civil Service testing process. Also, you do not need to have your EMT certification or a Firefighter I or II certification in order to apply.

For more information on becoming part of the TFD crew, please visit <http://1.usa.gov/1C9woBK>.

Good luck to all of you who may apply, both of these professions are honorable and we thank you for wanting to serve our community!

Going for Gold, Silver, or Bronze

I don't care what anyone say, just because you're a "senior," doesn't mean you're not a mover and a shaker! The 31st annual Senior Olympics Festival is now shaking! There are nearly 100 events and activities at more than 30 venues throughout the city. There is even one event taking place here at the Clements Center Pool. On Thursday, January 29th starting at 10am, Tucson Parks and Rec will be hosting both the Arizona Senior Olympics and the National Senior Games. So stop by and cheer for these great athletes who still got a groove in their style. You can also visit <http://bit.ly/1tREOPc> to get all the dates and times of all the other events happening. We wish all of you who are participating GOOD LUCK!



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A New Look for TCC

If you haven't yet seen the new renovations at the TCC Arena, take a look!



Nice, right! Even the bathroom looks fabulous! There were 4,924 fixed seats replaced, 2,122 portable chairs replaced, 990 lights replaced, 35,000sf of floor cleaned, 17,300sf of epoxy flooring applied, 14 restrooms renovated equaling 8,500sf. 58,000sf of ceilings replaced and painted, 1,800 gallons of surface repainted, 357 new signs, 354 door tags, 164 painted signs, 2 LED HD Video Board and 21 other video boards were installed, and a partridge in a pear tree! Ok, minus the partridge in a pear tree, but that is a lot of work done in 296 calendar days with 146 days of construction. Not bad considering how much better it all looks now! So the next time you go to the TCC Arena, make sure to check out all these great improvements, and enjoy your event!

Almost Free Trees

Need a tree? The Trees for Tucson program is now open for requests for low-cost trees for home delivery in the popular spring planting period. To qualify for low-cost home shade trees, residents must be in the Tucson Electric Power Co. or Trico Electric Cooperative electric service area, and AGREE to plant the trees within 15 feet of the west, south or east side of the home.

Tucson Electric Power customers may order trees for \$8 each, available for purchase online at www.treesfortucson.org or call (520) 837-6835 to receive a mailed or faxed form. If you happen to have or know anyone who has Trico Electric Cooperative members may request trees at a cost of \$15 each (billed to their Trico utility account), online at www.trico.coop or call (520) 744-2944, extension 1605 for ordering assistance.



TCB = ERC

If you have an outdated computer or other electronics sitting in your garage or stuck in a corner gathering dust then why not recycle it properly and safely? TCB will be hosting another Electronics and Recycling Collection event on Monday, January 19th, from 9am-2pm at Desert Metals Recycling (3119 E. Pennsylvania St.). This event will accept working and non-working electronics from area residents including computers, printers and other peripheral items, printer cartridges, cell phones and other small household electronics (i.e., fans, mixers, toasters, vacuums), home entertainment equipment, telephones and other electronic components. Most electronics recycled at no cost. Televisions and monitors are NOT accepted.



Printer cartridges will be recycled through Cartridge World Tucson to benefit Tucson Clean & Beautiful, and cell phones will be provided to Emerge! Center Against Domestic Abuse for reuse or recycling.

Tucson Clean & Beautiful is a non-profit organization now in its 3rd decade striving to help make our community and environment beautiful! If you have questions about recycling, waste reduction, or you would like to volunteer for one of their many events, call (520) 791-5000. You can also visit www.tucsoncleanandbeautiful.org or email recycle@tucsonaz.gov for more information.

Congrats to Reid Park Zoo



A total of 618,482 guests visited Reid Park Zoo during the 2014 calendar year, representing an increase of 11.9% from 2013, and the highest attendance in the Zoo's history. December 2014 was the most attended month ever, with 82,595 guests visiting.

In the next year, the Zoo is planning on adding several new features including a gibbon habitat that will allow guests the opportunity to view these agile apes at several different angles. In addition, the Reid Park Zoological Society is currently raising funds to build a wildlife carousel that will feature 30 exotic animals in an African-themed pavilion. The Zoological Society is currently welcoming sponsors for the individual carousel animals.

The Zoo is home to a diverse collection of over 400 animals, many of which are rare or endangered, so make sure you check out all of them! Also, check out their website, www.reidparkzoo.org for fun events happening at the Zoo!

County Road Update by Rick Ellis

Valencia Road, Alvernon to Wilmot
Pima County Department of Transportation (PCDOT), in cooperation with the City of Tucson and Regional Transportation Authority (RTA), is currently managing the reconstruction of Valencia Road from Alvernon Way to Wilmot Road. This project consists of widening Valencia from four lanes to six lanes between Alvernon and Wilmot (including widening the bridge over the Union Pacific Railroad, UPRR), and is part of the RTA's Transportation Plan1 approved by voters in 2006.

Construction efforts are ongoing throughout the corridor with work activities proceeding in an east to west direction. Motorists are using the southern half of the roadway from Wilmot to the vicinity of the bridge over the UPRR. Just west of the bridge, the traffic flow switches to the north half of the road and continues on that side until Alvernon. Activities throughout the corridor consists of concrete work occurring on the bridge over the UPRR, plus paving, grading and signal work occurring in the vicinity of the Littletown intersection and continuing through the I-10 interchange. West of I-10, grading and drainage activities are nearing completion, and preparation activities for asphalt paving will be starting in the upcoming weeks. Lastly, the construction of a new access road and drainage work activities at Desert View High School are ongoing.

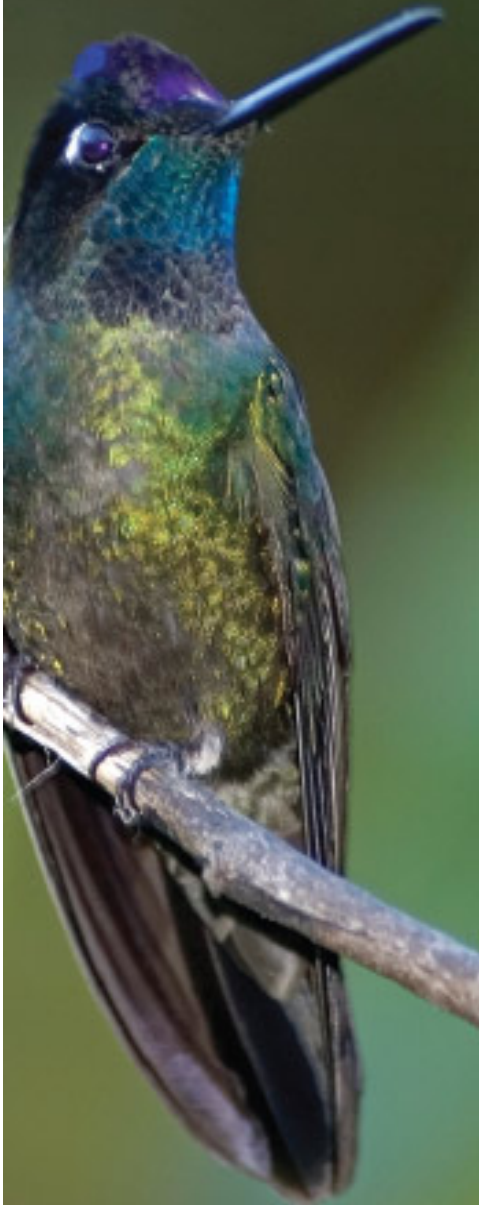
The overall project is approximately 50% complete, and is on schedule to be completed in Fall 2015. For any questions you may visit the project website at: <http://1.usa.gov/1xieicb> or you may contact Rick Ellis at 724-6385 or email at rick.ellis@pima.gov.

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Our Sympathies

Our condolences go out to former Mayor George Miller's family. He served for 14 years as a City Councilman and eight years as our Mayor. I had the opportunity to work with George Miller for many years. He passed away at the age of 92, on December 25, 2014. He was dedicated to Tucson and he will be missed.

The Miller-Golf Links Branch of the Pima County Public Library (9640 E. Golf Links Rd.), located in Ward 4, is named after former Mayor George Miller.



Coming Up...

Old Tucson 75th Anniversary Celebration

Saturday, Jan. 17 – Monday, Jan. 19, 10:00am - 5:00pm, Old Tucson, 201 S. Kinney Rd.

Old Tucson caps off their 75th anniversary with 75¢ admission for children 4 through 11 years of age during the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday weekend. Families will enjoy a great day together with Old Tucson's signature live stunt, comedy, and musical shows along with living history presentations that describe life in the real Old West. Old Tucson historians will lead guests on film history tours highlighting movies that were made on the historic sets over the last 75 years. Adults (12 yrs and older) \$17.95; Children 4-11 75¢; Children under 4 Free.



Dillinger Days

Friday, Jan. 23 – Saturday, Jan. 24th, 10am-5pm, Hotel Congress

Indoor and outdoor event centered around Hotel Congress, with Toole Avenue and 5th Avenue closed for outdoor stages. Downtown turns back the clock to the 1930s with period music, costumes, and re-enactments of the Dillinger Gang's exploits in Old Pueblo; includes film screenings and tours. This is a family fun event and includes children's activities.

Beat Back Buffelgrass

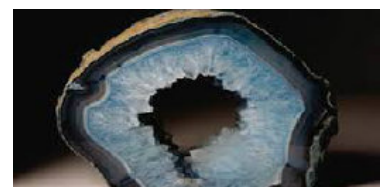
On Saturday, January 24th, it is Beat Back Buffelgrass Day. The Southern Arizona Buffelgrass Coordination Center, Tucson Clean and Beautiful, and other groups are hosting buffelgrass removal events at sites all across the Tucson valley. If you're interested in joining in on this event and volunteering, visit <http://bit.ly/1ul7p8R>.



Tucson Gem, Mineral & Fossil Showcase

January 31 - February 15, various locations and times

This international marketplace of gems, minerals, fossils, beads and jewelry-making supplies as well as museum exhibits and other treasures includes more than 40 different locations across town. For more information visit <http://bit.ly/1CmrZM1>.



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/golflinks

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.