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Cactus District Weekly Update

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Welcome to this week's Cactus District Weekly Update!

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Learn more about the West Phoenix/Central Glendale Transit Corridor Study. Valley Metro has initiated a transit corridor study for the West Phoenix/Central Glendale area to identify high-capacity transit service options to connect downtown Glendale to the existing light rail system. In partnership with the city of Glendale, city of Phoenix, and the community, the study will determine a route location and type of transit (light rail or bus rapid transit) that will serve the area between 19th Ave. to 67th Ave. and Northern Ave. to Camelback Rd. To learn more about the project and view the routes under consideration, visit valleymetro.org/Glendale.



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Residents Reminded Standing Water Invites Mosquitos. With three months of monsoon activity still ahead of us this summer, the city of Glendale reminds residents to watch for standing water and to protect their homes and families against mosquitos and diseases such as West Nile virus.

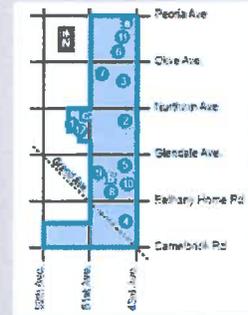
Two confirmed cases were reported in Maricopa County on June 21, 2015. In 2014, 108 cases of West Nile virus were reported among Arizona residents. Standing water, even in the shallowest containers, acts as a breeding ground for mosquitos, so follow these essential preventive measures to fight the bite:

- Reduce the number of mosquitos around your home. Mosquitos breed in standing water and their eggs will hatch within days after it rains. Check your yard once a week after it rains, get rid of containers that aren't being used, empty water from flower pots, change water in bird baths, and check for any leaky water equipment.
- Report any pools in your neighborhood that are not being maintained properly. Occupied homes should be reported to Glendale's Code Compliance Division at 623-930-3610; unoccupied homes should be reported to the county at 602-506-0700.
- Reduce the number of mosquito bites you get. Make a habit of using insect repellent when outdoors. Repellents should be used according to the label instructions.
- Prime mosquito-biting hours are usually dusk to dawn. Pay special attention to protection during these hours, or avoid being outdoors.

The Maricopa County Environmental Services Division monitors mosquito activity throughout the county. It also responds to all complaints related to green pools, stagnant water, dead birds and of course mosquitos. Residents can get more information or report issues to the county through a hotline, 602-506-0700, or online at www.maricopa.gov/wnv/. Additional information and resources are available on Glendale's website, as well, at www.glendaleaz.com/environmentalresources/publichealth.cfm#WestNile.

Glendale to Host More Public Meetings on Anti-Discrimination Ordinance. The city of Glendale will hold two public meetings this month, to allow residents an opportunity to share their thoughts on whether the city should adopt an anti-discrimination ordinance. An ordinance, if adopted, would protect the rights of Glendale citizens and visitors from discrimination in employment, housing and public accommodations. The possible ordinance would prohibit discrimination based on a person's age, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, marital or family status, Veteran status or disability.

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New Velma Teague Library Summer Hours. Through September 30, the Velma Teague Library will be open on Mondays & Thursdays from 1-8 p.m. Tuesdays & Wednesdays from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. The library will remain closed on Fridays and Sundays, but will be open on Saturdays from 9 a.m.- 2 p.m.

Glendale Fire Department Helps Kids Get Back to School with Supplies. Glendale Firefighters are kicking off their 2015 Back to School Supply Drive to benefit low income children attending school in Glendale. Our goal is to fill 500 backpacks with the essentials needed for these kids to be successful from now until August 8. They are encouraging the public to drop off school supplies at any Glendale Fire Station; in addition they will be at Target on 43rd and Peoria (10404 N 43rd Ave, Glendale, AZ) Aug. 1 & 8 with their antique fire truck collecting supplies and handing out stickers to kids coming to the store.

Businesses, community groups or individuals who would like to help support this event can contact Cecil Tudor, President of Glendale Fire Charities at glendalefirecharities@yahoo.com or

The upcoming meetings follow two similar meetings held in June. One of those June meetings was geared towards hearing feedback from Glendale residents. The other focused on feedback from Glendale businesses.

July Public Meeting Schedule:

- **Saturday, July 25, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Sign in begins at 9:30 a.m. at the Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave.**
- **Thursday, July 30, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Sign in begins at 5:30 p.m. at the Renaissance Glendale Hotel & Spa, (Solana Ballroom A), 9495 W. Coyotes Blvd.**

For special accommodations or interpreter assistance, please contact the City Manager's Office at (623)930-2870 at least one business day prior to any of the above noted meetings. TDD (623)930 2197. If you cannot attend any of the meetings but would like to offer input, you can leave comments on a recorded phone line at 623-930-2255.

The city has also set up a special email address to receive written comments. That email address is GlendaleFeedback@GlendaleAZ.com. Please know, all written and spoken comments will become part of the official record of public input for this process. For more information please contact the Glendale City Manager's Office at 623-930 2870.

[Anti-Discrimination Ordinance Fact Sheet](#)

Downtown Glendale Gets Jolly For Christmas In July Event. Historic Downtown Glendale is creating a holiday vibe on Saturday, July 18 to celebrate the city's 9th annual Christmas in July celebration. Visitors will enjoy a fun-filled day of holiday crafts, sweet treats and exclusive deals from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Old Towne and Catlin Court, a visit with Santa Claus, as well as an opportunity to donate to a summer water drive. Christmas cheer begins at the Glendale Visitor Center, 5800 W. Glenn Drive, suite 140, where you'll pick up a holiday gift bag with downtown discounts, an event map and a holiday themed gift item for the first 250 visitors.

Ollie the Trolley will provide free rides around the area, including stops at Cerreta Candy Company where you can make and take a taffy Christmas tree (\$12.50 per person). In addition, one of the day's fun activities will be compiling a holiday cookbook. Participating merchants will give each visitor to their business a recipe ending at 2Share Gifts where visitors can assemble all the recipes into a cookbook.

The event also features a bottled water donation drive. In partnership with the Glendale Fire Department and the city's Operation Safe Summer

call (928)300-0602.

City Uses Arena Suite Tickets to Reward Summer Readers. The Glendale City Council announced the city's suite tickets for the Hello Kitty Super Cute Friendship Festival at the Gila River Arena will be donated to Glendale libraries as a reward to participants in the summer reading program.

Each of the three library branches will receive pairs of tickets to be raffled to participants who successfully complete the entire summer reading program. Ticket winners must be under 18 years of age and Glendale residents.

A parent or guardian must pick up the tickets from the library and be able to prove residency through a water bill or driver's license.

For more information about Glendale's libraries and their array of programs, visit www.glendaleaz.com/library.

campaign, visitors are encouraged to bring a donation of bottled water to the event. Donations are also being accepted at all Glendale fire stations. Water will be distributed through Maricopa Association of Government's Heat Relief Network, to the most vulnerable populations in the region.

For more information about Christmas in July, contact the Glendale Visitor Center at 623-930-4500 or online at VisitGlendale.com, Facebook.com/GlendaleCVB, Twitter.com/GlendaleCVB, YouTube.com/MyGlendale11.

Free Summer Band Concerts Bring Music to Downtown Glendale Summer Evenings. The West Valley's favorite summer tradition is in its 49th season in downtown Glendale each Thursday at 8 p.m. through July 23, in the Murphy Park Amphitheater, located at 58th and Glenn Dr. Music lovers of all ages will be entertained by this community band of approximately 100 musicians with its inspiring renditions of marches, polkas, movie medleys and other tunes from all over the world.

These free concerts are the perfect night out for the entire family; pack the car and bring your friends, neighbors, the whole gang! Bring lawn chairs or blankets for seating. Snacks and refreshments will be available for purchase at the concerts. For more information, including concert schedules and artist information, please call the Glendale's Special Events hotline at 623-930-2299, or visit www.glendaleaz.com/events/.

Westgate Wednesdays! Wednesday nights through July 29 from 6 - 7:30 p.m. at Westgate's Fountain Park.

Come to the Westgate Entertainment District on Wednesday nights for free weekly summer fun! Enjoy music, games, prizes and dancing. Plus, meet your favorite film characters and get a free downloadable photo with them each week. Every week will offer a distinctive family-fun experience with different themes, unique games and new characters. The weekly Wednesday night events run through July 29 from 6 -7:30 p.m. at Westgate's Fountain Park.

Schedule of themed events below:

- July 22: Super Hero Sensation with Spider Man
- July 29: Frozen Fiesta with Anna and Elsa

For more information about Westgate Wednesdays, visit www.westgateaz.com/summer/.

Exhibit From Behind The Badge Displayed At Gallery Glendale. The City of Glendale proudly presents this exhibit of more than 28 compelling images of law enforcement and firefighters from across the state of Arizona, including Glendale Police and Fire Departments. Ziemba's collection, "Stronger Than Steel: The Art of First Response - The Arizona Public Safety Collection", will be on display at **Gallery Glendale** located inside Westgate, **9380 W. Westgate Blvd.**, in the month of **July**. Gallery Glendale is **free** and open to the public on **Fridays and Saturdays from 6 to 9 p.m.**

For more information, call 623-930-3557 or visit [Glendale Gallery](#).

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