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GLENDALE OFFERS FREE LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM TO KEEP RESIDENTS INFORMED

GLENDALE, Ariz. – The city of Glendale is kicking off its annual free legislative program, which will enable citizens to stay informed, and closely track neighborhood-related matters and newly introduced bills being discussed at the State Capitol.

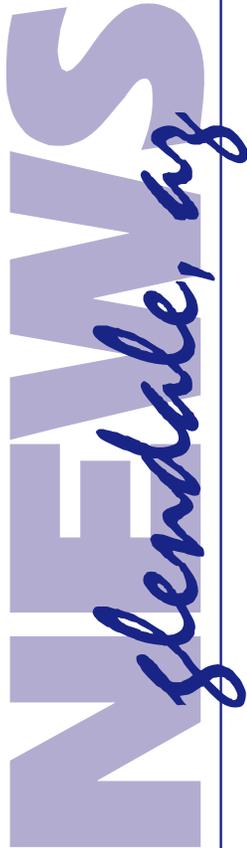
Glendale's Neighborhood Legislative Link program not only keeps residents up to date on issues impacting their local community, it also provides citizens a way to actively engage themselves in the state law-making process.

Residents are invited to attend one of the Legislative Link Kickoff meetings that Mayor Elaine Scruggs is hosting from 6 – 8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 29th or Thursday, Dec. 6th at the Glendale Adult Center, 5970 W. Brown St., Room 104.

At the kickoff meeting, residents will learn:

- How the Arizona State Legislature works
- Who represents Glendale at the State Legislature
- How a bill becomes a law
- How to track neighborhood issues being discussed at the State Legislature
- How to analyze a bill in a fun interactive exercise
- Tips and techniques on how to effectively communicate with state legislators to influence legislation

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It is important for our residents to be aware of the impact State Legislative issues have on their quality of life, whether it relates to public safety, zoning or educational issues,” said Jessica Blazina, city of Glendale Intergov Programs Director. “Our residents’ active involvement during the upcoming 2008 state legislative session can make a difference for the benefit of our neighborhoods and the community as a whole.”

Residents are asked to register in advance of the meeting by calling 623-930-2813 or via email at dburt@glendaleaz.com by Tuesday, Nov. 27th for the Nov. 29th class or by Tuesday Dec. 4th for the Dec. 6th class.

Citizens who register for the program will receive timely e-mail updates and alerts from the city when neighborhood issues are being discussed at the State Capitol. Residents unable to attend the kickoff meeting, but interested in receiving the e-mail updates, can call the Intergovernmental Programs Office at 623-930-2813 or e-mail dburt@glendaleaz.com.

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