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**GLENDALE DEPARTMENTS PARTICIPATE IN  
SCITECH FESTIVAL EVENT FEBRUARY 25**

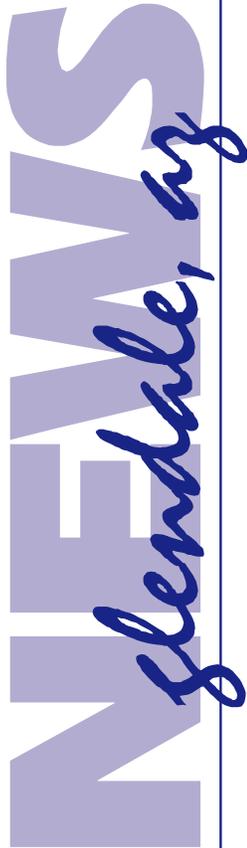
**GLENDALE, Ariz.** – The city of Glendale is partnering with the Arizona SciTech Festival taking place now through March 14.

This past weekend, Glendale hosted its 17<sup>th</sup> annual Chocolate Affaire in downtown Glendale, featuring a presentation on “The Science of Chocolate” by Dr. Francisco Villarreal, professor of medicine at the University of California, San Diego.

In addition, on Feb. 25 two city departments will participate in an event at Arizona State University (ASU) West campus called EX-Static, which stands for **EX**cellence in **Science, Technology, And Team-based Interdisciplinary Creativity**. This event is designed to challenge students, faculty, staff and community partners to showcase the very best examples of innovative research and practice in scientific, technological and artistic endeavor.

To that end, Glendale’s Water Services Department is presenting “Won’t You Be My Green Neighbor?” Event attendees will be invited to pick-up easy tips to reduce their water and energy footprints, and check out the miniature “Smart Home” and learn how to protect household budgets from sneaky leaks and energy vampires. Participants will be surprised how just a few simple behavior changes combined with gradual upgrades to WaterSense and EnergyStar fixtures and appliances lead to big savings.

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**Glendale – SciTech Festival**  
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The city of Glendale Transportation Department will also create a display to showcase the LED (light-emitting diode) technology used in the city’s traffic signal operations, the signals system and the CCTV (closed-circuit television) traffic monitors and messaging technologies.

The Arizona SciTech Festival showcases Arizona as a national leader in science, technology and innovation with more than 200 free events taking place statewide between January 25 and March 14, 2012. Spearheaded by the Arizona Technology Council Foundation in partnership with Arizona State University and Arizona Science Center, the Arizona SciTech Festival is a grass-roots collaboration of hundreds of organizations in industry, academia, arts, community and K-12, geared to excite and inform Arizonans, ages three to 103, about how science, technology and innovation will drive our state for the next 100 years. With such a diverse set of hands-on activities, stunning exhibitions, exciting workshops, thought-provoking discussions and unforgettable tours, all at diverse locations through the state, there is something for everyone.

For more information on the city’s involvement in the SciTech Festival, contact the Glendale Conservation and Sustainable Living Program at 623-930-3535 or the Transportation Department at 623-930-2940.

For more information on the SciTech Festival and the EX-Static event, visit

<http://azscitechfest.org>.

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