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## **COMMUNITY WORKSHOP FOCUSES ON HELPING CITIZENS DRAW MAPS OF NEW VOTING DISTRICTS**

**GLENDALE, Ariz.** – A Redistricting Community Workshop has been added on July 18 to the schedule of public meetings the city of Glendale is hosting to gain public input into the city’s redistricting process that was triggered by the 2010 U.S. Census.

Originally, the city scheduled six redistricting meetings running June 20 through July 11. The new Community Workshop was added to the schedule to provide interested citizens with hands-on training on mapping tools and direct assistance from staff in completing their own proposed maps for new voting districts that will take affect for the 2012 elections.

“We want to make it as easy as possible for the public to give us ideas and feedback,” said City Clerk Pam Hanna, who is responsible for the city’s redistricting efforts. “We decided we could take the informational meetings one step further and added the Community Workshop for anyone wanting help in drawing their maps.”

The Community Workshop will be 4 to 7 p.m., Monday, July 18, at the Glendale Adult Center, 5970 W. Brown St. The public can arrive at anytime during the three-hour workshop. Staff from National Demographic Corporation, the city’s redistricting consultants, along with staff from the City Clerk Office and Planning Department will be on hand to assist participants in drawing their own maps and to answer questions. As with all redistricting meetings, Spanish translators will be present at the workshop.

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In the first four of the six originally scheduled redistricting meetings, 74 residents attended. In those meetings, residents received information on the goals of redistricting, and were asked for comment on three maps created by consultants to achieve those goals. The meetings were also intended to encourage residents to submit their own redistricting maps for consideration. One such meeting remains. It will be held starting at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, July 11, in the AT&T Auditorium, Herberger Building at the Thunderbird School of Global Management, 15249 N. 59<sup>th</sup> Ave.

Anyone unable to attend the meeting or upcoming workshop can still participate in redistricting by requesting a Public Participation Kit. The kit includes blank city maps, maps with population numbers in small geographic areas called population units, and charts of demographic information. The Public Participation Kits, as well as the three currently proposed maps, are available online in English and Spanish at [www.glendaleaz.com](http://www.glendaleaz.com) or in print by calling the city's Redistricting Hotline at 623-930-2296.

Citizen-drawn maps and comments regarding proposed maps can be submitted online, mailed or faxed. An online comment form can be found at [www.glendaleaz.com](http://www.glendaleaz.com). Fax input to (623) 463-6678 or mail it to:

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Citizen input can be submitted through September for consideration in the final redistricting. However, to be included in the information presented to the Glendale City Council at its Aug. 16 Workshop Meeting, maps and comments should be received no later than Thursday, July 28.

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