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## NEW PARK OFFERS UNIQUE AMENITIES

**GLENDALÉ, Ariz.** – The city of Glendale Parks and Recreation Department will dedicate a new park, Northern Horizon Park, at 9 a.m., Thursday, August 10. The 12-acre park, located on the southwest corner of 63<sup>rd</sup> and Northern avenues offers some unique amenities.

Northern Horizon offers an opportunity for dogs to play off leash in a special dog park area. This dog park has two unique features: an area made for small dogs fenced off from the larger dog park and maintenance will never completely close the area for dogs. The unique design of the dog park allows parks staff to keep one large section of the dog park open while allowing the other section to recuperate from previous uses. This allows for a seamless transition during maintenance. With water fountains and waste stations, dog owners can give their pets a healthier lifestyle and owners can socialize with each other.

Another unique feature is a bicycle safety component. There are five bicycle safety stations offering a self-paced bicycle safety clinic featuring safety inspections and rules of the road. Many of these features are interactive and provide valuable information for safe bike riding. Other information includes bike maintenance and helmet fitting. The main focus of the bicycle safety clinic

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is for young cyclists, ages kindergarten to 14, but everyone who goes through the clinic benefits.

Other aspects of the park include a public safety-themed playgournd area, three covered picnic ramadas, hundreds of trees and nearly 1,000 shrubs, an open turf area and a parking lot.

This park was financed in part by a grant from the Local, Regional and State Heritage Fund, which is funded by the Arizona Lottery and administered by the Arizona State Parks Board. Additional partners in this project included the Flook Control District of Maricopa County, Glendale Civic Pride Ambassadors and the city of Glendale Transportation Department.

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