



NEWSLETTER

July / August 2025

Northern
35th Ave  27th Ave
Glendale

*NGSNA meets the 2nd Thursday of each month, mark your calendars!
The Board meets from 6:15-6:45pm, and the general meeting begins at 7:00pm*

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Notes from Leadership

-Kendra Homsher, NGS President

Great News North Glen Square!!!

We have received our Grant for the Block Watch, and now we take on the task of preparing for our G.A.I.N. (Getting Arizonans Involved in Neighborhoods) event. We are considering hosting this event in the fall or winter of 2025 (official date not yet decided). So we will be looking for volunteers to help with planning and managing this event.

North Glen Square has been a long-standing acting neighborhood association. Established with the City in 1985! So our GAIN event will be celebrating our 40 years as an active neighborhood association. I can not stress enough that we are NOT a HOA (Home Owners Association)!!! The question often asked is what is it that this Association does??? Well, we help bring the community together by organizing events like concerts or movies in the park, holiday parades, getting grants (trees, park improvements, etc), and watching the zoning requests for business in and on the border of our square. We provide a point of contact for our city entities that we help support and help us get the resources and assistance that we need. Often times the voice of an organization can speak louder than one person's voice.

It truly takes a village of people coming together to make changes happen. We want to invite you and encourage you to attend our meetings, either in person or on Zoom. Please join us as a member and we can get you information more immediately with your contact information through email.



We are going to be facing some challenges and already are, so it is helpful if we can come together as a community to put our heads together to figure out solutions to help us continue to thrive and be a wonderful neighborhood.

I want to thank all of you who have supported us over the years! Our little square is truly unique. I often hear from people outside of our area that come to visit talk about how great and special our neighborhood is.

Hope to see you at one of our meetings this fall!

NGSNA General Meetings

You can attend our monthly association meetings virtually or in person - 7:00pm-8:00pm, 2nd Thursday of the month (no meetings in July or August).

Here is the information to attend either online or by phone:

Zoom: <https://zoom.us/>

Meeting ID: 870 1502 9479

Passcode: NGSNA

Phone Only: 1-669-900-9128

Phone Passcode: 745556

You can attend Zoom meetings on a tablet, PC/Mac, or smart phone. You'll need to download the app for use on mobile devices. For PC/Mac, you can choose to install the browser plugin for your computer or access the meeting directly.

In person meetings are held at Trinity United Methodist Church, 3104 W Glendale Avenue.



City of Phoenix

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Crime Stop (non-emergency)	602-262-6151
Community Action Officers Marcus Tellez and Austin Diaz marcus.tellez@phoenix.gov	602-534-0474
Neighborhood Specialist Yolanda Osorio yolanda.osorio@phoenix.gov	602-495-0946 602-376-8965
Councilwoman Betty Guardado	602-262-7446
Cactus Park Precinct	602-495-5009
Abandoned Vehicles (on private property)	602-262-7844
Abandoned Vehicles	602-262-6151
Animal Control/Rabies	602-506-7387
Barking Dogs	602-262-6466
City Bus Service	602-253-5000
Dial-A-Ride	602-253-4000
Garbage Collection	602-262-7251
Illegal Dumping	602-262-7251
Illegal Signs	602-534-7100
Loud Party Info	602-262-7803
Loud Party Reporting	602-262-6151
Neighborhood Enforcement	602-262-7844
Neighbor Narcotic Complaints	602-275-5886
Parking Complaints	602-262-6151
Parks Department	602-262-6575
Property Maintenance Violations	602-262-7844
Poison Control	602-253-3334
Shopping Cart Removal	602-278-7587
Speeding Vehicles	602-534-SPEED (7733)
Street Repair (potholes)	602-262-6441
Street Light Repair	602-495-5125

Reporting Encampments

One of our long-time members, Betty K, shared the following information to assist people with calling the City of Phoenix to report homeless people carts or encampments.

To report carts anonymously call 602-534-4444. If you are reporting encampments, call 602-262-6151 x6. The easiest way to report is to use myPHX311 app on your phone. Click on "Tell the City About," then "Homeless Encampment."

Donations to Haven on I-17 and Northern Ave

Thanks to Debi Nelson's help I was able to speak to a person representing CASS. The CASS member explained to me that you drive up to the big black gate and wait. The security guard will open the gate. You then drive through to the facility. The security guard will help you unload your vehicle. The guard will go through your items to list your donations on a receipt for you. Everyone was very nice and very thankful for the donations.

NGSNA Officers 2025

Kendra Homsher, President (602-391-4945)
Debbie Perez, Vice President
Cristina Gallardo-Sanidad, Treasurer
Michele Sahlin, Secretary

Kara Lafferty, Director
Bill Kelly, Director
Melinda Whittington, Director
Susie Smith, Director
Debi Nelson, Director

From Cactus Park Precinct

The officers of the Cactus Park Precinct actively work to address criminal activity in our community, and we like to highlight a small fraction of this work with you, our community and business leaders. Regularly, the showcased examples start from a call for service from an engaged community member like you.

- **In an Emergency or to report suspicious activity: 911**
- **To report a crime or non-emergency: 602-262-6151 option #4**
- **Silent Witness: 480-WITNESS**

Here's the latest update from Cactus Park Precinct:

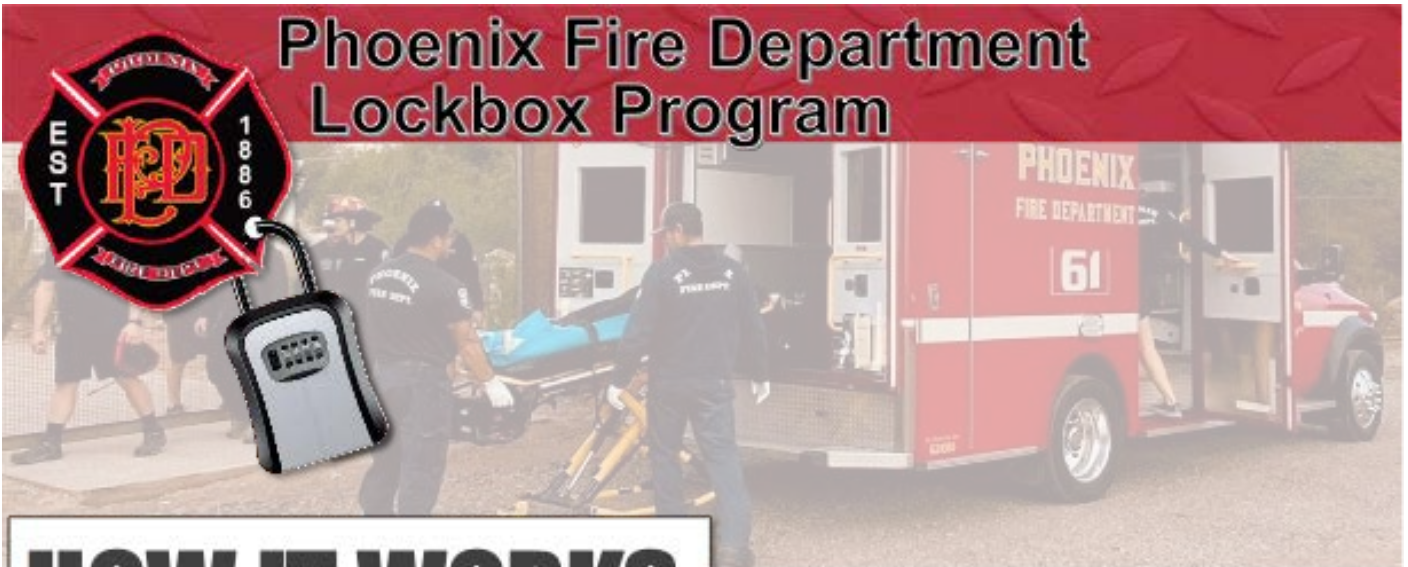
- **On April 10, 2025**, officers responded to a robbery attempt at a fast food location near Thunderbird Road and 35th Avenue where the suspect attempted to rob the drive-thru window before fleeing the area in a vehicle. With limited vehicle information Cactus Park Precinct's Real-Time Operations Center specialists located the suspect vehicle and identified a possible suspect. This information was relayed to investigators which resulted in the apprehension of the suspect by specialized tactical enforcement officers. The incredible investigative work by our Real-Time Operations Center personnel and responding officers resulted in the expeditious apprehension of the suspect. Bravo!
- **April 19th** marked the end of Cactus Park Precinct's four-week crime suppression plan. This enforcement plan focused on specific portions of our precinct which culminated in a community clean-up at the end of each week. We would like to thank our Neighborhood Enforcement and Community Action Teams as well as the Drug Enforcement Bureau, Human Exploitation and Trafficking Unit, Transit Unit, Motor Unit, and Adult Probation for their commitment to community safety which resulted in the following:

Total Arrests	211
Misdemeanors	131
Felonies	80
Traffic Stops	239
Citations	210
Educational Contacts	29
Vehicle tows	18

In combination with our enforcement efforts, Cactus Park Precinct would like to thank the Neighborhood Services Department, Grand Canyon University, Calvary Church, and all our community groups and community members who assisted in the neighborhood clean-ups. These clean-ups cleared 6+ tons of trash/debris from our community. Great work everyone!

- **On April 20th, 2025**, an aggravated assault occurred in the area of 10000 North Metro Parkway East where the suspect pointed a firearm at the victim. Responding officers located the victim and were provided a direction of travel for the suspect. Cactus Park Precinct's Real-Time Operations Center personnel, using field technology, located a possible suspect and guided officers to this location. Upon seeing the officers arriving at his location the suspect fled on foot and was pursued. As the suspect was rapidly approaching the light rail platform, officers used a less lethal compliance tool to thwart his advancement and allow officers to safely apprehend him. Great work by our Cactus Park Precinct officers and Real-Time Operations Center specialists!

Get up to date details on success stories and statistics like these from our CAO Marcus Tellez (or sometimes CAO Austin Diaz) in the regular monthly meetings.



HOW IT WORKS

1. A Phoenix resident, or family member of a Phoenix resident, can go to our website (phoenix.gov/fire or scan the QR code to the right) and complete the request form.
2. A member of the Phoenix Fire Department will reach out to schedule the lockbox installation. **At the time of installation, you will need to supply the key for the residence, to put into the lockbox.*
3. A member of the Phoenix Fire Department will come to your home and install the lockbox and document the location in the department's computer aided dispatch system (CAD). If there is an emergency and you are unable to open the door, they will use the lockbox key to gain access.



If you already have a lockbox installed and would like to register your lockbox code, or you have a garage door code you would like to register with the department, please visit phoenix.gov/fire to register your lockbox or garage door code.

WHY PARTICIPATE?

This program is free to City of Phoenix residents thanks to the Phoenix area Association of Realtors and Councilwoman O'Brien. It allows first responders to gain access to a home in case of emergencies where the patient is not able to make it to the door.

*In Partnership with Phoenix City Councilwoman
O'Brien and the Phoenix Area Association of Realtors**

**Help Us
Help You!**

Safety Signs

The City of Phoenix is working hard to identify ways to improve driver awareness and education and keep our kids safe. Through the City's Vision Zero Yard Sign Pilot Program, the Parks and Recreation Department is distributing *free* "Stay Alive Drive 25" yard signs to residents and businesses for installation on our private property. The goal of this campaign is to reduce traffic fatalities and serious injuries in Phoenix to Zero by 2050.

Your NGS neighborhood association will have a limited number of signs available for pickup at the monthly membership meeting on the second Thursday each month.

You can also pick up a yard sign in person at five designated Parks and Recreation Department community centers: Goelet A.C. Beuf, Maryvale, Longview, Pecos, and Cesar Chavez and at Phoenix City Hall – 5th floor.

Visit this website for more information:

<https://www.phoenix.gov/administration/departments/streets/safety-improvements/road-safety-action-plan/Yard-sign.html>. Residents will need to provide their name, address, and email when they pick up their sign.



Streets PHX
STREET TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT
PICK UP A FREE YARD SIGN
AT ONE OF SIX PHOENIX LOCATIONS

SLOW YOUR ROLL
KIDS AT PLAY
VISION ZERO

REDUCE LA VELOCIDAD
NIÑOS JUGANDO
VISION ZERO

ARRIVE ALIVE
DRIVE 25
PHOENIX.GOV/ROADSAFETY

LLEGA VIVO
VELOCIDAD 25
PHOENIX.GOV/ROADSAFETY

The City of Phoenix Street Transportation Department aims to influence driver behavior on neighborhood streets where children and other pedestrians are likely to be walking, jogging or by bicycling

PICK UP LOCATIONS

- Goelet A.C. Beuf: 3435 W. Pinnacle Peak Rd.
- Maryvale: 4420 N. 51st Ave.
- Longview: 4040 N. 14th St.
- Pecos: 17010 S. 48th St.
- Cesar Chavez: 7858 S. 35th Ave.
- Phoenix City Hall: 200 W. Washington St. 5th Floor

PHOENIX.GOV/ROADSAFETY

Vision ZERO





Stay Safe
PHOENIX

Permissible & Prohibited Fireworks Use and Sales

Know the Law: Fireworks Use & Sales

This serves only as a reference guide to aid in understanding items that may or may not be permissible under Arizona state law at the time of publishing. Fireworks sales and use are only allowed during the dates specified by state law and are strictly prohibited at all other times under the Phoenix Fire Code. For updates on sales and use dates, as well as allowed and prohibited items, please refer to the State Law.

Legal Sale Dates

- ★ April 25 - May 6
- ★ May 20 - July 6
- ★ December 10 - January 3
- ★ Two days before the start of Diwali through the third day of Diwali each year.

Legal Use Dates

- ★ May 4 - May 6
- ★ June 24 - July 6
- ★ December 26 - January 4
- ★ Second and third days of Diwali each year.

Permissible Use

- ★ Sparklers (Ground and Wire Stick)
- ★ Smoke Devices
- ★ Spinners & Fountains (Includes Ground Spinners & Sparkling Wheels)



Prohibited Use

- ★ Rockets & Aerial Fireworks (Sky Rockets, Bottle rockets, aerial shells)
- ★ Explosive devices
- ★ Anything that rises into the air and explodes is prohibited.



602-262-6771

Phoenix.Gov/Fire

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City of Phoenix Water Conservation Incentives

Summer is here! As it warms up, we may be looking at our water bills and wondering how we can lower them? The City has a home water audit program that helps us learn how to conserve water on our own property: <https://www.phoenix.gov/administration/departments/waterservices/supply-conservation/save-water/conservation-assistance/residential-water-efficiency-consultations.html>

Also, the City of Phoenix has developed three water savings rebates that folks in our community can participate in. This is the first time that the City has offered programs of this kind to help with water conservation efforts.

Summary of the Details:

- Residential Grass Removal - \$2.00 per square foot and a minimum 250 square feet must be removed. There are many steps and inspections before and after the project. Credit on your bill, not a check.
- Toilet Rebate – Up to \$75.00 reimbursement check. Photo of old toilet with gallons per flush and photo of new installation with receipt. Old toilet must be 3 gallons per flush or greater.
- Irrigation Controller Rebate – Up to \$75.00 reimbursement check. Photo of old controller and new controller with receipt. EPA WaterSense model required.

If you are interested in participating in one of the incentive programs, be sure to go to the website for more information before doing any of the work!



Contact Us:
Water Services Department
Water Conservation Office
wsd.incentives@phoenix.gov
602-261-8367

[phoenix.gov/savewaterincentives](https://www.phoenix.gov/savewaterincentives)

MEMBERSHIP IN NGSNA

For information on how to become a member, or to renew your current membership, please contact us at: NorthGlenSquare@gmail.com

You can also visit our website to learn more:
northglensquare.com/membership

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Changing our Neighborhood is a Family Affair

North Glen Square resident, Sherry, is doing her part to improve safety in the neighborhood. With the support of Councilwoman Betty Guardado's office, she has started collecting signatures to gate her alley between **33rd Ave to 35th Ave and between Belmont and Morten**.

Sherry was joined by NGS residents Emmanuel and Frankie Gallardo-Sanidad who knocked on doors and talked to neighbors about why gating the alley will improve felt safety.

If you are the property owner of one of the homes that shares the alley and want to sign in support of the Gated Alley Request, please **contact the District 5 office at 602-262-7446**.

Upcoming Events

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No NGS Meetings for July and August	
September 5	Front Yard Friday
September 11	NGS Meeting
October 3	Front Yard Friday
October 9	NGS Meeting
October 24	Trunk or Treat at Alhambra Credit Union
November 7	Front Yard Friday
November 13	NGS Meeting