

CITY OF PHOENIX

Quarterly Newsletter



A Message from Public Works

The Public Works team would like to thank the community for its patience over the past several months while Colver Rd Park and Blue Heron Park received some much-needed repairs and upgrades. The new playground in Blue Heron Park was completed in September 2022 and is now ready for families to enjoy. And, as a reminder, the Dog Park in Colver Rd Park is open year-round.



Our New Public Works Employees

Daniel Welcome & Ricardo Macias are working in our Utility and Water Department. If you see them out and about stop and say hi! We strive to keep our city clean and in great working order. We appreciate any feedback you may have and look forward to the new and upcoming year.



The new Government & Public Safety Center is underway and is expected to be completed in December of 2023.



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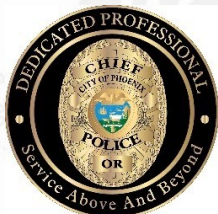
SNAPSHOT OF THE NEW BLUE HERON PARK PLAYGROUND

December 2022



Please join us in congratulating Officer David Van Buskirk and Officer Elmir Rodas.

Officer Van Buskirk and Officer Rodas graduated Friday, November 4th from the Oregon DPSST Basic Police Academy in Salem, Oregon. The Academy consists of 16 weeks of training where the officers learn the basic knowledge and skills needed to be a police officer in Oregon. Officer Van Buskirk and Officer Rodas will now enter 16 weeks of the Field Training and Experience Program (FTEP) at the Phoenix Police Department where they will be paired up with an experienced Field Training Officer to complete their initial training. Once they have completed FTEP, the two officers will have earned their Basic Police Officer Certification and will be released to perform patrol duties solo.



Prevent Localized Flooding and Improve Local Creeks

An obstruction in the storm sewer system increases risk of localized flooding, which can cause: property damage, traffic issues and promote the spread of waterborne pathogens. Commonly, storm sewer systems become blocked by the accumulation of leaves, debris and sediment from nearby areas as water moves downstream.

The City of Phoenix uses a street sweeper in large part to keep debris out of the storm sewer system, but this is not a perfect cure-all for leaf clean up. Preventing and mitigating localized flooding is a community wide effort. Residents are encouraged to visually inspect storm drains near their homes and clear away nearby debris several times throughout the year. This simple step will dramatically reduce blockages and minimize flooding. If a storm drain appears damaged, or blocked by debris, please contact Phoenix Public Works at 541-535-2226.

Lastly, residents, property managers and landscapers are discouraged from directing leaves and lawn trimmings onto the roads and sidewalks. This increases the maintenance burden on existing storm sewer infrastructure and pollutes stormwater as it makes its way, completely untreated, to local creeks. To learn more about stormwater issues, and find ways you can be a great steward to our creeks, visit www.stream-smart.com. To learn more about flood preparation, visit www.floodsmart.gov/flood. Residents can also contact Community Development at 541-535-2050 for questions relating to development in the floodplain.

QUARTERLY WATER TIP: PREVENT FROZEN WATER PIPES

A trickle of hot and cold water might be all it takes to keep your pipes from freezing. Let warm water drip overnight when temperatures are cold, preferably from a faucet on an outside wall.

