

## Pearl Harbor Day Walk



This weekend is the annual city of Phoenix Pearl Harbor Day Walk. This year, Dec. 7 falls on a Saturday, so that's when the walk will be! The one-mile police-escorted walk will start at Phoenix City Hall and make its way to Wesley Bolin Plaza to the anchor of the USS Arizona.

Not only are you invited to walk with the group, but volunteers are needed between now and then to help coordinate and be there on the day-of to help facilitate the walk itself. This event is kid-friendly, will have food trucks at both City Hall and the State Capital along with military vehicles on display outside City Hall. For questions, to sign up to volunteer and to register, [email the event coordinator now](#).

## Annual Training Day

All Phoenix Public Library locations will be **closed on Friday, Dec. 6** for Staff Development Day. You can still access eResources through the [Library's web page](#). FYI: [South Mountain Community Library](#) will remain open to the public.

## That's a Wrap



## Paving Season Ends with Success

Phoenix's 2019 street paving season will go on record as the biggest ever to be accomplished featuring more than 250 miles of newly paved streets. Due largely to the Council-approved \$200 million financing of Transportation 2050 street program revenues, the city tripled the number of arterial and major street miles that were paved this year. Accomplishments from this year's street paving season include:

- ◆ 195 local street miles paved,
- ◆ 60 arterial and major street miles paved,
- ◆ 120 local street miles and 35 arterial and major street miles received a pavement preservation treatment, such as fog seal or crack seal, and
- ◆ 5,650 new wheelchair accessible sidewalk ramps installed.

This year's season required approximately 75,000-man hours and over 500,000 tons of asphalt material.

To see which streets will be paved in 2020, check out the [street maintenance map](#).

## Online Survey: Employee Education Opportunities

The city of Phoenix is working with [Achieve60AZ](#) to increase the number of Arizonans with post-high school education or certification. You are invited to participate in a brief survey (less than 15 minutes) on education assistance, including tuition reimbursement that is offered by the city of Phoenix.



Your participation is confidential and will help Achieve60AZ learn about ways to improve education assistance for employees across Arizona. To access the survey, click on the following link: [Achieve60AZ Survey](#). The survey will be available through Dec. 10.

**NEW:** There is an opportunity to participate in a focus group on Dec. 17, 2019 from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. You may register in eCHRIS using the **CODE: ACHV60**. Please obtain supervisor approval prior to registering.

If you have any questions about Achieve60AZ's efforts, please [contact Breanne Bushu](#). If you have any questions about the survey or focus group, please [contact Aimee Sitzler](#).

## Teaching Abroad

Do you know someone who would enjoy teaching English abroad? Phoenix Sister Cities partners with the Himeji Board of Education to send Phoenix residents to Himeji, Japan to teach English for up to two years. Participants receive airfare, subsidized housing, benefits and a competitive salary from the Himeji Board of Education.

Phoenix Sister Cities is currently accepting applications for August 2020 departures. Applicants must be Phoenix residents and possess any four-year degree. No teaching certificate is required. Applications close Feb. 21. Additional information and the application may [be found on the Phoenix Sister Cities' web page](#).



## Saturday, Dec. 14 - Electrician Hiring Fair

The city is looking for electricians! Right now, there are vacancies in the following departments: Aviation, Convention Center, Public Works and Water Services. These jobs will perform journey-level electrician work working with the maintenance, construction, installation, alteration/modification and repair of electrical systems, equipment and fixtures in accordance with standard practices of the electrical trade for primarily commercial and industrial applications. Positions may be assigned to shop or field locations. Certain assignments may include electronics metering and instrumentation and working with various voltages. Assignments are received by sketches, blueprints verbally, and through work orders. These positions require successful completion of a four-year recognized apprenticeship program or three years of experience as a skilled electrician.

To get invited to the event, you must apply by Dec. 9. The most qualified candidates will be contacted by phone or email to schedule their interview time.

Each Monday, the city posts jobs available for current employees to consider.

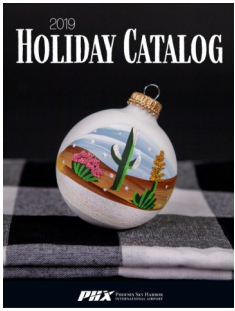
[Check out the latest job openings here.](#)

[Check out the entire job database here.](#)



## Now Arriving: 2019 Holiday Catalog

The holidays are upon us, and at Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport that means the [2019 Holiday Catalog](#) is once again



available to help you find that special gift while on the go. Featuring local wares unique to Arizona, choose a fun, inexpensive keepsake for a friend or fine jewelry worthy of a private collection. Get coffee, cookies, cakes and even some treats for your four-legged friends.

Speaking of holidays and pups, the famed

Navigator Buddies donned their most festive apparel at America's Friendliest Airport® with a Thanksgiving PAW-rade on Nov. 25. Go to the [airport's Facebook page](#) to watch the video of

the parade or to see pictures from the event.



## 2020 Pay Calendar

This week, be on the lookout for an email explaining how you can import the 2020 city holiday / pay day calendar into your Outlook calendar. Rest assured, **this email is safe to open and to click on the attachment inside.** As a city employee, you are encouraged to import this safe file to ensure access to accurate information on pay days, holidays and more.

## Lose the Stress, Not Your Bags

The holiday travel season is upon us and we all want to know how to travel stress free. PHXTV's Chuck Emmert finds out [how to escape the headaches](#) with Greg Roybal from Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport.



## Messages of Gratitude from city of Phoenix Employees

I am grateful for a beautiful building to work in (Phoenix Convention Center), that is comfortable and has a pleasant atmosphere with respectful and hardworking employees around me. It is an exciting place to be and watch grow. - Maria

Life is too short... not to choose gratitude.

This year I suffered the sudden loss of my dad, my father in law and my nephew innocently shot and killed in a random senseless way.

I am grateful for my new view of life, family, my job here at the city and the awesome coworkers who surround me every day. I make it a point to seek out peace and find words of gratitude towards those who surround my life...even the difficult ones. - Sylvia

I'm thankful for the team at Harmon Library. Besides their vast creativity, the team all work hard to create experiences that impact Central City South. - Keith

I'm proud to work for the city I was born and raised in, and I'm grateful to have become part of a department (Parks and Recreation) / family that is passionate about bringing so much fun, joy, and beauty to our families, community, and visitors.

I'm also thankful for my work team who pull together to have fun and tackle, learn and solve anything thrown our way. Corina, Jaime, Levi, Grace, Dolores, Tammy, & Melinda - you're amazing! - Shannon

I appreciate my boss, Nichelle, for being such a thoughtful, understanding, compassionate and efficient boss. She makes work a better place. - Silvia



MAYOR KATE GALLEGU, THE CITY COUNCIL  
AND CITY MANAGER ED ZUERCHER  
INVITE YOU TO

# DECK THE CITY HALL!

## 2019 Employee Holiday Reception

Thursday, December 19

1:30 - 3 p.m.

City Hall Atrium

*Cookies*

*Entertainment*

*Prizes*

**AND  
MORE!**



**New Event!**  
**Gingerbread House Competition**



### Canned Food Drive Competition



Show your AZ school spirit for a good cause! (1 Can = 1 Point)  
All donations will go to St. Mary's Food Bank.

#### Drop-Off Locations:

PCH Atrium & Calvin Goode 1st Floor

#### Drop-Off Dates/Times:

Dec. 16-18: 7:30 - 8:30 a.m.

Dec. 19: 7:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.

**UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA**  
Canned Protein (chicken, tuna, spam)

**ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY**  
Canned Vegetables (low/no sodium)

**GRAND CANYON UNIVERSITY**  
Dry or Canned Beans (low sodium)

**NORTHERN ARIZONA UNIVERSITY**  
Canned Fruit (no sugar added)



# Gingerbread House Competition



Departments and Teams Welcome!



## Rules

- Gingerbread structures may be houses, train stations, barns, birdhouses, lighthouses, bridges, ships or other imaginative dwellings.
- Size limitation: **BASE SIZE MUST NOT EXCEED 18" x 18" (inches)!**
- Supplies: All departments provide their own supplies. All components of the display, except for the base, must be made of edible materials. Edible materials include: gingerbread, candy, nuts, cereal, cookies, crackers and other food items.



## How to Enter



- Completed gingerbread houses must be delivered to the City Hall Atrium on Thursday, Dec. 19 by Noon.
- They must be picked up the same day by 5 p.m.
- Email Melissa Zaragoza ([melissa.zaragoza@phoenix.gov](mailto:melissa.zaragoza@phoenix.gov)) with your team name, department, contact name/phone number/email address by **Friday, December 13.**
- Only the first 20 entries will be accepted!

## Questions?

Contact Melissa Zaragoza:  
602-256-4170 or  
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