



# Multi-Family Apartment Complex Development for SRPMIC Members Under Consideration

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One way to address the housing needs of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community is by asking Community members what they want. With that in mind, the SRPMIC Community Development Department (CDD) is conducting an online survey about a proposed 160-unit apartment complex consisting of one, two- and three-bedroom units. The survey feedback and opinions provided by Community members will allow Council to determine if the development will move forward into the development phase.



SRPMIC is conducting a survey on a proposed housing development in 15-acre plot of Community land, located just east of Scottsdale Community College.

The survey can be accessed online at [www.srpmic-nsn.gov/housingsurvey](http://www.srpmic-nsn.gov/housingsurvey) until September 20, when the comment period closes. The housing development information includes conceptual floorplans; the sizes of the one-, two- and three-bedroom units are 793, 1,077 and 1,323 square feet, that Community members would be able to rent.

in the Community. The proposed site of the apartment complex is a 15-acre plot of tribal land east of Scottsdale Community College. The complex consists of two-story buildings, with a clubhouse and plenty of space for outdoor activities. This includes such amenities as covered parking, a basketball court and a splash pad.

community, and what this survey provides is a chance for them to share their thoughts on a housing development before anything gets finalized," said Andrews. She said that affordable housing alternatives provide SRPMIC members a chance to consider living on or off of the Community.

operated by a third-party development company with experience in successful multi-family developments.

Proposed funding for the development would require the developer to contribute up to \$30 million toward the construction of the complex, while the Community would put up to \$20 million. As part of the joint

Christi Andrews, CDD assistant director, said the proposed development is about providing SRPMIC members an opportunity to seek affordable housing

"We want to make sure we are meeting the needs of the Com-

According to the development background, the apartment complex would be built, owned and

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## Salt River Schools Educator Shares Passion for Education in New Position



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An educator with multiple years of service is now the acting superintendent/director of education for Salt River Schools. Dr. Melody Herne was named to the position on August 3 and will serve until it is filled by a permanent staff member.

analyze data generated from the various assessments our students take throughout the year—NWEA, BIE (Bureau of Indian Education) math and science, WIDA, AzSCI (Arizona Science Test), ACT, etc. These assessments help educators create individualized student learning and progress goals, as well as help schools identify areas of instructional need."

Dr. Herne shared some information about her background and how she got started in education. "My father was a career Army man and my mother was an educator. I was raised in a home where education was not only valued, but expected," said Dr. Herne.

She said that, as acting superintendent for Salt River Schools, her goal is to see how the schools can meet students where they are in their learning abilities and help them grow in their education journey. "I am also excited to partner with families, staff and other stakeholders to examine and update the Salt River Schools Strategic Plan," she said.

She said her decision to focus on education was sparked by her professors and a passion to empower learning among young people. This led to 27 years of working within the public education system, which gave her "a chance to wear many hats and fulfill several roles," she said.

From her experience working with the Community, she appreciates the sense of family within Salt River Schools. "We watch students matriculate through our schools, we empower families with wraparound services, we rally around one another through all circumstances. It is truly a family," said Dr. Herne.

## Young River People's Council Invites New Members to Join



Young River People's Council at the USS Arizona Memorial Gardens opening ceremony in February 2020. Photo courtesy of YRPC

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The COVID-19 pandemic put a halt to a lot of things in the world, and this included a number of programs for Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community youth, such as the Young River People's Council. The program made an effort to keep youth involved and busy through online activities during that trying time, but due to a shortage of staff the YRPC eventually was put on hold.

the social division, who is restarting the YRPC and welcoming youth ages 13 to 21 to join. Salinas worked for the SRPMIC for four years, starting as a temporary worker with CRS before becoming a permanent employee. She stepped away from her position at CRS at the end of 2021 and now has made her way back to working with the Community youth.

Today there is a new YRPC supervisor, Janyse Salinas, former Community Recreational Services (CRS) coordinator in

The SRPMIC Youth Council was originally under Youth Services; in the 2010s it was moved under the Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs, where they focused more on the political and leadership

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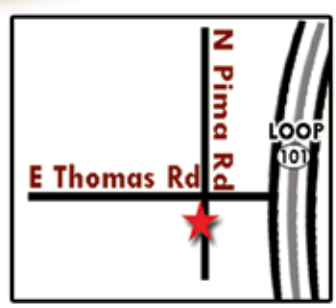
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venture, the Community would oversee the design and construction, and after completion they would offer affordable, below-market rental rates for Community members.

Additionally, the information provided on the survey website includes rental rates, amenities and design components in order for respondents to provide their

opinions on those elements. Survey questions ask whether individuals would be interested in renting there; whether the rental rate is too high, too low or just right; and if they would like to be informed about any future information on the apartment complex development and other housing updates. Those taking the survey are asked to provide tribal

identification numbers to verify that they are Community members.

Andrews said that although the housing development is meant to be affordable, it is open to all individuals. "One of the [questions] that we are seeing from the survey is if this [development] is just for low-income families. This would not be a low-income housing

subdivision; it is more of a housing opportunity," said Andrews. "This may even be [someone's] stepping stone to their forever home."

For Community members, who would like to know more about the housing development, please call 480-362-3535, or send an email to: CDD-Housing@srpmic-nsn.gov.




**Proposed Development Location**  
This location would be located on 15 acres of Tribal Land located to the east of Scottsdale Community College.

**Proposed Floor Plans**  
One bedroom/one bathroom: 793 square feet  
Two bedroom/two bathroom: 1,077 square feet  
Three bedroom/two bathroom: 1,322 square feet



**Proposed Site Plan**  
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aspects of the program. With it moving back under Youth Services, the YRPC continues to focus on the professional development aspect but would also like to include more service projects and activities that focus on cultural identity.

"We want to be more visible in the Community. We want to have the youth do more service projects and learn more about the culture of the O'odham and Piipaash," said Salinas. "There will still be opportunities for professional development as well, but at the forefront we wanted to have more community and volunteer service projects. We want to get them involved [in] their Community, because some of the Community youth live in surrounding cities."

The YRPC program gives Community youth the opportunity for leadership development through job shadowing and opportunities for new experiences. They will be able to travel to youth and tribal leadership conferences.

"We will be doing some traveling, but the youth will have to meet certain requirements and [complete the] service and volunteer projects to be able to have that privilege to travel," said Salinas.

There are currently no members of the SRPMIC Youth Council. The terms of past leadership ended during the pandemic. So this is an opportunity for new youth to join the council and run for president and vice-president. Salinas hopes some of the past members also will return and bring some of their experience with them.

"I want [Youth Council] to be an environment where they all feel safe, they can tell us their goals and what they

want to do [in the future]. [For some youth] it might not be college, and if it's something else we will help them become a leader in whatever role they want to take on," said Salinas. "They are our next generation and our new leaders in the future. A lot of focus [previously] was on college, and for me, I think that scared people sometimes. But I think that we're learning that our kids are leaders, school or not, and [we want to] help them become those leaders in their own little circles within their friends or in their work environment, if that's what they decide to do after high school. It's just encouraging them and helping them grow and just become good humans. I think that's what it's all about."

An information and recruitment event was held on August 17, which was the day that youth could start submitting their applications to join the YRPC. The youth were provided with information packets and they enjoyed food, games and door prizes.

Those interested can visit [www.srpmic-nsn.gov/government/youth/yrpc/](http://www.srpmic-nsn.gov/government/youth/yrpc/) to learn more about the program. There you can also print out the application, which includes an enrollment form, intake form, and the YRPC Code of Conduct and Code of Ethics. Turn in completed applications to the Youth Services Department.

For more information, contact Janyse Salinas at (480) 362-3197 or [Jayse.Salinas@srpmic-nsn.gov](mailto:Jayse.Salinas@srpmic-nsn.gov). You can also

follow the YRPC social media pages at [www.facebook.com/Young-River-Peoples-Council-YRPC-544046952437068](https://www.facebook.com/Young-River-Peoples-Council-YRPC-544046952437068) or [www.instagram.com/youngriver-peoplescouncil](https://www.instagram.com/youngriver-peoplescouncil).



Youth Service Supervisor Janyse Salinas.



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# SRPMIC Diabetes Prevention Provides Community Families with Fitbits for New Wellness Tracking Program

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SRPMIC Diabetes Prevention Services began a new program in early August to help Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community members and their families develop a healthy lifestyle through tracking their progress with a Fitbit. The Health and Wellness Tracking Program has a limit of 200 people, and in less than a week all 200 of the spots were filled. Those who signed up received a free Fitbit.

In July, the Way of Life (WOLF) Fitness Center sent out an email to everyone signed up at the Fitness Center explaining the yearlong Health and Wellness Tracking Program. They also announced the program on the WOLF's and the Community's Facebook pages.

"We were targeting individuals who are just starting to work out or who are living a sedentary lifestyle and want to try to get active," said Senior Physical Fitness Specialist Dion Begay. "[If] you get a \$150 piece of equipment that's going to help you out, that will [generate] some interest, especially something like this tracker."

This program was something that SRPMIC Diabetes Prevention Services was planning to start in early 2020, but due to the COVID-19 pandemic they shelved the idea. Now



Wechoni Schurz-Pilger and her children D'Andre and Diondria pick up their new Fitbits to start the yearlong Wellness Tracking Program.

that people are starting to come back and work out at the fitness center, they decided to go head and move forward with the program.

"We ordered a bunch of Fitbits and put it out there, and [the program] filled up in a week. This week we're doing a weigh-in and the participants are picking up their Fitbits," said Begay.

In the Tracking Program, participants also will participate in seminars to help them achieve their wellness goals. Their first challenge is to log 8,000 to 10,000 steps a day. Each challenge will last 30 days, and with each challenge they are going to learn a new skill and learn how to use a new function on their Fitbit.

In the seminars, "We will be showing them how to set up their Fitbits, how to sync them, as well as going over the what their numbers mean on their

weigh-ins. We will be discussing things such as basal metabolic rate, which is how many calories you burn in a day; the difference between body fat percentage and fat mass, because people might confuse those; and other topics such as total body water and how much water each person should have," said Begay.

Begay hopes this process of learning little by little will help keep participants from getting overwhelmed so they will continue to move toward a healthier lifestyle over time.

If you are in the Health and Wellness Tracking Program and have any questions or need any information, contact Dion Begay at (480) 362-7320 or [dion.begay@srpmic-nsn.gov](mailto:dion.begay@srpmic-nsn.gov).



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# SRPMIC Offering Program to Jump-Start Careers in Information Technology



Salcido, an IT apprenticeship program graduate, demonstrates working on a laptop's internal hardware.

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A novel way to get Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community members into the information technology field is starting a seven-month-long course this August. Called the SRPMIC Apprenticeship Training Program, the initiative aims to train individuals to become IT professionals.

The goal is to create opportunities for Community members to enter the IT field, while providing them the certifications to thrive in the industry. It is an apprenticeship program in which Community members may work with SRPMIC and its properties, like Casino Arizona.

"We always take a look at the Community and see where we can add additional capacity with Community members and the necessary training to meet those needs," said James Smith, manager of the SRPMIC Human Resources Apprenticeship Program.

He said the previous training cycle, passed seven individuals who went on to obtain full-time employment with the Community, casino and Saddleback Communications, an enterprise of SRPMIC. "Working with the IT departments

here and working with the casino IT, it really benefited them, because [these] individuals, who completed the course are already coming in with an entry-level certification, like an A+ certification," said Smith.

"When I saw the IT apprenticeship program advertised on Facebook, I jumped on it," said Peter Salcido Jr., SRPMIC IT Desktop Specialist I. Salcido is a graduate of the previous IT apprenticeship program, who completed his A+ certification last year. "I always wanted to be [that] person people could call upon to fix their computer," said Salcido.

"The A+ certification is kind of like ground zero, it's your basic intro to technology. You learn about the basics of computers how each component interacts with each other," said Salcido. He said the Net+ is more about networking, switches and routing and provides more knowledge on Internet Protocol (IP) addresses.

Priscilla Granados, also an IT Desktop Specialist I with the Community, spoke about the motivation behind her interest in the apprenticeship program.

She said growing up around older siblings, who were knowledgeable about computers, seldom passed their knowledge onto her, which fueled her interest in seeking opportunities to learn more about computers.

When the opportunity to take part in the apprenticeship program opened up, she seized the opportunity.

Now that Granados has completed her A+ certification, she continues to work towards her Net+ certification. "With A+, it is the foundation to everything, because it introduces you to the world of computers and what you can get involved in going into IT. A+

is more of a stepping stone, some of it covers hardware, your simple things to remember and how to put things together and so forth. Net+ is building off of that and enables you branch out to other types of things, like network security, data and other areas of IT," said Granados.

To be accepted into the course, applicants must have a high school diploma or GED and be 18 or older. According to Smith, there are exceptions for individuals who are 17 at the time they submit their application but will turn 18 by the start of the program.

Applicants must present a social security card, a copy of their high school diploma or GED, a tribal enrollment identification card, state identification and proof of COVID-19 vaccinations.

The seven-month-long course is divided into sections on the motherboard, computer memory and computer processing unit cooling. These are just the basics; the course covers many IT topics, including hardware and network troubleshooting.

"[In] the last class we had, out of seven [students], at least four [pursued] dual certification, so four of them will have their A+ certification and then their Network+ certification. So, on paper they are following a three- to three-and-a-half-month portion on their A+ certification and another three or four months on their Network+ certification, if they choose to become dual certified," said Smith.

Smith wants to attract individuals who have a strong interest in IT to learn about the program's benefits. He said, "When it comes to IT, there are so many different avenues they can go down."

Although the course is for individuals over 18, Smith hopes younger Commu-

nity members who have recently graduated from high school will consider programs in IT like this one.

"They are the next workforce of the Community, so to get an 18-year-old in here and get their dual certifications under their belt is fantastic. They are setting themselves up for a nice career," said Smith.

Granados said, "It's probably too early to say what my ultimate goal is in IT, with what I am doing right now. Although, I want to get into networking, get my Net+ and go from there." Her advice to others, "There is a lot to explore and so [these] certifications stack onto each other, so it is not a hit or miss if you go for one certification or the other."

As for Salcido he said, "In this IT position, it is one of the best things you can get into, it's always changing and adapting and its ground breaking, there's always something new you are doing. You will never stop learning in IT, it's always changing, it's a department that will always be moving forward."



Granados talks about her interest in networking and the many opportunities that come with the field.

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# WIC Program Helps Educate Mothers During World Breastfeeding Week

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The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community's WIC Program helped celebrate World Breastfeeding Week at the River People Health Center's (RPHC) First Friday event on Friday, August 5. World Breastfeeding Week, August 1-7 annually, is a time for organizations to help inform mothers about the benefits of breastfeeding and to help those who advocate for breastfeeding to learn more about how they can strengthen their role in supporting and encouraging mothers to breastfeed.

At the RPHC's First Friday, the WIC Program's booth provided their visitors with handouts on breastfeeding and a breastfeeding questionnaire to get an idea of how many people are aware of the importance of breastfeeding. Every person who filled out the questionnaire received some earrings as a small gift.

"We are here to help all the Community and our WIC clients with breastfeeding. Maggie Fisher and I are lactation consultants and are able to help mothers breastfeed," said Senior Community Nutrition Specialist Jamie Schurz. "For example, we were able to help a new mom who just got out of the hospital after having her baby. She wanted to continue to breastfeed [at home] but needed some help and support,



Community Health and Nutrition Supervisor Maggie Fisher informs visitors about World Breastfeeding Week at the River People Health Care's First Friday Event.

Community education on breastfeeding will continue on throughout August. At the end of the month, the WIC Program will host Native Afterglow, an event that will discuss topics such as breastfeeding and what new moms can expect in the early postpartum days. This workshop will be presented by Felicia Cocotzin Ruiz, a traditional healer, author, natural foods chef and community herbalist, on Wednesday, August 31, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the RPHC. To register, or for more information about breastfeeding, call (480) 362-7300 or email [WIC@srpmic-nsn.gov](mailto:WIC@srpmic-nsn.gov).

and we provided that for her."

Breastfeeding not only saves money on formula, it boosts the baby's immune system. Breast milk has components that naturally prevent harmful bacterial growth, protecting the child against mild to severe infections including digestive, respiratory and other infections. Breast milk helps the baby develop its digestive tract and is easily absorbed and well suited for the baby's system.

Mothers gain health benefits from breastfeeding as well. Breastfeeding helps burn calories, which can help you lose weight, and it helps lower mothers' risk of developing breast and ovarian cancer, as well as diabetes.



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SERVICES ARE BEING DONE BY PHONE.  
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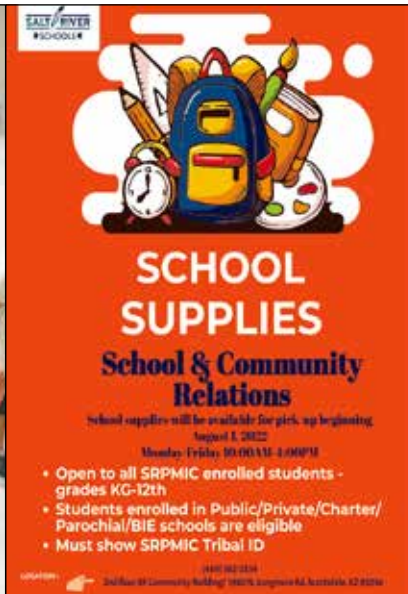
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If you have never been on WIC before, use the QR code to start your application. Or visit the application link: <http://itcawic.itcastars.net/apply>.



# Students Receive School Supplies Before Class Resumes Session



Family and students can pick-up bags of schools supplies like the ones pictured above to equip them for the up-coming school year. Photos courtesy of SRS School & Community Relations Department

SRPMIC students received bags loaded with school supplies, during the Back to School Bash event on July 19. Photos courtesy of SRS School & Community Relations Department

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As students in the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community return to school, they will have one less thing to worry about, as the Salt River Schools (SRS) School & Community Relations (SCR) Department is providing them with the resources they need to start on a good note.

"Due to federal funding, we were able to provide school supplies to students that attend public and charter schools

during our Back to School Bash event on July 19," said Miranda Johnson-Moya, SRS S&CR education program manager. She said SRS held a distribution at which 259 students received a school-supply bag.

"We do [school supply distribution] at the beginning of every school year," said Johnson-Moya. "The goal is to help students who attend public and charter schools obtain school supplies to really take away the financial hardship of the parents."

This initial distribution in July was aided by federal funding that went toward purchasing the supplies. After that was completed, the Community approved

funding for additional supplies, allowing SCR to continue to distribute school supplies to SRPMIC students throughout the school year. For students in need of school supplies the daily distribution hours are from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Regardless of whether an SRPMIC student attends a public, charter, private, parochial or Bureau of Indian Education school, they all qualify to receive school supplies, Johnson-Moya said.

The specific school supplies students receive are tailored to their grade level; for instance, a student in grades K-6 will receive a large bag loaded with notebooks, wide-rule paper, tissues, and an assortment of

pens, crayons, glue sticks, scissors and pencil sharpeners. Stepping up in grades 7-12, students will be issued a supply of binders, composition books, loose-leaf paper, graphing paper, markers, pens and pencils, and other essential items to help prepare junior high and high school students for class.

The door is open for students and families to obtain school supplies at the S&CR office, located on the second floor of the Community Building. Parents must show SRPMIC tribal identification. An appointment is not necessary, but it is helpful to call ahead of time so they can gather the appropriate supplies for distribution.

Parents who have questions or wish to arrange for school supplies for their students can call (480) 362-2534.





# SRPD's B-Ball with a Cop Event Unites Officers and Community

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SRPD staff get out and interact with Community Member youth and their families during the B-Ball with a Cop at the Way of Life Facility. Photo courtesy of SRPD

On July 29, the Salt River Police Department held a Community-based policing event with the help of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community's Youth Services and Community Recreational Services departments. The event, B-Ball with a Cop, took place at the Way of Life Facility (WOLF) to give SRPD officers a chance to get to know the Community.

SRPD staff played a quick game of pickup basketball with Salt River youth. The game was also an opportunity for SRPD staff to emphasize some educational messages for the youth and their families, such as "See Something Say Something," "One Pill Can Kill," "Say No to Drugs," and the dangers of gangs and street violence.

"Our goal was for our officers, dispatchers and civilian staff to get out and interact with Community members and kids through sports. [Due to] COVID-19 restrictions, all of our Community Policing programs were either placed on hold or were limited to virtual communication," said SRPD Sgt. Jeremiah Rangel. "This placed a tremendous strain on our ability to have face-to-face communication with members of our Community. We know that effective communication with our Community is vital in establishing trust."

During the fun and games, officers were encouraged to speak with everyone they interacted with about the selected topics. Regarding "See Something Say Something," the message is that SRPD officers and first responders cannot respond to a situation or help unless they know something is wrong. Officers were encouraged to remind

everyone that Community members are the first line of defense and make a difference. If you see something suspicious or a crime being committed, call 911.

The second message was "One Pill Can Kill," about opioid abuse. Opioids are a class of drugs that include heroin and prescription pain relievers such as oxycodone, hydrocodone, codeine and morphine. Synthetic opioids such as fentanyl are 50 to 100 times more potent than morphine, and when bought on the street, a single pill can cause overdose and death.

The third message was to say no to

drugs and alcohol, and officers also talked about the dangers of gangs and violence. Lastly, the officers answered any questions about the SRPD Explorer Post, specifically for youth ages 14 to 21 who are interested in a career in law enforcement.

The SRPD plans to host a similar event, Kickball with a Cop, in November. Watch for more information on the SRPD's Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/SaltRiverPD](http://www.facebook.com/SaltRiverPD). Any Community youth interested in joining the Police Explorer program may contact the SRPD at (480) 850-8200.

## THANK YOU!

We would like to thank all who participated and came out for this event. We had a lot of fun and enjoyed every minute of the event. Thank you to Community Recreational Services Director Rebecca Makil, all the Recreation team members and volunteers, Youth Services Department Director Tori Paukgana, Assistant Director Mikah Carlos, all the Youth Services team members and volunteers, Isaac Lopez and awesome artwork for the event (coloring books, flyers and t-shirt designs), Social Services Manager Adrienne Haines, the WOLF team members and volunteers, and the WOLF facility for hosting this great event, as well as all the members of Public Works who helped make this event a reality.

Thank you also to KTR, Octane Raceway and Mavericks from the Scottsdale Pavilions for donating passes as a giveaway for the event.

## HAVE YOU VISITED THE CULTURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT ONLINE?

### WEBSITE

Visit the website for contact info, upcoming events/classes, calendar & more.



### Facebook / Instagram

Follow CRD on FB & IG for info on upcoming events/classes, garden tips and tricks, O'odham/Piipaash words/phrases, museum collection highlights & more.



### YouTube

Follow CRD on YouTube for event recaps, O'odham/Piipaash words/phrases, how-to videos & more.



# Baseball loves tradition. So do we.

## Presenting the new Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community - Arizona Diamondbacks partnership

It's a partnership that builds on more than a decade of working closely with the Arizona Diamondbacks at Salt River Fields, home of the first Major League Baseball facility built on Native American land. This high-profile partnership includes extensive Casino Arizona and Talking Stick Resort signage throughout the ballpark, VIP Lounges and an enhancement to the team's annual Native American Inter-Tribal Baseball and Softball Tournament.



# 6TH ANNUAL SALT RIVER FIREFIGHTERS 9/11 MEMORIAL STAIR CLIMB

Presented by



The Salt River Fire Department will be hosting the 6th Annual Memorial Stair Climb to honor and remember the 343 firefighters, 60 police officers, and 10 EMS personnel that gave their lives 21 years ago, on 9/11/2001.

Each participant pays tribute to an FDNY firefighter, police officer, or EMS by climbing the equivalent of the 110 stories of the World Trade Center. Climbers are issued a tag with the name and picture of one of the fallen to carry throughout the climb, symbolically completing their journey to the top of the World Trade Center Towers. The stair climb is not a timed race event and is open to participants of all levels.

**Saturday, September 10, 2022**  
Salt River Fields at Talking Stick  
Climb starts at 7pm

Scan now for more information



## O'ODHAM ACTION NEWS

### DEADLINES

**ISSUE** **DEADLINE AT NOON**

Sept 1 August 19

Sept 15 Sept 2

SEND INFORMATION TO DODIE MANUEL at [dodie.manuel@srpmic-nsn.gov](mailto:dodie.manuel@srpmic-nsn.gov)  
For more information please call (480) 362-7750.

# RPHC First Friday Raffles Off 50" TVs to Visitors

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The River People Health Center held its second First Friday event on Friday, August 5, from 4 to 6 p.m. These events are held so that RPHC clients can learn more about the healthcare services offered at the health center and meet some of the providers.

A number of booths were set up in the first- and second-floor lobbies of the RPHC to provide information on services such as the eye clinic, podiatry clinic, physical therapy, behavioral health, diabetes prevention, the WIC program, dietitian services and more.

The first 50 people were given the door prize, a Bluetooth speaker. All those who have a chart at RPHC were able to participate in a raffle for the chance to win one of two 50-inch televisions and other RPHC merchandise. Guests had to visit a booth and learn about what services they provided to receive a ticket to enter the raffle.

RPHC will continue to offer these open house-type events on the first Friday of each month. For information on the next First Friday and other RPHC events, follow the Salt River Department of Health and Human Services page at [www.facebook.com/SaltRiverDHHSpage](http://www.facebook.com/SaltRiverDHHSpage), call (480) 278-RPHC (7742) or visit [www.rphc.org](http://www.rphc.org).



RPHC Pharmacy Technician II Harriett Reid helps educate people on the differences between candy and medications.



Diabetes Prevention Services share their knowledge of how to lower your blood sugars by simply substitute eating milk chocolate with eating dark chocolates.



Health and Human Services Director Joe Remitera and his staff help call out the raffle prizes; guest won prizes such as RPHC jackets, blankets, mug sets and a grand prize of one of two 50" televisions.

## Primary Election Results

**Governor:** Katie Hobbs (D) vs. Kari Lake (R)

**U.S. Senator:** \*Mark Kelly (D) vs. Blake Masters (R)

**Congress for Congressional District #1:**  
Jevin Hodge (D) vs. \*David Schweikert (R)

**State Legislative District # 8 Senate Seat:**  
\*Juan Mendez (D) vs. Roaxana Holzapfel (R)

**State Legislative District # 8 AZ House 2 Seat:**  
\*Athena Salman & Melody Hernandez (D)  
vs. Caden Darrow & Bill Loughrige (R)

**Secretary of State:** Adrian Fontes (D) vs. Mark Finchem (R)

**Superintendent of Public Instruction:**  
\*Kathy Hoffman (D) vs. Tom Horne (R)

## Important Deadlines for General Election

**Deadline to register to vote**  
November 8, 2022-October 11, 2022

**Early voting begins/ballots mailed**  
October 12, 2022

**Deadline to request a ballot by mail**  
October 28, 2022



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**Talking Stick Entertainment District**  
**FUN FACT**  
CINNAHOLIC at The Block

This locally-owned bakery offers custom, gourmet cinnamon rolls with over 20 different frosting flavors and dozens of fresh and decadent toppings. They're proud to serve "create your own" cinnamon rolls and other sweet treats like made-from-scratch brownies, cookies and edible cookie dough. Warm, gooey and yummy, what's not to love?  
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All their products are made with the highest quality ingredients, 100% vegan, dairy & lactose-free, egg-free and cholesterol-free!

cultural resources department - o'odham piipaash language program

# PLAY GINS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8TH  
10am - 1pm | SR Community Building

JOIN OPLP FOR A DAY OF PLAYING GINS  
Snacks will be served & prizes for all winners!

- Open to all Salt River Community Members
- All Ages
- Must sign participant agreement waiver & media release

SCAN FOR SIGN UP

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# 3rd Quarter 2022 ELIGIBILITY DEADLINE

## September 30, 2022

Must be eighteen (18) years old, enrolled, and living to be eligible for the October 2022 Per Capita Payment.

### DEADLINES FOR CHANGES

**Direct Deposit Start-Ups and Changes:** Tuesday, October 11 at 5 p.m.

This deadline is for new start-ups for direct deposit or changes to existing information. All forms MUST be submitted with a "VOIDED" check or statement from the bank with the Routing and Account Numbers. Forms received by this date will be effective for the October 2022 payout. Forms received after this date will not be effective until the January 2023 payout.

**Discontinue Direct Deposits:** Tuesday, October 11 at 5 p.m. This deadline is to discontinue an existing direct deposit.

\*\*\*Failing to notify the Per Capita department when an account is closed may delay your Per Capita payment. Per Capita Eligibility: Tuesday, October 18 at 5 p.m.

This deadline is for submitting the Adult SRP-MIC Member's Per Capita Information Certificate. Forms received by this date will be effective for the October 2022 payout. Forms received after this date will not be processed until the first week of November 2022.

**Tax Withholding Changes:** Tuesday, October 18 at 5 p.m.

This deadline is for making changes to "Additional" tax withholding percentage or amount.

Tax forms are available on the Finance Per Capita Intranet Site and can also be requested by e-mailing [finpercapi@srpmic-nsn.gov](mailto:finpercapi@srpmic-nsn.gov).

If you have any questions regarding: Tribal ID, Per Capita Eligibility & Change Forms call Membership Services @ (480) 362-7600

Tax Withholding & Direct Deposits call Finance-Per Capita @ (480) 362-7710

Savvy Senior

# Adaptive Clothing Takes the Stress Out of Dressing

**Dear Savvy Senior,**

What kinds of clothing options are available to mobility challenged seniors who have a difficult time dressing?

Looking for Mom

**Dear Looking,**

The chore of dressing and undressing in traditional clothing can be difficult, time-consuming and even painful for millions of people with certain health and mobility problems. Fortunately, there's a wide variety special clothing, known as "adaptive clothing," that can help with most dressing challenges. Here's what you should know.

**What is Adaptive Clothing?**

Adaptive clothing is specially designed garments for people with mobility issues, disabilities and cognitive challenges who have a difficult time getting dressed. This type of clothing incorporates discreet design features to make dressing and undressing easier, while still having the outward appearance of typical clothing.

Depending on your mom's needs, here are some of the many different types of adaptive clothing options that could help.

For self-dressing seniors who suffer from Parkinson's or other disabilities that affect dexterity, there are pants, shirts, dresses and outerwear made with Velcro or magnetic closures instead of buttons and zippers, which are much easier to fasten and unfasten. But be aware that magnetic closures are not suitable for those who have

pacemakers.

For those who are disabled or who have limited range of motion and need assistance dressing, there are adaptive pants with zippers or snaps on both sides of the pants that are easier to pull on. And a wide range of rear closure shirts, tops and dresses with Velcro or snap fasteners in the back for those who can't raise their arms over their head.

For wheelchair users there are higher back and elastic waistband pants that don't slip down, as well as pants with fabric overlaps at the seat to allow for easier toileting access.

For people with tactile sensitivity, there are garments you can purchase that have soft and stretchy fabrics without tags and are sewn with flat seams to help preventing chafing.

And for seniors with Alzheimer's disease there are one-piece jumpsuits that have a back-zipper access to prevent the wearer from disrobing inappropriately.

**Where to Shop?**

Because each person's dressing needs and style is so specific, finding appropriate adaptive clothing can be difficult.

Recently, mainstream clothing stores like JCPenney ([jcpenney.com](http://jcpenney.com)), Target ([target.com](http://target.com)) and Tommy Hilfiger ([usa.tommy.com](http://usa.tommy.com)) have started offering a line of adaptive clothing for adults that combines fashion and functionality, but their instore options are limited. To get a bigger selection, visit the store's website and type in "adaptive cloth-

ing" in their search engine.

You can also find a large selection at online stores that specialize in adaptive clothing like Buck & Buck ([buckandbuck.com](http://buckandbuck.com)) and Silverts ([silverts.com](http://silverts.com)). Both of these companies have been selling adaptive clothing for decades and offer a wide variety of garments to accommodate almost any need, condition or style, for independent self-dressers and for those who need help.

Some other adaptive clothing sites you should visit include Joe & Bella ([joeandbella.com](http://joeandbella.com)), Ovidis ([ovidis.com](http://ovidis.com)), and IZ Adaptive ([izadaptive.com](http://izadaptive.com)), which sells clothing primarily designed for wheelchair users.

And, if your mom is in need of adaptive footwear, Velcro fastening shoes (instead of shoelaces) have long been a popular option and can be found in most local shoe stores.

Some other new lines of adaptive shoes that may interest her include Kiziks ([kizik.com](http://kizik.com)) and Zeba ([zebashoes.com](http://zebashoes.com)), which make fashionable sneakers and comfortable walking shoes that just slip on, hands-free, along with Billy Footwear ([billyfootwear.com](http://billyfootwear.com)) and Friendly Shoes ([friendlyshoes.com](http://friendlyshoes.com)), which makes uniquely designed zip-on shoes.

Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit [SavvySenior.org](http://SavvySenior.org). Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show and author of "The Savvy Senior" book.



**Title VI**

Senior Services is seeking seniors to complete a needs assessment survey for Title VI funding!

To participate you must be 55+, member of a federally recognized tribe, and reside within the community.

The assessment survey helps us identify our SRPMIC elder needs.

Call to schedule an appointment today! **480.362.6350**

Those who complete the assessment will receive a **Roundhouse Café voucher, a gift card and are entered into our prize raffle.**

Please allow about 45 minutes to complete the survey.

**SENIOR SERVICES**  
SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY



**DEADLINE: SEPT. 30, 2022**

**2023 VOLUNTARY ADULT DEFERRED PER CAPITA PROGRAM**

**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN SAVING A PORTION OF YOUR PER CAPITA FOR A LATER DATE?**

ARE YOU A MINOR RECEIVING MINORS TRUST MONIES?

**POTENTIAL BENEFITS OF PROGRAM:**

- Reduce taxes
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# COUNCIL ACTIONS CORNER

**Welcome to the Council Corner. Here you will find a recap of the weekly Council Meeting actions and other important information. During Phase III of the Return to Work Plan the SRPMIC Council is continuing business by holding Council meetings in-person (adhering to COVID precautions and no audience). Regular Sessions and Work Sessions will be available for a delayed viewing at <https://www.srpmic-nsn.gov/> click on Tribal Government, Virtual Council Meetings.**

**Enrolled Community Members are now able to submit comments to: [membercomments@srpmic-nsn.gov](mailto:membercomments@srpmic-nsn.gov). Reminder, Council should not receive comments about any pending court issues, any Human Resources issues, or issues related to juveniles.**

## *June 1 – Skype Council Meeting Items*

- o July 6, 2022 – Skype Council Meeting Items:
- o Certification of Enrollment – Council certified the 2nd quarter enrollment figures.
- o AZDEQ Water Quality Grant Program Request – Council approved a resolution for application for environmental quality, 604(b) Water Quality Grant Program.
- o ECEC Renovation Plan – The ECEC renovation plans, utilizing grant funding, was presented. Overview of survey results, existing site analysis, indoor play inspiration concept, and unified design with existing construction was also presented for Council and Community information.
- o Community Updates – Updates were presented on Supreme Court Decisions on the Dobbs v. Jackson Women’s Health Organization and Oklahoma v. Castro-Huerta. The Office of General Counsel and Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs will continue to monitor the Arizona Appeals and Supreme Court and the Arizona Legislature for decisions regarding abortion. The Oklahoma v. Castro-Huerta concerns the extent of a State’s jurisdiction to prosecute crimes committed by non-Indians against Indians in Indian Country. Further updates will be forthcoming.
- o Council Hearing: Allotment 194 Electrical Cabinets Right-of-Way (ROW) – The proposed Salt River Project electric utility ROW easement along the south side of Talking Stick Way at the Loop 101 was presented for Council and Community comments. After the comment period, Engineering and Construction Services (ECS) will return to present a resolution on July 20, 2022 for Council consideration.
- o Council Hearing: Native Language Street Name – A proposal for native language street name for “Weldon Avenue” to “Tadai Vo:g” which translates to Roadrunner Road was presented for Council and Community comments. ECS will return to present a resolution on July 20, 2022 for Council consideration.
- o Administrative Reports: Department and operational reports and updates were given by the Community Manager, OCLA Special Assistant, Police Chief, Fire Chief, Vice President, and President.
- o Community Member Comments: 1) A comment was stated in regards to the Supreme Court’s decision of overturning Roe v. Wade. Felt the Community needs to take a stronger stance about women’s rights and tribal sovereignty.
- o Executive Session Items: Salt River

Fields Use Agreement Amendment, Office of General Counsel Legal Matters.

## *July 7, 2022 – Skype Council Work Session Items:*

- o Housing Update – An update on the MultiFamily Project was presented. Council gave concept approval to begin the public hearing phase for a business lease and to request for Community co-funding/investment in the project.
- o Medical Marijuana – A brief overview was presented on medical marijuana conditions in the State of Arizona: HHS’ unofficial recommendation of covered conditions; and several options for Council consideration. This item was tabled for more info and discussion.
- o Minutes (Regular) – Council approved the minutes as presented or edited.
- o Executive Work Session items: Public Grievance, Minutes (Exec).

## *July 13, 2022 – Skype Council Meeting Items:*

- o Resolution for N. 84th Street – Council approved a resolution to approve a rights-of-way application and consent to the grant of easement for a road and utility easement for on tribal and allotted lands along 84th Street (McKellips Road to the Salt River Boundary) for the general benefit of the Community and adjacent landowners.
- o Election Clerks – Council approved/selected additional clerks to assist the District I (Salt River) Election Board at the Primary and General Election. District II (Lehi) additional clerk was tabled.
- o COVID-19 Update – An update as of July 13, 2022 was presented. There are 70 active cases living in the Community and a total of 101 active cases.
- o Administrative Reports: Department and operational reports and updates were given by the Community Manager, OCLA Special Assistant, Police Chief, Fire Chief, Vice President, and President.
- o Community Member Comments: 1) Comment on persons in a Senior Care Facility 2) Comment about the need for a Senior Care Facility in the Community. 3) Comment on SR and Lehi voting for all candidates, Senior Care Facility, recommended an extension to the public comment period for the proposed Residency Ordinance, 4) Requested the forums be recorded and posted.
- o Executive Session: Gaming Enterprise Monthly Report, N. 84th Street, SRPD Report, SRMG, CM Request, General Counsel Legal Matters.

## *June 14, 2022 – Skype Council Work Session Items:*

- o Right-of-Way Prioritization – The ROW services which includes: ROW Easements, Service Line Agreements, Rights-of-Entry, and Private Drive Licenses, was presented. An overview of SRPMIC’s allotments and easements and the prioritization process was presented and discussed. Council consensus to schedule a work session between Council and staff to discuss buying back land from GRIC landowners.
- o Minutes (Regular) – Council approved the minutes as presented or edited.
- o Executive Session items: Minutes (Exec).

## *July 20, 2022 – Skype Council Meeting Items:*

- o Recognition and Marriott Update – Brian Rahberger was recognized by Marriot and Council, as he was named Operations Manager of the Year for the Courtyard Brand in the world. An update was also presented regarding Community members staying at the Courtyard Marriot and Residence Inn hotels due to the storm.
- o Resolution for Allotment 194 Electrical Cabinets ROW Easement – Council approved a resolution approving and authorizing a grant of easement across allotted land within the boundaries of the SRP-MIC to the Salt River Project Agricultural Improvement and Power District for the construction, operation, and maintenance of electrical distribution and electrical service facilities in the Pima Corridor (vicinity of Talking Stick Way and the Loop 101 Freeway.”
- o Resolution for Native Language Street Name – Council approved a resolution to approve the recommended street name Tadai Vo:g (a Native Language Street Name) replacing Weldon Avenue.”
- o FY23 Community Calendar – Council approved the FY2023 Tribal Holidays, Events, and Per Capita Community Calendar (October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023).
- o Miss Indian Arizona Pageant – Sistene Lewis announced she will be participating in the Miss Indian Scholarship program. She invited Council and Community to attend.
- o Election Clerks (Lehi) – Council approved a temporary clerk to assist the District II (Lehi) election at the Primary and General Elections.
- o Administrative Reports: A report was presented on the storm and power outages throughout the Community and affected homes and families. Department and operational reports and updates were given by the Community Manager, OCLA Special Assistant, Police Chief, Fire Chief, Vice President, and President.
- o Community Member Comments: 1) Thank you for assistance from Community because of the storm, thanked Memorial Hall for their service with families, and financial assistance given during COVID-19 pandemic. 2) Thanked SRP in restoring power as soon as possible, suggested for voters to vote for all candidates, suggested billboards for emergency situations because of the need for better communication. 3) Recommendation to name the Community to the original native languages names of the two tribes. 4) Commented on storm damage and those that lost their homes or damages to homes. ECS and SHRRP did not check on her mom’s home and requested they come check to make sure safe and secure. Commented on departments aren’t returning calls in regards to concerns.
- o Executive Session: Political Action Request, Gaming Compact, General Counsel Legal Matters.

## *July 21, 2022 – Skype Council Work Session Items:*

- o No Work Session

## *July 27, 2022 – Skype Council Meeting Items:*

- o SRPD Contract Approval for LeadsOnline – This agenda item was tabled.
- o Phoenix Cement Company and Salt River Sand & Rock By-Laws – The

proposed updated by-laws were presented for each entity. Council approved the updated by-laws.

- o Appeals Decision Posting - Council was presented whether to maintain the current process of postings, appeal decisions, and appeal opinions, uploaded to the legal research site. Council consensus to keep court posting in-house and create a search tool.
- o COVID-19 Update – The July 27, 2022 updated was provided.
- o Administrative Reports:
  - Introduction of Simon Goldenberg, new Assistant General Counsel Department and operational reports and updates were given by the Community Manager, OCLA Special Assistant, Police Chief, Fire Chief, Vice President, and President.
- o Community Member Comments: 1) Thank you for assistance after the storm damage. Thanked Community Members who came to assist with clean-up. Expressed concerns of requirements for tie-downs for mobile homes. 2) Requested to meet with staff in regards to inspections and tie-downs for mobile homes. 3) Expressed concerns on behalf of Hayes Family police incident. Requested an executive session for this issue. 4) Thank you for assistance after storm. Suggested police reform. 5) Complaint about an interaction with the SRPD and injuries received as a result. 6) Thank you for assistance after storm. Commented on Emergency Management training and tie-downs of mobile homes. 7) Commented on a negative experience when receiving a grocery gift card, senior not having computers or internet, and disappointment with TERC after the storm response. 8) Questioned and commented on process of declaring an emergency disaster. Requested an update on LEC and requirements be re-evaluated. Asked what is provided to non-member and member employees when they leave the government. 9) Commented on grocery gift card process. Requested more info be provided to the Community regarding TERC. Commented on police harassment. 10) Commended Community for after storm services and suggested member purchase non-perishable items for emergency cases. Expressed appreciation for Police and Fire for their services after the storm. Disagreed with voters voting for all candidates. 11) Commented on unity of the Community for voting purposes. Appreciated the grocery gift cards. Mentioned the need for a radio station to get information out quickly. Suggested ACM’s rotate departments to have a better understanding of all departments.
- o Executive Session: Gaming, Software Contract Agreement, Amicus Brief, General Counsel Legal Matters.

## *July 28, 2022 – Skype Council Work Session Items:*

- o Minutes (Regular) – Council approved the minutes as presented or edited.
- o Executive Session: Gaming Ordinance Amendment, Minutes (Exec), Human Resources Review.

WEEKLY - President, Vice-President, and Executive Administration hold Skype meetings for various other meetings.

For the most recent updates, check the SRPMIC Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/SRPMIC/>.







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## Calendar of Events

### AUGUST

#### NOW THROUGH AUGUST 8, PUBLIC OUTREACH SURVEY WEBSITE.

Public Works will be installing street lights as part of the sidewalk project along Mesa Drive (from Indian School to the AZ Canal) and Camelback (from Center Street to Mesa Drive). PW has created a webpage to solicit input from Community members about desired lighting levels throughout the Community. Visit: <https://tinyurl.com/3e9fues4>. Link will expire on August 9, 2022.

**20 DISTRICT B MEETING- CM AN-TONE**, 9 a.m. at the Salt River Community Building. Topics: Multi-Family Apartments & Housing Update, Voluntary Adult Deferred Per Capita Program, CM Comments. Questions can be directed to the Council Secretaries Office at (480) 362-7466.

**25 SALT RIVER FINANCIAL SERVICES INSTITUTION'S VIRTUAL**, Understanding Credit and Credit Reporting Workshops. 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Virtual, Zoom link provided at registration. To register: call or email Gracie Briones at 480-362-7600/ [gracie.briones@srpmic-nsn.gov](mailto:gracie.briones@srpmic-nsn.gov).

#### 27 WAKING UP WITH BUTTERFLIES

(Butterfly Wonderland), 8:30 - 9 a.m., check-in at 8:15. Enjoy quiet time photographing the butterflies, birds, or reptiles. Entomologist Derek Kellogg will be available to answer questions from guests about butterflies, plants, and the rainforest environment inside the Conservatory. Ages 18 & up; \$28.95 for public (includes admission). Free for members. Registration required. Call (480) 800-3000, ext. 206.

**27 2022 MILITARY & VETERANS WOMEN'S EXPERIENCE** Presented by the Arizona Department of Veterans' Services 10 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. in Avondale, come you're your fellow woman Veterans for a No-Cost Day. For questions or concerns please contact Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Veterans at [VeteranServices@SRPMIC-nsn.gov](mailto:VeteranServices@SRPMIC-nsn.gov) or at (480) 362-7884.

**29 DISTRICT E, CM LARGO**, 6 p.m. WOLF ROOM #56. Topics: Multi-Family Apartments & Housing Update, CM Comments. Questions can be directed to the Council Secretaries Office at (480) 362-7466.

### SEPTEMBER

**1 SALT RIVER FINANCIAL SERVICES INSTITUTION**, Understanding Credit and Credit Reporting Workshops. 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. In-person at the Two Waters, Bldg. B first floor room 106. To register: call or email Gracie Briones at 480-362-7600/ [gracie.briones@srpmic-nsn.gov](mailto:gracie.briones@srpmic-nsn.gov).

**2 RPHC FIRST FRIDAY EVENT**, 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. This open house event will take place the first Friday of each month at the River People Health Center. Each department at RPHC will be available to give out information and answer any questions about their services. For more information call (480) 278-RPHC (77242) or visit [www.rphc.org](http://www.rphc.org).

**4 LABOR DAY - TRIBAL OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED. PLEASE PLAN ACCORDINGLY.**

**6 SRPMIC GENERAL ELECTION**, Polls open 6 a.m. - 6 p.m. Polling Site: District I, Salt River Community Building / District II, Lehi Community Building. For more information contact SRPMIC Administration at (480) 3627466 or 362-7400.



#### What you need to know:

- NO arrangements needed for pick-up
- The SR Fire Prevention Bureau will home deliver for those not physically able to pick up
- Individuals should be considerate of others by requesting only what is needed
- Individuals must reside in SRPMIC

Sandbags available at the following four (4) stations:

- Station 291 - Osborn
- Station 292 - Lehi
- Station 293 - Talking Stick Way
- Station 294 - Indian School

### SR Fire Department Personnel To Assist with Distribution

If you are mobility impaired or physically unable to lift sandbags, please call:

**480-603-7111**

Email: [Dustin.Zamboni@srpmic-nsn.gov](mailto:Dustin.Zamboni@srpmic-nsn.gov)