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Mayor Corey Woods and Councilmembers Doreen Garlid and Randy Keating were re-elected in the March 12 Tempe Jurisdictional Election. Nikki Amberg was elected to serve as Councilmember as well. General Plan 2050 passed with approximately 62% of the votes. Read more at tempe.gov/election.

It's Earth Month and Bike Month! Let's celebrate together.



Throughout the month of April, Tempe will be sharing Bike Month information alongside sustainability-focused local events and tips to the community.

Make Earth Day Every Day by attending an Earth Month event, practicing using less water, reducing your waste or using public transit. The City of Tempe will be participating right beside you!

Ride into Bike Month with us

Did you know that Tempe is one of the leading bike communities in the country? Celebrate Bike Month in Tempe by using the 220+ miles of bikeways in our community. See Bike Month events and celebrations at tempe.gov/BikeMonth.

(See Bike Hero nominations on page 2).

City of Tempe's Earth Month hacks:

- Go paperless with your water bill before Earth Day and be entered to win a \$50 gift card to a local business. Enter to win by simply signing up for paperless billing at tempe.gov/waterutil. Don't worry—Tempe Today is available online.
- Make sustainable upgrades to your home and get money back. Rebates are available for toilets, turf conversions, irrigation, plants and more. Learn more at tempe.gov/rebates.
- Go solar together with your neighbors and save. Join the Phoenix Metro Solar Co-op, where you can get solar panels with others in your community at a group rate. More information at solarunitedneighbors.org/PhoenixMetro.

Find more sustainable hacks and Earth Month events at tempe.gov/EarthMonth.

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Inspiring Others to Push the Pedal

Do you know a Tempe resident or a local group who has demonstrated a commitment to bicycling in the city? If you appreciate their impact, large or small, then showcase their efforts by submitting a nomination for the 2024 Tempe Bike Hero through April 30. It's an easy process to nominate your two-wheeled champion by filling out a form to tell the story of their admirable cycling deeds. Get details at tempe.gov/BikeMonth.

Get Free Youth Transit Pass Before June 1

Current Youth Transit Passes will expire May 31, a month earlier than planned, to be compatible with Valley Metro's new fare box technology. Get the new pass by visiting the Tempe Transit Store, 200 E. Fifth St. weekdays from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Public parking is located at 117 E. Fifth St. A parent or guardian must accompany the youth; bring the youth's birth certificate and proof of Tempe residency to register. The new pass will be valid June 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. Get details at tempe.gov/YouthPass.

Share your input on ADUs

An online survey is open through May 1 to provide feedback on the possible expansion of Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) in Tempe. Tempe is considering updates on code regulations that allow ADUs. This code sets the rules for building extra living spaces like casitas or creating separate rental units on existing properties. Right now, only a limited number of properties qualify to build ADUs, and we want to hear your thoughts on a possible code update that could expand their use.

Find the online survey at tempe.gov/ADU. To request a paper copy, phone survey, one-on-one meeting or special meeting accommodations, call 480-350-8234. Find a helpful FAQ about the process at tempe.gov/ADU.



Tempe Community Salutes

The City of Tempe honors our future military services members and their families at Community Salutes on Monday, May 6 at 6 p.m. The hometown sendoff, hosted at Tempe Center for the Arts, recognizes graduating Tempe Union High School seniors who have committed to serving. The celebration will feature special performances, Tempe Union High School District's JROTC Color Guard, photo opportunities, vintage military vehicles and more. Learn more at tempe.gov/CommunitySalutes.

Zero Waste Day heads to Kiwanis Park April 27

Declutter and celebrate Earth Month at the same time. Clean out your attics, closets and garages of unwanted items and dispose of them for reuse, recycling and repurposing at Tempe's next Zero Waste Day from 7 a.m.-1 p.m. on Saturday, April. 27 at Kiwanis Park, 6111 S. All America Way. See accepted items and event details at tempe.gov/ZeroWaste.

Tempe's Household Products Collection Center turns 25!

For those who cannot make it to Zero Waste Day, Tempe has a Household Products Collection Center (HPCC), a year-round, drive-thru facility for dropping off household hazardous waste and other recyclable products. The HPCC first opened to the public on Earth Day, April 22, 1999. For 25 years, the HPCC has been a community staple for disposing of waste responsibly. Join us in celebrating the HPCC's B-Earth Day with a visit. Go to tempe.gov/HPCC for information on operating hours and a full list of accepted items.

EVENTS

APRIL 19-21

ASU Pow Wow,
Desert Financial
Arena
powwow.asu.edu

APRIL 26

Music Under the
Stars, Tempe Diablo
Stadium, 7 p.m.
tempe.gov/music

APRIL 28

Cactus Man Triathlon,
Tempe Beach Park
4peaksracing.com

MAY 3, 24

Performances at the
Museum, Tempe History
Museum, 7 p.m.
tempe.gov/MuseumEvents

MAY 19

Boots in the Park,
Tempe Beach Park
bootsinthepark.com

Full events calendar at tempe.gov/calendar



Read with a child – change a life!

Help kids become better readers through the AARP Foundation Experience Corps program. Stop by an information session April 12 or 26, from 9:30-10:30 a.m. at the Tempe Public Library. Learn more at tempe.gov/ExperienceCorps.

Everyone deserves to get home safely

The City of Tempe is taking a multi-pronged approach to improving safety on our streets. From arresting street racers to driver education, Tempe's goal is to reduce the number of serious and fatal accidents in the community to zero. Read more at tempe.gov/VisionZero.



Lakes Sandwich Brigade partners with HOPE team

When a group of women in The Lakes neighborhood started making PB & J sandwiches for people who are homeless, they wanted to make a difference in the community. Turns out the simple gesture made a difference in their own lives, too. Nearly 26,000 sandwiches later – along with chips, fruit and cookies - the volunteers have become a tight-knit group filling up sack lunches for the city's HOPE homeless outreach team and feeding their souls at the same time. The Lakes Sandwich Brigade, including about 25 Lakes Women's Club volunteers, got its start during the pandemic and just kept going year after year.

The grassroots partnership meets the volunteers' goal to do good and the HOPE team's mission to connect people to life-changing resources. By working directly with the HOPE team, the volunteers are supporting the city's efforts to help people end their homelessness. Learn more at tempe.gov/EndingHomelessness.



Making a splash: Clark Park celebrates grand opening

Celebrate the grand opening of the brand new Clark Park Community Center and Pool on Saturday, April 20 from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. The new center serves as a community hub for recreation, offering classes, programs and services for a range of ages, interests and abilities. The facilities are designed to be in operation year-round with a heated pool and several classrooms in addition to the recently renovated outdoor park and play spaces. Two stunning art pieces by artist Nicole Mueller mark the building's exterior and interior. Celebrate the opening with a ribbon cutting, refreshments, activities and open swim. Learn more at tempe.gov/ParkUpdates.

Gear up for summer

Ready to have the best summer ever? We can help with that! The Tempe Opportunities brochure is jam-packed with classes, programs and summer camps that begin in June. Quality classes and camps are available for all ages and abilities at convenient times, locations and affordable prices. Summer registration opens Monday, April 22 for Tempe residents at tempe.gov/play.

Additionally, Tempe offers a variety of camps ranging from full-day, summer-long options to week-long special interest, sports, arts and STEM choices. Check out the complete list and sign up today at tempe.gov/SummerCamps.

Tempe City Council



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To contact the Mayor and Council, call 480-350-8110.

Check tempe.gov/clerk for updated schedules of City Council meetings and agendas or call 480-350-4311. Meeting dates are subject to change.

Meetings are aired live on Tempe 11 and streamed live at tempe.gov/tempe11.

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Have Your Say on Tempe's budget – join a City Council meeting

The Tempe City Council continues to welcome public input during Fiscal Year 2024/25 budget planning at various Council meetings. The final adoption of the Tempe city budget is scheduled for June 6 to take effect on July 1. You can find dates, times and purpose of these meetings at tempe.gov/BudgetPlan or by calling Tempe 311 at 480-350-4311.

Spring Movies in the Park

Get ready for family flicks under the starry night sky! Grab your loved ones, blankets and a picnic dinner and head over to Kiwanis Park to take in Tempe's free movie series on Friday nights in May. Movies begin at dusk, approximately 7 p.m. This year's lineup:

May 3: The Little Mermaid (G)

May 10: Wish (PG)

May 17: Finding Nemo (G)

May 24: Elemental (PG)

Learn more at tempe.gov/FamilyFun.

Students invited to submit artwork for Law Day

Tempe Municipal Court invites Tempe and Kyrene school district students in fourth, fifth and sixth grade to take part in the Law Day 2024 art contest. Students can draw, paint, sketch or create a collage depicting the importance of Voices of Democracy. Students are encouraged to use their imaginations and creativity. The deadline to submit is April 15 and all entries will be displayed from April 23 through May 5 at the Tempe History Museum. Cash prizes will be presented to the winners. For details, visit tempe.gov/court.

Give art a spin

The City of Tempe Public Art program presents LeMonde Studios' *Light Lane*, an interactive art installation coming to downtown Tempe April 3-30. *Light Lane* combines bikes, music and visual art through nine stationary bicycles that activate Mill Avenue with light and sound when powered by pedal. Featuring artist-designed imagery and a distinct soundtrack from the sounds of Tempe Playlist artists, *Light Lane* is a truly local experience. Bikes will be available for free to the public 24/7. Learn more and view locations at tempe.gov/LightLane.

"A" Mountain Challenge

The A Mountain Challenge is a 7-week hiking, walking or running challenge that goes through April 30. Participants complete the challenge on their own schedule. Challenge yourself, test your limits, earn exciting rewards and support downtown Tempe merchants! The more you climb, the more prizes you can earn. Registration open until April 15 at downtowntempe.com.

Tempe Family Advocacy Center

Did you know Tempe offers free resources to all crime victims in the city through our Family Advocacy Center? Confidential services include safety planning, counseling referrals and help navigating the criminal justice system. Get started: 480-350-8004.

May 2024

Bulk/uncontained trash, green organics collection schedule

Items must be placed by 6 a.m. on Monday of your collection week, no earlier than 10 days prior. Holidays will not affect the collection schedule.

Area	Date
D	April 29-May 3
E	May 6-10
F	May 13-17
G	May 27-31

tempe.gov/BulkTrash • 480-350-4311