



December 3, 2020



Dear Community Member:

Council Committees

Health & Human Services Committee

Your Risk as the Coronavirus Careens Out-of-Control

Green Valley and Quail Creek are basically Senior communities. Therefore, most residents are very aware of their vulnerability to the Coronavirus. If we seniors are following the guidelines of wearing a mask, washing our hands and are not gathering in groups, then “risk” becomes the most vulnerable point in our protection. We all experience risk when we go shopping, pump gas, handle money, when a friend invites us to dinner, on and on and on. Everyone needs to consider how much risk they are willing to take. Because we live in a community of Seniors, we residents ought to be able to significantly reduce the spread of the virus in our community!

Pima County’s Voluntary Curfew

Pima County has recommended a voluntary curfew running from 10 PM to 5 AM. The curfew started on November 23, 2020 and will run through the end of December. For most of us in Green Valley this should not be a hardship as most of us are “early” to bed and “early” to rise. And though the sun has not yet risen, remember do not leave your house for your morning constitutional before 5:00 AM. For

those of you who are planning to raise your glass one more time, remember you need to be sober to take yourself home by 10 PM. Although the curfew is voluntary, barring essential or emergency activities, if everyone practices social distancing by observing the curfew, then we can help reduce transmission of the coronavirus.

Pima County and Arizona Covid-19 Dashboard Statistics

In the last week of November, the total number of people in Arizona who have tested positive for Covid-19 is 325,995 and the number of deaths is 6,634. In Pima County, the number is 38,668 positive cases and 682 deaths. The death rates for the county and state are comparable, at .017 for Pima County and .020 for Arizona.

Free Covid-19 testing is available. “Pima County has opened sites offering free testing to anybody in the community, ages 5 and older, without a doctor’s order and even if you do not have symptoms. These sites offer the PCR test that can let you know if you have an active Covid-19 infection and may be able to spread the disease to others.” There are locations for both walk up and drive thru testing.

See the Pima County website for location information:

The web page address is <https://webcms.pima.gov/cms/One.aspx?portalId=169&pageId=575060>.

You may also find the page by going to the Pima County website, click on Health, then click on Education and Outreach, then Pima County Combined Covid-19 Information and Resources, then Coronavirus Disease 2019 (Covid-19 Information & Resources), then Pima County Covid-19 Testing Centers. This is a cumbersome process, so you may want to bookmark the Pima County pages you use regularly.

MOU between the Council and the Hospital

Do you receive the email bulletins our Hospital has been putting out?? In 2019, the Council signed a Memorandum of Agreement to support and promote the Santa Cruz Valley Regional Hospital. The following are just some of the items from their November 23rd bulletin.

- Our Emergency Room is staffed 24/7 and we commit to seeing you in 15 minutes!
- 49 private rooms and staff are ready for you.
- On-site Intensive Care Unit, blood bank, Cath Lab, CT and MRI

- scans, pathology lab and cardiology diagnostics.
- Our Physicians Group is open for non-emergency and preventative care.
- Schedule a future Telehealth Visit with our Primary Care Clinic at 520.393.4863. Same-day and by appointment. New and existing patients. No referral needed.

For more information, see their website: <https://scvrhaz.com/>

Council Services

Service Line Warranty Program

Are you aware of the Service Line Warranty Program? This opportunity through the GVC offers sewer/septic lateral coverage and water/well line coverage for up to \$8,500.00 per repair incident. Protect your home against leaking, clogged or broken water and sewer lines from the point of utility connection to the home exterior. There are no annual or lifetime limits, deductibles, service fees or paperwork. Repairs are made only by licensed, local contractors.

For more information go to the GVC website homepage - gvcouncil.org

1. Click the menu bar, click on GV COUNCIL
2. Scroll to COMMUNITY SERVICES/click
3. Scroll to Service Line Warranties/click and check out this very affordable home protection!

Volunteers



The GVC Health & Human Services Committee is looking for additional volunteers to work with existing medical, health and related human services providers to assure the availability of a continuum of community and home-based health support services in the Green Valley area. Committee members will coordinate with the Pima County Health Department for strategic planning and building Community Health Needs Assessments and Improvement Plans and help in coordinating and maintaining a registry of social services and health care providers.

The Environmental Committee works on

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environmental quality and environmental issues that affect and/or concern the community with specific reference to water, air, natural environmental areas, beautification of Green Valley (e.g. MedianGreen) and energy conservation. The Committee works with and receives guidance from Pima County's Environmental Quality Department. Volunteers are needed to provide input for community and homeowner association issues on these subjects and consider ways for improvements.

Quote for Today: *The best preparation for tomorrow is doing your best today* ...H. Jackson Brown, Jr.

Until next week, take care and stay well.

The Green Valley Council



Dick Roberts, Acting President

