

PEORIA NOW

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A monthly publication of city-centered news and current events for the citizens of Peoria, Arizona.

Preparing for our Future by Taking Action to Protect Our Environment

Peoria's Sustainability Action Plan approaches sustainability in a logical and purposeful manner that ensures residents' needs are at the forefront of every decision. Adopted in 2012 and ratified by council in 2016, this plan outlines specific goals and initiatives for reducing energy costs, conserving resources, implementation of smart water principles, an extensive education component, and even transforming the way we design, operate, and maintain facilities.

Recognized as a leader in sustainability and known for our exceptional quality of life, our approach to urban planning safeguards our most precious resources. By focusing on sustainable development, which serves to reduce the negative impacts associated with accelerated growth, we assure our community develops in a thoughtful and responsible way. This focus has created an elevated standard of operation.

This past June, the city of Peoria made another giant leap in our sustainability efforts by entering into an Energy Savings Performance Contract with a leading energy services company, which will result in significant savings by making 16 existing city facilities more energy efficient through the addition of solar power. This will result in energy and cost savings to our community by generating safe, reliable, and long-term affordable power; while decreasing our carbon footprint.

Outside of energy, water is an important topic to us desert dwellers. Peoria's long-term approach to smart water management has created a diverse water portfolio and an array of policies and procedures to ensure a stable supply of high-quality water to serve Peoria residents through ultimate build out.

A great example of this is visible in our neighborhoods. The purple pipes along our roadways and in our parks indicate reclaimed or recycled water that is specifically treated for landscaping. This helps ensure we use the right water for the right use, shrinking waste of this precious resource.

Although Peoria has made great strides towards becoming a sustainable city, we recognize that we can't do it on our own. Peoria's Sustainable University offers free courses on a variety of topics including solar, landscaping, composting, and water use; all designed to empower residents to make small changes for big impacts.

Peoria's Sustainability Action Plan outlines our goals and objectives and I am proud to see many accomplishments since its inception. We recognize that environmental stewardship translates to financial stewardship, and perhaps most importantly – it's simply the right thing to do. I pledge Peoria's continued commitment to economic viability and environmental responsibility as we work with our community to create a city that we will be proud to pass on to future generations.

For more information, visit www.peoriaaz.gov/sustainability.

– Mayor Cathy Carlat



Energy Audit Program

The city of Peoria has partnered with FOR Energy to help homeowners reduce their energy bill and improve the comfort of their house. A free energy audit is available to the first 250 qualifiers. The audit includes DIY tips, rebates and tax credits, photos of inefficient areas of the home, recommendations for improvements and an introduction to the Home Performance with ENERGY STAR Program.

How do I qualify?

- Must be a homeowner
- Home must be built between 1950 - 2006
- Must be a single-family home
- Must have a high bill of \$200+ (Equalizer bill of \$125+)
- Must be year-round AZ resident

For details, visit www.peoriaaz.gov/sustainability.

Next HHW Pickup

The City of Peoria is doing another round of household hazardous waste pickup in October. Place all items in a sturdy box clearly labeled "HHW" by your carport or garage door by 6 a.m. the morning of your collection date. Schedule a hazardous waste pickup from your home at www.peoriaaz.gov/hazmat, 623-773-7836 or email at hhw@peoriaaz.gov.

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NOVEMBER 2017

COMING SOON

Trash/Recycling Pickup Holiday Schedule

Trash and recycling pickup will NOT change due to the Veterans Day holiday.

Veterans Day
(Saturday, November 11)
No change in service day.

For the full 2017 trash/recycle pickup schedule, call 623-773-7160 or visit www.peoriaaz.gov/solidwaste.

Upcoming Events

Peoria Music Series

Sept. 12, 2017 – June 12, 2018 at 7:30 p.m.
www.theaterworks.org

Gingerbread House Competition

Nov. 27-18 from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.
www.peoriaaz.gov/specialevents

Peoria Old Town Holiday Festival

Dec. 1 from 5 to 10 p.m.
www.peoriaaz.gov/specialevents

Honor Veterans in Peoria Nov. 10-11



Veterans Day is a day to remember the service of all U.S. military veterans past and present. To honor those who served and continue to serve, the city of Peoria will be hosting several veterans events on Friday, Nov. 10 and Saturday, Nov. 11 at the Rio Vista Community Park, located at 8866 W. Thunderbird Rd., and Peoria Sports Complex, located at 16101 N. 83rd Ave.

ARIZONA FALL LEAGUE MEMORIAL GAME

- Saguaros vs. Javelinas
- Friday, Nov. 10 at 6:35 p.m.
- Peoria Sports Complex
- Free admission for veterans with a valid ID. Peoria families can get a group of tickets for \$16.
- Fireworks show after the game.
- For more information, visit www.peoriasportscomplex.com.

RALLY POINT ARIZONA RUN

- Saturday, Nov. 11 at 6 a.m.
- Peoria Sports Complex
- Join in half marathon and 5k runs.
- Attend the Rally-Up Family Festival.
- Sign up at www.rallypointarizona.com.

VETERANS MEMORIAL CEREMONY

- Saturday, Nov. 11 at 7:30 a.m.
- Rio Vista Community Park
- A memorial ceremony to unveil the Veterans Honor Wall, monument flag, Bell UH-1H Huey Helicopter and waterside reflection deck.
- For more information, visit www.peoriaaz.gov/specialevents.

TASTE N' TRIBUTE AT P83

- Saturday, Nov. 11 from 6 to 11 p.m.
- Peoria Sports Complex
- Free admission to see Fleetwood Mac and U2 tribute bands.
- Proceeds from \$2 menu samples from local restaurants go to veterans organizations.
- For more information, visit www.peoriasportscomplex.com.

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REMOVE YOUR VALUABLES

LOCK YOUR CAR



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