

Housing Programs & Services

NEWSLETTER

Community Resource Center

A community resource center has opened at The Genesis Project located at 564 North Idaho Road, Suite 5 Monday afternoons from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. This resource center helps to connect the community with much needed resources.

Representatives from a variety of organizations offer on-site office hours to share information with those in need and who are seeking help.

Services include a mentorship program, healthcare, employment, signing up for benefits such as DES/SNAP, medical insurance, social security, legal services, housing, and free phones. Each Monday the list of services offered change.

Additionally, the resource center offers those without adequate heating and air a place

to escape from the ridged coldness or blazing heat of the desert. The Genesis Project serves hot lunches Monday through Friday from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. and is listed as a hydration station and heat respite during the harsh summer months.



The Community Resource Center is made possible through partnerships with The Genesis Project, United Way of Pinal County, the City of Apache Junction, the Apache Junction Chronic Homeless Committee and the various partners who provide services during center hours.

For more information call Heather at 480-474-2635.

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Notable News

The Apache Junction Community Resource Center and the Chronic Homeless Committee are the recipients of the Desert Peaks Public Partnership award through the Maricopa Association of Governments. This award was presented to the coalition in recognition of its excellence in regional cooperation. Partners are expected to receive an award during a June 27th awards banquet.

Calendar

- May 28—Memorial Day, city office are closed
- June is national adopt a cat month—visit Paws and Claws Care Center today.
- June 17—Father’s Day
- July 4—Independence Day, city offices are closed



Programs

Housing Rehab Assistance
 The City of Apache Junction has funding available for homeowners within the City of Apache Junction city limits. Funding is available to make improvements to owner occupied homes where one of the occupants is either elderly, under the age of 18, or disabled. Improvements can include, but is not limited to, electrical, plumbing, roofing, heating and air conditioning, and ADA accessibility improvements. Homeowners may obtain an application either:

- 1) online at www.ajcity.net/rehab;
- 2) by phone at (480) 474-2635; or
- 3) by picking one up at City Hall 300 East Superstition Blvd in

the Development Services Building
 Funding is available on a first come first serve basis, so applicants are advised not to wait. For more information call (480) 474-2635.

Did you say FREE?
 The city is offering Apache Junction residents free reflective house numbers with help from the Friends of Apache Junction and the Allstate Foundation. This offer is on a first come first serve basis, so call today 480-474-2635.

Free Dump Week is provided one week every quarter, Monday through Saturday from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m. For further information and the specific dates, please contact the Apache Junction Landfill at (480) 982-7003.

RESOURCES Need help with your budget, try these resources:
 Every Dollar, a free app or on-line budgeting tool at <https://www.everydollar.com>
 Financial Stability classes are held in Apache Junction each month. Call United Way of Pinal County for details 520-836-0736 or <https://www.unitedwayofpc.org/financial-stability-classes-0>

HOUSING PROGRAM GOALS:

1. Eliminate health and safety hazards in homes;
2. Benefit low to moderate income residents; and
3. Improve neighborhoods and encourage stability.

Housing Funnies

Don't be scared of a budget, there are services to help.



Busy Bee Home Maintenance Tips

You can maintain your home and quality of life by starting with a zero-based budget. A zero based budget is simply when your income minus your expenses equals zero. But you need to start with your most important categories first: Food, Shelter and Utilities, Basic Clothing, Transportation and Savings.

When you plan this way, it prevents you from running out of money before you even start saving! However if your income does not cover all of your expenses, consider these fifteen practical ways to save money:

1. Get rid of your debt.
2. Cut down on groceries.
3. Cancel subscriptions/memberships.
4. Buy generic.
5. Cut ties with cable.
6. Automate your savings.
7. Spend extra income wisely.
8. Reduce energy costs.
9. Unsubscribe from emails.
10. Borrow, don't buy.
11. Pack lunch.
12. Ask about discounts.
13. Take advantage of your retirement savings plan.
14. Lower your bills.
15. Try a spending freeze.

<https://www.daveramsey.com/blog/the-secret-to-saving-money>

Bees Wishes 

If you have a question or comment about anything written in this newsletter, please contact:
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 Monday to Thursday 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

ACCESSIBILITY The City of Apache Junction invites and welcomes people of all abilities to use our programs, sites and facilities. Any question about our service for people with disabilities can be answered by the city's ADA Coordinator (480) 474-2635, TDD (480) 983-0095, or adacoordinator@ajcity.net. Additional information may be found at www.ajcity.net/ada.