

Housing Programs & Services

NEWSLETTER

Neighborhood Pride

The City of Apache Junction has made efforts to encourage neighborhood pride by identifying simple neighborhood projects that will bring your neighbors together, insight a sense of pride, and make something beautiful in your neighborhood. Project ideas can be found on the city's website at www.ajcity.net/ssc.



Included on this page are quick and easy things to do within your neighborhood such as:

- 1) consider walking instead of driving a car to experience the neighborhood,
- 2) Get to know the names of people in your neighborhood,
- 3) Start recycling—contact your trash provider for more information,
- 4) Report crime at 480-982-8260,
- 5) Pick up litter near your home,
- 6) Eat and shop local—did you know the City of Apache junction does not have a property tax, therefore sales tax that

local sales tax is the single largest source of funding for the city? Also, \$.49 of every dollar in the city's general fund is supported by shopping in AJ. This money goes towards public safety, parks and recreation, and the public library.

- 7) Enjoy your front yard,
- 8) Report any health and safety issues at 480-474-5112,
- 9) Be a good neighbor, and
- 10) Educate yourself on how to make a positive impact on the environment in such things as saving water and trash collection.

There are also several larger projects that are broken down into three categories:

- 1) projects for one person,
- 2) projects that are for a few people and minimal money, and
- 3) projects that may require a larger number of people and coordination.

Sample projects range from painting your mailbox, planting a tree, and hosting a block party.

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Notable News

AJ Invests in our residents by working with various community organizations to provide compassion and forward thinking which creates prosperity and a quality of life unmatched! Here are just some of the ways we are investing in our residents:

- 1) Providing a housing rehabilitation program,
- 2) Holding a weekly community resource center,
- 3) Participating an the heat relief network,
- 4) Providing financial stability classes, and
- 5) Hosting community events.

Check out more at www.ajcity.net/ajinvests.

Calendar

- May 27 Memorial Day, city offices are closed
- 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.

Eviction Prevention and Utility Payment Services

For more information and assistance contact CAHRA at 520-466-1112.

Did you say FREE?

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.

Busy Bee Home Maintenance Tips

Here are some safety tips when tackling home repairs:

1. Tackle only the tasks you feel safe handling.
2. Keep a tidy work area to avoid creating your own hazards.
3. Keep tools and supplies away from the reach of small children.
4. Dress for safety with gloves, masks, safety goggles, and other safety gear.
5. Read the owner's manual.
6. Keep drill bits, blades, and cutters sharp.
7. Protect electrical tools with GFCI receptacles.
8. Use a sturdy ladder with someone to "spot" you.
9. Unplug items when being repaired.
10. Use proper ventilation when using chemicals.
11. Have a first aid kit available or immediate access to 9-1-1 and poison control 800-222-1222.

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.

RESOURCES

Apache Junction seeks to develop and encourage sustainable neighborhoods. Sustainability is improving the environment, human well-being, and social justice for present and future generations. For quick and easy ways to promote sustainable actions in your neighborhood visit www.ajcity.net/ssc.

Housing Funnies



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.

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.