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ARE YOU READY?



4 Simple Steps . . . Have a Plan, Be Ready, Stay Informed and Volunteer!

Ready! Coconino is an emergency notification system that serves all of Coconino County, including the cities located within the County. Computer automation allows operators to send recorded emergency information to a large majority of our residents simultaneously. Public safety officials will use this system to notify you in the event of wildland fires, neighborhood evacuations, closures of major highways due to traffic collisions, natural disasters, law enforcement emergencies and any other event that may affect the safety of our community. This system is another tool to help you stay informed during emergencies. We will still broadcast emergency information through the emergency alert system via radio, television and weather radio.

This system utilizes telephone company databases but, to ensure that you receive emergency information via this system, **we encourage everyone to register your home and cell phone numbers at www.readycoconino.az.gov.**

Your information will NOT be shared with any outside agencies—other than public safety personnel such as 911 dispatchers and our Ready! Coconino service vendor, CityWatch.

For more information, call Coconino County Emergency Management at **(928) 526-2735; toll-free (800) 790-1990.**



DEAR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS,

As you know, these are dynamic times and more is being asked of each of us in our community – mostly to come together and address the common issues and concerns that affect our daily lives. In an effort to meet the growing needs of our citizens and to create new possibilities for our community, County leadership has identified six strategic priorities designed to position our County for the future. Each of these focus areas reflect our strengths as an organization, and as a community that has demonstrated our ability to pull together and develop innovative solutions for each unique situation that comes our way.

In the area of **Community Vitality**, we seek to enrich our communities and connect them through education, working together, and sharing the common goal of living healthy, high quality lives. By continuing to build networks of support for families, youth, neighborhoods and communities, Coconino County will continue to work with other service providers to reduce the need for social services, public safety costs and remedial education—and build on the many assets of our unique communities.

As we look to the future, we recognize that a proactive approach to maintaining a quality workforce and work environment will require an active role in **Economic Development** in our region. Through the success of programs such as the Sustainable Economic Development Initiative, Coconino County is focusing on the unique competitive advantages of our region and creating the incentives to attract and retain business enterprises that share our commitment to a sustainable future—one that meets our needs without jeopardizing the needs of future generations. Partnership programs, such as the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program, have provided our community with over \$1 million that goes directly to individuals and families (see page 4).

An important part of leadership in Coconino County includes the stewardship of **Cultural and Natural Resources**. By protecting the magnificent cultural and environmental treasures of the Coconino Plateau, we are fulfilling our mission and protecting our unique



County Manager Steve Peru

and diverse heritage. Living in harmony with our environment and rich cultural heritage requires a constant vigilance by community leaders. This year, the Board of Supervisors has continued to work with Congress on the management of the lands surrounding Walnut Canyon National Monument. A study of this land use will assist with future planning efforts in the area of the unique monument.

County leadership continues to play a key role in maintaining exemplary standards of **Public Safety and Welfare**. Last year, we successfully implemented preventative drug and alcohol treatment programs that will reduce recurring criminal activity and cut costs. Every year, hundreds of people are influenced by the success of our DUI/Drug Court program—by helping people turn their lives around and reconnect with their friends and family as contributing members of the community. We were also successful in obtaining funding for the Integrated Family Court, which provides judicial services directly to families, utilizing a “one court – one family” philosophy (see page 20).



To ensure we are providing the maximum benefit possible for our residents, we are continuing our efforts with **Fiscal Health** and **Organizational Health**. Last year, we went through the difficult process of analyzing our financial situation and preparing for leaner economic times. This year, we are building on this successful forecasting process to look deeply at the future viability of all our major revenue sources—while working with the State and Federal government to encourage support for programs with a long track record of success and value in our communities.

As we focus our efforts in these six areas, we recognize that we have a responsibility and an opportunity to seek new ways of working together and providing the services you depend on and need. In this 2008 Report to Citizens, we wanted to share with you a broad sampling of the many ways Coconino County employees work on a daily basis to provide high quality services to our citizens.

Sincerely,

COCONINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

(in order of appearance)

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Steve Peru

GOVERNMENT RELATIONS IN COCONINO COUNTY

The newly-created Government Relations division of the County Manager’s office has been busy working with the Arizona State Legislature and the Arizona Congressional Delegation on behalf of Coconino County. Whether protecting the interests of our County during the 2008 and 2009 budget negotiations, identifying legislative solutions to County issues, or identifying funding sources for County programs and services, Government Relations is providing needed advocacy for Coconino County.

Each year, the Board of Supervisors adopts State and Federal Legislative Agendas, which are developed with input from County departments. For 2008, the Board adopted a Federal Legislative Agenda that includes the reauthorization of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act. The County receives more than \$4 million annually for schools, road maintenance and search and rescue efforts.

Reauthorization of this act is key to continued funding for these important services in Coconino County.

The County is also advocating for full funding of the Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) program. PILT funding provides compensation to Coconino County for federally owned tax exempt lands. Other efforts supported by the County include continued regional water resource planning, and continued funding for transportation and healthy forests.

For more information, contact Government Relations Director Joanne Keene at (928) 679-7134; or email jkeene@coconino.az.gov.





VOLUNTEER INCOME TAX ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program offers low income wage earners help in preparing their annual tax returns. A community partnership, the Coalition for Economic Empowerment, trains volunteers in the basics of tax preparation, with the goal of helping working individuals and families apply for their Earned Income Tax Credit.

For the 2007 tax year, more than 100 people volunteered; 992 households were assisted; and over \$1 million was returned to hard working families in Coconino County.

For more information, call United Way of Northern Arizona at (928) 773-9813.

BENEFITS CHECK-UP FOR SENIORS SAVES MONEY

Eve was having difficulty making ends meet. At age 74, widowed and living alone, she dreaded opening the gas and electric bills each month. She seemed to be cold from October to March. She tried to save money but, even though her mortgage was paid, her bills kept increasing. Her car needed tires and she found that her \$898 a month Social Security check was not enough. Her family was unable to help her.

The best news was the Medicare Cost Share program, which saved her the monthly Part B premium that was automatically deducted from her Social Security check. The case manager not only had the forms available, but helped Eve fill them out. After a few weeks, she had reduced her expenses and increased her income.

Don't go without the help you need to stay independent!

The solution for Eve was to call the local Area Agency on Aging. She told them where she lived and was referred to Coconino County Senior Services.

There are thousands of seniors like Eve in Coconino County who need help in making their lives and income more secure. Senior Services provides case management throughout the County, serves lunch meals in Williams and Flagstaff, and provides home services in Williams, Page and Flagstaff.

A Senior Services Case Manager called Eve to arrange for a Benefits Check-up and to schedule a home visit. Based on her age and income, Eve was eligible to have the assessed valuation of her home frozen; and she qualified for discounts on her Unisource gas and APS electric bills.

If you are looking for help, call (928) 213-5254; or toll-free (877) 521-3500. You can also visit www.benefitscheckup.org or Community Services at www.coconino.az.gov for more information.



PASSPORT APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS HAVE CHANGED

Effective February 1, 2008 – U.S. citizens traveling by **air** must present a valid passport to enter or depart the United States. When entering the U.S. by **land and sea ports of entry**, all adult travelers will be required to present proof of citizenship (such as a birth certificate) and proof of identity (such as a driver's license).



Several important changes in the Passport Program were also implemented on February 1, 2008. American citizens may apply for a passport book and/or a passport card. The passport card may be used only for **land and sea** travel between the U.S. and Canada, Mexico, Bermuda and the Caribbean. Applications are now being accepted for the new passport card.

U.S. passport applications for children under age 16 require consent of both parents. All applicants must appear in person when applying for a passport.

The Clerk of Superior Court has the updated forms to process passport applications and renewals. The information, including fees, processing time, and age requirements, is also available online at www.travel.state.gov; or by calling the National Passport Information Center toll-free at (877) 487-2778.

For more information, call the office of the Clerk of Superior Court at (928) 779-6535.





VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



Be the change you want to see in Coconino County! At the County, we recognize and welcome the talents of community members. We are expanding our opportunities to volunteers because we see the value in adding more diversity and involving a greater number of citizens in our work.

Several departments, including Community Services, Sheriff's Office, Health, and Parks and Recreation, utilize large numbers of volunteers throughout the year. There are a variety of opportunities for various levels of commitment, interests, skills and abilities.

Volunteer opportunities include: Jail program facilitators, friendly visitors to homebound seniors, program outreach, trail work and park maintenance, park watch members, business coaches, and

Search and Rescue. There are also twenty-seven volunteer boards, commissions, committees and councils for citizens to take an active role in County government.

We are committed to the idea that everyone can volunteer. If we do not have a current opening that fits you, we will refer you to an outside agency that does offer a good match for your schedule, skills and interests.

If you would like to find out more about getting involved, call (928) 679-7464. Look for new volunteer positions at www.coconino.az.gov/jobline.asp. For more information on the boards and commissions, visit www.coconino.az.gov/bos.aspx?id=3483.

BEYOND POVERTY, DREAM CIRCLES & PROJECT HOMELESS CONNECT



**Dream Circles...
Moving Beyond Poverty**

Imagine that you are one of the 18% of Coconino County residents who live under the federal poverty guideline—which for a family of three is \$17,200 per year. That family likely pays 50% of their income for housing, and their remaining income must cover utilities, health care, food, child care and transportation.

While the prospects seem dire for those living in poverty, we have an incredible wealth of caring individuals within

our community. The **Beyond Poverty** and **Dream Circles** programs utilize the community to help individuals and families move permanently out of poverty. Dream Circles constitutes a group of people who meet regularly to help a client accomplish their personal goals in life. A circle acts as a community around the person and offers time and energy to help overcome obstacles and increase available options. This can take the form of tutoring, job market coaching or simply a ride to work.

The beauty of the Dream Circle approach is that it makes an incredible difference in a person's life and affords community members a variety of levels at which they can contribute. There is room for those who enjoy close connections and wish to work with someone one on one; and room for folks who would like to make a short term contribution, such as giving someone a ride. Just as meaningful is the offer of the fridge that has been sitting in the garage.

We have found that, with all the available community assets, Beyond Poverty needn't be a single program—

more like an umbrella for innovative opportunities to make a difference. In January, we added '**Project Homeless Connect**' under the umbrella. The Connect was a one-day, one-stop event designed to provide housing, services and hospitality directly to homeless people in a convenient one-stop mode. Over twenty agencies—five from the County—four hair stylists, five massage therapists, and 50+ volunteers connected 'guests' to services. Agencies found the event so meaningful, they asked for the date of the next Connect. Can't let that pass by, so we have planned the next Connect for July 19!

If you would like to hear more about our projects, or are interested in volunteering, call (928) 679-7456 or (928) 679-7431. We would be delighted to speak with you!

TREASURER'S OFFICE CONDUCTS FIRST ELECTRONIC TAX LIEN CERTIFICATE SALE

In February, the Treasurer's Office held its annual Tax Lien Sale using an electronic format, via an internet sale site. The internet sale was designed to ensure fairness, while providing increased access and competitiveness in the sale of tax certificates.

The electronic sale was hosted by **Realauction.com**, a privately owned company specializing in the advertising and sale of delinquent tax certificates for local governments and municipalities. Realauction was created to assist municipalities in reducing the costs and manpower associated with traditional open cry auctions.

The total number of tax certificates sold was 866, with a total of 192 active bidders. The total amount

of delinquent taxes, penalties and interest collected was \$506,480 and the weighted average interest rate on all certificates was 6.4%. At the traditional open cry auction, the occupancy of the facility limits the number of bidders to a maximum of 120.

In February 2007, the total number of tax certificates sold was 784, bringing in a total of \$526,989 in taxes, interest and penalties, with an average interest rate of 11.5%. The real savings for the County was in staff time—they were able to conduct their regular business while the auction took place electronically.

The majority of the feedback from investors participating in the electronic auction has been positive. Prior to the

auction, a few seasoned investors expressed concern about their ability to win certificates in the internet auction. After the auction, they were very satisfied with the outcome and planned to invest in other Arizona county's electronic tax sales. Arizona counties that currently hold electronic tax sales are Apache, Coconino, Maricopa, Mohave, Pinal and Yavapai.

Tax liens are currently available for purchase over-the-counter at the Treasurer's office.

For more information, call (928) 679-8188, or visit www.coconino.az.gov/treasurer.



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PAGE JUSTICE COURT OFFERS ONLINE PAYMENT

Page Justice Court has partnered with VitalChek Network, Inc. to provide online payments of fines and costs. Citizens may visit www.paymentchek.com/az/coconinoco/ and pay traffic violations online with a credit card. The VitalChek service provides easy and convenient options to pay, and is provided at no cost to the court.

Those who do not have internet access may call the Page Justice Court at **(928) 645-8871** and use their credit card to pay.

VitalCheck is a leading provider of customized payment solutions for government agencies. They currently provide PaymentChek, their unique bundle of payment services, to more than 650 government agencies.

Page Justice Court is the first Justice Court in the County to provide this service.

For more information, call Page Justice Court or visit www.coconino.az.gov/courts.aspx?id=298



WELCOME TO THE ASSESSOR'S NEW WEBSITE . . . www.coconino.az.gov/assessor

The Assessor's Office is happy to announce the completion of the final phase of the "Document Management System" — their new website, which went live on May 1. The updated site makes it possible for the general public to obtain additional property related data online.

A number of recent improvements have been made to the website, with the goal of providing the public, County departments and other agencies a resource that is easy to use. Assessor staff will be able to locate documents and maps right at their desktops, which means greater efficiency and timeliness in responding to public inquiries.

The system itself contains the same data you are used to seeing in the current system. However, the appearance and location of the data will be different. Available to the public is information about **property values, the assessment process, ownership history, property tax assistance and current news and events.**

We hope you find this new website to be helpful and we encourage you to use it. For more information, call the Assessor's Office at **(928) 679-7962.**

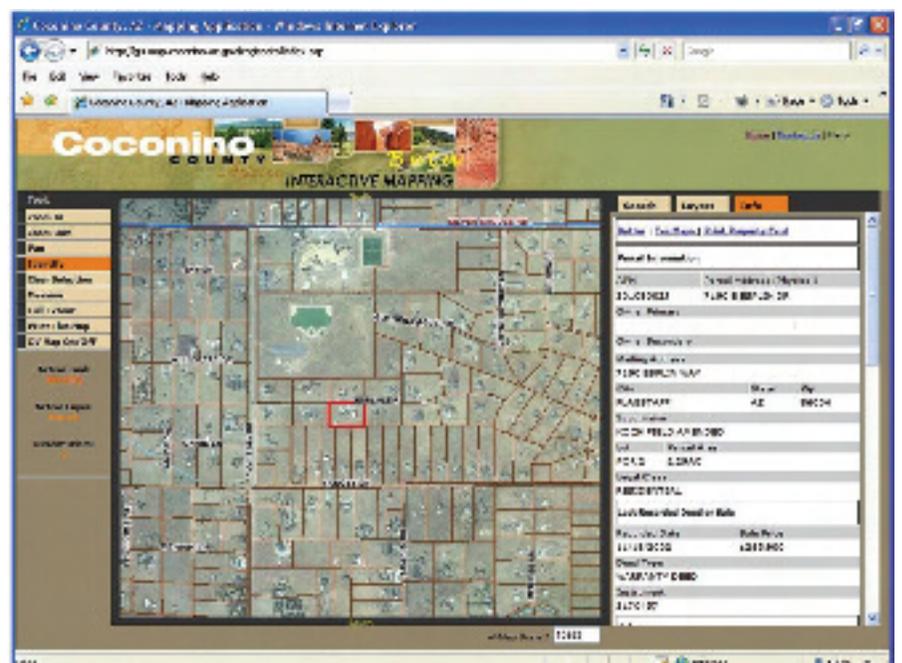


GIS ANNOUNCES NEW INTERACTIVE MAPPING APPLICATION

The County's Geographic Information Systems (GIS) division is pleased to introduce their new Interactive Mapping Application at <http://gis-map.coconino.az.gov/ccgis/>. The new site is designed to provide easy and efficient access to data being stored in the County's GIS; and will allow citizens to search, view, measure and print parcel maps, property information, and other map layers (including countywide aerial photo coverage).

This mapping site is made available through the collaboration of multiple County departments, including Information Technology, Assessor, Community Development and the Recorder, with inter-governmental assistance and cooperation.

For more information, call GIS at **(928) 679-7800**; toll-free **(928) 559-9289**.





AVOID LONG LINES AT THE POLLS! SIGN UP TO BE A PERMANENT EARLY VOTER

“PERMANENT EARLY VOTING LIST” FORM FORMULARIO PARA LA “LISTA PERMANENTE PARA VOTAR TEMPRANO”

To be included on the Permanent Early Voting List, complete and return this form.
Para ser incluido en la Lista Permanente para Votar Temprano, llene y regrese esta formulario.

NAME: _____
NOMBRE: _____

RESIDENCE ADDRESS: _____
DIRECCIÓN DE DOMICILIO: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____
CIUDAD: _____ ESTADO: _____ CÓDIGO POSTAL: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____
DIRECCIÓN DE CORRESPONDENCIA: _____
(MAILING ADDRESS MUST BE IN COCONINO COUNTY)

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____
CIUDAD: _____ ESTADO: _____ CÓDIGO POSTAL: _____

DATE OF BIRTH IS REQUIRED: SE REQUIERE FECHA DE NACIMIENTO: (Month/Date/Year) (Mes/Día/Año)	SIGN HERE FIRME AQUI →	SIGNATURE IS REQUIRED / SE REQUIERE LA FIRMA X _____ DATE: _____ I swear or affirm under penalty of perjury that the above information is true and correct. Yo juro o afirmo, bajo pena de perjurio, que la información arriba es verdadera y correcta.
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VERIFY THE ACCURACY OF THE INFORMATION PROVIDED, WRITE IN YOUR DATE OF BIRTH, SIGN, DATE AND RETURN TO BE INCLUDED ON THE PERMANENT EARLY VOTING LIST.
VERIFIQUE LA EXACTITUD DE LA INFORMACIÓN PRESENTADA, ESCRIBA SU FECHA DE NACIMIENTO, FIRME, ESCRIBA LA FECHA Y REGRESE EL FORMULARIO PARA SER INCLUIDO EN LA LISTA PERMANENTE PARA VOTAR TEMPRANO.

The Elections Office is expecting record turnout for the November 4, 2008 Presidential Election! A large turnout means there could be long lines at the polling places on Election Day. An option to avoid waiting in line to vote is to sign up to be on the “Permanent Early Voter” (PEV) list.

The PEV list was approved by the Arizona Legislature in 2007 and went into effect this year. It allows a voter to place their name on a list to be automatically sent a ballot for every election the voter is eligible to vote in. Prior to this new law, a voter had to make a request for an early ballot before each election.

The PEV request **cannot** be taken over the phone because State law requires that the request form includes the voter’s signature. The law also requires that a voter’s mailing address **must** be within Coconino County. Military and overseas voters are exempt from this restriction.

A voter will remain on the list until their voter registration is cancelled, mail sent to the voter is returned by the U.S. Postal Service, or the voter provides a written request to be removed from the list.

Voters may also vote early through several existing options—by calling, mailing or faxing in an early ballot request; or by voting early in person at the County Elections Office, 110 E. Cherry Avenue in Flagstaff, or at one of several satellite voting locations throughout the County.

To download a Permanent Early Voting list request form, visit www.coconino.az.gov/elections, and click on “Permanent Early Voting”.

For more information, call the Elections Office at (928) 779-6589 or toll-free (800) 793-6181.

Upcoming 2008 Elections & Important Dates to Remember

September 2, 2008 Primary Election

Early Voting Begins.....July 31
Last Day to Register to Vote.....August 4
Last Day to Request Early Ballot by Mail.....
.....August 22
Last Day to Vote Early.....August 29

November 4, 2008 General Election

Early Voting Begins.....October 2
Last Day to Register to Vote.....October 6
Last Day to Request Early Ballot by Mail.....
.....October 24
Last Day to Vote Early.....October 31

SATELLITE ELECTIONS OFFICE OPENS IN TUBA CITY



hunted for a space to provide election related services, including voter registration and early voting. These services have been provided in shared space in the Tuba City branch office and in space donated by the Hopi Tribal Office in Moenkopi. Elections now has a place they can call their own.

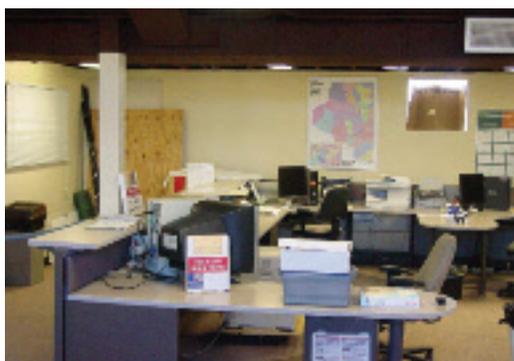
This new office allows the Elections office to provide full-time staff during critical election



times and part-time staff during less busy times. Citizens are encouraged to stop by and visit the new facility.

In June 2007, County Elections saw one of their long term goals become a reality. In partnership with the City of Flagstaff Library, Elections remodeled the basement of the Tuba City Library into a satellite office.

With the Navajo and Hopi reservation being such a large part of the County, having an office to provide election services is especially important during General Election years. Over the past twenty years, every two years Elections has



For more information, call Elections at (928) 779-6589; toll-free (800) 793-6181; or call the Tuba City office at (928) 283-6144.

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A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE FOR OUR COMMUNITY

Rising energy use is a major factor in increased energy prices, energy security and climactic changes and challenges. Coconino County citizens not only face challenges due to rising energy costs, but also increased water demands and a decrease in water availability. These and several other factors point to sustainable building and living as an essential step for growth and development in northern Arizona.

Sustainable communities attempt to live within their environmental constraints and work to promote local economies. Sustainable building encompasses durability, while minimizing the waste of material, energy, water and other limited resources. Building sustainably not only helps the environment but supports the local economy by promoting the use of local materials, supplies and labor.

Since its adoption in April 2003, the Coconino County Sustainable Building Program has increasingly



become a resource for sustainable building and development for our citizens. It offers a variety of free services for home owners, home buyers, designers, builders, suppliers, real estate agents, lenders, schools, affordable housing, and in short, the entire community. Free services include consultation on sustainable building methods and plan review, a Sustainable Building Award program, resources on products, methods, practices and energy efficiency, and educational opportunities.

Since the first Sustainable Building Awards were presented in 2004, there have been over 50 homes awarded in Coconino County and the City of Flagstaff. Willow Bend Environmental Education Center and Mountain Meadows Permaculture Farm were among the first to receive the Coconino County Sustainable Building Award in 2004.

The Sustainable Building Program also encourages reduction of waste and resource consumption, both

locally and globally. Sustainable buildings require less energy and water, and promote a healthy indoor environment over the lifetime of the building. The philosophy of sustainable building incorporates the three "R's" — Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. The program endorses recycling construction products and reclaimed materials from construction sites; and promotes hiring locally and purchasing materials and supplies locally. Northern Arizona also has an abundant resource of solar and wind energy. The program works hard to encourage technology that utilizes these local renewable resources.

Get Involved!

You too can help build a sustainable future for our community!

Visit www.coconino.az.gov/comdev.aspx?id=148 or call (928) 679-8853.



COCONINO PLATEAU WATER ADVISORY COUNCIL

Ensuring an Adequate Long-Term Water Supply

The Coconino Plateau Water Advisory Council (CPWAC) was formed to approach regional water concerns in a collaborative manner. The CPWAC is a watershed-based group that was established through the Arizona Department of Water Resources Rural Watershed Initiative. The Council consists of 28 partners representing

federal, state, local and tribal governments, as well as non-governmental organizations with a vested interest in the planning and management of water resources on the Coconino Plateau.

Vision

The vision of the CPWAC is to ensure an adequate long-term supply of water to meet current and future reasonable needs, while preserving the health of the environment on the Coconino Plateau—through conservation and wise water use; the advancement of research and informing public policy; cooperative planning efforts; identification of resource and research alternatives; public awareness; and the inclusion of all interests in a comprehensive and equitable water strategy for the Coconino Plateau.

Strategic Plan

The CPWAC undertook a strategic planning effort in the fall of 2006 and hosted a follow-up retreat in June 2008. Through this process, four strategic action areas were identified: **Conservation, Environmental Needs, Supply and Growth, and Legal and Regulatory.** The full plan may be reviewed on the new CPWAC website at www.cpwac.org.

Research Projects

The CPWAC Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) received a \$28,000 grant from the Arizona Water

Institute to help fund a research project to develop a methodology for identifying and prioritizing regional water resources which may be at-risk from climate change, land management changes, or surfacewater/groundwater use changes.

The TAC also worked with the Yavapai County Water Council's Technical Advisory Committee to test the new U.S. Geological Survey Regional Groundwater Model. The information from this project will help identify the impact the different alternatives would have on the regional groundwater aquifers, and will be quite useful in future decision making.

For more information, call (928) 679-8850.





WATER ADEQUACY

Many people think it is only common sense that all new development be required to demonstrate a long-term water supply prior to approval. Unfortunately, it's not as simple as it sounds. Coconino County is not a water provider, but we are acutely aware of the problems associated with the regulatory disconnect between land use and water resource management. Coconino County has pursued gaining local control over water resource decisions for some time—historically it has been under State level purview, currently with the Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR).

In 2007, the Arizona State Legislature passed Senate Bill 1575, which authorized counties, cities and towns outside of Active Management Areas (none of which include any portion of Coconino County) to adopt ordinances requiring "water adequacy" for new subdivisions. The Coconino County Board of Supervisors is now studying both the pros and cons of this new authority created by the Legislature—to help determine whether or not adoption of this provision is in the best interest of the county-at-large.

County Issues

In the unincorporated areas of Coconino County, most subdivisions do not obtain Certificates of Adequacy—primarily due to the depth of groundwater

in this region. Under the current rules, a well that is 1,200 feet or greater in depth is deemed inadequate. This affects a significant part of the County, since water depths in many areas exceed this limit, by thousands of feet in some areas.

Furthermore, there is a concern that mandating the requirement for adequacy would create a disincentive to develop lands through the subdivision process, resulting in more unregulated lot splits and "wildcat" subdivisions. Although the idea of mandating proof of water prior to development may seem desirable, the authority given to counties limits its application to new subdivisions only, not lot splits or other types of major developments.

In Coconino County, lot development occurs by both subdivision and the lot split process, currently at a ratio of about 50/50. The County prefers to see development proceed through the subdivision process in order to address a number of other public health and safety issues, and has done much to streamline that process to encourage more developments in this manner.

SB1575

The authority established through the 2007 passage of SB1575 provides counties the ability to adopt a provision requiring new subdivisions to obtain a

determination of an adequate water supply from ADWR, with some waivers and exceptions included. An adequate water supply is defined as "sufficient groundwater, surface water or effluent of adequate quality to satisfy the needs of the proposed use for at least 100 years. The supply must be continuously, legally and physically available. In addition, the financial capability to construct the water delivery, treatment and storage facilities must exist." (ARS 45-108, subsection I)

Due to the nature of SB1575, certain rules must be modified and/or added to the ADWR process in order to enact the provisions of the law. ADWR began a rulemaking process in early 2008, holding stakeholder meetings in several communities around the State, including Flagstaff. A schedule of the meetings and related information is available at www.azwater.gov/dwr/.

The County will continue its participation in the ADWR rulemaking process, and consultation with stakeholders, particularly cities and towns in the County, and other community water system operators. This will help ensure that all impacted parties have a part in this important decision for the future of the County.

For more information, call (928) 679-8850.

COCONINO RURAL ENVIRONMENT CORPS (CREC)



CREC (pronounced sea-wreck) houses youth development and conservation AmeriCorps programs that work to improve local and regional environments, and foster civic responsibility and conservation ethics in our youth, young adults and northern Arizona communities. CREC Corpsmembers, ages 15 to 25, partner with local, state and federal land management agencies to address critical resource conservation, recreational infrastructure, disaster mitigation and community wildfire protection goals.

During 2007, CREC partnered with the Highlands Fire Department to launch the successful Advanced Fuels Management program, known as Crew 20. Crew 20 implemented fuels reduction and prescribed fire treatments on more than 6,200 acres of the County's wildland urban interface. Crew 20 saw a 100% post-Corps job placement for young adult participants, with 90% attaining local forest fuels management and fire-fighting positions.

CREC is at heart a model for a sustainable development program, addressing the three tenets of sustainability: **Social Equality, Economic Development and Environmental Protection.**

For more information, call (928) 679-8160; toll-free (866) 822-9298.



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Coconino County Sheriff's Office

Bill Pribil, Sheriff

SHERIFF'S OFFICE - INNOVATIVE PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

Exodus Offers Life Changing Choices

Even though it is not quite a year old, the Exodus program has already exceeded many early expectations and is becoming a leader in combating substance abuse issues in Coconino County. Exodus was made possible through the 2006 voter approved increase in the Jail District sales tax. The goals of the program are to:

- Reduce the jail recidivism rate
- Provide a proactive response to substance abuse and its devastating effects on individuals, families and communities within the County
- Create a safer community
- Assist inmates in recognizing their substance abuse problem
- Help them make positive changes in their lives and become productive members of the community

The first group of individuals to attend the in-custody drug and alcohol treatment program at the County detention facility enrolled in May 2007. By January 2008, 113 men received treatment through the program. Participants have been approximately **45%** Native American, **38%** Caucasian, **2%** African American, and **15%** Other. The average amount of time spent in the in-custody portion of the program is 41 days.

While the program currently has a special housing unit that allows up to 24 men at a time to be enrolled, women have been able to take advantage of the program through a self-study course. Plans are in place to add a women's treatment program in 2008.

Less than **2%** of the program participants have ever been exposed to a treatment program before, and **31%** reported being on probation at the time they entered the program. Of the participants, **32%** reported that alcohol is their primary substance abuse issue, **30%** reported that drug abuse is their primary issue, and **38%** reported a combination of drug and alcohol issues. Approximately **14%** have reported amphetamine use; none have reported being a heroin or cocaine addict.

In cooperation with community agencies, individuals and self-help groups, Exodus has provided classes in parenting, job readiness training, support group meetings, and other education. The local 12-step community has been invaluable in providing support to the inmates by contributing literature, facilitating meetings, and holding a big book study one day per week. Health education has been provided by experts on diabetes, nutrition, medications, and other important health issues.

The program also has other exciting success stories. Exodus has received several grants totaling over \$40,000 to help with aftercare services such as transitional community housing and follow-up treatment for Exodus graduates. Some of the

grant sources include the Coconino County Methamphetamine Task Force, Flagstaff Community Foundation, and Forest Highlands Foundation.

Exodus is the only program in the County to contract with both male and female transitional living facilities. In addition, Exodus has purchased vouchers for the Royal Inn, and has beds available at the Foundation House and Freedom House, to ensure that a bed in a sober environment is always available for participants. Continued transitional support includes referrals for clothing, food boxes and employment assistance.

From one Exodus participant . . . "I cannot say enough about this class. I honestly believe that, because of this program, I have been given a second chance at life. I now have hope for the future --- one that involves my two kids, ages 3 and 6. I now have hope that I can stay sober and raise my kids in a loving environment. My suggestion is that everybody be given a chance at changing their life through a program like this. Thank you."

Hogan ... A Place For Spiritual Ceremonies And Special Programs

A jail has often been referred to as "a community within a community" because a jail must provide many of the same services and opportunities as a community. Some are mandated by law; others are simply based on the moral and ethical treatment of other human beings. One such moral obligation is to provide for special spiritual needs for people of all faith groups.

This year, we will see the completion of a hogan for use primarily by our Native American inmates. The hogan will provide inmates with a place to hold spiritual ceremonies and other special programs. It is a place for Native Americans to reconnect with their roots, community and families. While it is a traditional structure of the Diné people, non-Native Americans will also have the opportunity to use the structure for special programs.

The hogan project is funded by jail enhancement funds and inmate welfare funds and does not come out of the Jail District taxes. The sustainable log cabin style hogan is pre-manufactured from small diameter lumber by a Native American-owned company in Cameron, Arizona.

Once the hogan is completed, work will begin on rebuilding the existing Native American sweat lodge. The original sweat lodge was built with the help of the Navajo Nation Behavioral Health Division as a place for medicine men to provide traditional ceremonies for the cleansing of the body and mind. Due to smoke issues, the sweat lodge was taken down and will be relocated next to the hogan.

K-9 Unit Takes A Bite Out Of Crime

In 2007, the Sheriff's Office added a K-9 (canine) unit to the Patrol and Search and Rescue programs. Canines provide additional protection and assistance to our deputies and are trained to respond to searches, apprehend suspects in certain situations, and conduct drug searches during traffic stops. The dogs and their trainers receive several weeks of intensive training and certification. To enhance the bond and training between the officer and dog, the dog lives with the officer and his family.

During the first six months, our Flagstaff area patrol canine conducted 148 assists to law enforcement, which is an average of almost one per day. To date, we have one K-9 Unit in the Flagstaff patrol area; and one dedicated to Search and Rescue.

The K-9 program has been supported largely through donations and in-kind contributions. Community support has been overwhelming and has led to private funding of a patrol dog for the Blue Ridge area, which will be added this year.



Viktor, a three year old Belgian Malinois, was the first canine in the newly formed K-9 Unit - photo by Tom Ross

Diving Into New Territory

With 44 square miles of water in Coconino County, water safety is another responsibility of the Sheriff's Office, which began its boat patrol program in 1986. The program operates primarily out of the Page Substation and services Lake Powell and portions of the Colorado River.

The Sheriff's Office has performed many water rescues in inclement weather, rescues from sinking vessels, and recoveries of drowning victims—as well as the active enforcement of all Title 5 watercraft operation laws. The department recently started an outreach program, "I Got Caught Wearing My Life Jacket," in which T-shirts are given to children wearing their life vests. Staff also works with Arizona Game and Fish to provide



boating safety classes in the Page area and water safety classes for elementary students. Every year, the Sheriff's Office partners with other water law enforcement agencies to host an Operating Under the Influence (OUI) check point on Lake Powell.

Last year, a five person dive team was added to the water safety program. The team, made up of officers from the Page Substation, is trained to conduct underwater searches for the recovery of drowning victims and the retrieval of evidence—using advanced diving techniques and equipment. Swift water rescue training is also planned in the near future.

The team is supported by grant funds through the Law Enforcement Boating Safety Fund and through assistance from Glen Canyon National Park Service and Washington County, Utah Sheriff's Office dive teams.



Dive Team Training

Sheriff's Office Paves Way For Leadership

Over the last several years, the Sheriff's Office has provided leadership training to its employees based on a model developed at the West Point Military Academy. The International Association of Chiefs of Police identified the need to create comprehensive

and consistent leadership training for law enforcement officers around the country. They used the West Point program as the basis for the Leadership in Police Organizations program, which promotes the philosophy that every member of an organization can be and should be a leader. This program offers realistic ways to use the skills every day and provides the catalyst for positive change.

Search and Rescue – Always Ready When You Need Us!

By State statute, the responsibility to conduct or coordinate "search and rescue operations involving the life or health of any person" is that of the County Sheriff. Due to the large area of our County, its rural and rugged nature, and its great recreational opportunities, search and rescue operations are frequent and can be quite costly.

The Search and Rescue Unit is comprised of over 120 dedicated volunteers throughout the County who are coordinated by the Sheriff's Office. Each year, the volunteers spend an average of 3,000 hours in training and over 3,500 hours responding to search and rescue missions. In 2007, the unit responded to 79 call-outs to assist lost, stranded or injured citizens. They also regularly assist law enforcement and fire agencies with public safety efforts during major events.

Search and Rescue volunteers undergo specialized training in incident management, navigation, safety and search procedures. Some have special training in avalanche and technical rescue. They also work to get the message out to citizens about avalanche dangers, required backcountry permits and winter preparedness.

New Search and Rescue/Community Emergency Response Facility

In April of this year, the much anticipated construction of the new Sheriff's Office Search and

Rescue/Community Emergency Response facility moved into the next phase. Located in Flagstaff, on the campus of the Law Enforcement Administrative Facility on Sawmill Road, it will provide a central location for the storage of Search and Rescue equipment; and enhance coordination with other areas of the Sheriff's Office.

The shell of the building is expected to be completed this summer. Future construction will occur as funding sources are identified. Upon completion of the facility, the building will serve as the headquarters for the Search and Rescue Unit, a training facility, and an emergency management center.

For more information about the Sheriff's Office programs and services, call **928-774-4523**; toll free **800-338-7888** or visit www.coconino.az.gov/sheriff.aspx



Search and Rescue members prepare for a backcountry mission

PROBATION AT A GLANCE

Adult Probation is working hard to keep our communities safe and rehabilitate criminal offenders. **Probation is a suspended sentence that allows a person who is convicted of a crime to continue living in the community rather than serving a jail or prison sentence.** Adult probationers must follow terms and conditions of probation—including submitting to drug and alcohol testing, maintaining employment or attending school, and relinquishing any firearms or weapons. In addition, most probationers are required to attend treatment or educational programs and pay fines and fees.

Adult Probation offers several supervision options. A judge can sentence a defendant to intensive probation or standard probation. Intensive Probation Supervision (IPS) is a house arrest program for defendants who present more of a risk than those who are placed on standard probation. IPS includes weekly curfew agreements, home and work visits, and community restitution. Surveillance officers know where they are at all times.

Standard probationers are seen less frequently and do not complete curfew agreements; however, they are held accountable for their behavior and must comply with terms of probation and individual case plans.

The department also has specialized caseloads for sex offenders, repeat DUI offenders and drug offenders. Sex offenders who have committed a Dangerous Crime Against Children are required to submit to GPS monitoring. As most of these offenders are sentenced to prison, the department currently has only one probationer on GPS monitoring.

Probationers who are required to perform community restitution are often placed at various nonprofit community agencies. If probationers present a risk to the community or work during the week, they perform their hours on the weekend work crew, which has contributed significantly to some great projects—including local dog parks and furniture building for nonprofit agencies. They recently relocated DNA Peoples Legal Services to a new building and are currently assisting Flagstaff Shelter Services and Northern Arizona Food Bank.

Probationers are referred to several County agencies for treatment or education in areas such as substance abuse, domestic violence, anger management, sex offenses, GED preparation, financial management, life skills and parenting. Probation staff facilitates in-house programs, including a substance abuse education class, Thinking for a Change (a cognitive restructuring program), a DUI Impact Panel, and a Domestic Violence Impact Panel.

The Pretrial/Presentence Services division provides reports to judges to help them decide whether to hold offenders in jail or release them on bond, and to assist them in making sentencing decisions. These reports may include information about the defendant's ties to the community, social history, current and prior offenses, and victims' statements.

For more information, call Adult Probation at **(928) 679-8400**.

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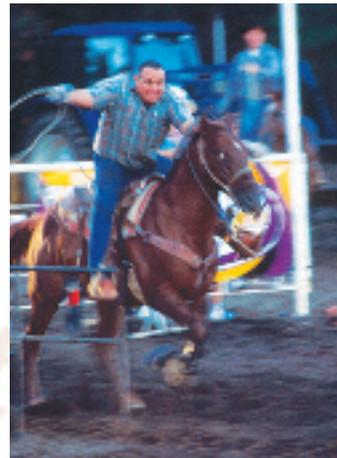
PARKS & RECREATION

59th COCONINO COUNTY FAIR, AUGUST 29 - SEPTEMBER 1 (LABOR DAY WEEKEND)
FORT TUTHILL COUNTY PARK, FAIRGROUNDS

The Coconino County Fair has become the largest high-profile Labor Day weekend tradition in northern Arizona, drawing **45,000+ attendees** from all over Arizona and neighboring states. Also, the Arizona Fairs Association recently cited the Coconino County Fair as the largest county fair in Northern Arizona, and the third largest statewide.

For sponsorship opportunities, call (928) 679-8027; (928) 607-0219; or email rszal@coconino.az.gov.

For vendor space, call (928) 679-8006; or email aosborn@coconino.az.gov.



FREE BUS SERVICE TO HORSE RACES AND COUNTY FAIR

Anyone who has ever attended the Horse Races and County Fair knows that traffic and parking can be challenging. County Parks and Recreation and Northern Arizona Intergovernmental Public Transportation Authority (NAIPTA) have come up with a plan to make the visitor's experience more enjoyable.

Here's how . . . Free Mountain Line bus service will be provided to both events. Save the parking fee and enjoy being dropped off at the event entrance. For the Fair only, each bus rider will receive a \$1 discount on Fair admission. **But wait, there's more . . .**

In an effort to encourage non-motorized, alternate modes of transportation to the County Fair, other incentives will be provided. Those who ride their bikes to the Fair will also receive a \$1 discount on admission. A bicycle parking lot will be located at the main entrance of the Fair. Cyclists are encouraged to use the Flagstaff Urban Trail System (FUTS) from Flagstaff to the park.

For more information, call (928) 679-8000.

CONGRATULATIONS TO PINE MOUNTAIN AMPHITHEATER!

The Pine Mountain Amphitheater at Fort Tuthill County Park has been selected as a winner of the Parks and Recreation Facility-Class I category in the prestigious 2007 National Association of County Parks and Recreation Officials (NACPRO) Awards of Excellence.

NACPRO Facilities Awards of Excellence honor excellence in recreation and park facilities; facility design; outstanding efforts in planning, design, construction, and benefits to the community; and the highest quality of facility development.

Amphitheater Concerts

Summer concerts include **B.B. King (July 12)**, **Flagstaff Symphony Orchestra (September 1)**, **Christ Church of Flagstaff (September 7)**, and **Pickin' in the Pines (September 12-14)**.

**Special Events**

Parks and Recreation will host a number of experiential education events throughout 2008 at various County parks, including wetland clean-ups, fishing workshops, historical tours and traditional storytelling.

For updated concert information and ticket sales, visit www.pinemountainamphitheater.com.



IMPROVEMENTS AT COUNTY PARKS

Coconino County Obtains Grant Award for Raymond County Park Improvements

Kachina Village and Mountaineer residents can anticipate improvements in Raymond County Park as Parks and Recreation received a \$766,669 grant award from the Local, Regional and State Parks Grant Program, which is managed by Arizona State Parks. The Heritage Fund, which is largely funded by the Arizona Lottery, is the source of funds for this grant program. From 31 applications submitted statewide, only 10 were funded.

This grant, combined with Coconino Parks and Open Space Program (CPOS) funds, will result in the following improvements:

- New amenities including a restroom building, picnic ramadas, swing set, playground, second basketball court, new paved access from Kachina Trail, picnic tables and barbecue grills
- Improvements to the existing ball field, basketball and volleyball courts, parking lot and landscaping
- Additional trails and sidewalks around the area

Design work is underway and construction is anticipated to begin in early 2009.

With this award, Parks and Recreation has raised \$5,487,756 through grants and donations since the advent of the parks capital program.

Sawmill County Park

Sawmill received an attractive flagstone walkway that meanders through the demonstrative habitat gardens behind Willow Bend Environmental Education Center. The picnic tables, grills and walking paths on the west end of the park are surrounded by decorative gravel.



Construction of a new restroom is also complete and open to the public.

Peaks View County Park

Peaks View is in the process of receiving a facelift that began in the fall of 2007, and will be completed in the summer of 2008. New landscaping berms were placed in various areas around the ramadas, ball field and playground. Native trees, shrubs, flowers and grasses will be planted on these berms. Gravel will also be used to add a decorative effect in these developed areas of the park. The new restroom facilities are now available to the public.

Fort Tuthill County Park

In addition to re-seeding disturbed areas around Fort Tuthill, fencing is being installed around highly impacted areas of the park to prevent motor vehicles from leaving roads and parking lots. Fencing materials are generated solely from the forest thinning project at the park.

In an effort to support the proliferation of native grasses and shrubs in our parks, we provide continued weed control and are now revegetating many disturbed areas at Fort Tuthill, Sawmill and Peaks View.

Through our thinning program at Fort Tuthill, we continue to reduce the risk of catastrophic wildfires, improve wildlife habit, and create world class view-shed management.

(3 miles ±); construction and installation of trail markers; and a trailhead and kiosk at Fort Tuthill. It is also partly funded by a grant from the Arizona State Parks Heritage Program.

The Flagstaff Loop Trail project is nearing completion, with construction scheduled for 2009. Volunteer trail builders are needed. For more information, email trails@flagstaffbiking.org.

Pumphouse Greenway

Pumphouse Greenway in Kachina Village is a 129-acre linear park that emphasizes the protection of wetland habitat and water resources. The large wet meadow is the place to see elk, fox, deer, and a large variety of waterfowl and migratory birds.

Highlands Trail

We are very excited to announce that the final approvals for the last leg of the Highlands Trail have been granted by Coconino National Forest. The Highlands Trail is a non-motorized trail that connects Kachina Village with Fort Tuthill County Park. It will now be possible to ride from Kachina Village to Flagstaff without riding on roads.

Construction began in May with the bulk of construction being completed on National Trails Day, June 7.

Sechrist Trail

Last fall, Parks and Recreation, in cooperation with the Flagstaff Biking Organization, completed Sechrist Trail. This trail is intended for use by children to access Sechrist Elementary School. The trail connects the neighborhood north of the hospital to the school.

County Inmate Work Crew

Last year was another successful year working with the County Jail District in operating a County jail inmate work crew. The program, which began in 2005, has accomplished numerous tasks and park projects—such as landscaping, flagstone installation, fence construction, landscaping, painting, and site preparation and clean-up for the County Fair and Horse Races.

To date, the program has produced 47,880 work hours, which translates to a \$271,251 cost savings for the County! And a second inmate work crew will be on board soon.

Thanks to CREC for their help with thinning, fence building, last year's Horse Races, and Sechrist Trail (see page 9). And to the Teen Works program for completing resource protection and landscaping projects at Pumhouse Greenway; and Sawmill, Peaks View, and Raymond County Parks.

PARK AND TRAIL DEVELOPMENT

Flagstaff Loop Trail

The concept of the Flagstaff Loop Trail is a simple one — connect the various non-motorized trail systems found in and around Flagstaff and allow for better access for the whole community. Basically, the trail forms a 42-mile circle around the City. It uses new and existing trails that will radiate in from the loop like spokes in a wheel, allowing access to the trail from many points.

Project partners are Coconino National Forest, Flagstaff Biking Organization and Coconino County, with technical and logistical support from the City of Flagstaff. The County's contribution includes \$36,700 for forest planning; purchase of permanent trail rights-of-way (2 miles ±); trails construction

The Greenway is best viewed from adjacent Raymond County Park or Piñon Trail, a half-mile trail corridor along the wash below Pumhouse Meadow.

Upcoming construction at Raymond County Park will include wildlife viewing platforms and a trail above the wet meadow.

In the fall of 2008, the County will finalize an agreement with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service to permanently protect Pumhouse Greenway, through enrollment in the Wetland Reserve Program. The County will receive federal assistance to restore and enhance wetland habitat and hydrology.

PARKS AND RECREATION ORGANIZATIONAL MASTER PLAN

The County has retained PROS Consulting of Dallas, Texas to write a strategic plan for the organization and development of its Parks and Recreation Department. The purpose is to conduct research and analysis as to the future opportunities and needs for the County parks system, and to make recommendations to the County Board of Supervisors. The final product will be an organizational master plan to guide the Board for the next 10-12 years.

PROS has facilitated public and stakeholder meetings in Fredonia, Page, Sedona, Tuba City, Williams and Flagstaff; and conducted public surveys to learn

if the values, opinions and preferences expressed in the public meetings are broadly held by County residents. PROS toured County parks facilities, collected revenue and expense data, reviewed program materials, and studied survey data from Arizona State Parks and Arizona Office of Tourism, among others.

PROS has updated the Board of Supervisors and the public in three work sessions thus far. To get on the meeting notification list, call (928) 679-8025, or email jbush@coconino.az.gov.



Summer Events at Fort Tuthill County Park

JULY

- 12-20.....Summer Horse Trails I and II – www.alicesarno.com/coconino or (602) 501-4697
- 12.....N.A.H.A Gymkhana
- 12.....“Made in the Shade” Beer Tasting Event – www.azbeer.com or 928-779-1775
- 18, 19.....Drive-in Cinema – www.arizonavenue.com or (928) 213-5756
- 21, 22, 23.....Flagstaff Classic Horse Show – (928) 779-4385

AUGUST

- 1, 2.....Drive-in Cinema – www.arizonavenue.com or (928) 213-5756
- 1, 2, 3.....Desert Sport Horse – www.alicesarno.com/coconino or (602) 501-4697
- 2.....Soldiers Trail Run for Children – Flagstaff Medical Center
- 8, 9.....Drive-in Cinema – www.arizonavenue.com or (928) 213-5756
- 8, 9.....Flagstaff All Arabian Horse Show
- 15, 16.....Drive-in Cinema – www.arizonavenue.com or (928) 213-5756
- 16, 17.....N.A.H.A Gymkhana
- 20, 21.....Mountain Air Dressage Show
- 22, 23.....Dressage in the Pines
- August 29- September 1.....59th Annual Coconino County Fair – (928) 679-8000
- August 29-September 1.....Pine Country Classic – (254) 968-0002
- 30, 31.....Demolition Derby – (928) 536-9052 or (928) 600-1294

SEPTEMBER

- 13.....N.A.H.A Gymkhana
- 18.....Jordan Circus
- 18, 19, 26, 27.....Drive-in Cinema – www.arizonavenue.com or (928) 213-5756

PLEASE NOTE: Every effort is made to ensure accuracy of the information in this Calendar of Events. However, event details are subject to change. We strongly suggest you call the organizer of any event you plan to attend. If none is provided, call (928) 679-8000 for assistance.

FT. TUTHILL MILITARY HISTORY MUSEUM BEGINS ITS 4TH SEASON: FEATURING NEW ALAMO SCOUTS EXHIBIT

The Ft. Tuthill Military History Museum recently opened its doors with a new exhibit featuring the Alamo Scouts. The museum walks visitors through the distinguished history of Arizona’s 158th Infantry Regiment—from its organization in 1865—to the recent Afghanistan deployment of the 1st Battalion 158th Infantry.

Located on the far west side of Ft. Tuthill County Park (I-17 Exit 337), the museum will be open Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Sundays, noon to 4:00 p.m. and during County park activities throughout the summer. For more information, call (928) 226-0965.





LOUISE YELLOWMAN COUNTY PARK GRAND OPENING MAY 10

The much-awaited Louise Yellowman County Park in Tuba City celebrated its grand opening on May 10. The park offers the community a place for family gathering, education, exercise and recreation.

Located at Main and Moenave Streets, the park features a skate park, basketball court, playground, group pavilion, shade ramadas, picnic tables, barbecue grills,

drinking fountain and a restroom building. It will also be landscaped with native grass and trees.

Parks and Recreation calls on the community for active involvement in keeping the park clean and green.



KACHINA VILLAGE AREA PLAN UPDATE

The Board of Supervisors recently adopted a new area plan for Kachina Village—an update of the original 1997 Kachina Village Area Plan. Coconino County's area

plans are expected to be applicable for approximately ten years. The 1997 plan has served Kachina Village and the County well for the past ten years, but local conditions have changed significantly enough to warrant a thorough review and update of the plan.

The Kachina Village Area Plan is an amendment to the Coconino County Comprehensive Plan, and it contains goals and policies designed to guide future growth and development in the community. It is a community-based document developed by a citizen planning committee made up of Kachina Village residents and property owners, with assistance from County planning staff and feedback from a community survey.

The plan is intended to preserve and enhance the special characteristics of the community as it continues to evolve. It has a strong conservation focus intended to help maintain the forest, wildlife, springs and wetlands, and other natural features. The plan also acknowledges that wildfire is a natural part of the ecosystem, and the community needs to adapt accordingly to be able to coexist and survive in a fire-prone environment.

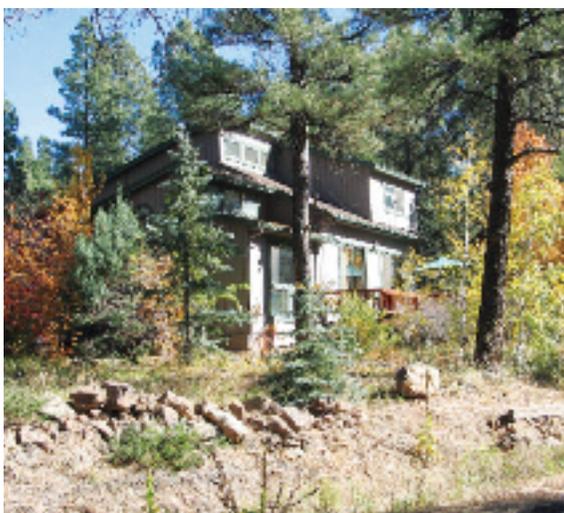
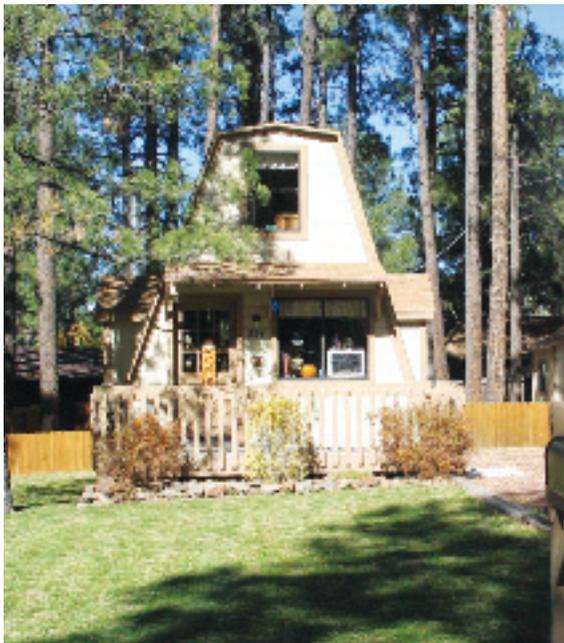
Environmental sustainability is also supported in the plan in a variety of ways. The plan promotes greater opportunities for non-motorized transportation such as biking and walking, public transit, water conservation, sustainable building, integrated conservation design, and infill and redevelopment compatible with the character of existing neighborhoods. The plan also contains goals and policies designed to preserve historic and cultural resources, scenic vistas, starry skies, and natural quiet.

One of the key components of the plan is the 'Vision Statement', which



supports a family-oriented community, a wide range of housing styles and types, preservation of the natural environment, a range of transportation choices, and preservation and enhancement of the neighborhood character as new development occurs.

For more information, call Community Development at (928) 679-8850.



COCONINO COUNTY

KACHINA VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (KVID) - A VILLAGE PARTNER



KVID's Mission ... to provide on-demand potable water and continuous wastewater removal, treatment and disposal services for the Kachina Village community.

KVID is dedicated to continuous improvements in efficiencies through the use of better systems design, higher efficiency systems and processes, and financial evaluation of cost vs. benefit. The only changes made that do not pass the cost-benefit analysis test are those associated with health, safety and mandated legislative statutes and regulations.

Sewage Influent Station Pump Replacement

KVID operates on a thirty year maintenance and refurbishment plan. This year, we replaced the two sewer influent station pumps, which are the most critical pumps in the system.

GIS Inventory Mapping and Updated Insurance Coverage

In 2007, the complete infrastructure, including pumps, pipes, buildings, valves, lift stations, service equipment

and other appurtenances were mapped and entered into a Geographic Information System (GIS). The mapping was done in order to identify the value of the KVID infrastructure, to evaluate the condition of the infrastructure, and to ensure proper insurance coverage. The insurance carried by KVID was fully evaluated and the necessary changes made.

Well Three Recovery

In 2007, Well Three was struck by lightning, which required replacement of the pump and all of the electrical cabling to the pump and the controller. Our insurance covered all but \$4,000 of the \$35,000 cost, and we recovered additional costs by salvaging the replaced copper cable. A more efficient pump was installed; it produces the same water flow with a 10% reduction in power usage.

KVID Website

Residents are encouraged to visit the KVID website at www.kachinawater.com. You may view your current water usage, billing, conservation tips, e-mail sign-up, calendar of events, how to contact us, directions to our location, and more. You can also pay your bill online.

Reservoir Inspection, Repair and Cleaning

As part of our planned maintenance, all the KVID reservoirs were inspected, cleaned and repaired. The reservoirs are the large green tanks positioned around the Village to store treated potable water pumped from the well system.

Leak Detection Equipment

As a result of the Toho-Tolani paving project, it is more

difficult to locate and isolate underground water leaks, so KVID purchased nano-Tesla equipment, allowing for greater leak detection accuracy and speed.

Clarifier Scum Removal Automation

Another time consuming activity was the removal of scum from the top of the clarifier and pumping it back into the treatment system, so the KVID team designed an automated system that has resulted in a significant time and labor savings.

Other Improvements

The North Storage hydro-tank isolation valves and piping were installed to enable isolation of the hydro-tank—in the event maintenance or a major leak requires isolating the tank from the distribution system.

New technology chlorine injection pumps were installed at all stations. The new pumps require less maintenance, are more reliable, and enable greater control of chlorine dosing of water.

For more information, call KVID at (928) 525-1775.



PUBLIC WORKS AT WORK

Community Clean-Ups

The Solid Waste division of Public Works offers free spring and summer community clean-up days throughout

the County. They provide an opportunity for residents to clean up debris in their neighborhoods, eliminate rodent nesting areas, and reduce the threat of a fire by disposing of potential fire hazards.

A new addition to the clean-ups will be the new "recyclable" roll-off bin for collection of household recyclable—plastic containers #1-7, aluminum and steel cans, newspapers, magazines, office paper and crushed cardboard boxes.

Tune into your local media for dates, times and locations throughout the summer!

Roads

Public Works maintains approximately 1,030 miles of roads within the County. It is important to know whether you live on a County



maintained road or a private road. If you live on a County maintained road, here are a few tips to help the road maintenance crews keep your road in good shape year-round:

- Keep your driveway culverts clean, in good repair and, most importantly, flowing! And if you're installing a new culvert, don't forget to contact Public Works for the required encroachment permit.



- Fencing, walls, driveways and landscaping are permitted in the right-of-way **only** if they are built to County standards.
- If you live on a dirt road, drive slowly to avoid kicking up dust and creating ruts in the road.
- On trash pick-up days, please remove your trash cans from the roadway as soon as possible after your trash has been picked up.
- The County snow ordinance is in effect from November 1 through April 1, and prohibits parked vehicles on County roads throughout the winter season. Parked cars make it difficult for the snow plow operators to maneuver around them and keep the roads clear.
- The County has an established snow plow route plan with predetermined plowing frequencies. Our operators work around the clock if necessary to stay ahead of major snowfalls, so please be patient.
- In heavy and continuous snow conditions, it may be necessary for the operator to create snow berms in areas off the roads in order to keep the roads clear and passable.

2008 Summer Road Construction Projects

Before a road construction project begins, there is a great deal of work that must be done in areas such as project planning, prioritizing, budgeting, design and review, right-of-way and surveying, to name a few. Throughout the process, public meetings are held for citizen awareness and input.

Pinewood Boulevard Reconstruction and Storm Sewer Project

The project begins at the Munds Canyon Wash and extends eastward to the Forest Service boundary. Utility relocations are underway.

Pinewood Boulevard Sidewalk Construction

At the conclusion of the Pinewood Boulevard project, a sidewalk will be constructed from the Pinewood Country Club eastward to the Forest Service boundary.

Stardust Trail Roadway & Yancey Road Improvement Projects

Stardust Trail and Yancey Road will be re-graded and drainage culverts installed prior to the installation of asphalt millings on the roadways.

Spring Valley Road/Red Lake Wash Crossing

Concrete box culverts will be installed to improve the Red Lake Wash drainage crossing.

Spring Valley Road/Government Prairie Crossing

Concrete box culverts will be installed to improve the drainage crossing near Government Prairie.

Hector Road/Red Lake Wash Crossing

Concrete box culverts will be installed to improve the Red Lake Wash drainage crossing.



Clean Stream Program

Coconino County is dedicated to eliminating pollutants in our natural waterways.

In 2003, Coconino County began work on a Stormwater Management Program in conjunction with the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality. The major goal of the Clean Stream Program is to assist certain areas of the County in reducing the amount of



sediment and chemical pollutants entering our waterways via stormwater runoff. The program focuses on Doney Park, Dunnam Street (County island), portions of the right-of-way along Flagstaff Ranch and Hidden Hollow Roads, Kachina Village, Mountaineer and Mountain Dell.

Clean Stream is comprised of six program elements, and utilizes best management practices, public education and citizen involvement. The program also involves local citizens interested in maintaining the quality of the water in our streams and wetlands, documenting the success of the program and establishing goals in their neighborhood.

Here are some ways to help keep our streams clean:

- Properly dispose of automotive fluids, detergents, and household chemical products
- Use pesticides and fertilizers sparingly
- Maintain your septic system
- Dispose of pet waste properly
- Contain and clean up chemical spills
- Secure trash containers
- Report illegal dumping or spills

Fleet Services

Public Works Fleet Services Division is responsible for the purchase and maintenance of the County's motor vehicles. In keeping with sound environmental practices, the division strives to minimize the effects of all County vehicles on our roadways in the following ways:

- 100% of gasoline sold at our bulk sites contains up to 10% ethanol.
- Tier III heavy equipment emission controls are included on all new trucks and equipment.
- Catalytic converters have been added to older construction equipment.
- Diesel particulate traps are installed on new diesel trucks.
- Currently, we have 4 hybrid vehicles and 24 flex-fueled vehicles.
- Synthetic oils (vs. petroleum) are used in every application when economically feasible.
- Extended life coolant is used, which has reduced the number of coolant changes by 50%.
- Periodic review of vehicle washing options and costs; we currently utilize two local car wash vendors that recycle wash water.

We continue to monitor fuel economy, take advantage of environmentally friendly technology, and seek other opportunities to utilize hybrids in the fleet.

SPECIAL DISTRICTS

Interest in forming County Road Improvement Districts has increased over the past year due to winter weather conditions and the impact on private roads. The establishment of a Road Improvement District provides one mechanism to improve private roads and to pay for those improvements—by assessing property owners within the district for the construction and administration costs. The process is driven by citizens and involves gaining and building consensus within a neighborhood to improve their roads.

While there are several road districts in the formation stage, two Road Improvement Districts are nearing the

construction phase — North Stardust and Antelope County Improvement District (Doney Park area) and Hashknife Trail County Improvement District (Baderville area).

The Road Improvement District process is complex and involves numerous State statutes. We are here to provide information and to work with the residents in your area to determine whether or not a Road Improvement District is the best approach to address road issues in your community. For more information, call (928) 679-7176, or visit <http://www.coconino.az.gov/roadimpdist.aspx>.

GRADING PERMITS

There are specific requirements for grading projects in the County. Depending on the type and extent of the excavation project, you may or may not need a grading permit. To be sure before you start your project, contact us at 928-526-2735; toll free 800-790-1990 and we'd be happy to provide information specific to your project.

COCONINO COUNTY

MOBILE DENTAL SERVICES PROVIDE CARE FOR UNDERINSURED/UNINSURED CHILDREN

The Coconino County Health Department (CCHD) is happy to introduce an exciting new program. This fall, the CCHD Mobile Dental Clinic will begin traveling to schools across Coconino County in an effort to increase access to dental care for children who receive services through the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) or Kids Care; and for those who are underinsured or uninsured. Dental exams, fillings and dental sealants are a few of the services that will be provided.

The program is offered through a grant from the Arizona Department of Health Services Bureau of Oral Health with special rural, oral health funding from the Arizona Legislature, which provided for the purchase of mobile equipment. CCHD was one of two recipients in Arizona to receive this program funding. Coconino County provides funding for ongoing operational expenses.



Based on the grant guidelines, CCHD will work with the following priority populations during the first years of the program:

- Pre-kindergarten to 6th grade – first year
- Pre-kindergarten to 6th grade, and middle school and high school – second year
- Pre-kindergarten to 6th grade, middle school, high school and pregnant women receiving WIC services; and special needs persons who are homebound – third year
- New populations may be added as the program continues.

Mobile dental services will be provided in Flagstaff, Grand Canyon, Williams, Page and Fredonia.

For more information, call (928) 679-7272; toll-free (877) 679-7272.

ONLINE COURSES MAKE CERTIFICATION PROCESS EASY



In 2006, the Health Department teamed up with the NAU Arizona Hospitality Research and Resource Center to streamline the food handler's certification process. During the first year, more than 2,300 area food service workers obtained a food handler's certificate. Approximately 50% used the online option.

Today, the online course options have been expanded to include the Backcountry Environmental Services Certification.

According to the Grand Canyon River Outfitters Association, approximately 19,000 people take professionally-outfitted trips each year, with an average of 600 river launches annually. Each tour operator is required to be trained and certified in the Backcountry Environmental Health Course. Backcountry tour operators can now access the training without using the manual. Fee payment, training and testing are all available online.

Anyone interested in training and testing for the Backcountry Certification may visit www.coconino.az.gov/health and follow the link to the NAU website or the Food Handler's training link.

Users will find easy to follow instructions. Once the \$18 fee is paid—which can be paid by credit card directly from the secure site, or through direct payment to the Health Department—the user will register a user name and receive a password. Once registered, the user can enter the site at their convenience and follow the tutorial. The program allows the student to store their last entry point and to navigate the site to review material as needed.

For more information, call (928) 679-8760; toll-free (877) 679-7272.

KEEP SUMMERTIME PICNICS SAFE

Summertime brings picnics and cookouts and, unfortunately, it can also bring food-borne illness. When picnicking, use the same food safety practices you use in your kitchen to ensure that your food is safe to eat.

For more information on food safety, visit the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition website at www.cfsan.fda.gov/list or call the County Health Department at (928) 679-8760, toll-free (877) 679-7272.





NORTHERN REGION HEALTHY FAMILIES & HEALTH START PROGRAM

The Coconino County Health Department (CCHD) Northern Region Office offers two family-oriented home visiting programs—Healthy Families Arizona and Health Start—dedicated to assisting families in raising healthy children.

Healthy Families Arizona (HFAz) is a nationally accredited home-based program for families with children 0-5 years of age. The focus of HFAz is to improve outcomes for children by educating and supporting their parents and caregivers during pregnancy and throughout the first five years of life. It is designed to promote positive parenting, child development and wellness, and ultimately to prevent child abuse and neglect through education.

HFAz has 58 sites across the State that serve families in over 150 communities. The services are offered through the Flagstaff and Page offices.

CCHD also offers family-oriented home visit services through the **Health Start** program, which serves primarily pregnant women and their families. The program provides participants with maternal and child health education materials and classes; and connects them to healthcare providers and other assistance programs.

Health Start was originated in 1992 and is funded through the Arizona Department of Health Services. The program was started partly in response to a 1990 statistic that ranked Arizona 45th in the nation for the number of women receiving adequate prenatal care. Health Start educates mothers about their own health, the health of their unborn child, and newborn infant health. Information is also provided on infectious diseases, pre-term births, birth defects, injuries and developmental disabilities.

Last fiscal year, Page Healthy Families provided continuous service to 47 families within a 40 mile radius. Health Start served 34 families and has plans to increase home visits and classes over the next year.

For more information, call **(928) 645-9400**; toll-free **(877) 679-7272**; or visit www.coconino.az.gov/health.



PANDEMIC FLU - WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

What is an influenza (flu) pandemic?

A pandemic is a global disease outbreak. An influenza pandemic occurs when a new influenza virus emerges and humans have little or no immunity to that particular virus. It can cause serious illness and then spread easily from person-to-person worldwide.

Avian influenza

Avian influenza, commonly known as “bird flu”, is an infection caused by influenza viruses that occur naturally in birds. Wild birds can carry the viruses but usually do not become ill. However, some domesticated birds, including chickens, ducks and turkeys, can become infected, often resulting in death. Strains of avian H5N1 influenza can also infect wild birds, pigs and tigers. Symptoms in birds and other animals vary, but highly pathogenic strains can cause death within a few days.

A deadly strain of H5N1 avian influenza is occurring in Asia, Europe and Africa. This strain of avian influenza is not currently a pandemic flu because it is not easily spread between humans. It is important to note that this form of avian flu has not yet been found in North America in either humans or animals.

Planning in Coconino County

To better prepare Coconino County for a possible influenza outbreak in our area, the Coconino County Health Department established the Pandemic Influenza Coordinating Council (PICC). The PICC consists of key community leaders throughout the County and includes seven workgroups focused on specific community needs. Council members and workgroup participants include, but are not limited to, representatives from local businesses, government agencies, faith-based organizations, community service organizations, school and university officials, health care agencies, local media, public safety and law enforcement agencies, utility companies, tribal government, and the general public.

What can you do to prepare?

An influenza pandemic has a high potential to cause large scale social disruption. So, it is extremely important that individuals and families plan ahead and prepare for the possibility of limited services, supplies and/or financial resources during and after a pandemic. To assist you, the following websites offer guidelines and checklists for families and individuals:

www.pandemicflu.gov www.coconino.az.gov/health

For more information, call **(928) 679-7272**; toll-free **(877) 679-7272**.

SMOKE FREE ARIZONA - A GLANCE AT THE FIRST EIGHT MONTHS



Congratulations to the businesses and citizens of Coconino County! The Smoke Free Arizona Act went into effect on May 1, 2007 and, so far, compliance rates in Coconino County have been high. During the first eight months of the State Smoke Free Air Ordinance (May–February), out of over 2,500 inspections performed, only 69 public complaints were registered.

Such a high rate of compliance is largely due to the County’s 2004 Smoke Free Air Ordinance, with many city municipalities following suit.

The Smoke Free Arizona Act was designed to protect Arizonans from the harmful effects of secondhand smoke. The law makes all enclosed public places, and places of employment, smoke free environments. Some variation exists between jurisdictions. If a local smoke free air ordinance is more restrictive than the State law, the local ordinance prevails.

The Coconino County Health Department is responsible for inspection and enforcement of the Smoke Free Arizona Act, as well as providing education to the public and businesses. This task is a joint effort

between the department’s Tobacco Use Prevention program and Environmental Services.

Many local businesses are still without the proper Smoke Free Arizona signage, which may be ordered at www.smokefreearizona.org, or by calling (928) 679-7385. Other common violations include smoking within 20 feet of entrances and openings, and improper placement of outdoor ashtrays. The Smoke Free Arizona website explains the law and what individuals and businesses need to do to be in compliance. Citizens may also register a public complaint on the website, which is also a good source of information about secondhand smoke.

Coconino County citizens have made excellent progress toward compliance with the Smoke Free Arizona Act and we look forward to continuing to work with local businesses to keep the air clean and smoke free.

For more information, call **(928) 679-7272**; toll-free **(877) 679-7272**.



COCONINO COUNTY

DIVISION VI - INTEGRATED FAMILY COURT

The Integrated Family Court (IFC) has developed into a success story since the Supreme Court Administrative Order was signed on September 6, 2006. Coconino County Superior Court Judge Elaine Fridlund-Horne presides over the IFC and her passion is to assist families in the throes of divorce and crisis.

The goals for the IFC are to discourage litigation through increased mediation, utilize the “**one-family, one judge**” approach, expand services available in family law cases, and to streamline case flow procedures. The IFC also offers training to all Coconino County Superior Court judges who hear family law cases; and offers additional services through the Self-Help Center, including document preparation assistance – Family Law Assistance Program (FLAP).

Division VI hears all domestic relations cases with children, all default dissolutions, all consent decrees, 50% of all



new dependency matters, and all guardianship and conservator matters—initial appointments and annual reviews.

The IFC program also provides a variety of services through contract providers, including anger management, counseling, domestic violence assessment, substance abuse and behavioral health assessment, parenting education, and more. These services are offered to assist families in minimizing the emotional trauma of divorce—helping them get back on their feet and move in a positive direction.

The IFC is located in the County Courthouse, 200 N. San Francisco Street in Flagstaff.

For more information, call (928) 679-7504.

NEW SERVICES AT LAW LIBRARY

The Law Library now offers two new free services for people representing themselves in family law cases: the **Family Law Assistance Program** and the **Starting a Family Law Case DVD**. These services will help citizens perform common legal procedures affordably and with confidence.

Family Law Assistance Program

Over 300 citizens have benefited from this program's services, which are a collaboration between the Integrated Family Court, DNA-People's Legal Services, and the Law Library.

• **Family law forms review:** After filling out self-help forms (and before starting a case for divorce, separation or custody), customers meet with a court attorney to review the forms and learn about the next steps.

• **Brief legal consultation:** Customers meet with a court attorney to ask questions about family law.

Starting a Family Law Case DVD

This 5-minute DVD comes with the self-help packets to start a case for divorce, separation or custody. It explains how to use the packets to make the family

court process as easy as possible and gives an overview of the steps involved.

For more information, call the Law Library at (928) 779-6656.

Congratulations to Law Librarian Gretchen Hornberger, recipient of an Arizona Judicial Branch Achievement Award for being accountable to citizens seeking “Access to Fair and Swift Justice”.

JUSTICE COURTS PARTICIPATE IN DUI CASE PROCESSING PROJECT

In response to a request from Arizona Supreme Court Chief Justice Ruth V. McGregor, all Coconino County Justices of the Peace were asked to participate in the second phase of a statewide DUI case processing project.

Flagstaff Justices of the Peace Brian Kolb and Cathleen Brown Nichols (Pro Tem) were instrumental in formulating a plan used by all Justice Courts in

the County to resolve all misdemeanor DUI cases in a timely and efficient manner. The plan set forth guidelines for tracking DUI cases filed in those courts, reviewing older cases that had not been resolved, and updating correct dispositions on all resolved DUI cases that still showed as pending.

Since the project began in September 2007, Williams, Page, Fredonia and Flagstaff Justice Courts have significantly reduced their total pending active DUI cases. Flagstaff Justice Court has processed the disposition of over 1,800 DUI cases, leaving approximately 160 new cases pending. It has been a collaborative effort of court staff, the Coconino County Attorney's Office and defense counsel.

In all County Justice Courts combined, approximately 560 new DUI cases are filed annually.

For more information, call Court Administration at (928) 779-6804.



THE 2008 BUDGET FOR COCONINO COUNTY IS \$120,820,546

Fiscal Year (FY) 2008 Budget Summary

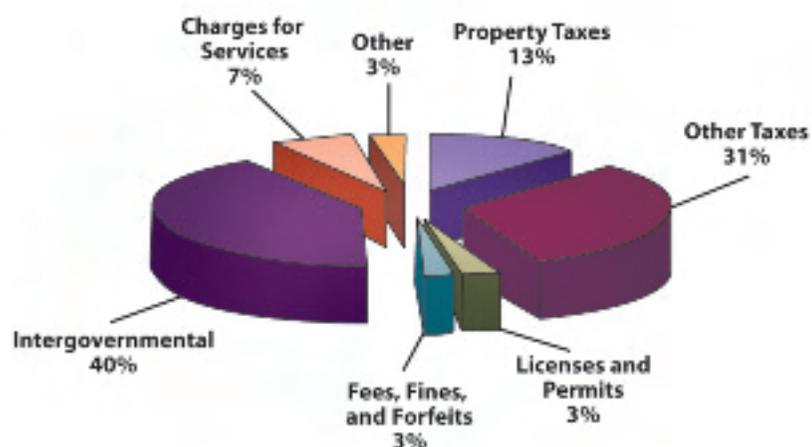
Total Budget: The FY08 adopted budget includes total County revenues of \$120,820,546. Much of these revenues (46%) are considered intergovernmental and include Federal and State grants, and State shared sales taxes. Local sales taxes, including a dedicated Jail District sales tax and Parks and Open Space sales tax, make up 27% of the total budget, and property taxes account for 10%.

The largest component of the \$177,199,632 expenditure budget goes toward the justice system, which includes the Sheriff, Jail District, courts, and probation functions at the County. The large Debt Service budget includes a funding appropriation to retire all of the County's outstanding debt (not related to Special Districts/Jail District). This debt was retired during the fiscal year at an estimated taxpayer savings of \$500,000.

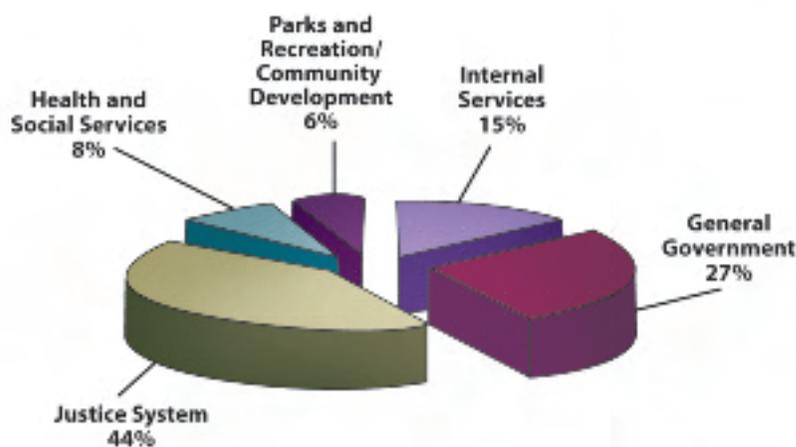
General Fund Budget: The largest source of revenues in the General Fund continues to be State shared sales taxes (36%). Other taxes, including County sales tax and vehicle license tax, account for 31% of the County's General Fund revenues. The total General Fund revenues were budgeted at \$52,707,929 for FY08.

The adopted General Fund operating budget for FY08 was \$55,295,619 (net of contingency). This included \$14 million in one-time items. Major expenditures in the General Fund support justice system programs, along with environmental health, medical examiner, senior services, and parks and recreation programs in the County.

General Fund Revenues by Type



General Fund Expenditures by Type



Budget Highlights

- Retirement of the County's general debt, with an estimated taxpayer cost savings of \$500,000
- Progress on a County-wide performance measure system, with establishment of measures for all 32 departments
- Conservative revenue estimates and long-term planning, resulting in the County's ability to maintain current levels of service while working through an economic downturn
- No reduction in services as a result of the County's financial planning. The impact of State and Federal actions on County services are unknown at this time.

Financial Planning

In preparation for the FY08 budget process, the County underwent a long-term financial planning process. Some highlights of this process include:

- Establishment of a 10-year financial plan for revenue and expenditures in the General Fund. This plan aligns expenditures to available revenues and prioritizes key expenditure areas.
- A comprehensive study of local, State, and national workforce trends and the impact these trends will have on the County's employment pool.
- A commitment toward operational infrastructure at the County, securing the County's ability to maintain the key information technology and facilities infrastructure that are essential to daily operations.
- The County continually thinking strategically in our budget process and focusing on long-term needs of the citizens, along with short-term initiatives.

Property Taxes

Coconino County has one of the lowest property tax rates in the State, which was reduced for the second straight year in FY08, to a rate of \$0.4383 per \$100 of assessed valuation. **For a house valued at \$200,000, this is a tax of \$87.66.** Coconino County collects property taxes on behalf of all governmental agencies, education and special districts, and distributes them to these agencies. Your tax dollar will be distributed to Education, Cities and Towns, Special Districts, and Coconino County.

NOTE: Tax rates may vary depending on where you live. Special district taxes vary depending on the special district assessment in each area. The breakdown to the right is an example of a tax dollar allocation for a household located in the City of Flagstaff.

For more information, call the Finance and Budget office at (928) 226-6027.





Coconino County Departments and Service Directory

(All addresses are Flagstaff, Az. 86001, and the area code is 928, unless otherwise noted; Courthouse address is 200 N. San Francisco St.)

General Information: 774-5011 or Toll Free (800) 559-9289

County Website: www.coconino.az.gov

Adult Probation, Cindy Winn	222 E. Birch Ave.....	679-8400
Assessor, Chris Mazon	110 E. Cherry Ave.....	679-7962
Board of Supervisors	219 E. Cherry Ave.....	779-6693
District I Carl Taylor	219 E. Cherry Ave.....	779-6697
District II Liz Archuleta	219 E. Cherry Ave.....	779-6798
District III Matt Ryan	219 E. Cherry Ave.....	779-6764
District IV Deb Hill	219 E. Cherry Ave.....	779-6696
District V Louise Yellowman	219 E. Cherry Ave.....	779-6699
	Tuba City Office.....	283-4518
Career Center, Carol Curtis	2625 N. King St., 86004.....	679-7400
Clerk of Board, Wendy Escoffier	219 E. Cherry Ave.....	779-6694
Clerk of Superior Ct., Debbie Young	200 N. San Francisco St.....	779-6535
Community Dev., Bill Towler	2500 N. Ft. Valley Rd. #1.....	679-8850
Community Services, Verma Fischer	2625 N. King St., 86004.....	679-7455
Constable, Linda Kuczynski	200 N. San Francisco St.....	779-6834
Cooperative Extension, Beth Tucker	2304 N. 3rd. St., 86004.....	774-1868
County Attorney, Terry Hance	110 E. Cherry Ave.....	779-6518
County Manager, Steve Peru	219 E. Cherry Ave.....	779-6859
Deputy Mgr., Mike Townsend	219 E. Cherry Ave.....	779-6895
Deputy Mgr., Larry Dannenfeldt	219 E. Cherry Ave.....	779-6709
Court Administration, Gary Krcmarik	200 N. San Francisco St.....	779-6804
Elections, Patty Hansen	110 E. Cherry Ave.....	779-6589
Facilities Management, Jody Gilbert	2500 N. Ft. Valley Rd. #2.....	679-8800
Finance, Sandra Schulz	219 E. Cherry Ave.....	679-7180
Geographic Inf. Sys., Kris Estes	121 E. Birch St. #200.....	679-7813
Gov. Relations, Joanne Keene	219 E. Cherry Ave.....	679-7134
Health, Barbara Worgess	2625 N. King St., 86004.....	679-7272
Human Resources, Allison Eckert	420 N. San Francisco St.....	679-7100
Information Tech., Maureen Jackson	211 N. Agassiz St.....	679-7930
Justices of the Peace		
Flagstaff, Brian Kolb	200 N. San Francisco St.....	779-6806
Fredonia, Mark R. Baron	112 N. Main St., PO Box 559, 86022.....	643-7472
Page, Donald G. Roberts	547 Vista Ave., 86040.....	645-8871
Williams, William B. Sutton Jr.	700 W. Railroad Ave., 86046.....	635-2691
Juvenile Court, Bryon Matsuda	1001 E. Sawmill Rd.....	226-5400
Margaret McCullough, Presiding Juvenile Judge	1001 E. Sawmill Rd.....	226-5400
Legal Defender, Gary Pearlmutter	201 E. Birch Ave., Ste. 2.....	779-6816
Organizational Dev., Holly Yeager	219 E. Cherry Ave.....	679-7435
Parks and Recreation, Todd Graeff	Ft. Tuthill (Exit 337 & I-17).....	679-8000
Public Defender, Allen Gerhardt	110 E. Cherry Ave.....	779-6663
Public Fiduciary, Tricia Powers	2625 N. King St., 86004.....	679-7434
Public Works, Andy Bertelsen	5600 E. Commerce Ave., 86004.....	526-2735
Recorder, Candace Owens	110 E. Cherry Ave.....	779-6585
Sheriff, Bill Pribil	911 E. Sawmill Rd.....	226-5012
Special Initiatives, Lucinda Andreani	219 E. Cherry Ave.....	779-6576
Supt. of Schools, Cecilia Owen	2384 N. Steves Blvd., 86004.....	779-6591
Superior Court Judges		
Division I Danna Hendrix, Presiding	200 N. San Francisco St.....	779-6861
Division II Fred Newton	200 N. San Francisco St.....	779-6598
Division III Mark Moran	200 N. San Francisco St.....	779-6801
(and Drug Court)		
Division IV Charles D. Adams	200 N. San Francisco St.....	779-6784
Division V Dan Slayton	200 N. San Francisco St.....	779-6546
Division VI Elaine Fridlund-Horne	200 N. San Francisco St.....	679-7680
(Integrated Family Court)		
Treasurer, Bonny Lynn	110 E. Cherry Ave.....	679-8188

GENERAL INFORMATION 774-5011 or Toll-Free (800) 559-9289

Abandoned Vehicles/Junk Cars	
Private Property.....	679-8850
Public Property.....	(choose Dispatch option) 774-4523

Adult Probation	
Flagstaff.....	679-8400
Page.....	645-9676

AHCCCS Eligibility (Department of Economic Security)	
Flagstaff (Eastside).....	522-0246
Flagstaff (Westside).....	779-0327
Page.....	645-8131
Tuba City.....	283-4511

Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR)/Mediation.....	779-6805
Amphitheater at Ft. Tuthill	774-0899

www.pinemountainamphitheater.com

Animal Management (2500 N. Ft. Valley, #1).....	679-8756
Animal Bites, Animal Control, Animal Cruelty, Barking Dogs, Dog Licenses, Rabies, Strays	
Domestic livestock—AZ State Inspector.....	toll-free (800) 294-0305
Wildlife—Arizona Game and Fish.....	774-5045 or toll-free (800) 352-0700
Animal Shelter (Coconino Humane Association).....	526-1076
Bad Check Prosecution (County Attorney's Office).....	779-6645
Bail Bonds (Posting M-F, 8-5)	
Flagstaff Precinct.....	779-6806
Fredonia Precinct.....	643-7472
Page Precinct.....	645-8871
Williams Precinct.....	635-2691
Birth Certificates (Arizona births only).....	679-7272
Board of Equalization.....	779-6693
Budget (Finance Department).....	679-7180
Buildings	
Inspections and Permits.....	679-8850
Inspections for Property Value Assessment, Change in Use of Property.....	679-7962
Buildings, Unsafe.....	679-8850
Bus Service.....	779-6624
Fixed Route (Mountain Line), Para-transit for Disabled/Elderly (VanGo)	
Campgrounds.....	679-8000
Ft. Tuthill County Park (group and family campsites and stables camping)	
Cataract Lake Campground	
Cats (See Animal Management)	
Child Support.....	779-6541
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.....	779-6693
Agendas & Meeting Minutes; Boards, Commissions, Committees and Councils; Land Sale.....	679-8000
Coconino County Fair	
Cooperative Extension Office (4-H).....	774-1868
Coconino Rural Environment Corps (CREC).....	679-8150
Collections Enforcement Unit (Courts).....	779-6804
Community Clean-Ups (Solid Waste).....	526-2735
Community Services Offices	
Flagstaff.....	679-7425
Page.....	645-3105
Williams.....	635-2628
Community Services Programs: Emergency Shelter, Rent/Mortgage/Utility Assistance, Senior Services (see Senior Services), Public Fiduciary, Basic Business Empowerment, CREC, Housing Rehabilitation, Volunteer Coordination	
Conciliation/Mediation.....	779-6805
Death Certificates	
Coconino County.....	679-8775
Arizona (outside Coconino County).....	(602) 364-1300
Defensive Driving School	
Flagstaff Precinct.....	779-6806
Fredonia Precinct.....	643-7472
Page Precinct.....	645-8871
Williams Precinct.....	635-2691
Disabled Services	
TDD (see TDD)	
Van Go paratransit.....	779-6624
Dogs (See Animal Management)	
Drainage.....	526-2735
Drug Court.....	226-6057
Dust Control.....	526-2735
Education Programs	
Superintendent of Schools - Citizenship, ESL, GED, Teacher Certification (forms and fingerprint cards only).....	779-6591
Career Center – Independent Learning Center (ILC) in Flagstaff.....	679-7400
Career Center – Page/Fredonia.....	(877) 679-7400
Elections.....	779-6589
Candidate Filing; County Initiative, Referendum & Recall Process; Early Ballots (Absentee Ballots); Voting Locations; Voter Registration	
Emergency Management (Disaster Preparedness).....	526-2735
Emergency Services (Utility Shut-off/Eviction Prevention).....	679-7425
Employment	
Human Resources.....	679-7100
Workforce Investment Act (WIA).....	679-7400
Law Enforcement.....	779-6702
Environmental Health/Environmental Quality.....	679-8750
Restaurant Inspections, Food Handler/Food Manager Classes, Wastewater	
Fine Enforcement/Judicial Management.....	779-6804
Fireworks Permits.....	779-6693
Floodplain Management.....	679-8850



Fort Tuthill County Park.....679-8000
County Fair, Horse Races, Special Events, Campgrounds, Trails, Parks Headquarters

Geographic Information Systems (GIS).....779-6625
Interactive GIS Mapping Site at <http://gis-map.coconino.az.gov/ccgis/>

Health (Programs/Services).....522-7800; toll-free (877) 522-7800
AzEIP (Early Intervention), Childbirth Education Classes (Labor Preparedness, Daddy Boot Camp, Perinatal Fitness, Newborn Care, Couples Skill Building), Communicable Disease, Dental Services, Environmental Health/Quality Services, Food Handler/Food Manager Classes, Restaurant Inspections, Wastewater (septic systems), Animal Management, Family Planning, STD testing/treatment, Food Plus, Health Start (Page), Healthy Families, HIV Testing & Counseling, Home Health Care, Immunizations/General Clinic, Injury Prevention, KidsCare Eligibility, Maternal and Child Health, Medical Examiner, Newborn Intensive Care/Nursing, Nutrition Education, Page-Health, Promoting Lifelong Activity For Youth (PLAY), Teen Wellness Clinic, Tobacco Prevention/Cessation, Traumatic Brain Injury Program, Tuberculosis (TB) Control Program, WIC (Women, Infant & Children) Nutrition

Horse Races.....679-8000

Household Hazardous Waste.....526-2735

House Number Information.....226-2700

Illegal Dumping (Public & Private Property)...(choose Dispatch option) 774-4523

Injunctions Against Harassment (workplace or personal)
Flagstaff Precinct.....779-6806
Fredonia Precinct.....643-7472
Page Precinct.....645-8871
Williams Precinct.....635-2691

Internet Site.....www.coconino.az.gov

Jail.....226-5200

Jury Service.....779-6535

Kachina Village Improvement District (KVID).....525-1775

Landlord/Tenant Issues.....779-6806

Landfills/Dumps/Transfer Stations.....526-2735

Land Records.....779-6585
Easements, Ownership Information, Subdivision & Lot Restrictions, Survey & Subdivision Plats

Land Sale
Clerk of the Board (also at www.coconino.az.gov/bos).....779-6693

Law Library (200 N. San Francisco St., Flagstaff).....779-6656

Legal Services (Civil Cases, Landlord/Tenant Issues, Domestic Relations).....774-0653

Legal Defender (Court Appointed Criminal Defense and Dependency Cases for Adults and Juveniles).....779-6816

Library (Public)
City/County Library, Main (Flagstaff).....779-7670
East Branch.....774-8434
Law Library.....779-6656
Page.....645-4270
Sedona.....282-7714
Tuba City.....283-5856
Williams.....635-2263

Liquor Licenses.....779-6693

Lot Splits/Combinations.....679-7962

Marriage Licenses.....779-6535

Meals on Wheels.....679-7425

Mediation/Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR).....779-6805

Medical Examiner (2500 N. Ft. Valley Rd. #3).....679-8775

Mountain Line (fixed route transportation within City of Flagstaff).....779-6624

Open Spaces (Coconino Parks and Open Spaces Program).....679-8000

Orders of Protection (no divorce filed)
Flagstaff Precinct.....779-6806
Fredonia Precinct.....643-7472
Page Precinct.....645-8871
Williams Precinct.....635-2691

Parks and Recreation.....679-8000
Cataract Lake Campground (near Williams), Fort Tuthill County Park (Exit 337 and I-17), Peaks View County Park (Koch Field Road, Doney Park), Raymond County Park/Pumphouse Greenway (Kachina Village), Sawmill Multicultural Art and Nature County Park (Sawmill Road, Flagstaff), Louise Yellowman County Park (Main & Moenave, Tuba City: 283-4117), Willow Bend Environmental Education Center (at Sawmill County Park).....779-1745

Passports.....779-6535

Permits (Online Permit Tracking Center at www.coconino.az.gov/cocopal/)
Building, Electrical, Gas, Manufactured Home, Temporary.....679-8850
Septic/Wastewater.....679-8750

Planning & Zoning.....679-8850

Private Property.....779-6502
Legal Descriptions, Lot Dimensions, Lot Splits/Combinations, Ownership Information, Rights-of-Way (Forms available at Assessor's Office or Community Development)

Property Damage Claims.....679-7107

Public Defender.....779-6663

Public Fiduciary (Conservator, Guardianship).....679-7440

Purchasing (Bids, Prospective County vendors).....779-6712

Recycling.....526-2735

Road Conditions (Arizona Department of Transportation).....774-1491

Roads
Dust, Potholes and Road Repairs, Snow Plowing.....526-2735
Easements, Rights-of-Way.....679-8850
Road Districts.....679-7176
Speeders (Sheriff).....774-4523

Schools (Superintendent of Schools).....779-6591
Adult Education Programs, Home Schooling (See Education Programs), Teacher Certification (Forms and fingerprint cards only)
Teacher Certification Information:
Phoenix.....(602) 542-4367
Tucson.....(520) 628-6325

Self-Help Legal Services Center.....779-6656

Senior Services.....679-7425
Case Management, Congregate Meals, Home Delivered Meals, Nutrition Education, Social Activities, Additional Services (See Community Services)

Septic Systems (Wastewater).....679-8750

Sheriff's Office
Emergency.....**Dial 911**
Non-Emergency.....774-4523
Civil Process.....226-5125
Jail.....226-5200
Administration.....226-5012

Sheriff's Office Substations
Blue Ridge, Forest Lakes, Fredonia, Grand Canyon, Sedona, Tuba City...774-4523
Page.....645-8873
Williams.....635-4487

Small Claims (claims less than \$2,500)
Flagstaff Precinct.....779-6806
Fredonia Precinct.....643-7472
Page Precinct.....645-8871
Williams Precinct.....635-2691

Solid Waste.....526-2735

Special District Payments.....779-6730

Special Districts.....679-7176
Improvement, Paving, Road Maintenance, Fire, Lighting, Sanitary, Water

Special Event Liquor Licenses.....779-6693

Tax Lien Sale.....679-8188

Taxes
Assessed Valuation, Exemptions, Tax Bill Corrections.....679-7962
County Tax Rates.....779-6707
Deadlines (for Tax Payments), Real and Personal Property (mobile homes and commercial equipment), Tax Bills.....679-8188

TDD Services (for the hearing impaired)
Elections/Voter Information, Human Resources.....679-7131
Sheriff.....774-4523

Tire Disposal.....526-2735

Traffic Citations (Highways and County)
Flagstaff Precinct.....779-6806
Fredonia Precinct.....643-7472
Page Precinct.....645-8871
Williams Precinct.....635-2691

Trails.....679-8000

Transfer Stations (Solid Waste).....526-2735

Transportation.....779-6624
Mountain Line (Fixed Route bus), Van Go (Para-transit Service)

Trash Services (Solid Waste).....526-2735

Tuba City Office (Board of Supervisors).....283-5357 or 283-4518

VanGo (para-transit service within City of Flagstaff).....779-6624

Volunteers
Career Center.....679-7400
Community Services.....679-7425
Cooperative Extension.....774-1868
Human Resources.....679-7100

Voter Registration.....779-6589

Wastewater (septic systems).....679-8750

Website.....www.coconino.az.gov

Youth Programs
Career Center.....679-7400
Community Services.....679-8150
Cooperative Extension.....679-7100
Juvenile.....779-6772

Zoning.....679-8850
Conditional Use Permits, Enforcement, Rezoning Applications, Variances

Toll-free numbers:
Career Center.....(877) 358-6714
Community Services.....(866) 822-9298
Elections.....(800) 793-6181
General County Information.....(800) 559-9289
Health Department
Flagstaff.....(877) 679-7272
Page.....(888) 645-2283
Law Library and Self-Help Center.....(877) 806-3187
Page, Kaibeto, Fredonia Health Services.....(800) 645-2283
Public Defender.....(886) 290-2466
Public Works.....(800) 790-1990
Sheriff's Office.....(800) 338-7888
Treasurer's Office.....(877) 500-1818

COCONINO COUNTY

FIND SUCCESS IN YOUR EMPLOYMENT SEARCH WITH COCONINO COUNTY!

Be a part of something great! Do you want a career where you can make a difference? A career that will offer numerous opportunities for personal and professional growth?

The opportunities in public service are endless and there is no more rewarding career than one in which you serve your community. Coconino County is looking for employees who like to be challenged and have a passion for serving our diverse communities and the public. The County provides a wide array of services requiring a variety of expertise from all careers and backgrounds.

So, once you know that Coconino County is the place you want to start, continue or complete your career – what can you do as an applicant to ensure a successful outcome? Here are a few tips on how to be successful in your efforts to join our team:

- **Fill out your application completely.** It's the first impression we have of you, your skills and abilities.
- **Review the minimum qualifications, preferences and ideal candidate description of the open position.** If you possess the skills and experience for the position, or a similar skill set, list them clearly on the application.
- **Be specific on your application.** Do not leave your skill description up to interpretation. Tailor your application to specifically highlight the preferences for each position.
- **Your resume is not a legal document.** We require that the application be completely filled out—do not write “see resume.” You may elect to submit a resume with your application to further highlight your experience, but it should be a supporting document only.

You're almost there! You've made the important decision to pursue a career at the County, followed up by applying for opportunities that best match your background and qualifications. The following tips will help you navigate through the selection and hiring process:

- **Understanding the decision matrix.** We use a decision matrix to determine who will move forward to the interview stage. A decision matrix is an objective tool that weights preferences in order to score applications quantitatively. The skill sets listed in the preferences and ideal candidate description listed on the posting become criteria for moving forward. Each candidate who meets the minimum qualifications will be assigned points for each criterion they identify. The highest scoring applicants will move forward to interviews and/or testing.

- **Preparing for your interview.** Apart from skill sets, the interview process evaluates your ability to get along with others, work in a team environment and communicate effectively. Every position is different so the questions we ask during interviewing will reflect what the hiring manager is seeking. In general, we look for **Capability** (the person's hard skills and education), **Commitment** (the person's internal desire to do the job) and **Chemistry** (the person's fit into our environment) and, finally, someone who shares our organizational values—honesty, respect, integrity, responsibility and community. Think about what types of questions you would ask if you were the hiring manager and prepare honest responses to them. Be prepared with past examples of work performance that demonstrated your strengths, skills, and opportunities for growth and development.

- **If you don't know, just ask.** If you have questions regarding the application, the recruitment process or the position, don't hesitate to call Human Resources.

Human Resources strives to provide high quality customer service to applicants through timely recruitment processes and applicant feedback during all phases of the recruitment. **We want every applicant's experience to be positive.**

If you are not sure how your education, background or talents may fit into a career at Coconino County, we invite you to visit our website at www.coconino.az.gov or give us a call at (928) 679-7100; toll free 800-559-9289.

CAREER CENTER SERVES EMPLOYERS AND JOB SEEKERS

The Coconino County Career Center is helping businesses grow throughout the County – thanks to the Arizona Job Training Program administered through the Arizona Department of Commerce. Since 2001, employers have made tax contributions that fund these training grants. Employers contribute to this fund every year, so it is beneficial for them to use it to train their employees.

Career Center staff meets with employers throughout Coconino County to assess their workforce needs. If training is necessary to help a business grow, the Arizona Job Training grant is a source of funding to offset associated expenses. The application process is simple and funds are awarded on a first-come, first-served basis. At the beginning of the year, there was \$52 million in this fund.

There have been several businesses in Coconino County that have received these funds. Flagstaff Cabinet Company received a \$316,000 grant to train new and current

employees. The company plans to expand their business into a national market with a line of custom-built “green” cabinets. “These funds will greatly offset the cost of training our employees on new equipment, software and design techniques as Flagstaff Cabinet Company grows over the next couple of years,” said owner Chuck Rathert.

The Employer Services staff at the Career Center also assesses workforce needs and identifies education and training for their clients to become successful employees. They develop employee training workshops and coordinate job fairs with employers to provide “one-stop shopping” for job seekers in Page, Fredonia and Flagstaff.

For more information, call (877) 358-6714; toll free 877-358-6714.

INTERESTED IN STARTING OR GROWING A SMALL BUSINESS?



If so, Coconino County Community Services offers a small business development program to empower potential entrepreneurs.

Basic Business Empowerment offers training and match savings opportunities to fledgling entrepreneurs who are starting home-based or other micro-enterprises. Community Services is a certified provider of the 10-week/36-hour Kauffman Foundation First Step FastTrac curriculum. Also, grant funds are available as match savings incentives to low-income/low-asset participants who open an Individual Development Account (IDA) for business start-up or expansion.

For more information, visit www.coconino.az.gov/comsvcs.aspx?id=5497, call (928) 679-7463; or email sneuman@coconino.az.gov.

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