

# THE CONNECTION

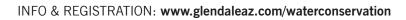
Keeping Glendale Residents Connected

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#### Savvy Succulent Spaces!

Liven up your home with spectacular succulents! Explore how to successfully grow succulents that are well-suited to the low desert, whether grown in the ground or in containers. Starr Urbatsch, the Agave, Aloe, & Non-Cactus Succulents Collections Manager at the Desert Botanical Garden, will also share information about appropriate species that thrive indoors. Join us in-person at the Glendale Main Library (5959 W. Brown St.) auditorium on Saturday, April 16 from 10-11:30 a.m.





#### Shred It & Forget It Event - April 2

Join Police's Community Action Teams on Saturday, April 2 at the Glendale Adult Center (5970 W. Brown Street). Each household can bring up to four banker-size boxes of **paper only** to be shredded on site. This free service will be offered from 8-11 a.m., or until the disposal trucks are full. INFO: 623-930-2540 or **www.glendaleaz.com/police** 

# Free Medication Disposal Day April 30

The Glendale Police Department, CVS Pharmacy and the Drug Enforcement Administration are providing residents an opportunity to safely and conveniently dispose of expired, unwanted or unused pharmaceutical substances and other medications. Controlled, non-controlled and over the counter substances will be accepted. Glass containers, inhalers, intravenous solutions, injectables and syringes cannot be accepted due to potential hazards posed by blood borne pathogens. Join us on Saturday, April 30 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. We will be in the CVS Pharmacy Parking lots at 5125 W. Olive Avenue (southwest corner of Olive and 51st Ave.) and 18591 N. 59th Avenue (southeast corner of Union Hills and 59th Ave.). INFO: 623-930-4044

## The Spectacular Spring Book Sale Returns on April 30!

**Foothills Library, Roadrunner and Hummingbird Rooms** (19055 N. 57th Ave.)

Don't miss our huge sale of books and media from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. on Saturday, April 30, in the Roadrunner Room at the Foothills Library! There'll be something for everyone in our largest meeting room. In addition, our cash-only Buck-a-Bag sale will run from 10 a.m.– 2 p.m. in the smaller Hummingbird Room, with bags provided by the library and a limit of two bags per person. Proceeds benefit your library. INFO: 623-930-3854

# Is Your Property in a Designated Flood Hazard Area?

Did you know some parts of Glendale are designated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) as being in a special flood hazard area (SFHA)? Properties in these areas are required to purchase flood insurance as part of their home mortgage. However, other sections of the city are subject to flooding that are not shown on the Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM).

Glendale's Engineering Department has copies of the updated FIRMs for the entire city and can let you know if your property is in a special flood hazard area and may be able to let you know if flooding has been reported in your area in the past. The city's Engineering department also has copies of the most recent FEMA elevation certificates for some structures within the city as well as the updated floodplain ordinance on file.

All properties within Glendale can obtain flood insurance whether or not you are in a designated flood area. Remember, most standard homeowners' policies do not cover flood loss. INFO: 623-930-3656 or go to **glendaleaz.com** and search "flood plain determination."



## A Message from Councilmember Lauren Tolmachoff

Transportation investments impact our daily lives. There is simply no way around this fact. In 2004, residents of Maricopa County approved a 20-year, half cent sales tax dedicated strictly for transportation investments within the county. Over the past 17 years, the revenue generated from this tax has funded new freeway construction, supplemented local street pavement investments in Glendale, and has funded responsible transit investments.

Local leaders throughout Maricopa County will ask voters in the 2022 general election to extend the existing tax for another 25 years. This plan, formally known as MOMENTUM, is the framework for transportation investment in the region for the next 25 years (2026-2050). A project map will be available to the voters showing proposed investments in existing and new freeways and highways, local roads, transit operations, emerging technologies, and funds to address safety improvements, congestion and air quality.

Without regional sales tax funding, the only transportation dollars left to the region are limited federal funds and declining state gas tax revenues. Under this scenario, the region would not be able to build new facilities, expand our transit system, or optimize the existing network. Developing this plan was done with careful and thoughtful consideration of what is needed to support businesses and residents within the city of Glendale. The plan is balanced, fiscally responsible, and protected by the voters. I believe this plan is good for Glendale and I ask that you join me when the time comes to vote yes for this transportation sales tax extension that will guide sensible planning decisions for decades to come.

# Annual Sidewalk Sale in Historic Downtown Glendale April 9

Put on your walking shoes and head to Historic Downtown Glendale for a beautiful spring day and sales galore on Saturday, April 9 from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. All that power shopping will fuel your hunger and our iconic restaurants are sure to satisfy every appetite with a wide array of delectable dining throughout Old Towne and Catlin Court. Start at the Arizona Information Center (5836 W. Palmaire Ave.) to pick up the activity list and walking map. INFO: www.VisitDowntownGlendale.com



## Teen Afterhours: CLUE Escape Room!

Foothills Library (19055 N. 57th Ave.)

Was it Colonel Mustard in the kitchen? Or Miss Scarlet in the library? Solve our escape room murder mystery with your friends at the Foothills Library as we play a life-size version of Clue on Friday, April 8, from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. This event is for tweens and teens, ages 10-18. Visit https://bit.ly/clueescaperoom to register. INFO: 623-930-3847

### Get a Mobile Office to Go at the Glendale Public Library

Are you job hunting or pursuing higher education without access to a computer, Wi-Fi, or printing at home? Check out a Mobile Office to Go! This library kit contains a Chromebook, a printer, and a mobile Wi-Fi hotspot with internet service that you can use for free. Visit https://bit.ly/mobileofficetogo for more information.

#### Writer in Residence Returns to the Glendale Public Library

Unleash your inner author! The library is hosting two Writers in Residence to provide expert advice to aspiring authors at all experience levels. Register at https://bit.ly/gplwir2022 to attend a thirty-minute one-on-one appointment or workshops to learn new skills in craft and publishing. Amy K. Nichols, author of the YA science fiction novels Now That You're Here and While You Were Gone, will present virtual programs on Zoom from March through May, while Betty Webb, author of both the Lena Jones and the Gunn Zoo mystery series, will be at the Foothills Library from May through July. Visit amyknichols.com and www.bettywebbmystery.com to find out more.

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