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Glendale and Southwest Ambulance Join Forces on Centerline

GLENDALE, Ariz. – Downtown Glendale will become the new home for the West Valley headquarters of a longtime city business partner – Southwest Ambulance. Arizona’s largest ambulance provider has chosen the heart of Glendale’s Centerline, the city’s redevelopment and revitalization project on the Glendale Avenue Corridor, as the location for its West Valley Operations Facility at 5222 W. Glendale Ave. Approximately 60 Southwest Ambulance employees will work out of the new location serving the entire West Valley following the company’s move-in, which is expected to occur in August.

The 18,000 square foot facility was selected as part of the company’s search for a West Valley location. Glendale’s City Manager’s Office and Economic Development Department worked with Southwest Ambulance to identify locations and finalize lease negotiations. Southwest Ambulance has more than 70 ambulance stations across Central Arizona and the new Glendale facility will become Southwest Ambulance’s second largest-operations facility in the region.

“Southwest Ambulance has been proud to be part of Glendale’s history since the 1980s as its contracted emergency ambulance transportation provider,” said Roy Ryals, Senior Vice President and Executive Director for Southwest Ambulance. “We look forward to continuing our relationship with Glendale for years to come, and we are excited to be part of the excitement, growth, revitalization and forward-thinking that has made the Centerline project possible.”

“The development of Centerline continues to be a top priority for the city as we work with corporations to find resourceful reuses of existing properties,” said Brian Friedman, Glendale Economic Development Director. “Southwest Ambulance has been a city partner for many years; the building’s amenities were a perfect fit for both their operations and the Centerline effort.”

The new Glendale facility will house 25 non-emergency ambulances and crews, plus a fleet department for minor repairs, a supply warehouse, 10 administrative offices, employee training facilities and a duty office staffed 24/7 to ensure that ambulances are properly equipped, stocked, cleaned and prepared for response. Additionally, Southwest Ambulance plans to make the facility’s training rooms available to local organizations in need of meeting space.

For more information on Southwest Ambulance visit www.swambulance.com and for more information on Glendale’s Centerline project, check out www.glendaleaz.com/glendalecenterline.

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