

## July Community Meeting

On July 26th, Ak-Chin Community Council hosted its monthly community meeting via WebEx. Since the turn out of the virtual meetings has boosted, the meetings will continue to take place virtually, until in person meetings are approved.

First presenter of the evening was Bart Smith, Community Operations Manager. Bart shared his notes on the July 27th and 28th Covid-19 Testing Blitz. He pointed out how all testers would receive an Ak-Chin Entertainment Gift Card. He then announced to the Community that if they had missed picking up their school supplies from the Back to School events for their students that they are still available by appointment at the Education Department.

Bart then talked about the Ak-Chin Elder Center having breakfast and lunch in-person, starting on Wednesdays and Thursdays and will continue to have meals delivered to elder homes. The department will have to limit seating due to the current Covid-19 cases,

the sit-down meals will be available by appointment only, at a max of 10 people allowed per meal. He encouraged to book a spot in early! Elder and/or caregivers can book an appointment with the Elder Center. Staff can also arrange a ride to and from the Elder Center with the help of the Transit Department.

Once Bart had finished, he turned the meeting over to Council, who called upon the IMT (Incident Management Team).

Team Leader/Community Services Manager Nicole Carlyle-Coester, provided introductions of the team. Operation Chief position is Chief Manuel Garcia, Planning Chief is Marc Matteson, Logistics is Wayne Allison, Finance Administrative is Diana Garcia, Safety Coordinator is Clifford Myers, Emergency Operation Center (EOC) Manager is Glenn Boothe and Deputy EOC is Keith Franklin.

Marc Matteson, introduced himself and gave a

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## Ak-Chin builds relationship with Chandler Regional



Chandler Regional Tower D dedication. Ak-Chin Vice-Chairman Lemuel Vincent (4th from left) and Ak-Chin Chairman Robert Miguel (5th from left). Photo credit "© 2021 Mark Skalny Photography, All Rights Reserved."

July 16, 2021, many gathered for the dedication ceremony opening of the Tower D building, which is an expansion to the existing Chandler Regional Medical Center.

The Tower D expansion will add 230,000sf, including new main entrance, five stories plus basement, and provide outpatient services, operating rooms, cardiac rehabilitation, infusion, telemetry and chapel.

Ak-Chin, was among

the many sponsors who participated in the event.

The proceeds that were accumulated to fund the tower came from a donation from Ak-Chin to Chandler Regional, from the Proposition 202 12% contribution allocated grant process, stipulated through the Tribal Gaming Compact.

Chandler Regional was a 2019 applicant of the 12% contribution process. Upon review and approval of the application by Council,

Chandler Regional was awarded the allocated funds for the project.

"The significance of the contribution is to solidify the relations between Chandler Regional and the Ak-Chin Community which reflects in many aspects. The main focus for contributing to the project is to aid in delivering more efficient as well as sufficient medical care not only for our members but for the public in general." shared Lemuel Vincent, Ak-Chin Vice-Chairman.

## Ak-Chin Circle Entertainment Center opens up entertainment and promotion opportunities



Alexis Alvarez

Looking back on last year and now with a brighter future for the Community, it's great to see all the new and exciting things that are happening again in Ak-Chin.

With a recent change of management, Ak-Chin Circle Entertainment Center, formerly UltraStar Multi-tainment, has been working hard to thrive beyond the pandemic. Opening up more opportunities to have fun and provide that unique entertainment venue, the Circle is bringing in more business, which also opens the door to more employment opportunities.

Most recently, five Community member employees with Ak-Chin Circle have been promoted.

"The promotions for community members came about due to our business and events increasing." Laurie McCartney, General Manager Ak-Chin Circle Entertainment Center shared. "One of my goals is to institute an internal program to groom tomorrow's



John Batopis

company leaders. Anyssa, Cecily, Alexis, Yolanda and John know our business, our guests, our strengths, our weaknesses and our Community. I believe that rewarding and promoting from within gives our business stability and shows that hard work and dedication allows for growth."

Alexis Alvarez, is the new Food and Beverage Supervisor. She has been working at Ak-Chin Circle since October. She has also worked here prior, "before the switch over it would be 2 years. I Started out as a busser then worked my way up to a sever and bartender and now a supervisor."

Alexis is skilled in food and beverage, she also feels she can, "help my team anywhere they need me whether it's running food or serving tables and or be behind the bar making drinks for guests."

Family has always encouraged Alexis to "do new things" and "you need a job!" They have also instilled that "earning money and trying to get things



Anyssa Justin

that I want makes me appreciate things a little bit more."

Alexis' next five years, "I see myself happy, thriving and accomplishing my goals." Her memorable experience working at Ak-Chin Circle "is getting promoted, being able to help my team and obviously working the most recent event Gertie and The T'O Boys, seeing people dancing and having a good time was amazing to see again."

A unique quality Alexis shares, "I can hear any song and I can tell you what movie it was in and what scene it played in." When not working, she likes to spend time relaxing or hanging out with family, "or go watch the new movies here at Ak-Chin Circle."

Alexis added that she is "happy I am to be a part of a team and a position that I got promoted to and a community I'm a part of."

John Batopis has been promoted to Facilities Technician. John has been working at Ak-Chin Circle for



Yolanda Melero

four years. He has also worked in the community as well, with Central Plant and Parks and Recreation. He is experienced in construction, drywall, electrical and painting.

John sees himself working at Ak-Chin Circle in the next five years. He enjoys working nights, and shares memorable moments are when "working with Yolanda and Marilyn."

One of John's qualities, "is to try and teach others to do the right thing the first time." When John is not working at Ak-Chin Circle, he enjoys spending time with his grandkids.

Anyssa Justin, who was recently promoted to Senior Entertainment Manager has been working with Ak-Chin Circle for almost five years. She began working as a Theater Team Member in November 2016.



Cecily Peters

"It was an after-school job during high school and took up all my time on weekends. I stayed a team member until January of 2019 when I was promoted to a Theater Supervisor. 11 months later in December of 2019 I was promoted to a Theater Manager."

Anyssa has seen Ak-Chin Circle evolve since working there. "In November of 2019, the bowling alley and theater teams started to cross train between the departments to help with staffing, this included management learning how to operate both departments. By the time COVID-19 hit and we were reopening, we operated the bowling alley first without the movie theater. Then our community took over as management on October 16, 2020. During the transition of the new name I also was trained in the restaurant business."

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# Secretary Buttigieg meets with Arizona Tribal Leaders

Story and Photo submitted

In efforts to strengthening relationships in all matters between Tribal Nations and the Biden Administration, Secretary of Transportation Pete Buttigieg held a roundtable discussion with Tribal Leaders from throughout Arizona.

The meeting took place on Thursday, July 15th at the Sheraton Grand at Wild Horse Pass Casino Resort on the Gila River Indian Community.

The primary focus of the meeting was to receive infrastructure comments and testimony of needs from Tribal Communities in Arizona and



Chairman Miguel with Secretary of Transportation Pete Buttigieg.



Stephen Roe Lewis, Gila River Governor, Christian Price, Maricopa Mayor, Pete Buttigieg, US Secretary of Transportation, Robert Miguel Ak-Chin Chairman, Tom O'Halleran, US Congressman.

the surrounding cities that are affected by continued needs.

“All Tribal Communities in Arizona have infrastructure needs from maintenance, paving, flooding mitigations, and other areas of requirements so it was a priority to have Secretary of Transportation Buttigieg here in person listening to our concerns,” said Chairman Miguel. “We’ve always echoed to our State Representatives from D.C. that in order for the administration to better understand our needs, they needed to come and visit our communities in person.”

Following roundtable discussions, Chairman Miguel, Gila River Indian Community Governor Stephen Lewis-Roe and City of Maricopa

Mayor Christian Price were able to continue thoughts of road improvements within an intersection shared by all three parties.

The section of State Route 347 and Riggs Road was visited by the group and discussions continued with the two Tribal Leaders, Maricopa City Mayor and Buttigieg on potential support in funding of an added overpass to the intersection.

“We were extremely appreciative of Secretary Buttigieg’s time in visiting one of the more dangerous intersections within our respective communities,” Chairman Miguel stated. “347 and Riggs is definitely a priority when it comes to seeking infrastructure dollars to support continued improvements in a safe route for commuters to go and come into Maricopa.”

Following his Arizona stint, Secretary Buttigieg continued his journey in visiting Tribal Nations throughout the Southwestern and Pacific coast areas.

Prior to becoming United States Secretary of Transportation, Secretary Buttigieg was the 32nd Mayor of South Bend, Indiana from 2012 to 2020 and ran as a candidate for President of the United States in the 2020 Democratic Party Presidential Primaries.

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presentation on what his roll is on IMT. As planning segment of the team, which receives input/output data and reports for the operations of the team, Marc puts together a weekly snapshot of the current status.

The snapshot includes, the total current cases of COVID, how many homes are under quarantine, stats of the community and other related information etc. It also includes the state data and local ZIP Code data from neighboring counties around the community.

Marc provided a vaccination summary, exclaiming as of Thursday, July 22, Ak-Chin has 446 total community members vaccinated with at least one dose and 402 community members who have been fully vaccinated. 80% of community elders (55+) are fully vaccinated, ages 35- 55 is sitting just under 47%.

Presenting next was Chief Garcia, who shared his primary responsibilities are preparation and responses for anything the community may encounter. Whether it is events within the community itself or recurring events (ex: vaccination events) he is finding ways for things to be done safely.

Chief Garcia then talked about 72-hour preparedness within the community itself, and mentions that although this presentation on “72-hour Preparedness” is relating to COVID-19, it will also apply to anything and everything that could occur here in the community outside the virus. As an example of the massive power outage that our sister tribe Gila River experienced as one of the many events that Ak-Chin community could be prepared and have the right approach to handling these and other situations.

Chief Garcia explained that this specific 72 Preparedness presentation is specifically geared towards quarantining and Covid-19. He encouraged everyone to think about planning ahead, preparing yourself, your family and your home in case of an event that you and your family may have to quarantine for a period of time.

Quarantining is isolating

yourself and any family members that have COVID or have been exposed to COVID in your household. It’s protecting others from becoming infected and isolating those impacted.

In the event you or your household are put into quarantine, there are some steps to take to prepare for a 72-hour (3 day) quarantine. Ak-Chin Indian Community All Hazard Emergency Operations Plan Residents of the Ak-Chin Indian Community should be self-sufficient for the first 72 hours of any disaster.

Below is a list of suggestions for planning to create your household quarantine kit in the event you are put under quarantine:

**Food** – Purchase canned foods that will not spoil and have a long shelf life. Select items that your family likes. Canned products could include meat products, fish, beans, soups, broths, stews, fruits, fruit juice, vegetables, powdered milk. Frozen foods are also an option to have on hand. Other foods to consider are peanut butter, jelly, crackers, nuts, trail mix, dried fruits, granola bars, bouillon cubes. Other staples to have on hand are sugar, salt, pepper.

**Baby food and supplies** – you may have special needs for your babies and children. Be aware of this and prepare ahead. Also consider diapers, baby wipes, and any formula needed for baby.

**Family members with special diet needs** – plan ahead and stock up for any special needs of any family members.

**Water and liquids** – the CDC recommend you keep plenty of fluids on hand such as bottled water and liquids with electrolytes such as Pedialyte or Gatorade. Plan enough for at least 72 hours for all family members and stock up on items.

**Medicine** – Consider all of the family medical needs and any medicine that will be needed to cover a 14-day period. Even better plan for a 30-day supply.

**Supplies** – Keep supplies on hand such as cleaning supplies, masks, hand sanitizer, wipes, hand soap, toilet paper, paper towels, dish soap, trash bags, disinfectant spray, laundry soap, tissue, bleach, gloves, and other essential supplies

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The 2021 session will continue as a home based project, for the safety of our Community.

Participants can make flower wreaths from the comfort of their home. A bag of supplies will be provided to each participant, the bag will contain enough supplies to complete 5 or 10 wreaths.

Bags can be dropped off at your home, or can be picked up at the Art Building. Finished wreaths can also be picked up from your home or dropped off at the Art Building.

If you are interested in participating, please call the Him-Dak Museum @ 520-568-1350. Bag distribution is from August 3rd through October 15th.

Finished wreaths will be distributed at grave sites, on All Souls Day.



## Elder August Breakfast-Lunch Menu

**6 - Bacon & Egg Burrito, Granola Bar, Grapes, Apple Juice || Spinach Chicken Bake, Wild Rice, Asparagus, Yogurt Parfait**

**16 - Oatmeal, Boiled Eggs, Bagel & Cream Cheese, Cereal, Berries, Milk || Indian Tacos, Lettuce, Tomato, Cheese, Fresh Cut Fruit**

**9 - Pancakes, Turkey Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Sliced Apples, Grape Juice || Bean Tostadas, Chicken Tostadas (D), Zucchini, Corn, Strawberry Bread**

**17 - Breakfast Cass, Toast, Cottage Cheese & Pineapples, Apple Juice || Potato Soup & Salad, Rolls, Plums**

**10 - Cream of Wheat, Scrambled Eggs, Toast, Cereal, Grapes, Milk || Ham Sandwich, Cole Slaw, Mixed Vegetables, Apples/ Oranges**

**18 - Cream of Wheat, Boiled Eggs, Yogurt, English Muffin, Milk || Pork Chops, Mashed Potatoes, Wild Rice, Bread, Brownies, Cake (D)**

**11 - Sausage & Egg Burrito, Banana, Granola Bar, Apple Juice || Pizza, Chicken Wings & Salad Ambrosia Salad**

**19 - Ham, Egg, & Cheese Burrito, Sliced Apples, Granola Bar, Orange Juice || Spaghetti, Broccoli, Carrots, Salad, Rolls, Mandarin Oranges**

**12 - Oatmeal, Boiled Eggs, Toast, Yogurt, Milk || Red Chili Stew Peas, Carrots, Chumath, Pineapples**

**20 - Blueberry Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Turkey Sausage, Grape Juice || Tuna Fish or Chicken Sandwich, Cauliflower, 3 Bean Salad, Pears**

**13 - Biscuits & Sausage Gravy, Scrambled Eggs, Fruit Cup, Orange Juice || Split Peas, Turkey w/ Gravy (D), Yellow Squash, Brown Rice, Jell-O**

**\*\* Some items many change**

**without notice\*\***

### Ak-Chin Indian Community

## Wireless Internet Service Questionnaire

Community Council has approved Wireless Internet Service to be provided in the Community for all residents who choose to participate. The service is free to all Community households and its purpose is to provide Internet access in Community homes for student/elder and resident during this COVID-19 crisis. If you would like to participate in this program please fill out the form below and drop the form off at the IS Department.

Resident Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

- Would you like to participate in the Program?  
Yes ☐ No ☐
- What is the total number of household members:  
2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5+ ☐
- Age ranges in the household: (Check all that apply)  
0-5 ☐ 6-17 ☐ 18-30 ☐ 31-50 ☐ 51+ ☐
- How many total devices (cellphones, TVs, computers, tablets & laptops) are used in the household, that require wireless service:  
2 ☐ 3 ☐ 4 ☐ 5+ ☐
- What is the primary use for needing wireless access? (check all that apply)  
School ☐ Work ☐ Personal ☐

Thank you for participating in this survey.  
Please submit completed surveys to IS Department, located at  
45710 W. Farrell Rd. (520-568-1120), or  
e-mail [hnavis@ak-chin.nsn.us](mailto:hnavis@ak-chin.nsn.us).



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**FRIDAY, AUGUST 13TH**

Please submit all  
announcements, wishes, etc.  
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**FRIDAY, AUGUST 13TH**

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## Ak-Chin Circle

Anyssa has learned many skills on the job. "I have gained so much knowledge and skills over the years that I have many goals for developing my departments more. My biggest goal overall is continuing to bring more business into our establishment. I continue to grow every day and learn the values of running a business."

Anyssa considers the Circle a second home. "From UltraStar to Ak-Chin Circle, the building has always been sort of a second home to me. I have always believed a tribal/community member should be a part of the operations of this building, because it is on our homeland. Our team knows we are doing what's in the best interest of the community, and I stand by bringing my community involved in our establishment."

A unique quality she shared about herself, "I am very dedicated to my job because of how much I love this place. I love mentoring and helping someone reach their full potential. I want to give others the push because I came from being timid and shy" and she hopes to someday become "director of operations."

A memorable experience for Anyssa was to give back during the holidays. "In November and December with each transaction

that was done we would ask guests to donate to Three Precious Miracles, a nonprofit organization who support the families of native American children who are displaced, so they can provide a loving, caring, culturally sensitive home. It was an awesome feeling to see the team members wanting to give back in any way they can."

Anyssa also shares how she's worked her way to be where she is today. "It wasn't the easiest getting to where I am, but it wasn't the hardest thing I have done. I want others to see it can be done with time and dedication. I couldn't have made it this far without the help of my boss, David Trujillo. He has pushed me and guided me in directions I couldn't do for myself. My biggest goal is to see more tribal members be in the hospitality business like I am. I want to see more tribal members working in our establishment. I am here to pave the way for my community to join me in making our entertainment center bigger!"

When not working at Ak-Chin Circle, Anyssa is a full-time student and a full-time Auntie to her nephew Jaxson.

Yolanda Melero is the Lead Cook for Ak-Chin Circle's 347 Grill. She has been working in the food industry for quite some time. She has worked with Ak-Chin Circle for nine months, and "with UltraStar since day one 11/2012. 5 months after UltraStar opened I made Lead Prep, and worked some years (with) 10 pins kitchen and currently in 347 Grill."

Yolanda started her cooking career while working for Gila

River Casino in the 90's. She started out as a dishwasher and was inspired by a couple of the Sous chefs to try out cooking, "but in the back of my mind it was not what I wanted to do." She worked two years as a level 1 cook, then "I skipped a few levels and made it to level 5."

As Yolanda worked her way up, "I always felt intimidated, just because I constantly had to work with Sous Chefs (The top guns) and had to be capable of working anywhere at any time."

Yolanda worked in the deli areas, a la carte, cooking for employees and in buffet. Once she made it to level 1 cook, "that is when I knew this was the area I wanted to work in and then everything else fell into place."

Yolanda was very diligent in learning and building her skills, "I listened, payed attention, took notes. So here I am now." In sharing about the workplace, Yolanda would see members come in to eat or in the lobby area, and says, "it would be nice to see a lot more members coming in."

When not at work Yolanda shares, "anyone who knows me well, knows I'm into the paranormal; books, tv, etc. etc. and if anyone has had an experience, I'm listening..."

Yolanda sees herself continuing to learn and grow in the cooking field in the future, and she is thankful for the opportunities. "I am very grateful to our Exec. Chef at Circle for this opportunity and for me to keep on learning... I really don't know what lies ahead in life. It changes. But I love and am comfortable working at Ak-Chin Circle."

Cecily Peters was

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promoted to Food and Beverage Supervisor. She has been working with Ak-Chin Circle since February 2021. She has worked previously on and off with the entertainment center since its opening in 2012. "I've worked many jobs here, like concessions, box office, busser, server, and bartender."

Cecily's overall work skills and knowledge about the community will come in handy in her new position.

She is grateful to work in her community and "being able to work for all of my people." She is looking forward to continue working, "somewhere fun, interesting and challenging."

A unique trait she shares, "I listen to all types of music, country to jazz to hip hop to death metal to kpop. If it has a good beat it's on my playlist. My favorite Radio station is KOHN because they play everything."

When not working at Ak-Chin Circle, Cecily likes hanging out with family, staying active and traveling. As far as memorable experiences while working at Ak-Chin Circle she jokes, "Too many! We get a lot of interesting people that walk through our doors."

"We have an amazing Team that supports the entertainment complex, each other, our guests and our Community," Laurie adds. "We have had our challenges no-doubt, with the operations of the facility transferred to the Ak-Chin Indian Community, but we have never swayed to spend Tribal dollars wisely and make sure the entertainment complex is helping to create jobs and revenue for the Community. I want to thank Brandon Peters and Council for the support and believing in our Team."

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that your household will need. Many of these items have been given at Community distributions. Also consider any personal items such as bathing and grooming needs.

**Pets** – Make sure to stock up on pet food and any needs for your pets to cover at least a week.

**Other** – Keep books or toys handy for the kids. This includes games, magazines and other fun items.

**Assistance** – consider which family members can assist you while your household is under quarantine. You may not get assistance immediately and family or friends can help with any immediate needs you may have. Be prepared for any emergency by having items on hand and with planning.

Finishing up their presentation the IMT group took some questions from the members.

The meeting was passed to council, who talked about the first-round testing incentives for the latest COVID-19 Testing Blitz.

As a way of trying to boost the number of test takers, movie packages and bowling packages from Ak-Chin Circle Entertainment have been given to those

community members and residents who got tested on those days. "Our numbers for testing just dropped and I think we can't let our guard down" says Councilmember Delia Carlyle.

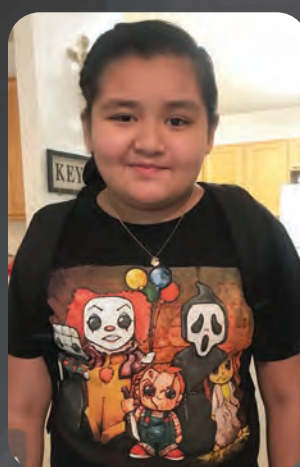
Prompted by a question asked during the meeting, Council decided to announce to the membership, through the American Rescue Plan, the Council was able and decided that a monetary incentive would be provided for membership participation in getting fully vaccinated for COVID-19.

All fully-vaccinated members will be eligible for a one-time \$2000 payout, as long as they meet the criteria and stipulations.

Community members that are minors who have been fully-vaccinated will be eligible for the payout as well, although, their money will be placed into their trust accounts.

"It should be a responsibility to do so, but on the other hand I can see that if it means that it will get more people to get the vaccine, ok let's hope it works! Let's hope the numbers go down." Councilmember Carlyle added. Although the vaccine is a protection barrier it is not 100% protective.

## WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL !!



1st pic is Sophia Matuz - 2nd grade Saddleback Elementary, next is Mikayla Matuz - 7th grade Maricopa Wells Middle School, and Kaiya McClure - 1st grade Saddleback Elementary. Wishing them a great school year, we are so proud of them. - Amy Batopis



Left: Kingston Narcia - 2nd grade and Hunter Narcia - Kindergarten. School - Saddleback Elementary



L-R: My boys back to school photos; Mark Pablo - 5th grade (Saddleback) and Adrian Montana Senior (MHS) Making sure they had everything, telling mom "Just take the picture right here & hurry I gotta go!"



Angelica Antone, 2nd grade, Saddleback Elementary  
Angelica, Be kind, share, use your manners, do your best, make lots of friends, read, create, learn from your mistakes ask questions, but most of all Have Fun... Love ya! Mom & SonSon







Domestic violence is  
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Does your partner ever...

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- Blame you for their behavior?
- Make you feel like you can't discuss certain things?
- Constantly criticize or insult you?
- Make you feel like you are walking on eggshells?

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## AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY Capital Projects

### AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR THE SOUTHERN DUNES GOLF COURSE FENCE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

The Ak-Chin Indian Community (hereafter called the "Owner") invites all General Contractors to submit proposals on a Construction Contract – Hard Bid with Schedule of Values. The Project consists of the following:

- Remove existing fence
- Replace with a 4ft. to 5ft. high fence
- Approximately 4K linear feet
- details of fence scope and style will be shared at the MANDATORY Pre-Bid Conference

**A MANDATORY Pre-Bid Conference is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. (MST) on Thursday, August 12, 2021** at Southern Dunes Golf Course located at 48456 W. AZ-238, Maricopa, AZ 85139. This meeting is considered mandatory, and in this meeting the project scope will be discussed. If you do not attend this pre-bid meeting your proposal will NOT be accepted.

**Deadline for any questions regarding this project will be 5:00 p.m. (MST) on Monday, August 16, 2021.** Proposal questions should be directed to Flora Howerton at FHowerton@ak-chin.nsn.us. Also, Cc: Project Manager, Casey Turgeon at CTurgeon@ak-chin.nsn.us.

**The Owner will receive Competitive Bid Proposals until 1:00 p.m. (MST) on Wednesday, August 18, 2021** at the Tribal Purchasing Department located at 42507 West Peters & Nall Road Maricopa, Arizona 85138. Proposals may be submitted electronically to FHowerton@ak-chin.nsn.us. Proposals received after the specified date and time will be rejected and returned unopened.

This invitation is unrestricted; however, preference will be given to Indian Organizations and Indian Owned Enterprises in accordance to the Community Procurement Procedure. Request for Proposals ("RFP") instruction/information package and related information may be obtained from the Ak-Chin Indian Community Purchasing Office, 42507 West Peters & Nall Road, Maricopa, Arizona 85138, and may be requested by electronic mail at FHowerton@ak-chin.nsn.us.

The Owner reserves the right to reject, any and all bids. However, the Ak-Chin Indian Community at its discretion may postpone said action for such time as the Tribal Council may designate, as the interest of the Community may require.

No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days subsequent to the opening of Bids without consent of the Owner.



## AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY Capital Projects

### AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL ON A DESIGN-BUILD FOR THE AK-CHIN CIRCLE BUSINESS SUITES COMPLEX PROJECT

The Ak-Chin Indian Community (hereafter called the "Owner") invites all General Contractors to submit proposals on a Design-Build Agreement. The project for Design/Construction consists of the following:

- Ak-Chin Circle Business Suites Complex

The proposed Project Area totals approximately 3.0 +/- acres and will be located at the intersection of Narcia Street and Tobi Drive next to the Ak-Chin Circle Entertainment complex. Development of multi business suites complex at Ak-Chin Circle, that will consist of build to suit suites. One of the suites is reserved for an existing tenant (Fresenius Dialysis Center) looking to relocate that require approximately 9,000 sq. ft.

**A Recommended Virtual Pre-Proposal Meeting** will be scheduled for **2:00 p.m. (MST) on Monday, August 16, 2021** by WebEx. To register for a WebEx invitation email FHowerton@ak-chin.nsn.us, **by noon on Friday, August 13 2021.** The full RFP will be provided electronically shortly after registering.

**Deadline for any questions regarding this project will be Monday, August 23, 2021 by 5 p.m. (MST).** Proposal questions should be directed to Flora Howerton at FHowerton@ak-chin.nsn.us. Also, Cc: Project Director, Perry Vettraino at pvettraino@ak-chin.nsn.us.

**The Owner will receive Competitive Bid Proposals until 12:00 p.m. (MST) on Friday, August 27, 2021** at the Tribal Purchasing Department located at 42507 West Peters & Nall Road Maricopa, Arizona 85138. Proposals received after the specified date and time will be rejected and returned unopened.

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## REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

### Ak-Chin Indian Community

#### Ak-Chin Circle Business Suites – Market Feasibility Study

The Ak-Chin Indian Community ("Community") is seeking professional services to conduct a Market Feasibility Study for the development of a business suites. The proposed Project Area totals approximately 3.0 +/- acres and will be located at the intersection of Narcia Street and Tobi Drive next to the Ak-Chin Circle Entertainment complex. The Market Feasibility Study will assist the Community in developing a state-of-the-art business Complex.

#### I. BACKGROUND

The Project Area has been identified to sit on a 3.0 +/- acre lot which will be positioned on the North-East Corner of Narcia street and Tobi Drive. Facilities within the Ak-Chin Circle includes a Fire Station, Surface Water Treatment Facility, Ak-Chin Entertainment Center and Elements Event Center. Also, a Central Plant that services the Entertainment Center, Elements Event Center and Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino Resort, is the adjacent property.

#### II. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Ak-Chin Community, invites Proposals from qualified individuals or organizations to examine the feasibility of Business Suites at Ak-Chin Circle capability of leasing to local business. The Community expects the Market Feasibility study to be well thought out, projections of demands that will consist of build to suit suites. One of the suites is reserved for an existing tenant (Fresenius Dialysis Center) looking to relocate that require approximately 9,000 sq. ft. The Market Feasibility should include recommendation of what types of business demand within a 25 miles radius, business that has the most potential for long-term, what resources would be required to attract these users, and what the projected direct and indirect rate of return is for each opportunity including economic impact, and insight regarding efficient use of space and resources is also welcome.

Consultants shall have a background in understanding of the office complex market and have knowledge into typical standards in providing suites for a large variety of office purposes.

Be able to meet virtually throughout project contract and a number of on-site social distance field work meetings

#### III. PRE-PROPOSAL MEETING

A Recommended Virtual pre-proposal meeting is scheduled for **11a.m. (MST) on Monday, August 16, 2021** by WebEx. To register for a WebEx invitation email FHowerton@ak-chin.nsn.us., **by noon on Friday, August 13 2021.** Full RFP will be provided electronically shortly after registering.

#### IV. SUBMISSIONS

Physical submissions should be provided in a package clearly marked with **"Ak-Chin Office Complex Feasibility Study Proposal."** Please submit five (5) bound, (1) unbound copies and (1) Electronic Proposal on a Thumb Drive of your Proposal to the Purchasing Manager at the address listed below. **Face Covering is required to enter the building to drop off proposal.**

Flora Howerton Purchasing Manager  
Ak-Chin Indian Community  
42507 W. Peters and Nall Road  
Maricopa, AZ 85138

Any questions regarding this project proposal must be submitted via email by **Monday, August 23, 2021 by 5 p.m.** to Flora Howerton, Purchasing Manager (520) 568-1043. **The deadline for submitting proposal is Friday, August 27, 2021 at 12 p.m.**

**IF YOU THINK YOU OR A DECEASED LOVED ONE WAS HARMED BY OPIOIDS LIKE HYDROCODONE, OXYCODONE, CODEINE OR ROXICODONE, OR IF YOU CARE FOR A CHILD EXPOSED TO THESE OPIOIDS IN THE WOMB, YOU CAN VOTE ON THE MALLINCKRODT BANKRUPTCY PLAN.**



**VOTING IS IMPORTANT. IT HELPS DETERMINE HOW OPIOID CLAIMS ARE TREATED. VOTE BY SEPTEMBER 3, 2021. SPECIFIC DETAILS ABOUT VOTING ARE SET FORTH BELOW IN THIS NOTICE AND AT MNKVOTE.COM.**

**VISIT MNKVOTE.COM FOR MORE INFORMATION**

#### WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?

Mallinckrodt is a manufacturer of opioid pain medication that filed for chapter 11 bankruptcy in October 2020. On June 17, 2021, Mallinckrodt plc and its affiliates (the "Debtors") filed their Plan of Reorganization (the "Plan") in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware and their related Disclosure Statement. You may have the right to vote on the Plan of Reorganization.

#### WHAT DOES THE PLAN PROVIDE?

Mallinckrodt's Plan channels claims based on harm or injury related to the Debtors' manufacturing of opioids and related activities to one or more opioid trusts. These opioid trusts will be established for the purpose of distributing money to individuals and corporate entities holding Opioid Claims and for abatement of the opioid crisis. If the Plan is approved by the Bankruptcy Court and you have an Opioid Claim, you will be entitled to assert your claim directly against the applicable opioid trust at a later time. **There is nothing you need to do right now to assert your Opioid Claim. Information regarding how to assert your Opioid Claim against an opioid trust will be made available at a later date.** The Plan, if approved, will forever prohibit any opioid claimants from asserting any Opioid Claim or seeking any money on account of any Opioid Claim against the Debtors, their officers and directors, or certain other parties specified in the Plan as the "Protected Parties."

#### WHERE CAN YOU GET MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE PLAN?

Copies of the Plan and related documents, including the Disclosure Statement and a letter from the Official Committee of Opioid Related Claimants (a representative of Opioid Claimants in the Debtors' bankruptcy cases appointed by the Office of the United States Trustee) setting forth its position regarding the Plan can be obtained free of charge at **MNKVote.com**.

#### WHAT ARE YOUR OPTIONS?

##### Vote on the Plan:

If you are eligible to submit a vote, your vote must be submitted so it is received on or before September 3, 2021, at 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time. Detailed instructions on how to vote are available at **MNKVote.com** or by calling **877.467.1570 (Toll-Free)** or **347.817.4093 (International)**. If you do not follow the detailed instructions, your vote may be disqualified.

##### Object to the Plan:

If you disagree with the Plan, you can object to it in writing so it is received on or before September 3, 2021, at 4:00 p.m., Eastern Time. Objections not filed and served properly may not be considered by the Bankruptcy Court. Detailed instructions on how to file an objection are available at **MNKVote.com** or by calling **877.467.1570 (Toll-Free)** or **347.817.4093 (International)**.

If the Plan is confirmed, everyone with a Claim against or Interest in Mallinckrodt plc and its affiliates will be bound by the terms of the Plan regardless of whether or not they vote on the Plan or file a claim against the opioid trust.

#### WHEN IS THE HEARING?

The Bankruptcy Court has scheduled the hearing to consider confirmation of the Plan to be held on **September 21, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time** (the "Confirmation Hearing"). The Confirmation Hearing will take place before the Honorable John T. Dorsey, United States Bankruptcy Judge, in the Bankruptcy Court, located at 824 Market Street, 5th Floor, Courtroom 5, Wilmington, Delaware 19801.

**THIS IS ONLY A SUMMARY OF THE MALLINCKRODT PLAN OF REORGANIZATION. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

**Call:** 877.467.1570 (Toll-Free)  
347.817.4093 (International)

**Visit:** MNKVote.com

**Write:** Mallinckrodt Ballot Processing  
c/o Prime Clerk LLC  
One Grand Central Place  
60 East 42<sup>nd</sup> Street, Suite 1440  
New York, NY 10165

**Email:** mallinckrodtopioidclaimantinfo@akingump.com  
- or - mallinckrodtinfo@primeclerk.com

**PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT PRIME CLERK, THE DEBTOR'S NOTICE AND CLAIMS AGENT, IS AUTHORIZED TO ANSWER QUESTIONS ABOUT, AND PROVIDE ADDITIONAL COPIES OF THE PLAN AND OTHER SOLICITATION MATERIALS, BUT MAY NOT ADVISE YOU AS TO WHETHER YOU SHOULD VOTE TO ACCEPT OR REJECT THE PLAN.**



## FIRST THINGS FIRST

# Not just a theory: Block play builds STEM skills in early childhood

**AK-CHIN** (July 27, 2021)  
Young Albert Einstein spent a lot of time playing with blocks. It sparked his imagination and helped develop his scientific mind.

Now, more than a century after his revolutionary theories of relativity were published, there's growing evidence that playing with blocks helps young kids develop the skills needed for careers in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM).

You could buy Einstein's very own blocks, (price: \$180,000 plus \$3 shipping), but any ordinary set will do. Either way, your child will get the same developmental benefits.

## How do blocks build STEM

### skills in early childhood?

There's no guarantee your little one will grow up to be a world-famous physicist, but it's not just a theory that playing with building blocks helps kids learn about things like shape, size, location, distance and direction.

Young children learn about these concepts — known as spatial awareness — through movement, exploration and play.

Block play is especially good for spatial learning because it provides opportunities for kids to move and arrange objects and see what happens. Each tower that rises and falls is an experiment in how things in the physical world relate to each other.

But it may be the language shared between children and their adult caregivers during block play that's the key. Researchers are finding that understanding spatial vocabulary — words like “above,” “below,” “next to,” “inside,” “over” and “through” — could be what fuels kid's abilities and interest in math and science later on in school. And studies show that children learn to use more spatial language when playing with blocks than when not.

### Does early math matter?

Some recent studies show that spatial learning developed in block play relates to math learning as early as age 3. Could that really matter in the



long run? Statistically, yes, because students who start kindergarten with stronger math skills go on to do better in elementary school math. And kids who do better in elementary school math are much more likely to graduate from high school and attend college.

### What does all this mean for parents?

While the evidence about spatial skills and early math learning is powerful, keep in mind how young kids learn best — through play. Yes, it's a great idea to get out the blocks and play

with your little one, but don't be concerned with trying to teach. Make it fun. Talk together. Follow your child's imagination.

As Einstein said, “Imagination is more important than knowledge.”

## Ak-Chin Child Development

JULY 2021

### 2021-2022 Preschool Registration

Registration still open

Application available by request

Come by drop off your application and pick up a resource bag



### Development Screenings available for all community children ages birth - 5 years old.

Call us to make an appointment

If you need additional resources about home activities, have questions or concerns or would like to talk to one of our teachers, please call us at 520-568-1700. We are here to help!

48251 W. Farrell Rd. Maricopa, AZ 85138  
Phone: 520-568-1700 Fax: 520-568-1701



## GARY ALLAN

August 6, 2021

## CAIFANES

August 27, 2021

## 3 DOORS DOWN & THEORY OF A DEADMAN

August 28, 2021

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**Saddleback**

**SBGOLDIB GOLD-GRWOOD SADDLEBACK ELEM IB**  
Route: SBGOLDIB GOLD-GRWOOD  
Bus: 63  
Driver: Henderson, Michael  
Anchor: SADDLEBACK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

7:19 am START MARICOPA HIGH SCHOOL  
7:26 am STOP N HOHOKAM ST @ W RALPH ST  
7:27 am STOP N HOHOKAM ST @ W JUAN ST  
7:29 am STOP W JUAN ST @ W ROSS ST  
7:30 am STOP 17185 N MIGUEL AVE  
7:31 am STOP N MIGUEL AVE @ W MILTON ST  
7:32 am STOP N NARCIA ST @ W VINCENT AVE  
7:41 am DEST SADDLEBACK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

**SBREDIB RED-TBIRD FARMS SADDLEBACK ELEM IB**  
Route: SBREDIB RED-TBIRD FARMS  
Bus: 64  
Driver:  
Anchor: SADDLEBACK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

7:31 am STOP W PETERS AND NALL RD@MILO (BUS SHELTER #17)  
7:32 am STOP W BARLEY DR @ W PECAN LN  
7:34 am STOP W PECAN LN @ N FARM LANE  
7:48 am DEST SADDLEBACK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Please contact Saddleback Elementary if your child WILL NOT attend school for the day.  
(520) 568-6110

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Please give us a call at  
(520) 568-1280

**Maricopa Elementary**

**MESYELIB YELLOW-TBIRD N,FARRELL RD MARICOPA ELEM IB**  
Route: MESYELIB YELLOW-TBIRD N,FARRELL RD  
Bus: 65  
Driver: Darschewski, Joanne  
Anchor: MES BUS ZONE

6:55 am START MARICOPA HIGH SCHOOL  
7:10 am STOP N RALSTON RD @ W DEER RUN RD  
7:11 am STOP N RALSTON RD @ W JEAN DR  
7:12 am STOP 12979 W RALSTON RD  
7:13 am STOP W PETERS AND NALL RD @ N THUNDERBIRD RD  
7:19 am STOP 16150 N BROOKS RD  
7:21 am STOP 16220 N RALSTON RD  
7:28 am STOP FARRELL@SANTOS (BUS SHELTER #1)  
7:29 am STOP FARRELL@ELDERS CTR (BUS SHELTER #2)  
7:30 am STOP FARRELL@CARLYLE (BUS SHELTER #4)  
7:31 am STOP FARRELL@CHURCH (BUS SHELTER #5)  
7:32 am STOP FARRELL@LIBRARY (BUS SHELTER #7)  
7:33 am STOP FARRELL@THOMAS (BUS SHELTER #8)  
7:33 am STOP FARRELL@ENOS (BUS SHELTER #9)  
7:38 am DEST MES BUS ZONE

Please contact Maricopa Elementary if your child WILL NOT attend school for the day.  
(520) 568-5160

### Maricopa Wells

**MW 2 IB HV NTH,FARRELL,GREASEWOOD MARICOPA WELLS MS IB**  
Route: MW 2 IB HV NTH,FARRELL,GREASEWOOD  
Bus: 63  
Driver: Henderson, Michael  
Anchor: MARICOPA WELLS MIDDLE SCHOOL

8:03 am START SADDLEBACK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
8:17 am STOP HWY 238 @ Rio Bravo  
8:19 am STOP N RIO BRAVO RD @ W SMITH-ENKE RD  
8:20 am STOP N HIDDEN VALLEY RD @ W LA BARRANCA DR  
8:22 am STOP N HIDDEN VALLEY RD @ W J T WESTERN TRL  
8:22 am STOP N HIDDEN VALLEY RD @ W BOWLIN RD  
8:23 am STOP N HIDDEN VALLEY RD @ W DESERT GARDEN RD  
8:24 am STOP N HIDDEN VALLEY RD @ W FARRELL ROAD  
8:25 am STOP N HIDDEN VALLEY RD @ W PIMA RD  
8:27 am STOP W FARRELL ROAD @ N JOHNSON RD  
8:28 am STOP W FARRELL ROAD @ N BROOKS RD  
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8:35 am STOP FARRELL@LIBRARY (BUS SHELTER #7)  
8:36 am STOP FARRELL@THOMAS (BUS SHELTER #8)  
8:37 am STOP FARRELL@ENOS (BUS SHELTER #9)  
8:38 am STOP N NARCIA ST @ W VINCENT AVE  
8:40 am STOP N MIGUEL AVE @ W MILTON ST  
8:42 am STOP W JUAN ST @ W ROSS ST  
8:47 am DEST MARICOPA WELLS MIDDLE SCHOOL

**MW 3 IB TBIRD FARMS, AKC FARMS MARICOPA WELLS MS IB**  
Route: MW 3 IB TBIRD FARMS, AKC FARMS  
Bus: 68  
Driver: Parker, Stephen  
Anchor: MARICOPA WELLS MIDDLE SCHOOL

7:35 am START MARICOPA HIGH SCHOOL  
7:53 am STOP W PETERS AND NALL RD @ N BREEZE WAY  
7:56 am STOP N RALSTON RD @ W JEAN DR  
7:58 am STOP W JEAN DR @ N BREWER RD  
8:01 am STOP W MOCKINGBIRD LN @ N WHITE RD  
8:03 am STOP N WHITE RD @ W GAIL LN  
8:05 am STOP W GAIL LN @ N BREWER RD  
8:06 am STOP 50 FT SOUTH OF PAPAGO @ DRIVEWAY ON BREWER  
8:08 am STOP N BREWER RD @ ESCH TRL  
8:10 am STOP W ESCH TRL @ N WHITE RD  
8:11 am STOP N WHITE RD @ W MAYER BLVD  
8:12 am STOP N WHITE RD @ W JULIE LN  
8:13 am STOP WHITE RD 50 FT SOUTH OF PAPAGO  
8:14 am STOP PAPAGO @ SALMONSON  
8:17 am STOP W VAL VISTA RD @ N SALMONSON WAY  
8:26 am STOP W PETERS AND NALL RD@MILO (BUS SHELTER #17)  
8:27 am STOP W BARLEY DR @ W PECAN LN  
8:29 am STOP W PECAN LN @ N FARM LANE  
8:37 am STOP N HOHOKAM ST @ W RALPH ST  
8:38 am STOP N HOHOKAM ST @ W JUAN ST  
8:43 am DEST MARICOPA WELLS MIDDLE SCHOOL

Please contact Maricopa Wells Middle School if your child WILL NOT attend school for the day. (520) 568-7100

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**Maricopa High School**

**HS 03 IB HV CENTANTH, ANGLIN DAIRY MARICOPA HIGH SCHOOL IB**  
Route: HS 03 IB HV CENTANTH, ANGLIN DAIRY  
Bus: 68  
Driver: Parker, Stephen  
Anchor: MARICOPA HIGH SCHOOL

6:03 am START TRANSPORTATION  
6:08 am STOP W HWY 238 @ N GREEN RD  
6:15 am STOP HWY 238 @ Rio Bravo  
6:17 am STOP N HIDDEN VALLEY RD @ W LA BARRANCA DR  
6:19 am STOP N HIDDEN VALLEY RD @ W J T WESTERN TRL  
6:20 am STOP N HIDDEN VALLEY RD @ W BOWLIN RD  
6:21 am STOP N HIDDEN VALLEY RD @ W DESERT GARDEN RD  
6:22 am STOP N HIDDEN VALLEY RD @ W FARRELL ROAD  
6:25 am STOP N HIDDEN VALLEY RD @ W PIMA RD  
6:27 am STOP N HIDDEN VALLEY RD @ W VAL VISTA RD  
6:35 am STOP N BREEZE WAY @ W PETERS AND NALL RD  
6:47 am STOP W PETERS AND NALL RD@MILO (BUS SHELTER #17)  
6:49 am STOP W BARLEY DR @ W PECAN LN  
6:50 am STOP W PECAN LN @ N FARM LANE  
7:02 am DEST MARICOPA HIGH SCHOOL

**HS 04 IB FARRELL RD, GRSWOOD, PALOBB MARICOPA HIGH SCHOOL IB**  
Route: HS 04 IB FARRELL RD, GRSWOOD, PALOBB MARICOPA HIGH SCHOOL  
Bus: 63  
Driver: Henderson, Michael  
Anchor: MARICOPA HIGH SCHOOL

6:11 am START TRANSPORTATION  
6:25 am STOP 16220 N RALSTON RD  
6:27 am STOP 16150 N BROOKS RD  
6:29 am STOP 51188 W FARRELL ROAD (WEST OF RALSTON)  
6:32 am STOP FARRELL@SANTOS (BUS SHELTER #1)  
6:33 am STOP FARRELL@ELDERS CTR (BUS SHELTER #2)  
6:34 am STOP FARRELL@CARLYLE (BUS SHELTER #4)  
6:35 am STOP FARRELL@CHURCH (BUS SHELTER #5)  
6:36 am STOP FARRELL@LIBRARY (BUS SHELTER #7)  
6:37 am STOP FARRELL@THOMAS (BUS SHELTER #8)  
6:38 am STOP FARRELL@ENOS (BUS SHELTER #9)  
6:40 am STOP N HOHOKAM ST @ W RALPH ST  
6:42 am STOP W JUAN ST @ W ROSS ST  
6:43 am STOP 17185 N MIGUEL AVE  
6:45 am STOP N MIGUEL AVE @ W MILTON ST  
6:46 am STOP N NARCIA ST @ W VINCENT AVE  
6:48 am STOP N PALO VERDE ST @ W PALO CENIZA WAY  
6:49 am STOP N PALO VERDE ST @ W PALO VERDE ST  
6:57 am DEST MARICOPA HIGH SCHOOL

**RAM Academy**

**SOUTH SRSPIS-SW MARICOPA RAM ACADEMY IB**  
Route: SOUTH SRSPIS-SW MARICOPA  
Bus: 95  
Driver: Mikellun, John  
Anchor: MARICOPA HIGH SCHOOL

12:43 pm START TRANSPORTATION  
12:57 pm STOP N HIDDEN VALLEY RD @ W MCDONALD RD  
1:10 pm STOP ON MILLER 50 FT WEST OF WARREN  
1:24 pm STOP W ESCH TRL @ N WHITE RD  
1:37 pm STOP W PECAN LN @ EAST SIDEWALK  
1:45 pm STOP W FARRELL ROAD @ N CHURCH RD  
1:52 pm STOP N MIGUEL AVE @ W MILTON ST  
1:54 pm STOP W JUAN ST @ W ROSS ST  
1:56 pm DEST MARICOPA HIGH SCHOOL

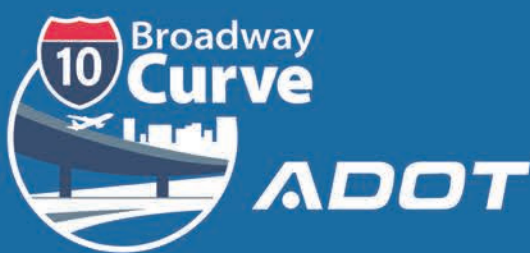
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# Coming soon: a better Valley.

ADOT's I-10 Broadway Curve improvement project is in the works. When complete it will improve access to Sky Harbor, improve travel time and help support our growing economy. Stay #AheadOfTheCurve with traffic updates at [i10BroadwayCurve.com](http://i10BroadwayCurve.com) or download "The Curve" app for your phone.



**An eleven-mile stretch of  
Interstate 10 between  
Loop 202 and I-17.**

-  Existing Freeway
-  2 HOV Lanes  
+6 General Purpose Lanes  
+Auxiliary Lanes
-  1 HOV Lane  
+4 General Purpose Lanes  
+Auxiliary Lanes
-  New Collector-Distributor Roads:  
EB 48th St to Baseline Rd  
WB Baseline Rd to SR143 & 40th St
-  New Lanes on SR 143 & US 60  
(to connect to I-10 improvements)
-  New Pedestrian Bridges



# Job Openings

- Accountant
- Communications Officer (911 Dispatcher)
- Detention Officer
- Economic Development Analyst
- Lead Mechanic
- Maintenance Technician (4)
- Police Officer (non-certified and certified)
- Purchased/Referred Care (PRC) Manager
- Security Guard (8)

Please visit our website at [www.ak-chin.nsn.us](http://www.ak-chin.nsn.us), Job Openings, to review the job posting and apply.

If you need assistance, please call Human Resources at 520-568-1050.



- Farm Laborers
    - tractor driver, irrigator, service shop, spray tech, sprinkler tech, water truck driver.
    - 6-7 days a week / 10-hour days.
    - \$12.50+ an hour
- \*Applicant must have a valid driver license and must meet the insurance eligibility guidelines with Ak-Chin Vehicle Policy.

To apply, please visit the Ak-Chin Farms at 42507 W. Peters and Nall Rd Maricopa, AZ 85138. 520-568-1165

## Ak-Chin Park & Recreation MOVIES DIVE INN

Movies Premiering Next Week

Friday August 6th @ 8pm      Saturday Aug 7th @ 8pm

**Slots are available make your appointment today!!**

**Call Parks and Recreation department for the movies details (520) 568-1740 or email: [recreation@ak-chin.nsn.us](mailto:recreation@ak-chin.nsn.us)**

## Ak-Chin Parks & Recreation Water Conditioning

Starting Wednesday, July 7th  
5 weeks program

Ages: 16 years and up  
Ak-Chin Members, Residents, Employees only!!

All participants will need to make an appointment and to fill out an Registration and Covid-19 Waiver Release Form before entering the program.

Appointment Slot Times:  
Wednesday– Sunday  
10am-11am  
11am-11:30am  
12pm-12:30pm  
6pm-7pm

Call Wesley Gonzalez @ 520-568-1753 or email: [wgonzalez@ak-chin.nsn.us](mailto:wgonzalez@ak-chin.nsn.us) to make an appointment or for more information.

## August 1st - 19th Employee Birthdays

8/1 - Arnold Aguirre, <i>Security Guard</i>	8/8 - James Adams, <i>Retail</i>
8/2 - Jennifer Boehm, <i>Fire &amp; Safety</i>	8/9 - Narciso Schweitzer, <i>Environmental Protection</i>
8/3 - Savanna Benally, <i>TGA</i>	8/11 - Allison Butler, <i>Transit</i>
8/4 - Nicole Delma, <i>Early Childhood</i>	8/12 - Darlene Smith-McClelland, <i>Education</i>
Jason Wilhite, <i>Fire &amp; Safety</i>	8/13 - Gregory Porto, <i>Fire &amp; Safety</i>
8/5 - Anthony E. Narcia, <i>Environmental Protection</i>	8/15 - Matthew Millo, <i>Public Defender</i>
8/6 - Abraham Blanco, <i>Courts</i>	8/15 - Sergio Romero, <i>Housing Department</i>
8/7 - Jeffrey Looper, <i>Transit</i>	8/16 - Rudy Aguirre, <i>TGA</i>
8/7 - Jacob Dickerson, <i>Maintenance</i>	8/17 - Channing Hoffman, <i>Environmental Protection</i>
8/8 - Melanie Toledo, <i>Library</i>	
8/8 - Tracy Zimmerma, <i>Capital Projects</i>	

## NEW HIRES

**Gabriel Lopez**  
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**Zachary Quintero**  
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**Congratulations Esperanza Miranda!**

We are proud to announce Esperanza graduated from Pima Medical Institution with a certified Dental Assistant. No pandemic, closed campus, nor lockdown could stop you from reaching your goals. We are wishing you the best in your future endeavors. We love you and will always support you with your goals and visions. Love & Prayers, Your Family

"I have nothing in common with lazy people who blame others for their lack of success. Great things come from hard work and perseverance. No excuses."– Kobe Bryant

Happy Birthday to my grandsons Jaxson, Christian, King–Benzie, Joseph and Juan Love, Grandma

Happy Birthday Percy! Can't wait to see you on the gridiron!! Love, Ba'pa and Lu'ma

Happy Birthday Johnny! Love Goddaddy and Godmama

## Library News Update

STARTING IN AUGUST WE WILL BE OPEN ON SATURDAY'S FOR:

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- \*CRAFTS  
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1-Aug Sadie Rivers Aribella Vincent	8-Aug Raiden James Stephanie Vincent	15-Aug Virginia Thomas	21-Aug Doria Garcia Colleen Padilla Lorice Manuel	28-Aug Stacey Smith Delila Villegas Darren Peters Stewart Peters Wilson Antone
2-Aug Jessica Narcia Jennifer Boehm Wynema Vincent	9-Aug Joanna Acosta Jessica Corella	16-Aug David Oliver Brandon Dean Christopher Vincent Joseph Zabawa Virginia Mejia Lashey White Johnny Perkins	22-Aug Cruz Machado Delores Reginald Nancy Carlyle Michelle Narcia Jacoby Warren	29-Aug Frankie Carlyle Candi Chavez
4-Aug Nathan Enos Nicole Delma Jaxson Brown Amelia Osife Aliyah Vincent	11-Aug Tommy Pablo Christian Soliz William Narcia	17-Aug Channing Hoffman George Lopez	23-Aug Dorissa Garcia Jeffrey Manuel	30-Aug Arnulfo Bandin III Amare Santiago Amiyah Deleon
5-Aug Yondell Antone Esperanza Santiago Anthony Narcia Jr. Rachel Lozano	12-Aug Ava Quinonez Joshua Zepeda Rocio Castro Arrow Bowman	18-Aug Juan Lopez Owen Santiago	24-Aug Michael Peters Janaya Lopez	31-Aug Misty Quintero
7-Aug Haylee Delma Joanne Stephens Daniel White Alicia Gomez	13-Aug King-Benzie Peters Azalyana White Tahlia Johnson	19-Aug Florine Vincent Delora Vincent Amanda Narcia Jasmine Kaniatobe Lisa Miller Anthony Narcia Sr. Sharon Pablo	25-Aug Denise Lewis	
	14-Aug Daniel Pablo		26-Aug Andrew Narcia	
			27-Aug Jacob Vincent Jr.	

## Happy Birthday!





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# AK-CHIN COMMUNITY COVID-19 VACCINATIONS



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## **NOTICE: IN-PERSON VISITATION IS SUSPENDED**

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*Reminder! Gila River Health Care's  
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**CLOSED MONDAY, 9/6/2021 - LABOR DAY**  
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# English Rock Band Squeeze to Take the Stage at The Events Center at Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino



(MARICOPA, Ariz. – June 15, 2021) – Squeeze, one of the most beloved acts in the UK, will be performing at The Events Center at Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino on Saturday, Sept. 11.

Since the band's rise to fame in the new wave era of the 1970s, Squeeze has entertained fans with their electric music with hits like "Tempted" and "Up the Junction." The iconic band has carried their craft into recent years with releases like 2015's "Cradle to the Grave," an album that blends the nostalgic sounds of the '70s with baroque strings and synths.

Additionally, Squeeze has established themselves as a touring force for decades, with their groundbreaking music delighting fans all across the globe. Some of the biggest bands in the world such as U2, Dire

Straits and R.E.M. all got their start opening for the powerhouse band on their tours.

Influenced by '60s bands like The Beatles and The Kinks, the legendary Squeeze has become a mainstay in the rock genre while capturing fans' hearts all over the world.

All Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino guests will be required to have their temperatures checked and wear a mask at all times, except when eating or drinking.

Squeeze

Date: Saturday, Sept. 11, 2021

Doors: 7:00 p.m.

Show Time: 8:00 p.m.

Location: The Events Center at Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino

Tickets: \$74.50; \$54.50; \$39.50

Ages: All Ages

On Sale: Friday, June 18 at 10:00 a.m.



Cole Swindell sings his hits.



Pictures by R. Bowen

## Harrah's Ak-Chin brings back live entertainment

Saturday night was swinging at Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino, as Cole Swindell performed to a sold-out venue at The Events Center on July 31st.

"The Cole Swindell concert at Harrah's Ak-Chin was our first concert in almost a year and a half and we were pleased with how smoothly the show went."

Shared Michael Kintner, Harrah's Ak-Chin Senior Vice President and General Manager.

"Our guests were very understanding with our temperature checking and mask policy and while we still have to take these precautions due to Covid-19 it didn't take away from what was one of our best shows

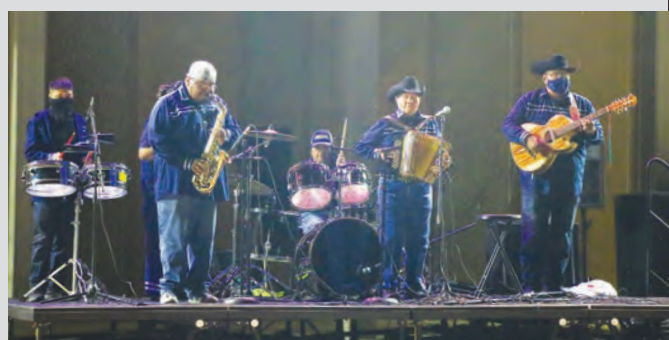
to date! Cole Swindell had the crowd on their feet and dancing the entire show and everyone looked like they had as much fun watching the performance as he did performing. We are very excited to do it all again for our next show here at Harrah's Ak-Chin on Friday, August 6th with Gary Allen."

## Gertie and the T.O. Boyz live at Ak-Chin Circle Entertainment

Ak-Chin Circle began to wail with live waila music from Gertie and the T.O. Boyz, and everyone was ready for the piast (dance) come Saturday, July 31.

"Live bands are back at Ak-Chin Circle!" David "DT" Trujillo, Ak-Chin Circle Entertainment Operations Manager shared.

"After getting the ok from Council I decided to test the waters with Gertie and the T.O. Boyz, they did not disappoint. We had over 300+ attendees show up to support. The weather was perfect. The music and crowd were all amazing. The dance floor was full until the very end! Lots more bands to come!"



Gertie on the accordion with her T.O. Boyz



Some of the first dancers of the evening

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