



May/June 2016

# City Beat



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## City Seeks Public Input on FY 2017 Budget

The City of Casa Grande prepares a city-wide budget each year to provide its residents with services such as police and fire protection, parks & recreation, infrastructure, and sewer and garbage collection.

As part of the budget process, the City Council reviews changes to the City's consolidated fee schedule, which is a list of fees charged for certain services. City Council also establishes property tax rates on a yearly basis. The City's fiscal year begins July 1 and ends June 30 of each year.

### How You Can Participate in the Budget Process

The budget is an ongoing process combining citizen input, Council vision and direction, and staff recommendations to meet community needs. The City of Casa Grande is required by law to adopt a balanced budget that is open to citizen input and participation. Each resident can have a voice in deciding what the budget will be spent on and how it will be paid for before it is adopted.

Budget comments and suggestions may be submitted in a number of ways:

- Email Finance Director, Doug Sandstrom, at [dsandstrom@casagrandeaz.gov](mailto:dsandstrom@casagrandeaz.gov)
- Email City Council members (visit [www.casagrandeaz.gov/council](http://www.casagrandeaz.gov/council) for email addresses)
- Attend the City Council Budget Workshop that is open to the public in May (Exact date and location TBA)
- Attend a Budget Public Hearing held during the City Council meetings on June 6 and June 20, 2016 at 7:00 p.m., 510 E. Florence Blvd.

For more information about the budget process, visit [www.casagrandeaz.gov/dept/finance/budget-process](http://www.casagrandeaz.gov/dept/finance/budget-process)

## Palm Island Family Aquatics Park Opens Memorial Day Weekend

The Palm Island Family Aquatic Park opens on May 28 and has a variety of aquatic programs for all ages.

### Price of Admission

Children (17 and under).....	\$1
Adults.....	\$2

### Season Family Pass

(Immediate family only).....	\$75
Up to 4 family members, \$15 for each additional family member	

### Summer Pool Pass (20 visits)

Children (17 and under).....	\$18
Adults.....	\$28

### Open Swim (May 28 - August 4)

Tuesday - Sunday | 12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

### Open Swim (August 6 - September 5)

Open Weekends Only | 12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

## Special Admission Days @ The Pool

### Dive In Movie (TBD)

Friday, June 17  
8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.  
\$3/person

### Fourth of July Family Fun Day

Monday, July 4  
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  
\$1/adult | \$0.50/children

### Family Night

Friday Evenings  
5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
June 10 through July 29  
\$3 for up to 4 members  
Additional members pay \$0.75 each  
\*Children must be accompanied by an adult

## 2016 Summer Reading Kickoff!

On your mark! Get set! READ! Help us kick off this year's Summer Reading Program with plenty of fun games and prizes at the pool! Register onsite or online at:

<http://cgsummer.eventbrite.com>

Saturday, June 4  
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Questions?

Contact the Casa Grande Public Library at (520) 421-8710.



Palm Island Family Aquatic Park  
1115 N. Brown Ave. | (520) 421-8650

## Pool Safety Tips



- Assign an adult to supervise children in and around the swimming pool and spa. This is needed whether there is one parent or guardian present or numerous adults present such as during a family event or party.
- Have a fence enclosure that isolates your swimming pool and spa from the home, play areas, front and side yards and the neighbor's yard.
- Learn how to perform Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR). The Casa Grande Fire Department offers 1st Aid and CPR classes once a month for the public. To register for classes, call the Fire Department, (520) 421-8777.

## Creature Feature



Hi. My name is Bug. I am a two year old male deer Chihuahua mix. When I came in, the ladies at the kennel thought I may not make it. I was so little and so skinny, I couldn't stand. But with the love of the staff I am bouncing around and have gained some weight. I am a special needs dog who wants a forever home.

If you are interested in adopting me or any of my friends, call the City of Casa Grande Animal Care & Adoption Center at (520) 426-9300 and leave a message.

The shelter is located at 202 E. First Ave. Most animals available for adoption can also be seen on Cox Cable Channel 11 and [casagrandeaz.gov](http://casagrandeaz.gov).



## 14 Citizens Graduate from Leadership Academy

**Congrats!**



GRADUATES:  
Robert Anderson  
Cynthia Andrews  
Ginger Bitter

Jim Hill  
Lisita Jackson  
Joe Mayer  
Craig McFarland

Gilberto Mendez  
Kareena Molozhaviy  
Seton Pinon  
Dominic Trivino

Arleen White  
Aaron Whitney  
Nicole Youcupicio

In March, fourteen local citizens graduated from the 2016 Leadership Academy. This unique program is a focused, in-depth look at the City and its operations in eight sessions spread over 8 weeks. The goal of the program is to connect citizens with their government and encourage participation in city-related activities.

Leadership Academy sessions are held once a year, beginning in February. If you would like to participate in the 2017 Leadership Academy, contact Public Information Officer Kayla Fulmer at (520) 421-8627 or [kayla\\_fulmer@casagrandeaz.gov](mailto:kayla_fulmer@casagrandeaz.gov).

## City Offices Closed on May 30 for Memorial Day

### Trash and Recycling Schedule

Trash normally collected on Monday, May 30 will be collected on Tuesday, May 31. Trash collection normally made on Tuesday, May 31 will be collected on Wednesday, June 1.

Recycling collection normally made on Monday, May 30 will be collected on Tuesday, May 31 along with normal Tuesday pickup.

The Casa Grande Landfill will be closed on Monday, May 30 and will return to normal operating hours (7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.) on Tuesday, May 31.

Questions? Call (520) 421-8625

### Report Issues Using Your Mobile Device



Download the [mycasagrande](http://mycasagrande) mobile app to report potholes, graffiti and other service issues. The free app works on both Android and Apple devices.



## Cox Channel 11 Programming

### City Scene: Your Inside Look at Casa Grande

Monthly program that features different projects and events happening in Casa Grande. The show offers movie tickets to lucky viewers who answer a trivia question.  
Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Sunday - 7:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., & 7:30 p.m.

### Parade of Paws

Program that features pets available for adoption.  
Daily - 11:00 a.m.  
Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Sunday - 7:00 p.m.

### Council Meetings

Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Sunday - 12:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m.



**Save the Date!**

**Silent Witness Anti-Crime Night**

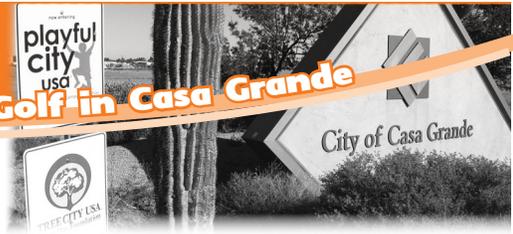
Tuesday, September 27, 2016  
at Vista Grande High School

Reserve your space now!

Contact Wendy Lloyd at  
520-518-5518

# Recreation Connection

Parks, Recreation, Library & Golf in Casa Grande



For a list of all classes and programs, visit [casagrandeaz.gov/rec](http://casagrandeaz.gov/rec)

## ADULT CLASSES

Please note that pre-registration is required for all classes. Visit [apm.activecommunities.com/casagranderecreation](http://apm.activecommunities.com/casagranderecreation) to register.

### CO-ED SOFTBALL LEAGUE

The co-ed softball league will play Monday evenings. The league consists of 7 week doubleheaders with a single elimination playoff following the regular season. League follows Modified USSSA rules.

**Location:** Paul Mason Sports Complex  
2525 N. Pinal Ave.

**When:** Mondays, June 6 - August 1  
**Time:** 6:15 p.m.  
**Ages:** 18+  
**Fee:** \$395 per team

### MEN'S RECREATIONAL SOFTBALL LEAGUE

The men's recreational division softball league will play Thursday evenings. The league consists of 7 weeks of doubleheaders with a single elimination playoff following the regular season. League follows Modified USSSA rules.

**Location:** Paul Mason Sports Complex  
2525 N. Pinal Ave.

**When:** Thursdays, June 9 - August 4  
**Time:** 6:15 p.m.  
**Ages:** 18+  
**Fee:** \$395 per team

### YOGA DETOX

Through cardio, compression, and flow, we release toxins from the organs, joints, and tissues into the bloodstream for easy elimination and weight loss.

**Location:** Woman's Club  
407 N. Sacaton St.

**When:** Wednesdays,  
May 11 - June 29 &  
July 16 - August 24  
**Time:** 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
**Ages:** 18+  
**Fee:** \$40



**Location:** Parks and Recreation Building  
404 E. Florence Blvd.

**When:** Monday - Thursday  
June 6 - June 16  
**Time:** 8:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.  
**Ages:** 3-6  
**Fee:** \$25

**When:** Monday - Thursday  
June 20 - June 30  
**Time:** 8:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.  
**Ages:** 3-6  
**Fee:** \$25

### SPORTS CAMPS

Camps are intended to teach the basic fundamentals of each sport to children ages 6-14. Participants will learn skill development with sportsmanship being emphasized. Classes run Monday-Thursday EXCEPT for Soccer, which will run Monday-Friday. All classes begin at 8:00 a.m. Sports offered will be flag football, basketball, soccer, baseball, volleyball, and pickleball.

**Location:** Varies with sport

**When:** Monday - Thursday  
Beginning June 6  
**Time:** 8:00 a.m.  
**Ages:** 6-14  
**Fee:** \$15

### ROCKET CLUB

Children ages 9-14 can build a model rocket from start to finish. To conclude this program, youth may participate in a rocket launch on Friday, June 10 at 6:30 p.m. at the Paul Mason Sportsplex.

**Location:** Len Colla Recreation Center

**When:** Monday - Friday  
June 6 - June 10  
**Time:** 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.  
**Ages:** 9-14  
**Fee:** \$15

## LEN COLLA RECREATION CENTER

1105 E. 4th Street  
(520) 421-8655

### Thunderous Thursdays

#### 2ND THURSDAYS

Thunderous Thursdays is a social club for developmentally/physically disabled teens and adults. All activities are free of charge.

**May 12** Just Dance/Dance Central  
5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.  
**June 9** Line Dancing  
5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Questions? Call (520) 421-8677, ext. 4523.

Community Services Department  
(520) 421-8677 | [www.casagrandeaz.gov/rec](http://www.casagrandeaz.gov/rec)



## DOROTHY POWELL SENIOR ADULTCENTER

405 E. 6th Street  
(520) 421-8760

### Cinco De Mayo Celebration

MAY 5, 2:00 - 4:00 P.M.

Come celebrate with Mariachi Bands and a delicious Nacho Buffet. \$3.00 pre-sale tickets are available, and tickets are \$5.00 on the day of the event! Tickets are available at the front desk and seating is limited.

## PEART CENTER

350 E. 6th St.  
(520) 421-8677

### Summer Club

Summer Club is a supervised summer recreation program for 5-12 year olds (12 year olds must be entering the 6th grade in the fall). Participants are free to arrive and depart the program at any time during the program hours. Breakfast and lunch are available and a nutritious snack will be served each day. Activities include sports, games, cooking, arts and crafts, and much more. Each week will include a field trip that will have a separate charge of \$5. A \$40 registration fee per child is required (\$80 maximum per family). All fees must be prepaid for each week.

**When:** Monday - Friday  
May 23 - July 29  
**Time:** 7:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.  
**Ages:** 5-12  
**Fee:** Depends on number of days and children.

Questions? Call (520) 421-8677, ext. 4523.

## Summer Registration Opens May 2

Registration for all summer programs opens online on Monday, May 2 at 8:00 a.m. To register, please visit our website at:

[apm.activecommunities.com/casagranderecreation](http://apm.activecommunities.com/casagranderecreation)

In-person registration will be offered at the Parks and Recreation office, located at 404 E. Florence Blvd., beginning May 9 at 8:00 a.m.

Questions? Contact (520) 421-8677.

## YOUTH CLASSES

### KINDERGYM

This program is a combination of basic movement and gymnastics skills, designed for children ages 3-6. It will include learning somersaults, tumbling, and working with the mini-trampoline and the low balance beam. Classes run Monday-Thursday and are offered during two separate sessions.

All classes are free. For more information call (520) 421-8710 or (520) 421-8652.

**UPCYCLING PROJECT FOR TEENS**

Wednesday 5/4 3:00 p.m. Vista

**TWEEN GAMING @ VISTA**

Wednesdays 5/4 - 5/25 3:30 p.m. Vista  
Tuesdays 6/7 - 6/28 2:00 p.m. Vista

**PRESCHOOL STORYTIME**

Wednesdays 6/1 - 6/29 10:30 a.m. Vista

**TODDLER STORYTIME**

Thursdays 6/2 - 6/30 9:30 a.m. Vista

**TWEEN GAMING @ MAIN**

Tuesdays 6/7 - 6/28 2:00 p.m. Main

**FAMILY MOVIES**

Thursdays 6/9 - 6/30 10:15 a.m. Vista

**TALENT SHOW**

Monday 6/27 2:00 p.m. Main

**FAMILY STORYTIME AND CRAFT**

Tuesdays 6/7 - 7/19 10:30 a.m. Main

**DOM'S SNACK PROGRAM**

Tuesdays 6/7 - 6/28 11:00 a.m. Main

**LEGO CLUB**

Wednesday 6/8 - 7/13 2:00 p.m. Main

**DROP-IN CRAFT**

Thursdays 6/9 - 7/21 3:00 p.m. Main

**FREE FRIDAY FLICKS**

Fridays 6/10 - 7/15 2:00 p.m. Main

**SECRET SUNDAYS!**

Sundays 6/5 - 7/17 1:00 p.m. Main

**WILDMAN PHIL!**

Monday 6/13 10:00 a.m. Vista  
Monday 6/13 2:00 p.m. Main

**FOOTBALL FRENZY FOR TEENS**

Friday 6/10 1:00 p.m. Vista

**COOKING WITH CHEF DOM**

Friday 6/17 1:00 p.m. Vista

**YOGA FOR TEENS**

Friday 6/24 1:00 p.m. Vista

**TEEN TOURNAMENTS**

Mondays 6/9, 6/16, 6/23 1:00 p.m. Vista

**SUMMER READING KICKOFF!**

Saturday 6/4 10:00 a.m. Palm Island

**TECHNOLOGY CLASSES**

Weekly classes on how to use your iPad, computer, internet, and more!

**Wednesdays @ Vista Grande**  
11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**Thursdays @ Main**  
2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Call (520) 421-8710 for details!

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS/MEETINGS**

For more events/meetings, visit [www.casagrandeaz.gov](http://www.casagrandeaz.gov)

**MAY/JUNE 2016**

5/2	City Council Meeting, 7 p.m. City Hall, 510 E. Florence Blvd.	6/6	City Council Meeting, 7 p.m. City Hall, 510 E. Florence Blvd.
5/4	Arts & Humanities Commission, 4:30 p.m. City Hall, 510 E. Florence Blvd.	6/10	Family Night at The Island, 5 p.m. Palm Island Family Aquatics Park 1115 N. Brown Ave.
5/5	Planning & Zoning Commission, 6 p.m. City Hall, 510 E. Florence Blvd.	6/17	Family Night at The Island, 5 p.m. Palm Island Family Aquatics Park 1115 N. Brown Ave.
5/5	Cinco De Mayo Celebration, 2 p.m. Dorothy Powell Senior Center, 405 E. 6th St.	6/17	Dive In Movie TBD, 8 p.m. Palm Island Family Aquatics Park 1115 N. Brown Ave.
5/16	City Council Meeting, 7 p.m. City Hall, 510 E. Florence Blvd.	6/20	City Council Meeting, 7 p.m. City Hall, 510 E. Florence Blvd.
5/28	Pool Opens for the Season Palm Island Family Aquatics Park 1115 N. Brown Ave.	6/24	Family Night at The Island, 5 p.m. Palm Island Family Aquatics Park 1115 N. Brown Ave.
6/1	Arts & Humanities Commission, 4:30 p.m. City Hall, 510 E. Florence Blvd.	7/4	July 4th Family Fun Day, 10 a.m. Palm Island Family Aquatics Park 1115 N. Brown Ave.
6/2	Planning & Zoning Commission, 6 p.m. City Hall, 510 E. Florence Blvd.		

**City Contacts**

Area Code is 520

Animal Control	426-9300
Building	421-8630
City Attorney	421-8600
City Clerk	421-8608
City Court	421-8675
City Manager	421-8600
Finance	421-8601
Fire Department	421-8777
Golf Course	836-9216
Housing	421-8670
Human Resources	421-8600
Landfill	421-8628
Library	421-8710
Parks & Recreation	421-8677
Police Department	421-8711
Planning/Zoning	421-8637
Public Works	421-8625
Senior Center	421-8760

**City Council**

Robert Jackson, *Mayor*  
Karl Montoya, *Mayor Pro Tempore*  
Dick Powell, *Councilmember*  
Mary Kortsen, *Councilmember*  
Matt Herman, *Councilmember*  
Lisa Fitzgibbons, *Councilmember*  
Ralph Varela, *Councilmember*