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UNDER THE DOME

The Pima County Administrator's Newsletter 

From the Desk of Jan Lesher, Pima County Administrator

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Correction: in the version of *Under the Dome* emailed earlier today, the story about the 2024 legislative agenda contained a link to an incorrect version of the resolution adopted by the Board of Supervisors. The correct link appears below.

Supervisors adopt legislative agenda for 2024, prioritizing infrastructure, safety, and local taxpayer protections

The Board of Supervisors approved the County's 2024 Legislative Agenda at its Aug. 8 meeting. Key items include protecting County taxpayers against state cost shifts and obsolete spending mandates like newspaper ads for bid notices; investing in County infrastructure through increased state funding for roads and other transportation needs; and strengthening critical state programs like the Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire

Management. The agenda was submitted to the County Supervisors Association of Arizona, which is made up of all Arizona counties, to consider at its fall meeting for inclusion in CSA's legislative agenda.

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Pima IDA and Tucson IDA join forces on bond program to assist low- and moderate-income homebuyers

A home mortgage loan program jointly funded by the Industrial Development Authorities of Pima County and the City of Tucson will soon begin issuing single family home loans to qualified low- and moderate-income buyers. The program was unanimously approved by the Board of Supervisors at its June 20 meeting and approved by the Tucson City Council the following month. Funded by an initial \$25 million in mortgage revenue bonds, the program will offer home loans at a fixed rate of 6.2 percent for a period of six months, or until funds are depleted. If the program is deemed a success, either or both IDAs could choose to issue more bonds to extend it.

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Sun Corridor launches "Thrive in Tucson" talent attraction website

With primary funding from Pima County, Sun Corridor Inc. launched Thrive in Tucson, a talent attraction website and marketing campaign aimed at attracting workers interested in relocating to Tucson and Southern Arizona. The website highlights our region's quality of life, features a number of amenities and attractions, and offers data on comparative costs of living from metropolitan areas around the country.

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Annual report details County's use of \$203M in ARPA and CSLFRF funding

On Aug. 1, the County released its annual report on the projects funded by its \$203 million allocation of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (CSLFRF). The report includes a complete index of projects showing their initial allocations, amounts spent to-date, and estimated dates of completion. The portfolio of projects ranges from immediate pandemic response to longer-term public health and infrastructure needs; from job training and emergency housing to expanded preschool and investments in attractions and tourism.

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