

# Jan. 26 PCFYI: NRPR's Living River of Words, farewell to a former Supervisor and a pro-plant partnership

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## **Students explore Santa Cruz, thanks to County's Living River program**

On Jan. 19, a bus brought about 40 students from Roskrige Bilingual Magnet K-8 School to spend a crisp, overcast morning by the bank of the river, at the east end of Marana's Crossroads Park. The hands- (and boots-) on learning came courtesy of Pima County's Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation Department.

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## In Memoriam: Supervisor Ed Moore, 1935-2024

Edwin "Ed" Moore, who served as District 3 Supervisor from 1984 through 1996, died Jan. 17 after a lengthy ordeal with Parkinson's Disease. He was 88. Moore's political passions ranged widely over the course of his three-term career, but the passion that launched it was preserving horse racing at Rillito Downs. His decision to run for Supervisor in 1984 was spurred by a County plan to rezone and sell the track, which the Board had voted unanimously in favor of in 1982.



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## Community partnerships allow County to preserve native plants



The six homes located on East Havasu Road at the base of the Catalina Mountains were scheduled for demolition due to their proximity to the Finger Rock Wash. Before the heavy machinery could get started, though, there were native plants to salvage: 217 plants to be exact.

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## PACC now offering public tours

As Pima County's only open-admissions shelter, Pima Animal Care Center cares for more than 17,000 pets per year and boasts one of the highest save rates among large animal shelters in the country. For the first time, PACC is offering an opportunity for the public to take a behind-the-scenes look at the facility and learn more about the life-saving work occurring there every day.



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## Pima County teams up with United Way for free tax assistance

If you have a family income of less than \$79,000, you might be eligible for help preparing your state and federal taxes this year. Starting Feb. 5, the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program will offer free tax-preparation assistance to individuals and families who meet the income qualifications.





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## Come out to the Kino Gem & Mineral Show!

The 2024 Kino Gem & Mineral Show is officially underway at Kino Sports Complex. The site is one of dozens across Pima County where thousands of people visit each year to check out gems, minerals, crystals and more. This year's Kino show features more than 200 vendors from all over the world. The event runs until Feb. 11.



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## Pima County Libraries adjusting hours on Jan. 29



The Pima County Public Library is becoming more accessible for those with busy weekdays. Starting Monday, Jan. 29, hours will change at many library branches to provide patrons with more opportunities to use the library during the weekends and evenings.

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