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## Youngtown recognized for AzMT membership

On June 13, Youngtown was honored as one of four municipalities “in recognition of its leadership and foresight in serving as a Founding Member of the Arizona Metropolitan Trust (AzMT).” Other member cities are Apache Junction, Avondale, and El Mirage.

AzMT will enable the Town of Youngtown to participate in a larger pool of members with a richer network of medical providers and benefits for a lesser cost. Presently, the dental, vision and life insurances will remain with the current companies.



**Pictured Left to right: Finance Officer Jacquelyn Hoffman, Mayor Mike LeVault, and Town Manager Lloyce Robinson.**

Congratulations to Youngtown Council and Staff for seeking more

financially conservative ways to provide this internal service and to not

be reluctant to pursue any reasonable option for improvement.

## Youngtown welcomes new town employees

Stacy Anderson is the smiling new face in Town Hall working on the website, records retention, council meetings, GAIN event coordination, payroll and accounts payroll. She will be under the direct supervision of the newly appointed Town Clerk/Treasurer Diane Cordova, who recently served as Deputy Town Clerk under Letty Goldberg (retired to North Carolina).



**Stacy Anderson, Deputy Town Clerk**

Upon the resignation of Diana Green, Melissa Robinson was selected by an interview panel and accepted a part-time position. Robinson plans to bring her energetic interest in youth and the elderly to this library position working under the supervision of Library Manager Heidi Speed.



**Melissa Robinson, Library Clerk**

## A new brand for the Town of Youngtown

Youngtown is a community of 6,200 people with a distinct village feel, located in the midst of the thriving megalopolis of Phoenix. Originally designed to be a retirement community, the Town boasts a lovely lake, eight parks and a distinctively designed town center named Clubhouse Square.

Do you feel this positively about your town? Do you think others do? Or is it perhaps perceived as “tired” - in need of a face-lift? The goal of a new branding campaign for the Town of Youngtown has been to find and build upon a unique positive quality to establish Youngtown as a special and distinct community.



Some themes come naturally. Pinetop-Lakeside and Payson use their celebrated climates to differentiate themselves. Page capitalizes on its location in the beautiful canyon region of northern Arizona. Their uniqueness is found in their separation from the stereotypical Metro Phoenix image that many people equate with Arizona. Topography, climate, flora and fauna are distinct



features upon which these communities capitalized in forming their brand. What does Youngtown have that makes it different from other communities?

Following interviews and strategy sessions with Town residents and business owners, we have been struggling to create a unifying theme that can be used to establish an image for Youngtown. We believe we



have come up with it, and it will soon be presented to Town Council. This will give us a vehicle with which we can celebrate a Unique Youngtown, and beautify the community with public art.

Remember to come and check out the GREEN in the parking lot at Clubhouse Square. Celebrate the emergence of a beautiful Youngtown.

## Phases 2, 3, 4 of Youngtown Waterline Improvement Project to get underway

Yes, it's true: by the time you read this article, a project combining Phase - 2 and Phases - 3 & 4 of the Youngtown Waterline Improvement Project will be up and running, com-

pleting the initial efforts of Phase-1 which covered the area from Grand to Tennessee Avenues.

Unless you're new to the town, you are probably aware of the Town's years'

long effort to upgrade the inadequate water flow capability for firefighting purposes in north Youngtown. You are probably also aware that because of the cost, Council and staff anticipated a four-year process from start to finish. Happily, however, this project will be completed in just over two calendar years start to finish, using

Community Development Block Grants, made available by the federal department of Housing and Urban Development through Maricopa County's Community Development Division.

What this means for town residents is that in all areas of Youngtown, fire hydrants will deliver no less than 1,000 gallons of water per minute in residential

areas and no less than 1,500 gallons per minute in commercial districts, according to Mark Hannah, the Town's Projects, Programs & Grants Manager. This is important, according to Hannah, because most of the town north of Peoria Avenue was constructed in the 1950's and 60's when building and fire codes were less stringent. “All that was

required at the time was that the incoming lines provide 20 psi of water pressure. Modern codes specify a minimum of 1,000 gallons per minute in residentially-zoned districts and 1,500 gallons per minute in commercial areas. The old lines simply were not designed to carry that level of water

**MORE WATERLINE ON 4**

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**Library: 623-974-3401**  
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**Maricopa County Sheriff's Office**  
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## Public Safety Notice - Phone number change

Effective immediately, all telephone calls dialed to 623-974-3665, formerly Youngtown Police Department, will go directly to the Communications (dispatch) Center, located at the Maricopa County Sheriff Office. This is a 24 hour, seven days a week, non-emergency number to dial

whenever a deputy is needed. ALWAYS dial 9-1-1 for all emergency situations.

The Public Safety Building Lobby is open 24/7 with available use of the red phone. The red phone is a direct line to the MCSO Dispatcher for any emergency situations.

If anyone needs to contact any Youngtown public official, such as Town Manager Robinson, Public Safety Manager Kessler, Public Works Manager Fox, Code Enforcement Officer Garnica or Romero, dial 623-933-8286, during business hours, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.



# Fiscal Restraint Equals Good Government

By **HONORABLE MICHAEL LeVAULT**  
MAYOR  
TOWN OF YOUNGTOWN

Big government or small-the application of fiscal restraint, creativity and common sense adds up to good government. For over 5 years, in an

environment of dwindling resources, this administration has been providing more with less and, on occasion, even providing something with nothing. We routinely look for ways to 'make it do, wear it out and use it up'; seeking that sweet spot between malignant

frugality and delivery of an appropriate level of service while constantly striving to achieve ever greater efficiencies from every dollar spent.

In a little over 5 years, we have increased savings by almost 150%, having built a rainy day

fund of almost 70% of annual operational expenses. We have reduced payroll by 22% and reduced annual operational expenditures by almost one-third.

At the same time we have managed to make major, decades overdue, infrastructure improvements. We have paved nearly 8 miles of previously unpaved alleys. Fire-flow improvements, scheduled to be completed later this summer, will bring the entire town up to international fire code standards. Peoria Avenue, between 111th and 115th Avenues, has been completely reconstructed, from the base up, in order to accommodate the flow of traffic in and out of Agua Fria Ranch.

These improvements, costing several millions of dollars, have been financed by successfully competing for funding through programs like the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) and Community Development Block Grants (CDBG). Since the inception of the CDBG program in 1978, Youngtown has been awarded \$7.6 million; 41% or \$3.2 million of that has been awarded in just the last 5 years.

While Youngtown's tentative FY 2012-2013 budget represents a 25% increase over

the previous year's budget, there are 4 large, extraordinary expenditures in the new budget:

1) \$1,152,950-Fire-flow improvements, phases 2, 3 & 4 (CDBG monies already secured)

2) \$500,000-Purchase of a multi-use Community Center Building (Embryonic project; may not happen)

3) \$232,238-Peoria Avenue straightening into Agua Fria Ranch (SCTAP & TIP monies; already secured)

4) \$130,000-Aurora Village subsidized housing project for seniors (Loan to Developer @ 5.5% annual interest; secured with lien on property)

Without these 4 projects, the tentative FY 2012-2013 budget would be nearly \$500,000 less than last year's budget. It represents a continuation of the same policies which have brought the Town back from the financial brink. It reflects the strong partnership between the people of Youngtown, through their elected representatives on Town Council as the policy makers and the Town Manager and staff, as administrators of that policy. This budget is another giant step down the road to a bright, viable and sustainable future for Youngtown.



**Mayor Michael LeVault**



**Vice Mayor Jack Duran**



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## TOWN OF YOUNGTOWN COUNCIL ACTIONS REGULAR MEETINGS

DATE: June 7, 2012  
TIME: 6:47 p.m.  
PLACE: TOWN CLUBHOUSE, 12033 CLUBHOUSE SQUARE

Approved Ordinance 12-05 amending Title 1 General Provisions, Title 1.08 Elections, Section 2.08.060 Election Dates to establish dates of Town Primary and General Elections as the same dates as the Primary and General Elections of the State of Arizona.

Approved Resolution

12-19 referring the question of adopting a Permanent Base Adjustment in the amount of \$559,874 to the ballot for November 6, 2012 General Election.

Approved an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Phoenix to administer the Municipal Tax Hearing Office required by State statute.

Approved Resolution 12-11 adopting the FY 2012-2013 budget for the Agua Fria Ranch Street Lighting Improvement

District.

Approved Resolution 12-12 adopting the FY 2012-2013 budget for the North Youngtown Street Lighting Improvement District.

Ratified Change Order #1 on the 2012 Crack-Seal Project with Southwest Slurry Seal in the amount of \$5,553.

Approved Ordinance 12-06 amending Town Code, Title 12 Streets, Sidewalks and Public Places, Chapter 12.04

Construction within Public Rights-of-Way; Location and Relations of Facilities in Public Rights-of-Way by amending several subsections to establish standards and fees.

Approved Resolution 12-13 adopting the Tentative Town Budget for FY 2012-2013 and setting a public hearing for June 28, 2012.

## TOWN OF YOUNGTOWN COUNCIL ACTIONS SPECIAL MEETINGS

DATE: June 21, 2012  
TIME: 7:00 p.m.  
PLACE: TOWN CLUBHOUSE, 12033 CLUBHOUSE SQUARE

APPROVED: Acceptance of All Offered Bids and the Awarding of a Contract to B&F Contracting, Inc. in the amount of \$1,158,259.00 for Construction of Phase 2 (CDBG Projects DG1106) and Phases 3 7& 4 (CDBG Project DG1106A), excluding Alternate Bid of \$58,086.50 of the Youngtown Waterline Improvement Project, and authorizing the Town Manager to execute all required documents and contracts.

DATE: June 28, 2012  
TIME: 6:40 p.m.  
PLACE: TOWN CLUBHOUSE, 12033 CLUBHOUSE SQUARE

Approved: Resolution 12-14, ordering that an ad valorem tax be fixed, levied and assessed on the assessed value of all real and personal property in the Agua Fria Ranch Street Lighting Improvement District in amounts

specified in the filed Statements and Estimates; and providing for certified copies of this Resolution and Order to be delivered to the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors and the Arizona Department of Revenue; and providing that this Resolution shall be effective after its passage and approval according to law.

Approved: Resolution 12-15, ordering that an equal apportionment tax be fixed, levied and assessed on all real and personal property in the North Youngtown Street Lighting Improvement District in amounts specified in the filed Statements and Estimates; and providing for certified copies of this Resolution and Order to be delivered to the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors and the Arizona Department of Revenue; and providing that this Resolution shall be effective after its passage and approval according to law.

Approved: Resolution 12-16, adopting Final Budget for Town Govern-

ment for FY 2012-2013 totaling \$6,288,676.00.

Approved: ADA Agreement No. 200-34-2013 between the Regional Public Transportation Authority (RPTA) and the Town, wherein the Town will participate in the RPTA's ADA Platinum Pass program which allows users free use of fixed route bus and light rail services, for the period of July 01, 2012 through June 30, 2017, and providing that any costs incurred during FY2013 by the Town shall be reimbursed by the RPTA to a maximum cost of \$7,624.

Approved: Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) No. 200-48-2013, an amendment to the IGA No. 200-48-2010 (Amended IGA No. 200-48-2012), between the Regional Public Transportation Authority (RPTA) and the Town, whereby the RPTA will provide On-Demand Shared-Ride services to ADA-qualified town residents, in an amount not to exceed \$7,063 in local funds, through June 30, 2013.

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Projects, Programs & Grants Manager Mark Hannah reports that Benevilla is "one of the best kept secrets in the NW Valley and that is something we'd like to change." Benevilla was originally founded to provide support services for older adults, but over the years its mission has grown to provide care for adults with disabilities, as well as children and the families who care for them.

What this means for you is that Benevilla's skilled, trained volunteers may be able to assist with important daily-living needs free of charge with many of the following life-needs:

- Grocery Shopping services offering weekly grocery shopping for clients unable to shop for themselves.
- Friendly Visitors and/or Phone Pals who can provide weekly companionship and socialization.
- Handyman service to assist

with minor home repairs and routine home maintenance tasks.

- Business Assistance that can help organize basic home financial affairs, such as balancing checkbooks.
  - Transportation to medical appointments.
  - Emergency Errands for occasional assistance in completing essential errands.
  - Information and Referral specialists who maintain constantly updated databases of local resources to help both individuals and families find and utilize various community services.
  - Adult Day Centers where residents can find hot meals and snacks and important social interactions in a welcoming, safe and secure environment at six centers serving the Northwest Valley.
  - Emergency Response System offers medical alert service 24 hours a day at the touch of a button. Features of this service include fall detection, medical and appointment reminders, and daily self-testing to ensure the unit is functioning properly.
  - Home Delivered Meals are available for three, five or seven meals a week.
- Benevilla's services for fami-

lies include Wirtzie's Child Development Center, where children from six weeks to five years of age can discover, grow and create in "an environment of love, respect and care." Wirtzie's features a highly educated and experienced staff and a child-centered curriculum, along with a low child-to-staff ratio. The Benevilla Family Resource Center offers, in partnership with First Things First, free parenting classes and support groups for families with children five years and younger. They also help parents by providing referrals to community agencies and resources.

Benevilla can be a great resource for those who care for loved ones through one of its Caregiver Support Groups, which can help those who care for someone with dementia-related diseases, chronic illnesses, as well as parents of developmentally-disabled adults, and individuals living with grief and bereavement.

Benevilla is located at 16752 N. Greasewood Street, Surprise 85378. You are invited to check out their website at [www.benevilla.org](http://www.benevilla.org) or you can call them at (623) 584-4999.

## WATERLINE: From 1

to hydrants; this meant that today's firefighters often had to stretch lines hundreds of feet in order to find a source capable of meeting their needs. For residents and business-owners alike, this represents a huge upgrade to what had been the fireflow capabilities prior to the start of this project."

All of this effort followed a pair of devastating residential fire losses that were attributed at least in part to poor fireflow. In response, the Mayor and Council along with town staff set a goal to upgrade the fireflow capabilities for north Youngtown, including the underground infrastructure and fire hydrants, and went about the process of getting the upgrades funded.

After some initial setbacks which included a strong case being turned down before the Corporation Commission, Youngtown succeeded in being awarded for this project a series of grants totaling approximately \$1.5 million through HUD's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, according to Hannah. "These CDBG grants have been a huge benefit to Youngtown over the years and these latest grants are no exception. Simply put, without them, I doubt these fireflow improvements would have been accomplished," he stated.

Installation will take place in the Town's right-of-way and will involve excavating trenches in the streets west of 111th Avenue from Tennessee to Peoria Avenues. The project may require traffic diversion at times, but the contractor will be responsible to assure that access to homes and businesses is kept open.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Mark Hannah at 623-933-8286 or by email at [mhannah@youngtownaz.org](mailto:mhannah@youngtownaz.org).

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# Citizens Dog Park of Youngtown

## Update and donation information for community dog park

Stepping forward toward the goal of the realization of Youngtown's dog park- four paws at a time is the bark heard throughout the area.

### Update:

The following issues were discussed at the June 9 meeting:

- To continue keeping the donation jars available at Kindred Spirits and Brenda's Café as collection sites because they have been successful.
- Donation letters have been sent to the core group members for personalized delivery to local businesses. An update of this effort will be noted at the next meeting.
- The site sign has been ordered and awaiting delivery.

### Donations:

Donations may be made directly to the Citizens Dog Park of

Youngtown account at the conveniently located BBVA Compass Bank in Youngtown. If a receipt is requested, please contact a Committee Member or Council Member Margaret Chittenden.

Citizens Dog Park of Youngtown's next scheduled meeting is Saturday, July 7 at 9 a.m. at Youngtown United Methodist Church (113th and Alabama Avenues in Youngtown). At this meeting the group will be preparing for their presentation to the Youngtown Council on the progress over the past year to create and implement the Citizens Dog Park.

You may contact Council-member Chittenden at Town Hall 623-933-8286 or 623-974-9756 with questions or comments. Dog lovers are encouraged to volunteer their time or make donations toward our park. No donation is too small.



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If you are interested in or know of a neighbor or family member who would benefit from the program, please contact Town Offices

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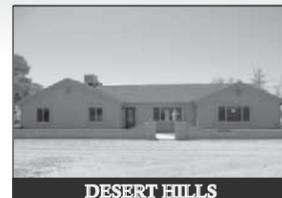
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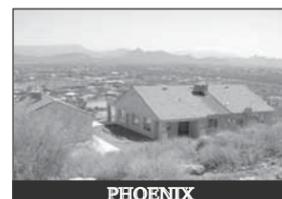
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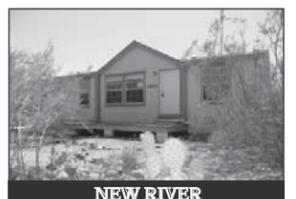
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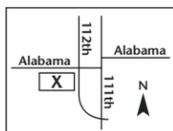
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# NEWS FROM THE COMMUNITY

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Jan Schuler - Lovely, happy resident



Arriving at the Train Station in Phoenix (1958)



Grandparents' home (Metzgers), 11301 Alabama (1954)

## First a visitor then a resident

Jan Schuler is a perfect example of an individual who, as a visiting grandchild, has special memories of Youngtown and who, as an adult, returned to make it her

home (1988). Those sweet summer/winter memories enjoying time with her maternal grandparents, Mabel and Fred Metzger, led Jan back to capture precious times

with her own children and grandchildren.

Jan, as other Youngtown residents, is an ardent volunteer at the Sun City Senior Center and her church's office. She

sandwiches in AARP and cards with a grade school friend most days.

Tootsie (her dog) and Jan enjoy the scenes at Maricopa Lake most mornings at 6 a.m.

Watching a quiet gentleman go about his daily fishing pleasure, residents walking around the Lake and observing the various birds and ducks is both exercise and en-

joyment.

When asked what has kept her in Youngtown, Jan replied: "it is more like back home (Chicago) where I know all of my neighbors."



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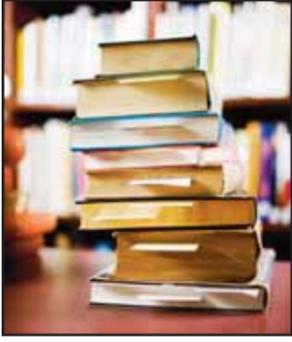
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# Youngtown Public Library News

## Win prizes

The Summer Reading Program is underway for all ages, from birth to adult. Read a book, keep track of the pages you read or someone reads to you, and earn fantastic prizes. Come in and get a prize just for registering.



Thank you to the Arrowhead Kiwanis Club members who are reading to the kids again this summer at our Story Time on Tuesdays from 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Some of the topics have included dinosaurs, rocks, dogs and cats. We are planning some interesting future themes.

## Attention teens: We have Hunger Games trilogy:

We have a new Young Adult section in the library

just for you. Some of our new books are: "Angel" by James Peterson, "Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children" by Ransom Riggs, "Tempest" by Julie Cross, "Ashes" by Ilsa Bick, and "What Happened to Goodbye" by Sarah Dessen, which were purchased with grant money from the Maricopa County Library District. We also have the following series books: Hunger Games, Twilight, Lord of the Rings and Harry Potter.

## Spanish books:

We also have a new Language section with youth and adult materials in Spanish and Sign Language. Come check it out.

## Donations:

The library is always happy to receive donations in the form of hard back books and DVD's. Also, if anyone is looking into their estate planning, did you know you can bequeath part of your estate to our library fund? The Library offers a large selection of large print books, magazines, VHS and DVD movies, and many other items.

There are community notices, Youngtown clubs to join and volunteer opportunities. Come in and look at all the information.

## Library hours:

Monday – Friday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Saturdays 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. We will be closed on July 4 in observance of Independence Day.

The Youngtown Historical Museum is open for tours by appointment.

Heidi Speed,  
Library Manager  
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## 'Friends of the Library' continue summer special

The "Friends of the Youngtown Public Library" will continue their successful paperback sale during July and August. We are offering five paperbacks for \$1.00. The Little Red Wagon has a supply, but there is also a very large selection inside the Library in the "Friends" area. There will be NO meeting of the "Friends" in July. Our next meeting will be September 21, 2012. Everyone is welcome to

join the group. You do not have to be a Youngtown resident. Dues are \$10.00 per year.

The bulletin board on the west side of the Clubhouse has been turned over to the Town clubs for their use. Clubs can post announcements about their activities and meetings. All clubs thank the Town for allowing us to have a place for our 'news'. Please check it out next time you go by.

## West Valley Genealogical Society

The West Valley Genealogical Society Library, 12222 N. 111th Ave., Youngtown, will continue its schedule for the newly curious or experienced family history researchers during the summer with the following:

**Library Hours** - Regularly scheduled hours will be Tues., Thur., Fri. and Sat 9 a.m. – 4 p.m., Tuesday evening 6 – 9 p.m. Call about extended hours on the last Saturday and Sunday of each month.

**Research Nights** - Third Thursday, monthly 5 - 9 p.m. Bring a brown bag supper, a beverage and dessert will be supplied for a \$3.50 donation. Society membership is not required. You may

browse the Library, use the print and media resources, learn about the Society and visit with others who share an interest in genealogy. Call to register, space is limited.

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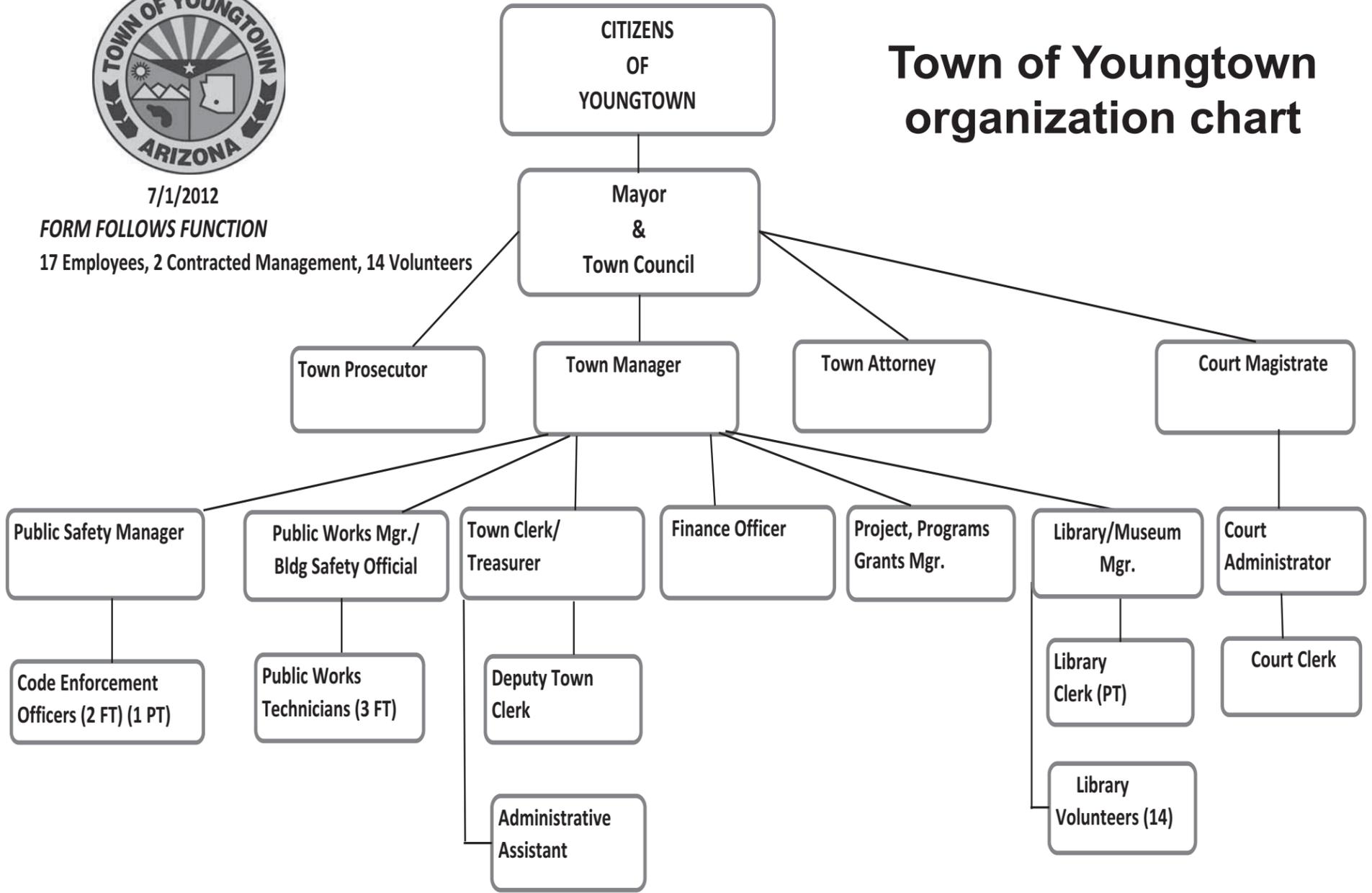


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# Budget 2012-2013 – Investing \$6,288,676

The new budget starting July 1 is comprised of \$3,097,307 confirmed revenue and awarded grants. Local tax revenues (rental, sales, etc.), plan review, building permit and business licensing fees, utility franchise fees, library reciprocal borrowing, court revenue, street lighting improvement district funds and savings account interest comprise a majority of the remaining revenue needed to operate the Town government and provide services to residents

and businesses.

This budget reflects an aggressive plan to continue upgrading and maintaining the Town's services, facilities and image.

"We are investing in the Town's future, while maintaining current standards," Town Manager Lloyce Robinson.

For example, initially eight fully funded projects will be scheduled during July/September. They are: Fire Flow Phases 2, 3, 4; re-imaging the Town; court

file system upgrade; reduce grass/increase stone (some parks); records retention/laser fiche record management; library remodel; replace Town Hall roof and master key lock system.

As sufficient revenue is available, other projects will be considered for completion during the budget year. If funding is not realized then those projects will be placed on hold until the financial picture is more positive.

Nineteen staff mem-

bers will be responsible for implementing all projects and operational aspects of this \$6,288,676 budget with close monitoring by the Town Manager. Living within a financial budget is paramount to maintain the current quality of life and future sustainability.

Investing is defined as: devoting, capitalizing, empowering, arming, enabling, and supplying.

## SUN CITY FIRE DISTRICT YOUNGTOWN MONTHLY REPORT

INCIDENT RESPONSE SUMMARY			
Incident Type	MAY, 2012	YTD	
FIRE	1	4	
RESCUE & EMS INCIDENT	76	388	
HAZARDOUS CONDITION (NO FIRE)	0	4	
SERVICE CALL	22	63	
GOOD INTENT CALL	4	23	
FALSE ALARM & FALSE CALL	1	13	
<b>INCIDENT TOTAL</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>495</b>	

PREVENTION INSPECTION SUMMARY				
Property Use	Number of Initial	Number of Reinspects	Total Inspections	Total Violations
ASSEMBLY	0	1	1	0
EDUCATIONAL	0	0	0	0
HEALTH CARE, DETENTION, & CORRECTION	2	0	2	0
RESIDENTIAL	1	1	2	2
MERCANTILE & BUSINESS	22	0	22	0
STORAGE	0	0	0	0
SPECIAL PROPERTY & OTHER	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL INSPECTIONS</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>2</b>



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# From the Bench...Occupational Risk

Many occupations have a risk associated with their particular profession that sometimes come with a commensurate salary far less than what their responsibilities and potential hazards suggest. The title of Police Officer clearly is one that fits in that category.

Although the inherent and obvious risks involved in this occupation have always been substantial, in recent years the hazards have been ratcheted up more than ever by adding the exposure to HIV.

Not too long ago, I signed yet another order authorizing the taking and testing of a defendant's blood for HIV as the result of an altercation with a police officer doing his job during an arrest.

The officer in this matter responded to a routine call to investi-

gate a trespasser. The defendant in this matter was very intoxicated, well known to the police for past run-ins with law enforcement, had convictions for numerous drug offenses and had an outstanding arrest warrant from Pima County.

As the police officer attempted to take the defendant into custody, the defendant resisted and a fight to handcuff him ensued. The struggle took place near a chain link fence where both the officer and defendant were cut by sharp barbs on the links. The defendant was believed to be a high risk candidate for HIV because of his known drug habits and lifestyle.

As a result, this officer merely carrying out his sworn duties, now had to take steps to protect himself and his family if in fact he was exposed to HIV



**Lex Anderson**  
Town Magistrate

by the defendant's blood.

Although he probably didn't know it, because of the defendant's actions during a lawful arrest, he automatically subjected himself to the testing of his blood (voluntary or involuntary) under Arizona law.

In just the few moments that this struggle took place, lives may have changed forever because of a transfer of blood between the defendant and police officer. Families are held to contemplate an uncertain future while awaiting the test results from the

Department of Health Services.

Unfortunately, this scenario is not rare or unusual, and sometimes defendants' purposely attempt to bite, scratch, or spit on the officers who are arresting them.

County Jail and State Correctional officers too are subjected to these same hazards from inmates that spit, throw feces or fight with the intent to inflict harm on personnel that are charged with the responsibility of their care while in custody.

Being a police officer is and always has been an honorable and respected occupation, but after having to sign these court orders for blood draws on defendants, I certainly have a greater appreciation for the risks that law enforcement personnel are subjected to.

## Second MCSO Citizens' Academy - Youngtown Attendees

Starting June 2, Councilmember Margaret Chittenden, Public Safety Mgr. Mike Kessler, Projects, Programs & Grants Manager Mark Hannah, Code Enforcement Officers Joseph Garnica and Lupe Romero were invited to participate on behalf of Youngtown in the second Citizens Academy sponsored by MCSO. The Academy runs on a bi-weekly Saturday schedule and ends July 14.

During the Academy, participants will learn about the Fusion Centers, MILO, the Lower Buckeye Jail, Crime Lab, MASH I and MASH II. They will tour the Food Factory (staffed by LBJ inmates), the Tents, Downtown Phoenix-Communications, 4th Avenue Jail and Property/Evidence.

Below are overview comments from the participants as the Academy ends its second day of presentations and tours - two more days to go.

"Tent City was the highlight for me because I was amazed at the good living conditions that the Sheriff provides for the inmates", states Public



Safety Manager Kessler. "They have access to an air conditioned building and water 24/7 plus telephone privileges."

Code Enforcement Inspector Garnica comments: "I found that the MCSO Citizen Academy has many facets within their organization. The objectives of the course are to familiarize 'Sheriff Joe's operation' with the broad range of responsibilities performed in the day-to-day operation of public safety and to provide a conduit between the police department and the public it serves. The class material includes every area within MCSO including the patrol, jail, detective divisions, special response team - SWAT, MCSO Drug Task Force and more. I enjoyed 'hands on' with simulated, real-life law enforcement situations. This experience was over-



whelming and I gained a deep appreciation for the difficult job these fine, mostly young, officers, detectives and leaders perform as they conduct their everyday responsibilities. I was especially impressed with the team spirit. It is obvious that for these public servants this is a calling. They really wanted us to know about their jobs."

Council Member Margaret Chittenden offers the following input: "No matter what one's personal views are of Sheriff Joe Arpaio, the MCSO in my eyes is one of the best organized, trained and efficient systems in the country. Unknown to the public is MCSO's detailed organization and training to combat the ongoing and daily threat to public safety on both sides of the border when human smuggling occurs. SWAT and Human Smuggling videos were

such an eye opener for me as to the knowledge and training that the deputies receive to be prepared if the worst situation occurs. Tent City inmates, with lesser degrees of sentencing, have a choice to be housed in Tent City. To my surprise this opportunity gives them more inmate community interaction, participation in the work release program, showers available anytime, ability to watch television and card games with other inmates. I am looking forward to the next two sessions."

"I have completely enjoyed the sessions. They are very informative and have given me a better perspective of the Sheriff's Office," comments Lupe Romero, Code Enforcement Inspector.

A greater understanding, appreciation and respect for the MCSO organization and the Deputies who police our Town is the result of participating in the Citizens Academy and realizing the amount of training, resources and dedication it takes for each of them to be effective and safe.

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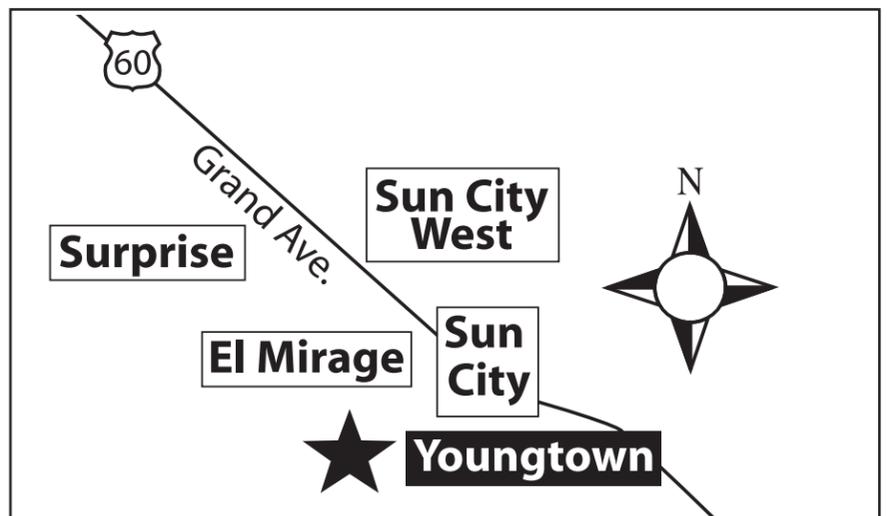
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