# Community Services – Cultural Development Departments 2025 Bond Election

Proposed Projects



#### 2025 Proposed Bond Election Projects:

#### **Projects/Programs:**

A.	Tumbleweed Ranch	\$13,239,000
В.	Dr. A.J. Chandler Park Renovation	\$20,000,000
C.	Existing Neighborhood Park Improvements/Repairs	\$21,845,000
D.	Mesquite Groves Park Site Phase II	\$30,263,000
E.	Mesquite Groves Park Site Phase III	\$35,229,000
F.	Existing Community Park Improvements/Repairs	\$7,850,000
G.	Lantana Ranch Park Site	\$5,741,330
н.	Existing Community/Recreation Centers Improvements/Repairs	\$6,000,000
I.	Tumbleweed Muti-Gen Expansion – (Ph 2 Gym Expansion)	\$19,604,000
J.	Folley Pool Renovation	\$37,745,000
K.	Snedigar Sports Complex Renovation	\$20,000,000
L.	Desert Breeze Park Renovation	\$10,000,000
M.	Sport Field LED Lighting Conversion	\$8,000,000
N.	Irrigation System/Water Conservation Program	<u>\$3,000,000</u>
IDLER	TOTAL	<b>\$228,516,330</b>



## Resident Bond Exploratory Committee

## Parks and Recreation Subcommittee

October 3, 2024

Agenda Item: #5 Department Overview

- ☐ Cultural Development
- ☐ Community Services













Kim Moyers Director

# Cultural Development

**Downtown Redevelopment** 

**Center for the Arts** 

Museum

**Vision Gallery** 

**Special Events** 

## Chandler Center for the Arts



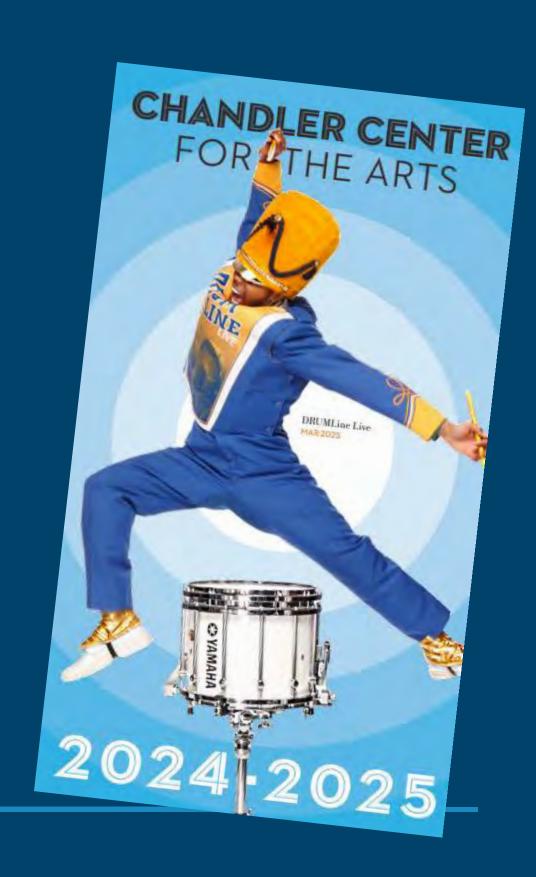








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## Chandler Museum











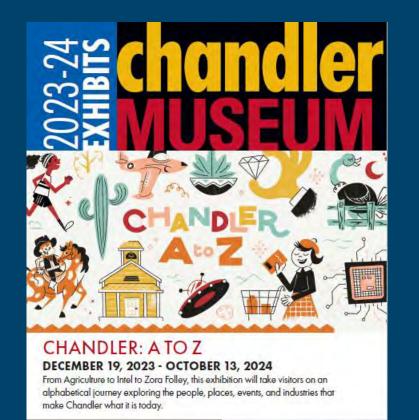






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#### TUMBLEWEED TREE:

#### NOVEMBER 1, 2023 -JANUARY 7, 2024

In the late 1950s, Chandler resident Earle Barnum spearheaded construction of a tree made from tumbleweeds to decorate downtown Chandler during the Christmas season. Since then, the Tumbleweed Tree has become a unique holiday season tradition.

ioto: Chandler Museum Collection, 1999.18.3.79 ift of Eurle Barnum



Tuesday-Saturday 10 am-5 pm Sunday 1 pm-5 pm Free Admission





## Downtown Redevelopment













## Special Events











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## Vision Gallery & Public Art





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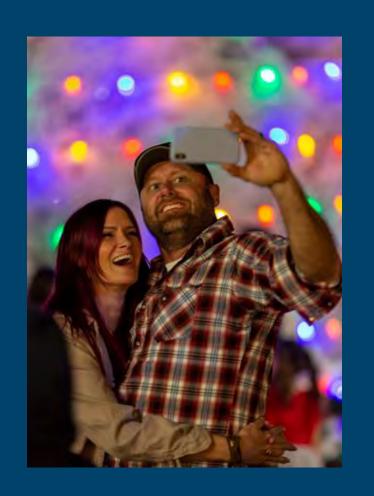


## By the Numbers

- 90 percent public program satisfaction
- 5 new businesses opened in Downtown
- 16 public art projects installed
- 270 programs at Chandler Museum, provided to 12,000 attendees
- More than 517,000 individuals attended events in the City
- 459,672 new and rehabilitated square footage in Downtown
- 156,324 patrons attended performances at the CCA









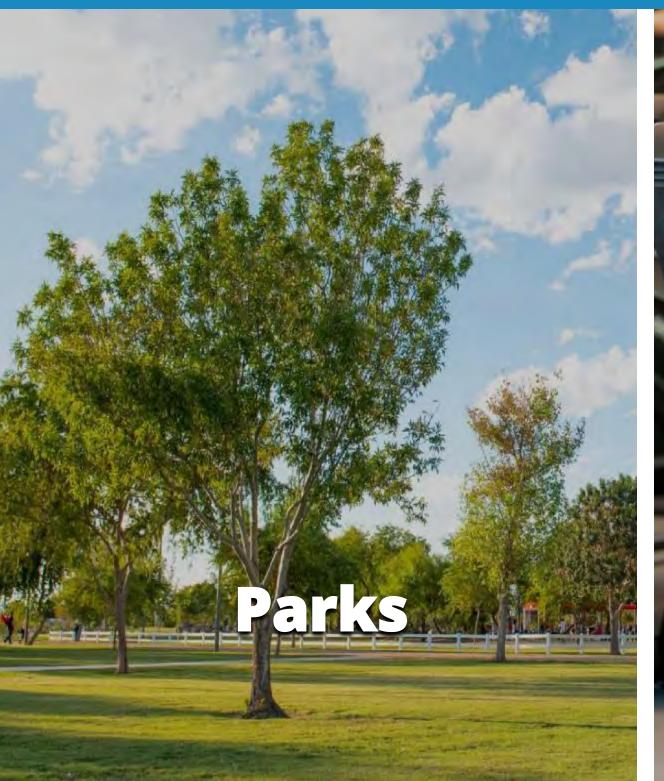
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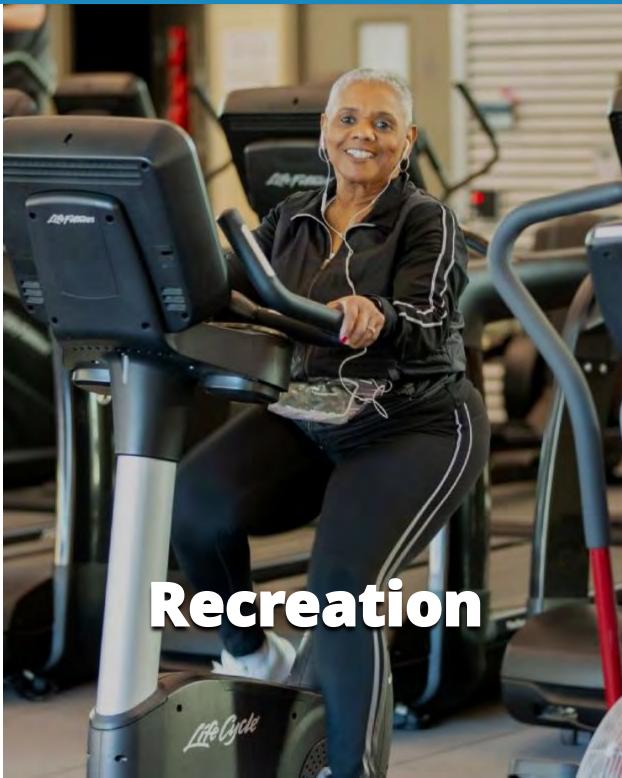
John Sefton Director



# The Cornerstone of every Community - creating connections through people, parks, and programs





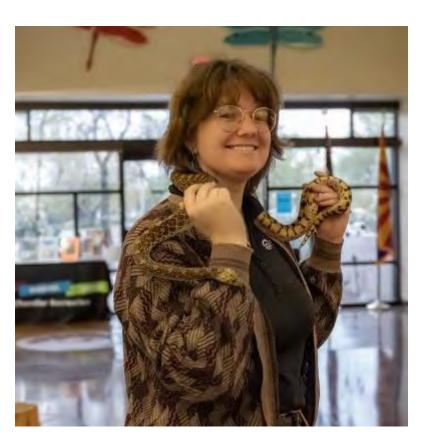


## Our People

Employees drive every decision, every innovation and every aspect of our department culture to ensure we make Chandler a premiere community.







184 FTE

419 TEMP

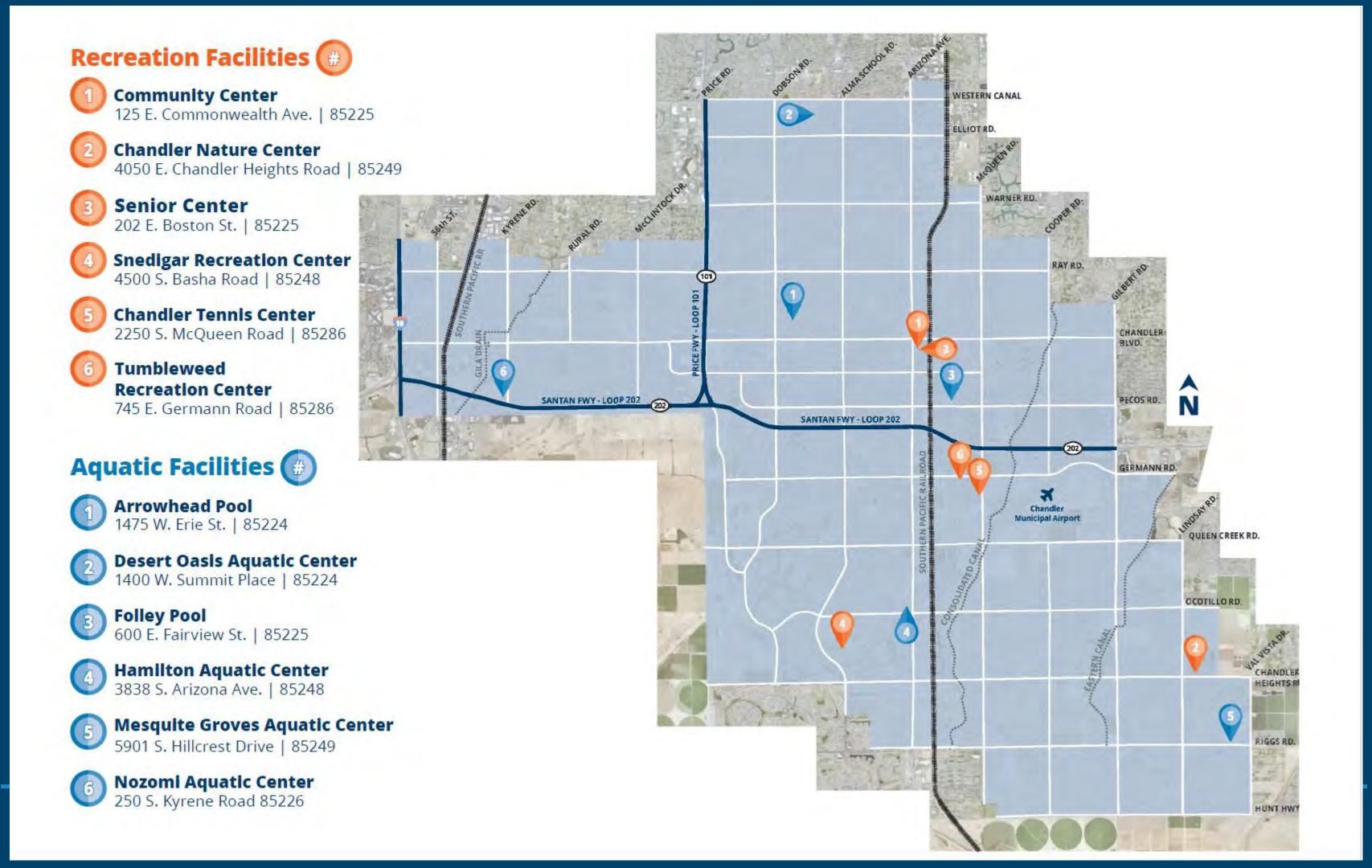




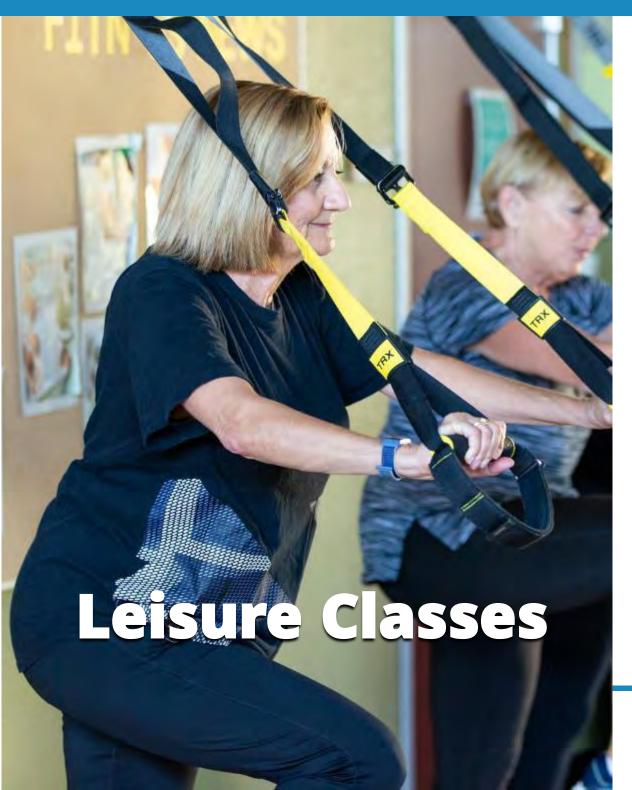


## Chandler Recreation Facilities

- Tumbleweed Recreation Center
- Snedigar Recreation Center
- Tennis Center
- Senior Center
- Chandler Nature Center
- Community Center
- 6 Aquatic Centers and Pools



# Championing everyday experiences that encourage the community to discover, imagine, and grow







#### Our Work

Chandler Recreation strives to enhance the quality of life of all residents through diverse, innovative and affordable leisure opportunities.

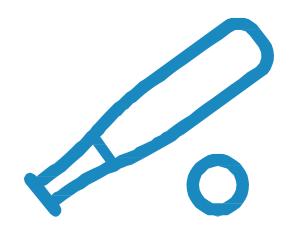
80,000

Recreation Program Participants 32,400

Fitness Passes

7,500

Swim Lessons









#### **Multigenerational Center Expansion**

Chandler is revolutionizing agedefining programs by prioritizing intergenerational interaction. The 11,000-square-foot expansion began in January 2024 and will provide additional multipurpose rooms, classrooms, a games area, a fitness room, and a lounge.



#### **Certified Autism Center**

Chandler Park & Recreation earned the Certified Autism Center designation in April 2024 after training over 500 staff in autism awareness and understanding, communication, and safety protocols.



#### **Kyrene Community Nights**

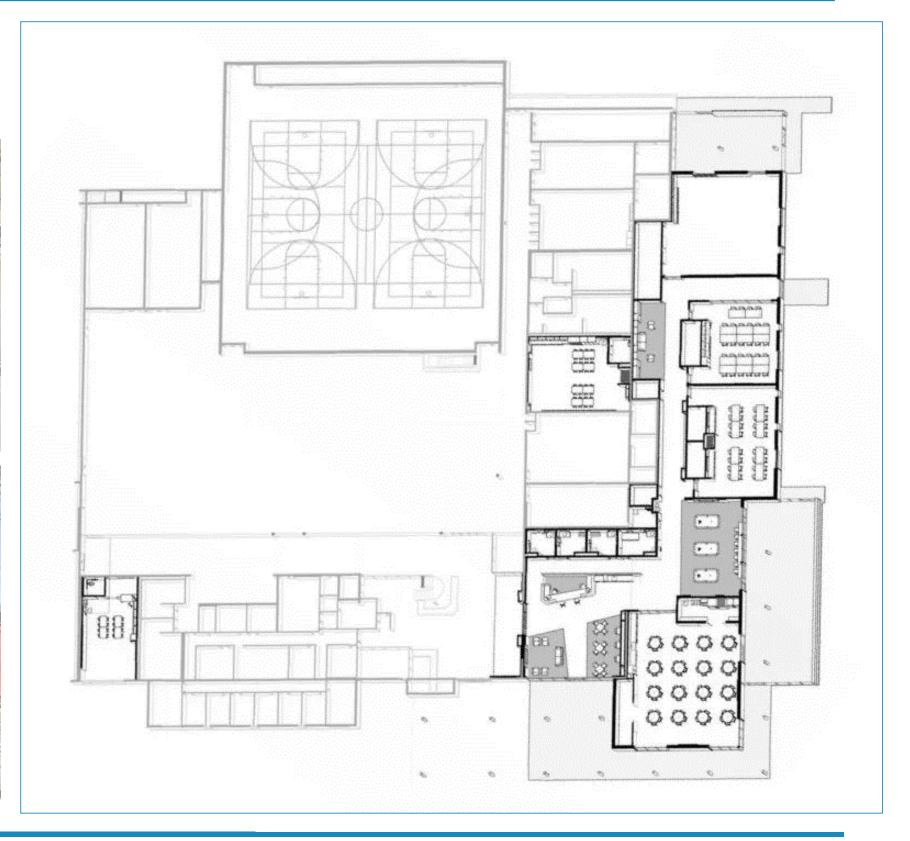
Special programming located at Kyrene del Pueblo Middle School, attracting residents in West Chandler. Free interactive activities for all ages, including open gym and crafts.

## **Tumbleweed Recreation Center Expansion Progress**

















#### **Mesquite Groves Aquatic Center Renovation**

Mesquite Groves Aquatic Center received a massive remodel, including reconstructing the competition pool, resurfacing decking, replacing diving boards, remodeling the play structure, and resurfacing the water slides.

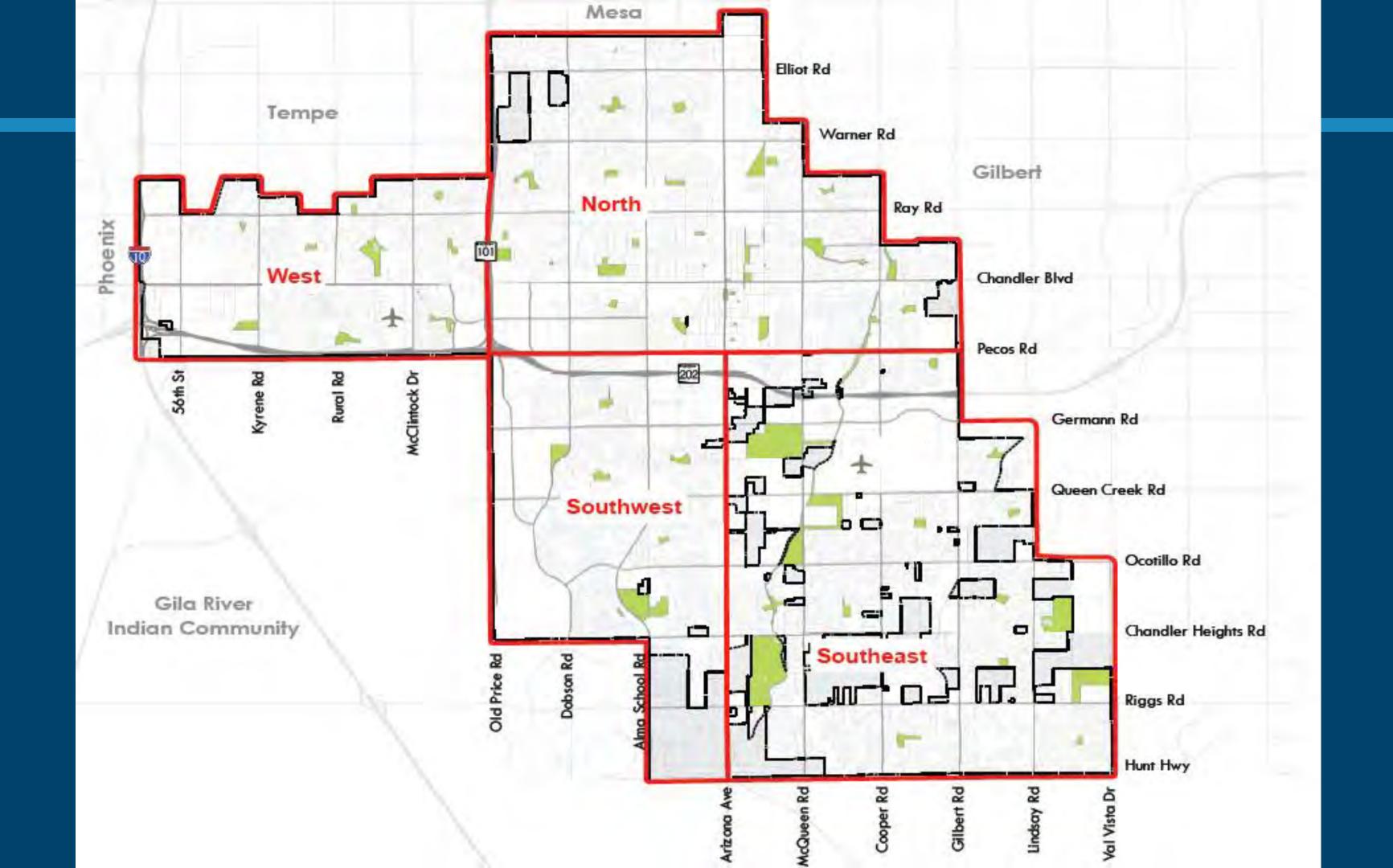
#### **#WaterYouDoing Water Safety Campaign**

Now in its sixth year, Chandler's nationally-recognized water safety program is expanding outreach efforts, including learn-to-swim programs, to connect with populations identified as high-risk.

#### **Recreation and Library Services Master Plan**

Finalizing a scope-of-work for a major master planning effort on the services and spaces used for Library and Recreation activities, programs and events. 2025 work effort.





### **Tumbleweed Diamond Field Project**



#### **Brooks Crossing Park Improvements**



#### **Tumbleweed Park Pickleball Facility**









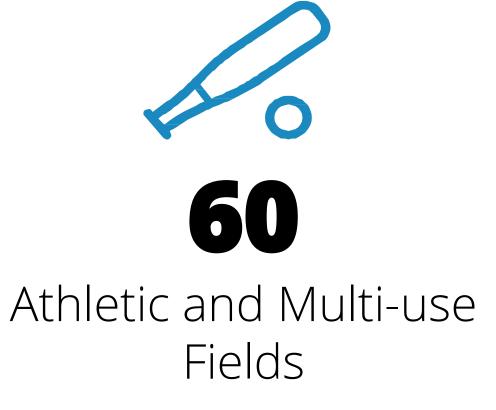
A place for everyone—where any person can go to be active, live healthier, connect with nature, and connect with one another

#### Our Work

The Parks Operation staff plays a critical role in the City's quality of life, ensuring parks and facilities are clean, safe, and well-maintained.







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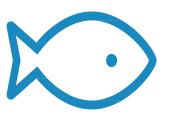
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**12**Special Use Facilities







Urban
Fishing Lakes



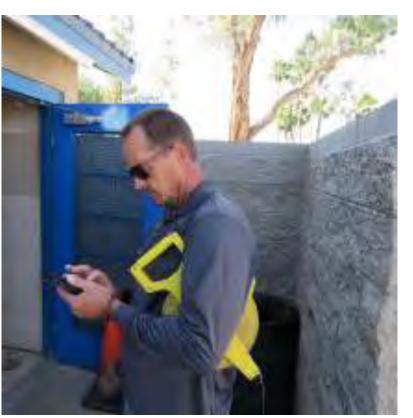
#### **Playground Safety Inspections**

Chandler boasts 100 playgrounds in 69 parks, subject to bi-monthly high-frequency inspections by the Parks staff. Additionally, a contractor performs a low-frequency inspection on these playgrounds once a year.



#### **Water Conservation**

City parks are upgraded to web-based irrigation controllers and soil moisture sensors, which promote water conservation. In addition, sports fields and several parks are undergoing irrigation audits to ensure optimal performance.



#### **Contracted Maintenance**

Numerous park and non-park sites have contracted maintenance services, including mowing, landscaping, restrooms, and lakes. Inspections are conducted regularly throughout the year.

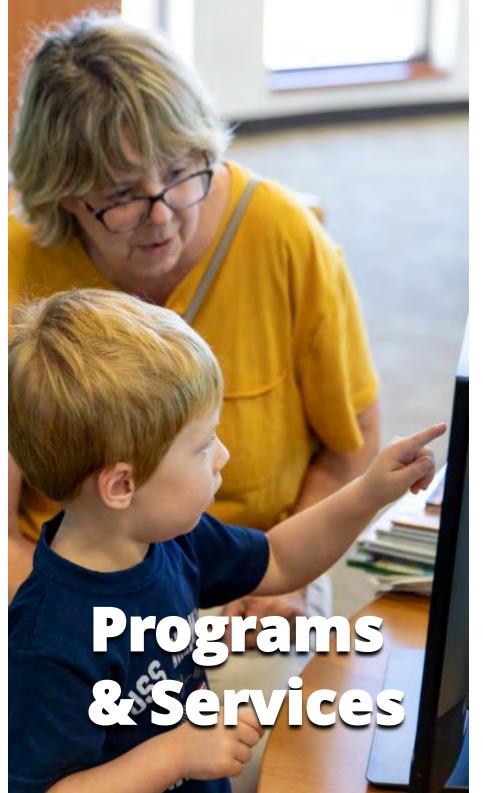
#### **Urban Forestry Program**

Our Urban Forestry program has collaborated with the State Forestry to create a training program for our parks staff on proper tree planting, pruning, and upkeep. To increase community education about our urban forest, we host several public workshops throughout the year and partner with local high schools to plant trees at Chandler parks.











More than just books - Chandler Public Library is the reading, learning, and cultural center for our community

#### Our Work

We inspire curiosity and introduce opportunities. Accessible collections, however you prefer to read (or listen!).







69,218

Active Cardholders 617,984 Library visits 1,386,355

Physical Checkouts 247,707 physical items 266,729

e-books & audiobooks **60,022** digital items

#### Our Work

We encourage creativity. Programs and resources curated for all ages.



4,550

Programs Offered



113,404

Total Program Attendance



500+

Volunteers

14,475 hours!







## **Sunset Library Outdoor Space**

We launched the upgraded space outside Sunset Library this spring, including a new shade structure and landscaping on the patio. The musical garden and Storywalk took residence in Sunset Park, adjacent to the library.



#### **Collaborative Events**

In 2023, Chandler Public Library hosted Chandler's most successful Contigo program yet. In collaboration with Chandler DEI, nearly 2,500 community members were in attendance.

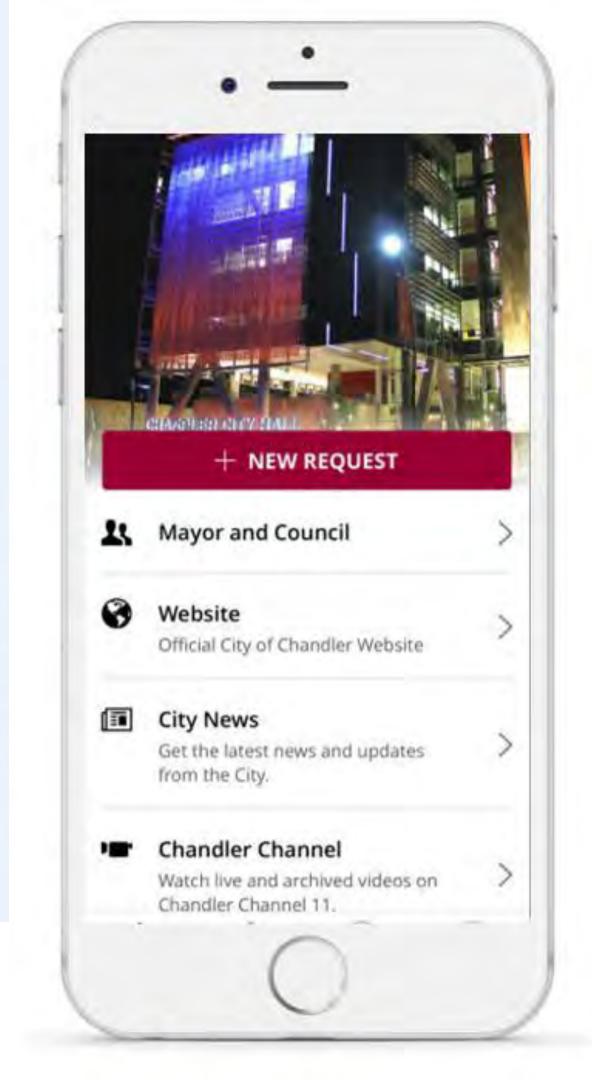


#### **Library Tech Bookmobile**

We're taking outreach to a new level with the Chandler Public Library Bookmobile. The contract was awarded to Farber Specialty Vehicles and the unit is currently in the early stages of fabrication.

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#### **City of Chandler Pavilion Use 5-Year History**



The City of Chandler's Pavilions are provided to benefit park patrons. They are intended to be the hub of large gatherings to bring families, friends, and the community together. Not only are pavilions great for gatherings they also shade and shelter from the elements. Pavilions are also intended to provide aesthetic appeal and improve utilization of park space.

The City of Chandler has

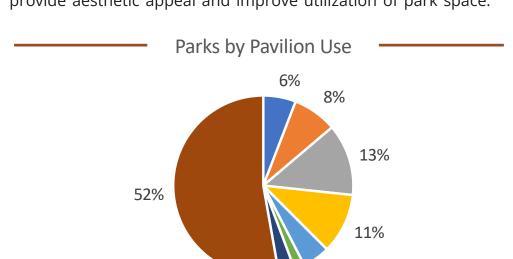
158
reservable and non-reservable pavilions

located at our

69 parks

Parks where pavilion reservations can be made are:

- Arrowhead Meadows
- Chuparosa
- Desert Breeze
- Espee
- Folley
- Pima
- Veteran's Oasis
- Tumbleweed



Arrowhead ParkChuporosa

■ Pima

Folley

Desert BreezeEspee

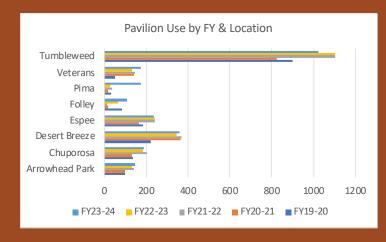
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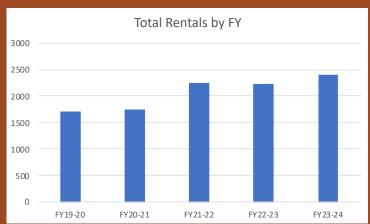
Veterans

Tumbleweed

In fiscal year 24-25, there were **2,413 pavilion reservations**, which equated to **\$147,382 in revenue**.

Approximately **83,000 individuals attended** the more than **2,400 reservation**s permitted by the City of Chandler.





#### **City of Chandler Field Use 5-Year History**



The City of Chandler is a significant supplier of usable athletic field space to residents and the East Valley sports enthusiast population. Chandler offers usable outdoor space for all sports, from cricket fields to space for lacrosse to classical baseball and softball fields. The City has 78 reservable sports fields for games and practices.

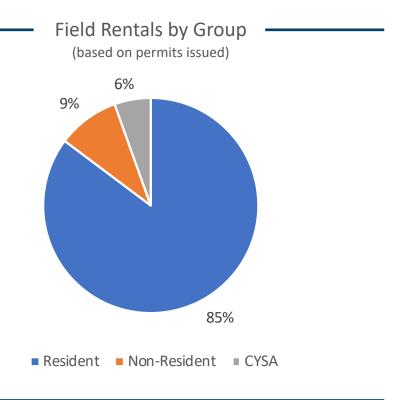
The City of Chandler manages

**78** sports fields

46
baseball/softball

32 multi-use

FY24-25, the City processed over **4,500**reservations, generating **\$453,492** in revenue.
The average annual revenue for field rentals is approximately **\$450,000**.



The City's sports fields are essential because they promote physical health by encouraging active lifestyles across all ages, foster community engagement, and offer accessible recreational opportunities for residents regardless of socioeconomic status, ultimately contributing to a healthier and more vibrant community.

