

## VOLUNTEERS IN POLICE SERVICE

**Newsletter**

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**Avondale Police Department Welcomes New VIPS****Bob Gunn – Avondale**

Bob currently is the facility manager for Joined Alloys and has held this position since 2003. Bob served with the United States Marine Corps for 3 years and received a field promotion to Sergeant on a Rescue Mission. He attended Scottsdale Community College, GMI and the Henry Ford Community College obtaining several certificates of technology during his career. His special skills include being an Electrician, Journeyman, Plumber Journeyman and manager of an aircraft parts manufacturer. He hopes to be able to assist where ever he is needed and looks forward to patrolling for the Avondale Police Department.

**Jennifer Hulseberg – Peoria**

Jennifer comes to the Avondale Police Department with an extensive background in the Human Resources field. Jennifer holds a certificate in Human Resources from Middlesex County College in New Jersey. She is currently attending ITT as a full time student in Criminal Justice. She's a very detailed person and would like to work as a civilian in the law enforcement field. She has a strong interest in Crime Analysis/Evidence and hopes to volunteer in these areas.

**John Cohn – Avondale**

John is retired from the United States Public Health Service but spends his time as an instructor teaching sky diving for DIVE located in Buckeye, AZ. John works part time for Freedom RV in Tucson but finds time to volunteer with the Avondale Police Department. John earned his bachelor's degree in Sociology from University of Cincinnati, a Master's degree in Social Work from Washington University and a second Master's degree in Public Health from The University of Michigan. He looks forward to assisting in patrol, has expertise in the area of the command van that he'd like to share, is detailed oriented and has experience in grant writing.

**Judy Neff – Town of Youngtown**

Judy has been employed since 1998 as a Fingerprint and Criminal Records Technician with the Department of Public Safety. She has worked in and around the police environment and is currently TOC (Terminal Operator Certification) – ACJIS Level B, AFIS Level E and Latent Print Examiner. Judy plans to gain valuable experience with the Avondale Police Department as a Latent Print Examiner by entering prints into AFIS. Eventually she hopes to gain enough experience to further her career as a Ten Print/Latent Examiner. Judy will be volunteering in Criminal Investigations Evidence unit.





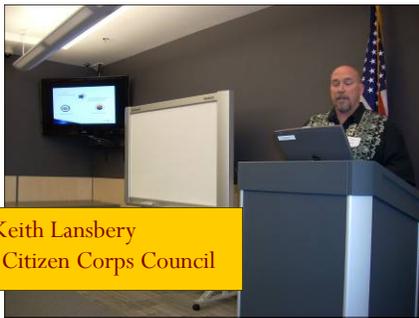
ASU Chief of Police, John Pickens

**VIPS Statewide Coordinators Meeting**  
**Arizona State University Police Department**

In February 25 police volunteer coordinators from all over the valley attended a VIPS Statewide Coordinators' Meeting hosted by the Arizona State University Police Department in Tempe, AZ. The group was welcomed by ASU Police Chief, John Pickens and presentations were made to the group by Keith Lansbery, AZ State Citizen Corps Council, Stephanie Siete, Director of PR for Community Bridges and ASU Assistant Chief of Police Jay Spradling. Topics for the day included VIPS partnership in Citizen Corps, recognizing current drug trends and recruiting and retaining police volunteers.



ASU Assistant Chief of Police Jay Spradling



Keith Lansbery  
AZ State Citizen Corps Council



Stephanie S. Siete, Dir. Of PR  
Community Bridges



Police Departments in attendance: Phoenix PD, Surprise PD, DPS, South Tucson PD, Goodyear PD, Buckeye PD, Peoria PD, Avondale PD, Tempe PD, Casa Grande PD, Chandler PD, ASU PD,

Events

**March 27 - Annual Employee/Volunteer Awards Banquet**

Rustler's Rooste, Phoenix  
5pm to 10pm

Training

**March 10 - Radio Codes & Operations/TOC Training**

Avondale Police Department Main Station Briefing Room 3pm to 5pm

**March 31 - Understanding the Deaf Community/Culture**

Avondale Police Department - Main Station Briefing Room 6pm to 8pm

**April 29 - Understanding the Deaf Community/Culture**

Avondale Police Department - Main Station Briefing Room - 10am to Noon

Join the Avondale Police Department VIPS' Tina Duresky and Beca Bailey from ACDHH (Arizona Commission on the Deaf and Hard of Hearing) for this valuable training introducing public safety responders to effective ways of communicating with and understanding the Deaf Community/Culture. Participants will have an opportunity to learn basic ASL signs that can be used in the field.

Register for training: [RSVP to dray@avondale.org](mailto:RSVP to dray@avondale.org)



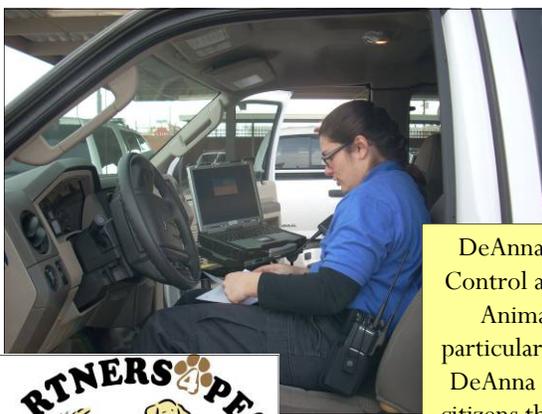
## Stay Busy in the Valley



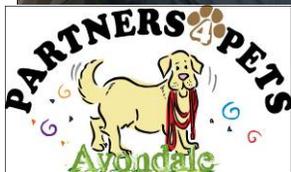
Email from Carlos Flores, Jr.:

Here is a picture I took with my phone on McDowell and 119th Ave. #1 lane is half flooded and #2 lane, well, I almost saw a boat.

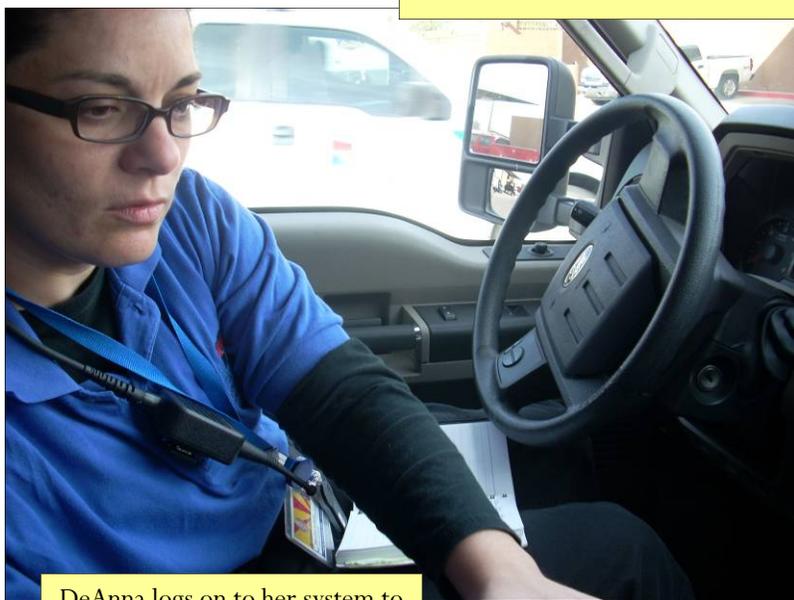
So I decided to close the lane and asked Dispatch for Public Works. Adam-11 said I probably prevented an accident.



DeAnna Flores patrols for Animal Control and prepares to take out the Animal Control vehicle. This particular Sunday was a quiet day but DeAnna did encounter a number of citizens thanking her for being out on patrol. One citizen thanked DeAnna for finding his small dog that accidentally got out of its yard.



Hannah Bradbeer stands by to answer questions from the public about the AZ Central Region Citizen Corps Council (AZCRCCC)



DeAnna logs on to her system to monitor animal control calls for service.



Thanks to all of the Avondale Police Department VIPS who supported the AZCRCCC at the Maricopa County Home & Garden Show. Avondale Police Department VIPS were the only VIPS represented at this event to promote their affiliation as one of the AZ Citizen Corps Partners.

Thanks VIPS Kathleen & Cooper Tryfyer, Dick & Gracie Stewart, Jean & Nelli Reynolds, Richard Heath and Hannah Bradbeer.





# Avondale Police Department Volunteers in Police Service



Returning from Washington DC, The City of Avondale recognized Debbie Ray, CVA for being the first and only CVA Public Safety Volunteer Coordinator named to the National Board of Directors for ALIVE (Association of Leaders in Volunteer Engagement).

Mayor Marie Lopez Rogers and the City of Avondale Council members present a certificate of recognition.  
Kevin Kotsur, Chief of Police joins in this recognition.

ALIVE board meetings took place in the National Red Cross Clara Barton Ballroom in Washington DC and later that week at the Department of Interior...and yes, that funny white stuff falling around Debbie Ray is snow!!



## VIPS BUSY AT WORK!

*Thanks to everyone for all that you do for the Avondale Police Department!*



Richard Heath makes sure that the Command Van is operating for the Police Department Events



Gracie and Dick Stewart and Det. Rustenburg assist with VIN Etching set up.