

VOLUNTEERS IN POLICE SERVICE

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Welcome New Volunteers to the Avondale Police Department



Duane Stahl
Avondale

Duane is a resident of the City of Avondale. Duane holds a BS from University of Phoenix in Health Services Administration. Although now retired, Duane previously held the position of Purchasing Agent for the Town of Buckeye. Since his

retirement in 2007, Duane has volunteered his time with Sun Health and St. Peters setting up and coordinating a variety of events. Duane anticipates assisting where ever he is most needed and looks forward to utilizing his skills.



Marsha Kornegay
Goodyear

Marsha is self employed as President of Romantic Travel, Inc. owning and renting vacation homes in Rocky Point, Mexico. She currently volunteers her time with Southwest Literacy (ESL) teaching English. As a member of the Pebble Creek community she has been active with Kare Bears since 2009.

Marsha has volunteered with the City of Goodyear and attended the Goodyear Police Academy. She considers herself very organized with very good people skills. Marsha plans to be active patrolling and volunteering with the Southwest Family Advocacy Center.

Mike is completing his AA degree in Criminal Justice through Estrella Mountain Community College. Born in Honolulu, Hawaii Mike now makes his home in El Mirage, AZ. He is employed with Wells Fargo performing transactions for customers and service accounts. He received the



Mike Soto
El Mirage

“WOW” recognition from Wells Fargo. Mike also completed the “Keyed into Success” program through the bank. He has worked over 11 years with animals including 2 years in a boarding facility. Mike is hoping to gain “hands on” experience interning with the Avondale Police Department.

Josh is an Associate Media Systems Engineer with the Mayo Clinic Foundation, Scottsdale, AZ. Originally from Wisconsin, Josh now makes his home in Peoria, AZ. He attended ITT Technical Institute and received his AAS in Electronics Engineering Technology and a BAS in Robotics - Automated



Josh Meister
Peoria

Manufacturing Technology. He has extensive experience in K-9 Agitation and hopes to provide his assistance in this area. Josh welcomes the opportunity to learn and experience first hand about law enforcement as a volunteer with the Avondale Police Department.

Avondale Police Department VIPS featured in National VIPS/IACP Publication



Orlando, Florida was the site for the kick off of the National VIPS/IACP/BJA publication, “Missing Persons: Volunteers Supporting Law Enforcement” taking place at the IACP National Convention. Chief of Police Kevin Kotsur looks on as Debbie Ray, Volunteer Coordinator completes a joint presentation at the IACP Convention on the roles that the Avondale Police Department VIPS play in supporting law enforcement in Avondale.

Dick and Gracie Retire from VIPS Therapy Paws Pet Partner Program & Join the Avondale Police Department’s Wellness Team



Chaplain Dick Stewart

After over two years of providing comfort to hundreds of children and adults, Dick and Gracie will be retiring from the VIPS Therapy Paws Pet Partners program. There is good news though, their retirement won’t last long because they’ll be starting on a new journey as members of the department’s “Wellness Team”. Dick is already part of the department’s Chaplain program and he will be expanding his role becoming more active in a newly developed department program that provides support to police personnel encompassing their overall physical, emotional and spiritual wellness.

Gracie will join Dick as his “Wellness Team” companion.



Companion Gracie



Sgt. Varney Lopez is Named VIPS Patrol Liaison

Sgt. Varney Lopez has been named to be the VIPS Patrol Liaison. Sgt. Lopez will be advising volunteers who regularly patrol on any updates/ changes or additions that routinely occur in the patrol division of the Avondale Police Department. Sgt. Lopez will meet on a quarterly basis with the VIPS coordinator to review any patrol concerns or questions that are related to the VIPS program. Sgt. Lopez is a valuable and much needed resource for the VIPS program.



VIPS DeAnna Flores Receives Diverse Champion Award



Wells Fargo recently awarded DeAnna Flores for her outstanding contributions to furthering the Wells Fargo diversity initiative. DeAnna is being recognized because she continues to lead team members in celebrating diversity in the workplace by helping others understand and value similarities and differences. She seeks out differing opinions and perspectives to learn from others. DeAnna assumes leadership roles both in the workplace and in her volunteer position with the Avondale Police Department.

We congratulate DeAnna on receiving this prestigious Wells Fargo Diverse Champion Award and we value her continued contributions to enrich the lives of others.

**February VIPS Briefing
Tuesday, Feb. 1, 2011
6:30 - 8pm
103 North**

Police Station Codes

Station	Location	Code
Administration Bldg	11485 W. Civic Center Dr.	103 Central
Jail/South Substation	519 E. Western Ave.	103 South
North Substation	1825 N. 107th Ave.	103 North
Northwest/Estrella		
College	3000 N. Dysart Rd.	103 Northwest
Cashion Substation	10857 W. Pima St.	103 Cashion

Assistant Chief Lynn Parkin provides Northwest Public Safety Facility Tour & takes time to thank our police volunteers for all of their hard work.



Volunteers look on as Assistant Chief Lynn Parkin answers questions and updates everyone on recent police department information.





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McGruff & Richard Heath
take a break



Kathleen & Cooper Tyryfter
watching Katie & Baylee Ray

GAIN & Resident Appreciation



Jennifer Hill, Hannah Bradbeer &
Kathy Laneri



Kyle Porter



Chaplain Suzanne Leahy,
McGruff and Richard Heath

VIPS Assist at "Shop With A Cop"

Jason Postel

Chief
Kevin
Kotsur

Deanna
Flores

Debbie Ray

Dick
Stewart

Kathleen
Tyryfter

Cooper

Santa Claus



Chick-fil-a

Cow

Mike Soto

Dariusz
Gruna

Jean
Reynolds

Nelli

Marsha
Kornegay

Richard
Heath