



Congressman Ed Pastor's Washington Update

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NOTES OF INTEREST

- **Social Security Statements** (the estimates of the retirement and/or disability benefits you may receive) are now available online at www.ssa.gov/mystatement/
- **Need a passport for your summer travels?** Visit travel.state.gov for helpful information.
- **Follow the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) on Twitter.com/FTC** for up-to-date consumer alerts, education resources and FTC news.
- **The average woman had to work until April 17 this year** to earn what the average man earned last year, according to the U.S. Dept. of Labor.

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President's top environmental adviser visits Fourth Congressional District's clean energy sites

President Obama's top environmental adviser visited Phoenix in May to learn about the Fourth District's clean energy efforts.

Nancy Sutley, Chair of the White House Council on Environmental Quality, rode the Metro Light Rail from central Phoenix to a transit-accessible development, then visited an electric vehicle charging station with Rep. Ed Pastor.

Pastor and Sutley toured Devine Legacy, a LEED Platinum-certified, transit-accessible development by the non-profit Native American Connections. The colorful development on Central Avenue offers affordable housing and health and community development services.

Later, they visited a Blink electric vehicle charging station at the Clarendon

Hotel, also in central Phoenix. The charging station is part of ECOTality, Inc.'s EV Project, the largest deployment of electrical vehicles and charge infrastructure in history. In 2009, ECOTality received a \$99.8 million stimulus grant to help build an electric car infrastructure with a network of charging stations in five states.

ECOTality executives showed Pastor and Sutley the Blink chargers' features before the pair drove an electric vehicle to their next meeting location. Sut-

ley and Pastor said the visit helped highlight President Obama's all-of-the-above energy approach that doubles down on clean energy to save money, reduce pollution, and create 21st century American jobs and industries.



Rep. Ed Pastor, right, and Chair Nancy Sutley of the White House Council on Environmental Quality, center, watch Greg Fioriti, ECOTality's Sr. Vice President of Operations, explain the features of a Blink electric vehicle charging station.

Seniors beware of scams!

Recently, several of Congressman Pastor's senior constituents suffered huge financial losses due to fraudulent schemes in which they were led to believe they had won prizes or sweepstakes. Individuals, especially seniors, should always be cautious and remember to:

- Never send money to someone you don't know.
- Don't respond to email messages or phone calls seeking your personal or financial information.
- Don't play a foreign lottery. It's easy to be tempted by messages that claim you've won, but inevitably, you'll be asked to pay "taxes," "fees," or "customs duties" to collect your prize.
- Don't agree to deposit a check from someone you don't know and then wire money back, no matter how convincing the story.

More consumer tips from the Federal Trade Commission are available at www.FTC.gov.



Town of Guadalupe dedicates Senior Center to Rep. Pastor

Guadalupe officials dedicated the Senior Center to Rep. Pastor in May to thank him for his work in Congress on behalf of the town's residents. Pastor said the Center has been passionate about helping the town's seniors.

In the photo on the left, Rep. Pastor greets Guadalupe Mayor Alma Solarez, Town Council Members and Maricopa County Supervisor Mary Rose Wilcox.