

## More local programs funded in Omnibus

These are some of the additional programs funded through passage of the Omnibus Appropriations Bill, which Rep. Ed Pastor supported:

- \$300,000 for the **Translational Genomic Research Institute** for laboratory equipment and building needs.

- \$200,000 for **Phoenix Children's Hospital** to acquire a second CT (computerized tomography) scanner for the emergency department.

- \$500,000 for **Chicanos Por La Causa, Inc.**, for a Maryvale Workforce Development and Health Services Campus.

- \$2 million for **Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport** for taxiway improvements.

- \$200,000 for the **Arizona Meth Project** to continue its campaign dedicated to helping teens and young adults reject methamphetamine use.

- \$100,000 for **Childhelp**, a nonprofit organization based in Arizona, to continue to provide vital services to children who have suffered abuse.

- \$300,000 for the **Bilingual Nursing Fellowship Program at South Mountain Community College**.

- \$150,000 to expand and operate 14 **Jobs for Arizona Graduates** dropout prevention projects.

- \$300,000 for **Operation Quality Time, Inc.**, an after-school program for students in schools in low-income areas.

## Congressional mobile office locations set



To assist constituents with any issues they may have with federal agencies, a staff member from Congressman Pastor's Phoenix office will be at these locations this spring. No appointments are necessary.

**All locations will be staffed from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.**

### **South Mountain Community Center**

212 E. Alta Vista Road, Phoenix  
Feb. 2, March 2, April 6

### **Glendale Community Center**

5401 W. Ocotillo, Glendale  
Jan. 19, Feb. 16, March 16, April 20

### **Guadalupe Senior Center**

9401 S. Avenida del Yaqui, Guadalupe  
Jan. 26, Feb. 23, March 23, April 27

### **Desert West Community Center**

6501 W. Virginia, Phoenix  
Feb. 9

### **Marcos de Niza Senior Center**

305 W. Pima St., Phoenix  
March 9

### **Chinese Senior Center**

734 W. Elm St., Phoenix  
April 13

## ASU interns serve constituents

Rep. Pastor's District Director Elisa de la Vara, center, recognizes Justin Hoffman and Juan Mendoza for their service to the constituents of the Fourth District. The ASU students were interns during the Fall 2009 semester.



Congressional internships offer college students a full range of experiences related to the operations of a Congressional office. Internships are non-paid but students can receive college credits through their schools. More information is available by contacting Rep. Pastor's Office at 602-256-0551.

## Monthly mobile office at Madison Street Veterans Association

As part of Rep. Pastor's ongoing outreach efforts, Alan Duncan, Rep. Pastor's Veterans Aide, will hold mobile office hours the second Tuesday of each month from 8 a.m. to Noon at the Madison Street Veterans Association, 233 S. 11th Ave., Phoenix.

# Park Lee Apartments provide affordable housing in Phoenix

Park Lee Apartments, a 523-unit complex in Phoenix, will provide affordable housing to residents following the city's acquisition of the property, announced U.S. Rep. Ed Pastor.

Pastor was instrumental in helping the city of Phoenix gain control of the property in a transaction involving the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the previous owner.

The city will rehabilitate and repair the units and property, located at 1600 W. Highland Ave., to lease to low- and middle-income families.

More information about the city of Phoenix's housing programs is available by phoning 602-534-2142.



U.S. Rep. Ed Pastor and Phoenix Councilman Tom Simplot recently discussed their efforts to help the city of Phoenix obtain the Park Lee apartments in a transaction involving the Department of Housing and Urban Development. The units will be repaired and leased to low- and middle-income families.

## How to contact Congressman Ed Pastor

Congressman Ed Pastor's office is in your city to serve your needs. Please keep this information handy to contact his offices for assistance.

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Fourth Congressional District - Arizona

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# Federal funds secured for district Phoenix and Glendale police, Guadalupe seniors and education programs among recipients

Dear Fellow Arizonans,

I know all too well the negative impact bad economic times have produced in the Fourth District and throughout the state of Arizona. Many of you have shared with me your personal stories of job loss, home foreclosures, and the stress and hardships families are experiencing as a result.

The economic hardships have produced many needs in our district, which is why it was important for me to secure funding for vital projects at home. These programs will benefit our Arizona constituency as well as retain and provide job opportunities.

Through passage of the Omnibus Appropriations Bill for fiscal year 2010, we will see federal funds put to work in our home districts as funding was awarded to various Valley programs seeking support.

Looking into 2010, I also expect to continue Congress' work to lay the foundation for long-term growth that will help create more jobs, keep our economy on the road to recovery and help lower the

deficit.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act and other initiatives have created or saved more than one million jobs nationally, but my colleagues and I recognize much work remains to be done.

Additionally, numerous legislative initiatives such as Cash for Clunkers, the Small Business Financing and Investment Act, and the American Clean Energy and Security Act, among others, are helping to move America into a new direction.

While most of the attention last year was focused on health insurance reform, I hope constituents will take time to read inside about additional business conducted in



**Congressman Pastor and constituents discuss the role of hydrogen-powered vehicles in the nation's economic recovery.**

Congress on behalf of the constituents of the Fourth District.

Sincerely,

Congressman Ed Pastor

## Phoenix and Glendale crime-fighting services enhanced with federal funding boost

U.S. Rep. Ed Pastor has helped secure federal funding for various law enforcement programs in Phoenix and Glendale to help enhance their services. The funding was approved through passage of the Omnibus Appropriations Bill for fiscal year 2010. Details about the programs that will receive funding are explained below.

### **\$500,000 secured for City of Phoenix's COPLINK**

This sophisticated software application makes it possible to rapidly identify criminal suspects, relationships and patterns by searching known or partial facts from an investigation against millions of records. It improves crime detection and makes it more difficult for criminals to operate across multiple jurisdictions.

### **\$1 million secured for City of Glendale's computer aided dispatch and records management**

This funding is to upgrade and enhance the computer aided dispatch and records management system that is used by law enforcement to respond to emergencies in the Glendale community. These upgrades include modules for booking, records management, dispatch, court/prosecutors and wireless ticketing, as well as automatic vehicle location, a system that is currently used by the fire department. This system also can track citywide assets such as sanitation and ladder trucks. Upgrades would result in quicker response times.



**Rep. Ed Pastor talks to youth in the Phoenix Job Corps program about the vocational training they have received in providing security services. Job Corps is administered by the U.S. Department of Labor.**

### **\$300,000 secured for City of Phoenix's enhanced mobile data storage**

This funding would be used to enhance the security of the Phoenix Police Department's mobile data terminals used by officers in the field. These terminals allow police officers to access criminal justice data such as information received from a local motor vehicle check or national terrorist alert while also ensuring that these mobile devices have the necessary technology to properly safeguard sensitive data.

### **\$100,000 secured for City of Phoenix's electronic records management**

The Phoenix Prosecutor's Office handles all criminal misdemeanor offenses occurring within 516 square miles of the city, which consists of approximately 1.5 million people. Around 40,000 cases are submitted each year with the majority of those cases from the Phoenix Police Department. The funding would help the Prosecutor's Office continue to phase in the Electronic Prosecutor Records Management system.

## \$150,000 for Guadalupe seniors' transport

Senior citizens in the town of Guadalupe will be receiving help in their transportation needs as a result of the recent passage of the Omnibus spending bill.

Rep. Pastor was successful in securing \$150,000 in federal funding for the Town of Guadalupe to help address the high demand for transportation for the town's senior population. The funding will help the town

purchase appropriate vehicles to improve transportation opportunities for seniors. Guadalupe's Senior Center has been experiencing an increase in the request for transportation services to carry seniors to and from the facility, on



senior outings, to medical appointments and other vital quality of life services. The transportation that is currently available is not ADA accessible and cannot accommodate the number of elderly seeking assistance.

These funds will help the town of Guadalupe continue to provide seniors with critical social interaction and basic services, Pastor said.

## Funds okayed for light rail extension possibilities in south Phoenix, west Valley line



Funding for two projects related to extending the light rail into south Phoenix and the west Valley also were approved recently in the Omnibus Appropriations bill.

The House of Representatives approved \$400,000 for the city of Phoenix to conduct a South Central Avenue Light Rail Feasibility Study. This project would identify how an extension could be executed to connect the area of south of downtown Phoenix with the existing light rail line.

Separately, the city of Phoenix will receive \$1 million for continued environmental and community outreach efforts required by the Federal Transit Administration related to an Interstate 10 West Light Rail Corridor Extension.

This light rail segment known as Phoenix West would connect Desert Sky Mall and Maryvale areas from about 79th Avenue to the State Capitol and the existing light rail line in downtown Phoenix using the I-10 West corridor.

## Southwest Center for HIV/AIDS receives \$300K for community project

The Southwest Center for HIV/AIDS is one of the local organizations that will receive federal funding under the recently passed Omnibus bill, which Rep. Ed Pastor supported.

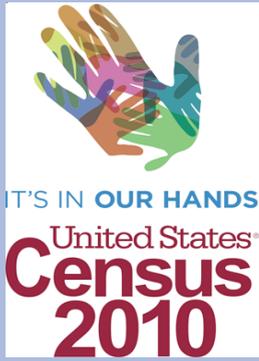
The nonprofit organization, a resource and research center based in Phoenix, received \$300,000 to assist in a coordinated effort with the city of Phoenix and private support to renovate a local community center.

The remodeled center will provide more space for community classrooms, clinical trial laboratories, exam and counseling rooms and space for a primary health clinic.



### 1 Voice Center opens in Phoenix

Rep. Ed Pastor's District Director Elisa de la Vara, second from right, recently spoke at the opening of the 1 Voice LGBT Community Center where she spoke about Congressional services.



# CENSUS 2010

## Count yourself in!

**2010 Census will count U.S. population, determine distribution of federal dollars to states, legislative boundaries**

Households throughout Arizona and the nation will be receiving Census questionnaires this spring and Congressman Ed Pastor is encouraging all residents to make sure they are counted.

“An accurate count of Arizona residents is vital to ensure that the state receives its fair allocation of federal dollars,” Pastor said.

Each year, the federal government allocates more than \$400 billion to states and communities based, in part, on census data.

In addition, census data is used to determine locations for schools, hospitals, community facilities, retail stores and new housing developments. It is also used to determine boundaries for congressional and legislative districts.

The 2010 Census consists of only 10 questions and will take about 10 minutes to complete. Households are asked to provide key demographic information including whether a housing unit is rented or owned; the address of the residence; the names, genders, ages and races of others living in the household.

The first census took place in 1790 to determine the number of seats each state would have in the U.S. House of Representatives. The census also was created to gain a better understanding of where people lived and to establish patterns of settlement as the nation grew.

Households can expect the questionnaires to arrive in February or March. The individual in whose name the housing unit is owned or rented should complete the questionnaire on behalf of every person living in the residence, including relatives and non-relatives.

If you have questions about the questionnaire, call the Telephone Questionnaire Assistance center at 1-866-872-6868. (If you prefer a Spanish-speaking operator, then dial 1-866-928-2010.) The lines will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. seven days a week from Feb. 25 to July 30.

By law, the Census Bureau cannot share an individual's responses with anyone, including other federal agencies and law enforcement entities.

## The Census: A snapshot of information residents should know



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

**A Census worker collects information.**

**What:** The census is a count of everyone residing in the United States.

**Who:** All U.S. residents must be counted - both citizens and non citizens.

**When:** The U.S. Constitution requires a national census every 10 years to count the population. The count is vital as it guides the federal government in determining how funding will be divided among states.

**How:** Households should complete and mail back their questionnaires upon receipt. Households that do not respond may receive a replacement questionnaire in early April. Census takers will visit households that do not return questionnaires to take a count in person.