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It was an unforgettable night for the Class of 2022 at Corona del Sol and Marcos de Niza high schools. Our pullout souvenir section captures it all. PAGES 8-23



If the Arizona Coyotes hockey arena-entertainment district comes to pass, how might it impact South Tempe residents several miles away? We take a look. PAGE 3



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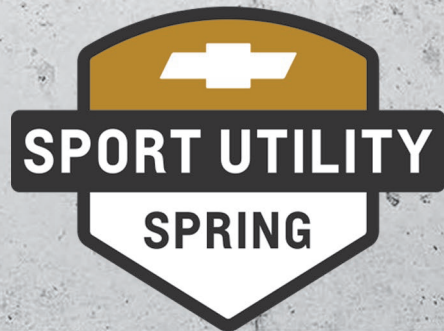


A MILESTONE IN FREEDOM

Valley legend Walt Richardson (shown) will perform in Tempe as it and Chandler plan Juneteenth activities to commemorate the end of slavery in the U.S. — PAGE 25

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Impact of a Coyotes arena-entertainment district could reach all the way to S. Tempe

By Lee Shappell

Wrangler News Executive Editor

Tempe's decision to move forward with the Arizona Coyotes on a proposed \$1.7 billion arena-entertainment district development, east of Priest Drive and south of the Salt River, could have repercussions all the way to South Tempe, the area's two resident City Council members say.

South Tempe's Doreen Garlid was one of two dissenting votes while Jennifer Adams voted with the majority in the 5-2 decision to proceed with negotiations after an 8-hour meeting June 2 in which 100 people spoke and 220 written statements were read.

The vote to proceed does not ensure that the project will receive final approval from Tempe and be built, both Garlid and Adams emphasized, but it opens the door for more dialogue and negotiation while the team's developer and the city strive to reach an agreement that could result in a contract.

'If we're putting out money and the city is not getting money back in, something else will have to give in the city budget, and that can impact South Tempe.'

— Councilmember Doreen Garlid

Adams pointed out that while she voted yes, "This was simply a process vote."

"It was not a vote for the project itself," Adams said. "Our rules prevent city staff and city representatives (including City Council) from talking or negotia-



Although Tempe voted to proceed with negotiations for an arena and entertainment district, that is no guarantee it will give final approval to the development, say Doreen Garlid and Jennifer Adams, South Tempe's resident City Council members.

— Rendering courtesy of Arizona Coyotes

ting any and all aspects of a development without a formal vote to move forward. My vote was to simply bring all the issues surrounding this potential development into the open so we can start a public dialogue about its possible effects on our Tempe communities and businesses. I am looking forward to hearing more from our residents as it now starts to play out in the public arena."

While the Coyotes say they will pay for the project on 46 city-owned acres that would include a 16,000-seat arena to be the team's long-term home, 200-room hotel, retail shops, restaurants and 1,680 residential units, there would be ancillary infrastructure expenses absorbed by the city.

The biggest sticking point for Garlid, she said, is a request by the National Hockey League team for a 30-

year property-tax abatement.

"I look at it as people who use the arena or events on that property will be driving on our streets, with our police officers directing traffic, and using city infrastructure and resources, and we're giving out those services without taking any money back in," Garlid said. "With the tax abatement, we'd end up not putting money into our General Fund to go back into paying for these things. That affects all of our residents, including South Tempe. I have a 4-month-old grandson. He'd be 30 when the tax abatement ends. For me, I look at it in those simple terms.

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Hockey

From Page 3

the city budget, and that can impact South Tempe.”

The flip side would be an influx of jobs and sales-tax money from the development that could be astronomical for the city if Coyotes’ projections are accurate. They say that over the first 30 years, the development would bring Tempe \$13 billion in economic impact, \$215 million in sales tax and 7,000 new jobs.

Garlid and Adams vowed to remain open minded as negotiations move forward and more information is gleaned by the city.

During the June 2 marathon meeting, there was strong support for the project from the large crowd, many tired of driving cross-Valley to Glendale to watch hockey.

There also were concerns expressed by many about the financial condition of the Coyotes. Team owner Alex



The Arizona Coyotes propose building and funding an arena-entertainment district development just south of the Salt River east of Priest Drive.

Meruelo said he would put up \$40 million in non-refundable earnest money to start remediation of the site – a former landfill – and pledged \$2.1 billion in real estate as collateral for the bonds.

Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport officials, while not opposing the project, said they are uneasy about it, especially the residential portion, because of noise. The project would be roughly 10,000 feet east of the airport’s runways.

A sports book is proposed as part of the development, which could negatively impact nearby Native America tribes that have similar amenities.

Barb Harris, a neighborhood advisory commission member, lives essentially across the street from the site and is uneasy about traffic volume.

“This specific area just isn’t viable for the amount of traffic it could generate,” Harris said.

“Right now, events at Tempe Town Lake cause quite a lot of traffic backups

along Rio Salado, and those are just a fraction of what a hockey game may produce. I can’t even image 16,000-20,000 at a game or concert. Where are they going to go if it’s so backed up they can’t get off the freeway at Priest?

“The thousands of us living within a half a mile of this development will be cursed with traffic jams and noise. I have faith in our City Council and staff that they will do all they can to investigate and give us all more answers.”

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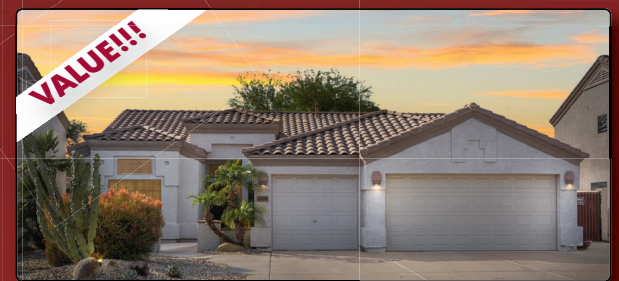


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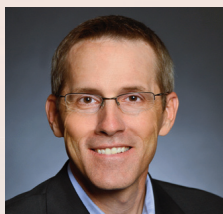
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OPINIONS

Chandler's continuing commitment to public safety reflected in 2022-23 budget

By Matt Orlando

The Chandler Police Department has great strides to improve in recent years amid very trying times. And we've got the data to back it.

Over the past decade, the crime rate has dropped 37 percent per 1,000 people and response times for Priority 1 calls are the lowest they've been in that time frame.



Matt Orlando

This is a testament to the incredible men and women who dedicate themselves to keeping Chandler safe.

But there's still much more to do.

Policing is constantly evolving, and that's even more true in today's world. My City Council colleagues and I are taking the necessary steps to make sure these successes continue. Our police officers need the right tools to respond in any situation.

Here are a few examples of how we're making this happen:

Today, we have more officers on the street than ever before. Last year, the Council approved funding to add 17 new officers and 15 over-hire officers in Fiscal Year 2021-22. The 2022-23 budget continuous funding for those over-hire positions, which are used to supplement staffing and to prepare for retirements.

The new budget also addresses a societal issue that continues to grow at an alarming rate: mental health. It fully funds a new, five-person behavioral-health unit that will be dedicated to be-

havioral-health calls. These officers will receive special training so they are better equipped to respond to and de-escalate these types of calls. Additionally, the budget funds a mental-health expert who will be embedded within the 911 dispatchers in our Communications Center.

Municipalities across the country are struggling to attract and retain qualified candidates. Unfortunately, we face the same challenges. But we're doing things much differently than other cities. Here's how:

In July 2021, we became the first Police Department in the Valley to offer hiring incentives, up to \$5,000. Since the program's inception, we've hired 44 qualified people. Now we're expanding that program to recruit nationally. Lateral officers who come to Chandler can receive up to \$10,000 in hiring bonuses and relocation assistance. A robust national marketing campaign has already begun.

The great news is we can do all of this for our Police Department while continuing to be a fiscally responsible city. In fact, the 2022-23 budget allots a \$50 million payment to help pay down Chandler's long-term financial obligation to the Public Safety Personnel Retirement System, which is our first responders' pension system. Once we pay off this debt, the city is projected to save \$9 million annually.

As we continue to navigate a changing world, I'm confident the Chandler Police Department is ready to take on any challenge. I thank each and every one of them for their commitment to our community.

Matt Orlando is a member of the Chandler City Council.

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GRADUATION

Congratulations, Class of 2022

Wrangler News special section

Corona del Sol graduates

Members of the Corona del Sol High School graduating class of 2022 received their diplomas during exercises in the school football stadium on May 19.

The list of graduates, as provided by the Tempe Union High School District, is below.

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Suzanne Catherine Accatino
Samuel Vincent Adams
Ashlinn Lacy Aguayo
Thomas Ryan Aguilar
Daniela Aguinaga Trujillo
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Samantha Arredondo
Samuel Eugene Arriola-Hansen
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Megan Paige Beatty
Dylan Marie Beaty
Peyton Smith Beauer
Ethan David Becker
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Ujjayan Jenil Behera
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Natalia Marie Bengoa
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Kelsi Kadyne Berg
Ian Phillip Berkram
Adan Gabriel Bermudez
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Eileen Jeannette HuaYun Blaisdell
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Kyle Thomas Bombardier
Kezia Nketia Bosomtwe
Angelina Caragan Bour
Rhiannon Elizabeth Boute
Fletcher David Bowen
Simon Rex Bowser
Olivia Helen Bradley
Trey William Brady
Trinity Michelle Bratlien
Corbin August Bray
Emmalyn Rae Brinka
Cedric Warren Brooking
Alora Grey Brostrom



Seniors at Marcos de Niza and Corona del Sol high schools enjoy graduation ceremonies May 19 at their respective football stadiums. — Photos by Pablo Robles for Wrangler News

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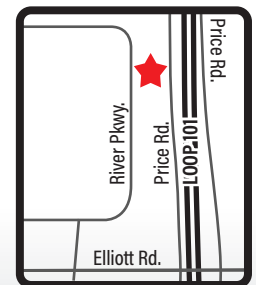
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After two years of virtual events due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Diablos brought back their annual in-person black-tie awards ceremony in April at Tempe Center for the Arts.

Scholarship recipients:

MARCOS DE NIZA HIGH — Aerowyn Allen, Julina Kem, Basim Khokhar, Kareem Muakit, Solana Reyes, Nicholas Wong.

MCCLINTOCK HIGH — Ava Masche, Frida Morales.

CORONA DEL SOL HIGH — Brett Carson, Tatum Coble, Spencer Erickson, William Giselquist, Timothy Hinton, Catherine Iben, Evan Lenz, Mia Madine, Jake Mulera, Lukah Seyler.

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toxic stress, coping skills, and resiliency. Building confidence, minimizing anxiety and depression, and developing protective factors against substance use.

ADULT RESILIENCY WORKSHOPS IN ENGLISH



Every Wednesday in June and July 2022 from 9:30 a.m. -11:30 a.m. at the Innovation Center there will be a workshop focusing on stress

management, resiliency and self-care, and suicide prevention. Building confidence, minimizing anxiety and depression and developing protective factors for substance use.

ADULT RESILIENCY WORKSHOPS IN SPANISH



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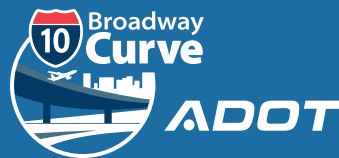
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At left, Jaya Moore holds pictures of Corona graduates Collin Gordon and Trinity Moore as parents strain to get photos while the graduates walk.

On facing page (clockwise from top), Marcos grad Rodrick Nadasie gets a high five, Devin Gentry celebrates and Desiree Lopez enjoys a hug.

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Marcos de Niza graduates

Members of the Marcos de Niza High School graduating class of 2022 received their diplomas during exercises in the school football stadium on May 19.

The list of graduates, as provided by the Tempe Union High School District, is below.

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Daniella Aguero Valenzuela
Ameer Al Tameemi
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Aerowyn Piper Allen
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Anali Sariah Chavarria
Paloma Chavez
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Samantha Christy
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Leadership
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High Impact
Danielle Sullivan
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Inspiration
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Meyer Montessori



Rising Star
Khrystal Sandoval
Aguilar Elementary School



Class Act
Fernanda Garcia-Rivera
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Tempe Union School District



Teacher of the Year
Corey Ozan
McClintock High School



Lifetime Achievement
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Tempe High School



Leadership
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All races invited to observe Tempe, Chandler Juneteenth festivities

It's a holiday commemorating the end of slavery in the U.S., a joyous occasion also known as Emancipation Day. It's Juneteenth, and Chandler and Tempe have festivities planned to mark the occasion.

Chandler's Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Division is partnering with several organizations and community leaders to host four Juneteenth celebratory events.

"These events provide an opportunity to celebrate freedom and reflect on the current struggle that continues for justice and equality — all while supporting our local Black community," said DEI Program Manager Niki Tapia.

"Juneteenth" combines "June" and "nineteenth," to commemorate the emancipation of enslaved people.

Meanwhile, in Downtown Tempe, the ultimate historical exploration and celebration of Black joy will honor Juneteenth with free activities at CenterPoint Plaza, allowing people of all races and ages to come together.

Highlights of Tempe's festivities include interactive education, live music, line dancing, food and drinks, as well as a glimpse into Black history. Featured will be a collection of local Black-owned businesses and the talent of local Black artists in a Black Art Showcase featuring original, one-of-a-kind works available for purchase.

CHANDLER JUNETEENTH EVENTS

Freedom Week Kickoff Event, 6:30 p.m., Thursday, June 16, Chandler-Gilbert Community College, Performing Arts Center, 2626 E. Pecos Road

Special guest speakers include Commissioner Sandra Kennedy, Chandler City Councilmember Christine Ellis and Dr. Matthew Whitaker. A reception will follow in the Student Pavilion featuring music, live entertainment and celebration activities.

Miss Juneteenth Pageant, 6 p.m., Friday, June 17, Chandler Center for the Arts, 250 N. Arizona Ave.

The pageant will showcase and celebrate the many academic and artistic achievements of contestants vying for the title. General admission tickets are \$15 and available for purchase online at chandleraz.gov/diversity-events/miss-juneteenth-pageant.

Culture Music in the Park, 7-9:30 p.m., Saturday, June 18, Dr. A.J. Chandler Park West, 3 S. Arizona Ave.

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Chandler Men of Action 4th Annual Mixer, 2 p.m., Sunday, June 19, Founding Father's Kitchen, 1050 W. Ray Road, Chandler

It's the organization's annual mixer and Father's Day Celebration.

TEMPE JUNETEENTH EVENTS

7-10 p.m., Sunday, June 19, CenterPoint Plaza, 660 S. Mill Ave. (northwestern corner of Mill Avenue and University Drive)

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New Councilmembers to be sworn-in July 1

Councilmember Jennifer Adams and Councilmembers-elect Arlene Chin and Berdetta Hodge, all elected in March, will be sworn-in to four-year terms on the City Council during a special ceremony July 1, at 6 p.m., in the Tempe City Council Chambers, 31 E. Fifth St.

Community members may join in person or watch via Tempe 11 at tempe.gov/tempe11, or on channels 11 and 1011 for Cox subscribers.

Current City Councilmembers Lauren Kuby and Robin Arredondo-Savage did not run for re-election.

Find full City Council details at tempe.gov/elected.

Take the Tempe Community Survey

Your input is needed for the annual Tempe Community Survey, which helps determine residents' overall satisfaction with programs, places and services offered by the city.

The survey is open July 1 through Aug. 31 and residents may receive surveys in the mail, by phone or online at tempe.gov/surveys.

Community feedback helps guide city priorities, resources and goals.



Sports Notebook

Small but mighty Aztec boys squad 5th in state track

Corona del Sol High had only six athletes qualify for the Division 1 Boys Track and Field Championships at Mesa Community College, yet the Aztecs took home fifth in the state with 47 points.

Five of the six athletes qualified in more than one event and most of them saved their best performances of the season for last to elevate the Aztecs in the team standings.

Brett Wynn, a senior, was state champion in the high jump with a personal-best 6 feet, 8 inches, two inches higher than second-place finisher Anthony Meng of Chaparral, as Wynn placed in the top five in three events. Wynn also took fourth in the long jump with a leap of 22-3.5. Finally, he set a personal best in the triple jump at 45-6.5, for fifth place.

Jalen Walker, a senior, was state runner up in the shot put, heaving the 12-pound ball a personal best 53

feet, 7 inches. He also placed 15th in the discus at 137-11.

David Staab, a senior, took fourth-place in the discus with a personal-record throw of 155-6. He placed ninth in the shot put at 46-8.

Alexander Lutz, a junior who qualified in both hurdles races, placed second in the 300-meter hurdles with a personal-record time of 38.94 seconds. Lutz was fifth in preliminaries in the 110-meter hurdles but his false start in the finals disqualified him in that race.

Tyler Tisinger, a junior, had personal bests in three events. He clocked 1 minute, 53.76 seconds in the 800 meters, good for fifth place. He then placed 11th place in the 3,200 in 9:33.62. His 4:25.27 in the 1,600 was good for 13th place.

Senior **Callum Rohrer** ran a personal best 1:58.27 to take 11th in the 800.

Senior **Jaden Shepherd** qualified for the 100 and 200 meters. After winning the 100 in 11.08 seconds at the Desert Vista Last Chance Meet, he ran a personal best 10.89 in prelims at state to reach the final, where his 11.08 was good for eighth place.

Sheperd doubled in the 200, placing seventh in 22.30, just off his fastest time this season of 22.29 on March 25 at the Red Mountain Rampage.

Senior **Diego Diaz** qualified to run in the 800 meters at state but did not advance out of the prelims. He ran a personal best 1:58.93 at the Desert Vista Last Chance Meet.

Marcos de Niza track and field

The Marcos de Niza boys track and field team placed 11th in the D3 state meet at Mesa Community College.

Jamaal Young, a junior, led the Padres' five qualifiers in two individual races and two relay events. Young was state runner up at 200 meters in 22.19 seconds, his personal best.

Young also ran a personal record 10.98 in taking

fourth place in the 100.

Kilimial Minter, a senior, clocked a personal-best 23.02 in the 200 prelims but did not make into the finals.

The Padres 4x100-meter relay team of Young, Minter, sophomore **Lorenzo Alexander** and sophomore **Tyler Hill** took second place in 42.69, their fastest of the season.

The Marcos 4x400 relay team of Hill, Minter, Young and sophomore **Jamari Johnson** posted 3:33.61 in preliminaries but did not advance to the finals.

Two senior girls, **Zamirah Parker** and **Nichelle Moore**, qualified for state.

Parker placed ninth in the triple jump at 34-1.

Moore, who qualified for state with a heave of 29-2 at the East Valley Qualifier, placed 23rd at 27-10.5.

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Chandler, Kyrene schools extend contract to share use of athletic facilities

West Chandler families are set to benefit from a renewed agreement between Chandler and the Kyrene School District to share use of athletic facilities, expanding capacity for both entities and

increasing their ability to serve the community.

The partnership continues the operation and use of four lighted ball fields on property owned by Kyrene with field lights owned by the city.

"This agreement is a way to demonstrate how a government and school district can work together for mutually beneficial results," Chandler Mayor Kevin Hartke said.

"The use of these fields will provide more opportunities for Chandler's community groups and recreational programs to play on well-maintained fields."

The fields, at Aprende Middle School, 777 N. Desert Breeze Blvd. in West Chandler, can be used for city recreational programs at no charge.

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The luncheon will feature the Business Excellence Awards. Finalists include Carvana, Coleman Powersports, Laura's Gourmet LLC, Silverman Law Offices, The Centers for Habilitation (TCH) & Walker Bookstore. The Chamber will also award the Spirit of Tempe Award and a Volunteer of the Year Award.

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Tempe Chamber hosts 2022 Sustainability Summit

On Friday, June 3, 2022 the Tempe Chamber of Commerce hosted the 2022 Sustainability Summit, as a part of the Emerging Issues Forum series, presented by Salt River Project. The event was hosted at the Hilton Garden Inn Phoenix Tempe ASU Research Park. The program featured two expert panels that discussed sustainable best practices and a vision for a sustainable future in Tempe in the areas of water, energy, transportation & development.

Panelists included Councilmember Jennifer Adams, Councilmember Lauren Kuby, and Deputy Economic Development Director Maria Laughner of the City of Tempe, joined by representatives from Central Arizona Project, EMCOR Facilities Services, and Salt River Project. The program also recognized three companies who exemplified sustainability best practices: Keep Tempe Beautiful, United Dairymen of Arizona (UDA) & Viasat Inc.

Tempe Chamber President & CEO Colin Diaz, ACE, IOM, concluded the event by discussing the Sustainability Pledge, a program started in partnership with the City of Tempe. Businesses can learn more and take the pledge at tempe.pledge.green

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BUSINESS

Opendoor expands Arizona presence with new regional hub in Tempe to support 500 jobs

Opendoor is doubling down on its commitment to Arizona. The residential real estate digital platform is opening a 100,807-square-foot space in Tempe, the company's largest office, as a regional hub that supports more than 500 jobs.

"Opendoor has been supporting Arizonans with the confidence and control to make life-changing moves since launching in Phoenix in 2014," said Megan Meyer Toolson, chief customer officer at Opendoor and an Arizona resident.

"Since our first customer eight years ago, we have become part of neighborhoods across the state, serving tens of thousands of homebuyers and sellers and partnering with contractors and small businesses.

"Hundreds of employees now call Greater Phoenix home. We are proud to

share our latest commitment to Arizona, the creation of a regional hub in Tempe that will . . . allow us to continue contributing to the growth and success of this great state."

Since 2014, Opendoor says that it has served more than 37,000 Arizona buyers and sellers and infused more than \$225 million into the state's economy through its work with local contractors, tradespeople and real estate agents.

"Opendoor's substantial investment proves once again Arizona is the best place in the country for technology leaders," Gov. Doug Ducey said in a statement. "We've worked to make Arizona an epicenter of proptech innovation, and that effort is paying off."

As the region continues to attract top talent, Tempe's central location and growing tech community attracted the



About 500 jobs are coming to Tempe as residential real estate giant Opendoor opens its largest office, more than 100,000 square feet.

— Photo courtesy of Opendoor

company to establish its regional hub in the city.

Tempe Mayor Corey Woods added that Opendoor is bringing more than 500 IT, finance, HR and managerial jobs to Tempe.

"We appreciate Opendoor's investment in our city and welcome them to our community," Woods said.

Sandra Watson, president and CEO of the Arizona Commerce Authority, said that Opendoor "complements Tempe's vibrant technology ecosystem and innovation taking place at Arizona State University."

"We are grateful Opendoor continues to invest in Arizona while supporting hundreds of jobs and furthering Arizona as a proptech epicenter," Watson said.

Opendoor's expansion adds to recent technology announcements in Arizona during the past six months.

Sendoso announced an office expansion and relocation of its headquarters to Phoenix, creating over 1,000 jobs; NerdWallet announced an office expansion to Scottsdale and Amazon announced it is expanding its Phoenix Tech Hub, creating more than 500 jobs.

"Opendoor joins a growing group of industry-transforming companies expanding to Greater Phoenix, solidifying the region's standing as a premier market for new technology with the workforce availability, supportive environment and modern infrastructure to bolster innovative, high-growth businesses," said Chris Camacho, president and CEO of the Greater Phoenix Economic Council.

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Semiconductor giant Yield Engineering leases large space on Price Corridor; 100 jobs anticipated

Yield Engineering Systems, known by its acronym YES, has leased 123,000 square feet along the Price Corridor near West Chandler to support its service of the region's thriving semiconductor industry.

YES, based in Fremont, Calif., plans to have approximately 100 highly educated employees based in the facility, mostly in technology and engineering positions. The multimillion-dollar capital investment to build out the space will enable the development of advanced technology that supports the U.S. semiconductor manufacturing sector.

The new Chandler facility, at 3200 W. Germann Road, will house a technology center with R&D functions, cleanroom operations, advanced manufacturing, customer support and office space.

"Our new Technology Center will provide us with valuable proximity to key customers and vendors, as well as access to the highly skilled workforce that defines Chandler's business ecosystem," said Rezwan Latteef, president of YES. "We are grateful to Chandler's

Economic Development team, Greater Phoenix Economic Council and Arizona Commerce Authority for their assistance with this major milestone in our mission to serve the semiconductor market as a preferred provider."

Mark Donahue is the local YES manager overseeing the project.

YES is a preferred provider of high-tech, cost-effective equipment for enhancing surfaces and materials. Its product lines include thermal processing systems, chemical vapor deposition systems as well as wet process equipment used for the precise surface modification of semiconductor substrates, semiconductor and MEMS devices, LED displays and biodevices.

Customers ranging from startups to Fortune 100 companies rely on YES systems to create and volume-produce innovative products in a wide range of markets.

"The long-term vision for Price Corridor continues to be realized as we welcome another dynamic and

market-leading company to Chandler," Chandler Mayor Kevin Hartke said. "We would like to thank YES for their investment and trust in Chandler, as we know there are many options throughout the world for cutting-edge facilities like this."

Chris Camacho, president and CEO of the Greater Phoenix Economic Council, said that YES's multimillion-dollar investment provides high-quality job opportunities for residents.



Price Corridor gains another tech-savvy giant, Yield Engineering, and the region gains about 100 jobs at the company's new 123,000 square-foot facility in Chandler.

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