

Investing in Our Scottsdale: Reata Sports Complex



The recent opening of the Reata Sports Complex marks a significant addition to Scottsdale's recreational facilities. The new complex, located at 9809

E. McDowell Mountain Ranch Road, spans 29 acres and includes five sand-based fields that are illuminated with energy-efficient LED lighting. In addition to the fields, the facility features restrooms, an operations office and a patio.

Reata Sports Complex is designed to accommodate local, regional and national tournament play for various diverse field sporting events. The complex serves a dual purpose and doubles as parking for a few weeks each year for major events like the Barrett-Jackson collector car auction and the WM Phoenix Open. The project received approval from voters during the 2019 bond election. The addition of Reata complements the existing Bell94 and Scottsdale Sports complexes, collectively boosting the city's reputation as a hub for sports and recreation. Learn more about the project at [ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search "sports complex."](https://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/search/sports-complex)

At print time, 15 bond projects have been completed and 21 are under construction. Review Scottsdale's list of 2019 bond projects: [ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search "bond."](https://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/search/bond)



Scottsdale Salutes our veterans. The city proudly honors those in our community who have served, and continue to serve, in the armed forces of the United States. Our veterans, those on active duty, and members of the National Guard and reserves are truly valued members of Scottsdale – we proudly salute them!

The city's Veterans Advisory Commission initiated the Scottsdale Salutes program to publicly thank those who have worn the uniform – banners featuring veterans and those in military service will fly from street light poles in Old Town Scottsdale each November.

Learn more and nominate a veteran: [ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search "Scottsdale Salutes."](https://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/search/scottsdale-salutes)

Planning for a future with less Colorado River water



Scottsdale is proactively planning for reduced Colorado River water by investing in infrastructure and emphasizing water conservation. The Colorado River has been in shortage since 2022, reducing water supply from the CAP canal for Arizona. Scottsdale has secured a diverse, resilient water portfolio to prepare for future droughts.

With Colorado River governance set to expire, new frameworks are being negotiated amidst drought and overallocation challenges. Scottsdale Water is updating its strategic plan for 2025-2030, focusing on sustainable water resources and leveraging advanced technology. The city's water utility is among the world's most advanced, with a state-of-the-art recycled water facility that exceeds bottled water quality standards.

Water conservation is crucial for resilience. Scottsdale offers a free tool with user-friendly water use graphics, leak detection, and alerts. Scan the QR code or visit [ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search "WaterSmart,"](https://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/search/water-smart) to get started.



A quick reminder . . .

Sewer rates consist of a monthly base fee determined by water meter size, and a monthly volumetric charge calculated by multiplying 90 percent of the customer's average consumption during the low-watering winter months of the prior December, January and February. Learn more [ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search "sewer rates."](https://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/search/sewer-rates)

Find election deadlines, voter information and primary results online

In Scottsdale, three candidates are vying for mayor and nine candidates for three open City Council seats. The primary election takes place July 30. Find a voting location at [Locations.Maricopa.Vote](https://www.locations.maricopa.vote). Learn about the candidates and general election ballot measures at [Scottsdale.Vote](https://www.scottsdale.vote).



September is National Preparedness Month

Creating a family emergency preparedness plan. Prepare now so you know what actions may be needed

should disaster strike. In the event of an emergency, look for **Ready, Set, Go** messages on social networks and in the news media.

Be **READY**: always be prepared for potential emergencies; get **SET** by maintaining awareness of events that may force evacuation; and **GO**, evacuate immediately as instructed by emergency authorities. Info: ein.az.gov/ready-set-go.

The Street Operations division activates a 24/7 on-call program to respond to storm-related damage on city streets. Streets crews are part of Scottsdale's Emergency Response team and work alongside Parks and Recreation and Facilities Management to remove trees and debris from roads and rights-of-way. Help everyone get home safely - do not drive around "Road Closed" signs and do not enter barricaded storm clean-up areas. When in doubt, wait it out! Report issues at ScottsdaleAZ.gov/EZ.

Discover better alternatives to sandbags for flood control. Flood diversion tubes act much like sandbags to block floodwaters from entering homes. The tubes are easy to place and simple to fill. Other options include transportable flood fence barriers and water absorbent cushions. Explore these alternatives through local hardware stores and online retailers.



Be mindful of where you place brush and bulk collection piles. Put materials away from meters, electrical boxes, lighting and landscaping watering systems to avoid potential damage that city equipment may cause.

This monthly service is a convenient solution to dispose of items that are too large to fit

in regular curbside containers.

Get more tips on brush and bulk collection and find your collection schedule at ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search "brush bulk."

Scottsdale Aquatics is waiving enrollment fees for August swim lessons. Resident registration begins Tuesday, July 23, at Recreation.ScottsdaleAZ.gov.



Drowning was the most common cause of death in Arizona for children ages 1-4 last year, and Arizona consistently ranks among the worst states for drowning. Drowning prevention tips: ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search "pool safety."

Get schooled at September Neighborhood College classes. This program is a fantastic opportunity for residents to get engaged and informed about various aspects of our community. With four tracks available – HOA/Condo, Good Neighbor, Stories of Scottsdale History and Scottsdale 360 – there's something for everyone.

The program aims to equip residents with the knowledge, resources and tools needed to become effective neighborhood leaders, which is crucial for fostering a strong sense of community and collaboration. Additionally, the inclusion of entertaining history classes adds a fun element to the learning experience, making it both informative and enjoyable. Learn more: ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search "college."

Things To Do

For complete details, search ScottsdaleAZ.gov/events:

- Enjoy featured artists and refreshments as part of **Scottsdale ArtWalk**. 7 - 9 p.m. Thursdays
- Visit the McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park to end the summer and slide into the new school year at **Slide the Rails**. 9 a.m.- 1 p.m. Aug. 3.
- Saddle up for the **Arizona Black Rodeo**, Friday and Saturday, Aug. 30 and 31, at WestWorld.
- Most city offices/facilities will be closed for **Labor Day**, Monday, Sept. 2. Trash and recycling collection are not affected.
- The city's water utility is one of the most advanced municipal water systems in the country. Learn why through the fall **Citizen Water Academy**.
- Students can win prizes and praise by entering the **Mayor's Constitution Contest**.

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