

HIGHLIGHTS

- Offered a 6-week cooking course called Reducing Cancer Risks through the Power of Gardens, sponsored by Mayo Clinic.
- Hosted American Forest, a national conservation group dedicated to tree equity. We
 recruited committee members and are conducting interviews to inform the customization of
 Tree Equity Score Analyzer (TESA) for the Phoenix Metro area.
- Attended a 6-week course, **Planting Dinner**, aimed at beginners who want to learn how to grow their own vegetables. The course is designed to equip adults with the necessary skills to cultivate their own produce successfully.
- Hosted and co-facilitated the **2nd** *Grow Local Tempe workshop* for the Alegre, Escalante, and Victory Acres neighborhoods. Community members selected one of six pilot projects to begin the initial design. The six pilot projects include 3 schools and 3 city owned sites.
- Continued facilitation of *City of Phoenix heat and mobility community needs workshops* with UP staff returning to neighborhoods with an update of results and new tree planting programs.
- Hosted the first of a series of community mobilization meetings for energy security with Lindo-Roesley Park residents, Aug 24th. Lindo-Roseley Park was initially part of the Phoenix Heat Action Planning Guide created in 2017.
- Organized a *meeting with SRP staff* to discuss solar options and energy efficiency for energy insecure neighborhoods.



2023 ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE GRANTS:

NEW

ASU to provide Maricopa County decision-makers tools to evaluate the environmental justice implications of GHG (green house gas) mitigation strategies for electrification emissions reductions and electricity generation emission increases.

City of Scottsdale to facilitate listening sessions in 2 neighborhoods; Paiute and Vista Del Camino.

ONGOING

USDA Grow Local Tempe to increase food resilience by supporting Urban Agriculture education and development in economically vulnerable populations.

Institute for Sustainable Communities' Dismantling Energy Insecurity in Communities of Color to activate community resilience and dismantle energy insecurity through the development of solar community resilience hubs and other sustainable practices.

City of Phoenix Sustainability Office to identify communities' heat and mobility priorities in order to develop pilot projects that enhance neighborhood resilience.







"FINALLY SOMEBODY IS PAYING ATTENTION TO MY NEIGHBORHOOD" COMMUNITY MEMBER LINDO ROSELEY PARK NEIGHBORHOOD



NEIGHBORHOOD WORKSHOPS WITH THE CITY OF PHOENIX AND STAFF AT SI SE PUEDE AT ESTRELLA.







NORTH PHOENIX WORKSHOP

CANCER PREVENTION GRADUATION FOR COOKING CLASSES



LINDO ROESLEY PARK NEIGHBORHOOD



GROW LOCAL TEMPE WORKSHOP