

SENIOR SERVICES & YOUTH PROGRAMS

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HISTORY OF SENIOR SERVICES

- **Formerly managed by non-profit, East Valley Adult Resources (EVAR)**
- **EVAR funded primarily by federal AAA funds through Pinal Gila Council for Senior Citizens (PGCSC)**
- **HHS funded a small portion of costs, and the City provided the facility operations, office space, and utilities via Parks & Recreation**
- **EVAR gave notice in 2017 no longer able to operate**
- **City Council voted in 2017 to continue the services via Parks & Recreation**
- **HHS funding was reduced by 28k and this money was returned to the general fund to offset operations now funded directly by the City**



SENIOR PARTICIPATION NUMBERS

NUTRITION



30,721 MEALS

Home Delivered Meals, and
Congregate Meals at the MGC

TRANSPORTATION



5,070 TRIPS

One way trips – to/from the MGC,
shopping, and medical trips

SOCIAL PROGRAMS



4,470 REGISTERED

Activities, programs, events,
fitness, and services

ACTIVITIES

- Senior Fit
- Walking
- Lunch Bingo
- Social Bingo
- Legal Aid
- Knit/Crochet
- Stretching/Toning
- Card Games
- Mahjong
- Bikes/Treadmill
- Bridge
- Trivia Tuesday

New program added this year

- Music Jam
- Karaoke
- Tech Thursdays
- Arts & Crafts
- Cooking Demonstrations
- Ball Drumming
- Chair Volleyball
- PGCSC Ohmbudsman



COSTS & FUNDING SOURCES

TOTAL ANNUAL COST FOR SENIOR SERVICES \$368,250

- \$ 92,750– Meals
- \$ 80,000 - Transportation
- \$ 7,500 – Programs/Activities
- \$188,000 - Indirect Costs (i.e. facility space, utilities, admin & support staffing)

TOTAL ANNUAL FUNDS FOR SENIOR SERVICES \$368,250

- \$112,750 – PGCSC & AAA Funds
- \$230,500 - City General Fund
- \$ 22,500 – Grants & Corporate Partners
- \$ 2,500 – Individual fees/donations

OTHER SENIOR SERVICE PARTNERS

- Central Arizona Council for Developmental Disabilities
- Superstition Food Bank
- Oak Street Health
- Friends of Apache Junction
- Televeda
- Various other county, state, and federal service agencies



SCHOOL PROGRAMS



FOUR PEAKS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

- **Summer Break Camp**
- **Moving back to off site location**
- **Will allow us to increase our participation numbers**
- **Partnering with AJUSD to provide free lunch program at the site**
- **Program will run May 29th to July 5th**



YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL

- Held 19 meetings
- 10 members
- Volunteered over 300 hours
- Hosted their own event in collaboration with AJUSD Student Council, focusing on teen mental health & suicide prevention
- Attended two different leadership conferences
- Collaboration with AZ Water to bring One Water/Our Water initiative to more teens



QUESTIONS?

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