

March 5, 2021



Friday Community Operations Update

This week, crews were busy making irrigation repairs, trimming trees and shrubs, removing weeds and inspecting the health of plants and trees in the **Hidden Hills, Sonoran Vistas, Saguaro Canyon, Sonoran Springs, Mesquite Ridge, and Ridgeview Point** neighborhoods, as well as along **Westar Drive**.

Additionally, weeds have been sprayed throughout the neighborhoods of **Saguaro Canyon, Sonoran Springs, Mesquite Ridge and Ridgeview Point**, and along **San Gabriel Drive and Hillside Drive**.



Click on the following links to read [BrightView's Weekly Report](#) and the **quarterly** [Landscaping Schedule](#) from BrightView. The updated landscape cycle schedule shows when BrightView will be working in Estrella's neighborhoods through the end of this month.

Remember, if you notice areas that need attention, there are a few ways to report concerns:

- Complete an electronic [Community Concern form](#) on the home page of www.LifeInEstrella.com. [Account login is required](#).
- Email [John](#) or [Elizabeth](#) in our Facilities Department.
- Contact the Community Services Office at (623) 386-1112 weekdays, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Community Projects



NEIGHBORHOOD PAINTING

Our team prepped and painted the hand rails and bulkhead iron in the **Fairways** neighborhood.



NEIGHBORHOOD MAINTENANCE

Our team replaced missing view fence caps in the **Horizon** neighborhood.



STARPOINTE MAINTENANCE

The team repaired the damaged fascia by the Starpointe Lap Pool.



STARPOINTE FLOORING PROJECT The Starpointe Flooring Project will start soon and is expected to be completed by the end of March. Work on this 30,000-square-foot project will take place primarily from 9:00 p.m. to 4:30 a.m., when Starpointe is closed.

Residents will notice a dumpster on the west side of the Starpointe Parking Lot and "Pardon our Dust" signs in the Club while this project takes place.

COVID-19 Update

Governor Doug Ducey today announced the next phase of COVID-19 mitigation. The announcement follows seven weeks of declining cases in Arizona, and the distribution of more than two million vaccines. Please note the following change in the governor's new [Executive Order](#):



"For businesses, physical distancing and mask protocols will remain in place, however specific occupancy percentage limitations will expire. This applies to restaurants, gyms, theaters,

water parks, bowling alleys, and bars providing dine-in services."

Once the Board has the opportunity to review and discuss this new Executive Order early next week, we will begin to implement any new guidelines the Board establishes and then communicate these updated guidelines to residents.

In the meantime, residents are reminded to:

- Continue practicing personal responsibility.
- Wear a mask.
- Maintain social distance.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Wash your hands frequently or use a 70% alcohol-based hand sanitizer.

Thank you!

In Search of: Committee Members



We continue to seek volunteers for the ECA and VCA Covenants Review Committees. If you're looking for a way to give back to Estrella and would like to help promote compliance with the community's Design Guidelines, we hope you'll consider volunteering for a couple of hours a month to assist our current committee members.

As a Covenants Review Committee member, you will play a key role in creating and nurturing a strong sense of cooperation in Estrella -- making it an even more beautiful place to live, work and play.

Residents who are interested in joining either committee should fill out this [application](#) and email it to Community Manager Lane Powell at lpowell@ccmcnet.com.

The More You Know:

A Hare-Raising Tale about Desert Tortoises

More than 100 Captive Desert Tortoises Need Forever Homes

Sure, you've heard about rescuing pups and kittens, but did you know you can give a Sonoran Desert Tortoise a forever home? It's a unique alternative to traditional family pets.



"Many people don't even consider opening up their homes to desert tortoises, but they make fantastic and personable pets," said Tegan Wolf, desert tortoise adoption program coordinator for the Arizona Game and Fish Department (AZGFD). "They offer many of the same life lessons to children, and provide just as much companionship and personality as a dog or cat."

Due primarily to illegal breeding, AZGFD has more than 100 tortoises of various ages and sizes available for adoption. Captive tortoises grow up to about 14 inches long and can live upward of 100 years. They cannot be released back into the wild, however, because they could spread diseases that harm wild populations.

Residents interested in providing an adoptive home should review the [Tortoise Adoption Program Page](#) on the department's website. How to properly care for a desert tortoise, including [instructions on how to build an enclosure/burrow](#), also are included.

Additionally, AZGFD staff are holding a [free virtual tortoise adoption information session via](#)

[Zoom](#) at **6:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 10**, for anyone interested in adopting.

For more information about AZGFD's Tortoise Adoption Program, or to provide a donation to help the department cover costs for tortoise food, shelter and medical expenses, visit www.azgfd.gov/tortoise.

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Community Patrol (602) 329-0462

After Hours (800) 274-3165

Emergencies 9-1-1

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