

## Q2 FCC REPORT FOR Today in AZ:

April 1 – June 30

\* **YOUTH AND CHILD SAFETY ISSUES** Increase child safety awareness (drowning, fire, car seats, unattended vehicles); Child abuse/neglect; foster care; school safety; teen deaths/suicide; Parents need to spend more time with children; drug use; personal responsibility; lack of quality childcare; childcare worker licensing; after-school activities; domestic violence; increased gang activity; poor living conditions/lack of care for low-income children; youth at risk; parenting issues; local schools.

- 5/4 Dozens of students involved in fight at Tucson High School.
- 5/6 Drowning prevention tips.
- 5/12 New report details horrific abuse and situation at early Indian boarding schools.
- 6/17 New push for school vouchers in state legislature.

\* **CRIME/VIOLENCE** Domestic violence; Juvenile crime; Increased violent crimes by gangs; transients; animal cruelty; auto theft; neighborhood policing/community pride; police brutality; victims' rights; terrorist attacks.

- 4/13 How Tempe 911 dispatchers are handling mental health emergency calls.
- 4/14 calls to expand foster programs and adoptions from Maricopa County Animal Shelters.
- 4/25 Mesa sets up its first domestic violence court.
- 5/2 Tracking tags are being used to stalk people.
- 5/26 Calls for gun reform after latest mass shootings.

\* **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** Uncontrolled and poorly managed growth; downtown revitalization; East Valley growth; pollution; lack of qualified workforce; improving Native American economic status; preserving environment; positive stories on growth; Low paying jobs reduce time for family and volunteering; Positive effect of lottery revenue; undocumented workers are an important part of our workforce; Gangs and cruising affects businesses.

- 5/13 Verify claims that 100 people move to the valley every day.
- 5/23 AZ employers are competing for new employees.
- 6/20 Chandler hotel gets a major makeover.

\* **QUALITY OF LIFE** Volunteerism; air and water quality; lacking sense of community; voter apathy; too much hostility in people's lives; uncontrolled growth; improving quality of life overall for youth and elderly; need long-term solutions for hunger, homelessness, and unemployment; Welfare reform; voter apathy.

- 4/1 Teen's birthday tradition of raising money for cancer research.
- 4/1 Water wells running dry in Pine-Strawberry.
- 4/27 Should AZ control coal pollution disposal?
- 5/10 Are data centers worth the cost of water in AZ?
- 5/26 new fire restrictions rolling out across Arizona.

\* **HEALTH** Need elderly care/advocacy; lack of medical insurance for children; teenage pregnancy; affordable and effective long-term illness treatment, i.e., cancer; insurance coverage of long-term illness; lack of awareness of mental illness; lack of organ donors; child immunizations; HIV/AIDS among Hispanics and elderly; inadequate care for developmentally disabled; need more drug treatment facilities for families/children.

- 5/16 At least one child in AZ sick with hepatitis mirroring a growing trend in cases across the country.

\* **TRANSPORTATION** Lack of public transportation; East Valley freeways; Traffic congestion; transportation for the elderly, disabled, and poor; cruising; DUI; restricting passengers in pick-up trucks; excessive speeding.

- 4/7 How Arizona nonprofits are adapting to high gas prices.
- 5/23 US 60 reopens several weeks after major watermain break.

\* **SOCIAL ISSUES** Affordable housing; transient population; welfare reform; elderly advocacy; adequate services for the indigent and homeless; long-term solutions for hunger, homelessness, and unemployment; emergency housing; landlord/tenant disputes.

- 4/6 Telemarketers making cold calls offering to buy your home for cash.
- 4/14 Homeless shelter program helps a veteran phoenix police officer turn his life around after being on the streets.
- 5/25 Examination of Zillow's failed home buying algorithm.
- 6/11 Phoenix diocese announces new Bishop.

\* **GOVERNMENT** Legislators in AZ do not understand children's issues; government fails to care for families in transition; Immigration issues; Legal/justice system not fair to indigents.

- 4/1 Questions over whether or not Arizona Governor(s) can finish building a border wall.
- 4/15 With billions of dollars in surplus, will AZ lawmakers pass new money for schools?
- 4/23 Growing concerns in AZ over incoming surge of migrants.
- 5/25 Would Title 42 help stem the flow of immigrants into the U.S.?
- 6/24 \$1 billion approved for education in AZ legislature.