



MEMORANDUM

Date: February 28, 2022

To: The Honorable Chair and Members
Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: Jan Leshner 
Acting County Administrator

Re: **Identification of Vote Centers in Pima County**

Introduction

As Pima County prepares to conduct its first Countywide election using voting centers, each step of the process is being designed to ensure the greatest amount of public input and scrutiny. A key element in this process is the identification of the vote center locations.

Discussion

Identification of Vote Centers

Vote Center locations are being identified to serve both the heavily populated urban areas as well as the rural parts of Pima County. In the urban areas, locations are being identified that are generally located near heavy traffic areas, large residential areas, major employers and public transportation routes. All the Vote Centers in rural areas have been kept at their historical polling places as they are easily recognized within the community.

To begin the process of identifying Vote Centers, the Elections Department created a list of criteria needed for a location to be considered. The criteria used for these locations includes both its physical location within Pima County as well as how it serves the needs of our poll workers, the voting equipment, and our voters. This list contains the following:

- Indoor space of 2,000 square feet
- A facility that is ADA compliant
- Adequate number of power outlets to accommodate voting equipment
- Free and sufficient parking
- Proximity to public transportation
- Use of facilities for poll workers and voters
- A break area for poll workers
- Ample locations across Pima County to serve communities with limited transportation
- Ample locations across Pima County to serve where historically there is more in-person voting at the polls

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In our efforts to reserve facilities for Vote Centers, the Elections Department was unable to secure facilities with the desired 2,000 square feet for all the proposed vote centers in metro Tucson. If a vote center was less than 1,000 square feet, we chose to add an additional location near the smaller vote center. The additional location was historically used as a polling place and gives the voter a nearby option and will mitigate potential wait times.

All proposed Vote Centers in Pima County are either already ADA compliant by the structure of their premises or with help from the Elections Department. An appropriately sized ramp will be provided, an ADA compliant door handle accessory for ease of opening the door, and a Ballot Call, which works much like a portable doorbell if necessary so the poll workers can open the door if it proves to be too heavy for the voter.

Elections took public transportation into consideration when choosing Vote Centers. Most of the Vote Centers in metro Tucson are on major streets with bus routes running along those streets. Bus and bike routes will be provided on the Vote Center Map. The initial draft will soon be available through the Elections Department website.

All the proposed Vote Centers will have restrooms for both the poll workers and voters.

All the Vote Centers will have a break area for poll workers.

All the Vote Centers will have enough outlets or power strips to provide power to all the electronic voting equipment.

Locations in the Catalina Foothills are under review. The Foothills has a large population but very few buildings that are available for use as Vote Centers.

The Elections Department has ensured that the polling locations nearing the Pascua Yaqui Tribe were kept as Vote Centers. We have several Vote Centers to accommodate our voters in the south, southwest and west sides of Pima County giving more access to the communities with limited transportation and resources.

The Elections Department has added Vote Centers to the initial list of Vote Centers provided the Board of Supervisor on February 15, bringing the total of currently proposed sites to 124. (Attached)

Again, all the Vote Centers in rural areas have been kept at their historical polling places.

Review of Proposed Centers and Opportunity for Public Comment

It is proposed that the Board of Supervisors consider final adoption of the Vote Center locations at their meeting on April 19. During the month of March, staff will share the current, tentatively proposed list of Vote Centers with the public in a variety of ways. The draft list of proposed Vote Centers will be sent to the following entities for their review, consideration, and input:

- Cities/Towns/Regions
 - City of Tucson
 - Town of Marana
 - Town of Oro Valley
 - Town of Sahuarita
 - Pascua Yaqui Tribe
 - Tohono O'odham Nation
 - Vail area, Ajo, Green Valley, Pictured Rocks, Avra Valley, Arivaca, Mt. Lemmon, Tanque Verde, Catalina, etc. via community councils or other established organizations

- Elected Officials
 - Senate Offices
 - Congressional Offices
 - All elected State Offices
 - All State and County Courts and Court officers including Justices of the Peace and Constables
 - All elected County offices
 - Pima Community College
 - Fire Districts
 - School Districts
 - Water Districts
 - Improvement Districts
 - Candidates who have submitted their paperwork for 2022

- Political Parties
 - Republican
 - Democrat
 - Libertarian
 - Green

- Community Organizations
 - League of Women Voters
 - AFL-CIO
 - All Chambers of Commerce
 - SAHBA
 - CPLC

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- PCOA
- Other voting rights orgs
- Large communities/HOAs
- Elections Integrity Commission

In addition, the list will be provided on the Pima County website and the public will have the opportunity to comment via this location.

The draft list and the ways in which the public may comment will be distributed through all broadcast and social media venues.

Staff welcomes all suggestions for expanded distribution and enhanced communication regarding the location of the Vote Centers for the 2022 elections.

Attachment

c: Carmine DeBonis, Jr., Deputy County Administrator for Public Works
Mark Napier, Assistant County Administrator
Mark B. Evans, Director, Communications Office
Bob Meredith, Director, Pima County Wireless Integrated Network

72	5	Our Lady of Fatima Parish	1950 W Irvington Place	1950 W Irvington Place	FELLOWSHIP	1,500	TUCSON	AZ	85746	520-883-1717
73	5	Pascua Neighborhood Center	785 W Sahuaro Street	785 W Sahuaro Street	BUILDING #1	870	TUCSON	AZ	85705	520-884-8527
74	3	PASCUA YAQUI TRIBE WELLNESS CENTER	5305 CALLE TORIM	5305 CALLE TORIM	AZUL ROOM (BLUE)	1,500	TUCSON	AZ	85757	520-879-5266
75	3	Picture Rocks Community Center	5615 N Sanders Road	3500 W RIVER ROAD	MULTIPURPOSE ROOM	1,221	TUCSON	AZ	85741	520-682-7166
76	4	Pima County Fairgrounds	11300 S Houghton Road	11300 S Houghton Road	Green Room or Ferber Room	1,500-2,000	TUCSON	AZ	85747	520-762-9100
77	3	Pisinemo District	West Highway 86, Route 21	HC 01 BOX 8665	DISTRICT OFFICE	600	SELLS	AZ	85634	520-362-2442
78	5	Ramada by Wyndham	777 W Cushing Street	777 W Cushing Street	Larger Meeting Room	2,000	TUCSON	AZ	85745	520-239-2300
79	5	Ramada by Wyndham Viscount Suites	4855 E Broadway Boulevard	4855 E Broadway Boulevard	Larger Meeting Room	1,500	TUCSON	AZ	85711	520-365-3985
80	2	Randolph Community Center	200 S Alvernion Way	200 S Alvernion Way	Largest AREA Available	N/A	TUCSON	AZ	85711	520-791-4560
81	3	Redeemer Evangelical Lutheran Church & School	8845 N Silverbell Road	8845 N Silverbell Road	MINISTRY CENTER	1,271	TUCSON	AZ	85743	520-572-8136
82	3	Robles Ranch Community Center	16150 W Ajo Way	3500 W RIVER ROAD	COMMUNITY CENTER	800	TUCSON	AZ	85741	520-822-4408
83	4	Rosemont Ranch, Thurber Division	11300 E Greaterville Rd, two miles west of Highway 83	5255 E WILLIAMS CIRCLE STE # 1065	VOTING ROOM	1,512	TUCSON	AZ	85711	520-455-5210
84	2	Sabbar Shrine Temple	450 S Tucson Boulevard	450 S Tucson Boulevard	LARGE BANQUET ROOM	3,960	TUCSON	AZ	85716	520-623-2509
85	2	SAHUARO BAPTIST CHURCH	10361 E OLD SPANISH TRAIL	10361 E OLD SPANISH TRAIL	AARON HALL	1,400	TUCSON	AZ	85748	520-886-4796
86	1	Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church	8650 N Shannon Road	8650 N Shannon Road	Hall	N/A	TUCSON	AZ	85742	520-297-7357
87	2	SAINT MATTHEW'S EPICOPAL CHURCH	9071 E OLD SPANISH TRAIL	9071 E OLD SPANISH TRAIL	MATTS PLACE	N/A	TUCSON	AZ	85731	520-298-9782
88	3	SAN XAVIER DISTRICT	2018 SAN XAVIER ROAD	2018 SAN XAVIER ROAD	SAN XAVIER DISTRICT CENTER	1,000	TUCSON	AZ	85711	520-573-4000
89	3	Sandario Baptist Church	6971 N Sandario Road	6971 N Sandario Road	AUDITORIUM	700	TUCSON	AZ	85743	520-682-7807
90	1	SANTA CATALINA CATHOLIC CHURCH	14380 N ORACLE ROAD	14380 N ORACLE ROAD	MULTIPURPOSE ROOM	N/A	TUCSON	AZ	85739	520-825-9611
91	2	SANTA CRUZ VALLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH	71 E SAHUARITA ROAD	P.O BOX 1549	SANCTUARY	840	SAHUARITA	AZ	85629	520-282-4085
92	3	Schuk Toak District Office	Highway 86, Mile Post 126.5	P.O. BOX 368	DISTRICT OFFICE CONFERENCE ROOM	600	SELLS	AZ	85634	520-383-4660
93	3	Sells District Office	Arizona Highway 86 and Mile Post 112	P.O. BOX 910	CONFERENCE ROOM	600	SELLS	AZ	85634	520-383-2281
94	3	Serenity Baptist Church	15501 West Ajo Way, Three Points	15501 West Ajo Way, Three Points	WORSHIP AREA	1,260	TUCSON	AZ	85735	520-822-2026
95	4	Sheraton Tucson Hotel	5151 E Grant Road	5151 E Grant Road	Sabino Room	1,300	TUCSON	AZ	85712	520-323-6262
96	3	Sierrita Mining and Ranching Co. Community Building	10094 W McGee Ranch Road	HC 70 BOX 4260	COMMUNITY BUILDING	700	SAHUARITA	AZ	85629	520-625-1204
97	3	Sonora Del Webb clubhouse	600 W Camino Rancheria	600 W Camino Rancheria	Meeting room	800	TUCSON	AZ	85629	520-232-3813
98	1	St. Alban's Episcopal Church	3738 N Old Sabino Canyon Road	3738 N Old Sabino Canyon Road	PARISH HALL	1,500	TUCSON	AZ	85750	520-296-0791
99	2	ST. JOHN ON THE DESERT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH	2695 N HOUGHTON ROAD	2695 N HOUGHTON ROAD	FELLOWSHIP HALL	N/A	TUCSON	AZ	85749	520-749-3615
100	1	St. Odilia Catholic Church	7570 N Paseo Del Norte	7570 N Paseo Del Norte	PARISH HALL	1,000	TUCSON	AZ	85704	520-297-7271
101	2	ST. PAUL'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH	8051 E BROADWAY BOULEVARD	8051 E BROADWAY BOULEVARD	BRUMMETT HALL	2,444	TUCSON	AZ	85710	520-296-6149
102	1	St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church	5150 N Valley View Road	5150 N Valley View Road	O'LEARY HALL	1,302	TUCSON	AZ	85718	520-577-8780
103	1	Sun City Oro Valley - Catalina Vista	14055 N Del Webb Boulevard	1565 E RANCHO VISTOSO BOULEVARD	MT. LEMMON ROOM	726	ORO VALLEY	AZ	85737	520-917-8072
104	3	SUSD - Sopori Elementary School	5000 W Arivaca Road	350 W SAHUARITA ROAD	GYMNASIUM	1,888	SAHUARITA	AZ	85629	520-625-3502
105	1	The Church of Latter Day Saints	55 W Arrowsmith Drive	55 W Arrowsmith Drive	CULTURAL HALL	2,961	ORO VALLEY	AZ	85755	520-526-4000
106	4	The Springs at Santa Rita	951 W Via Rio Fuerte	951 W Via Rio Fuerte	The Anza	1,500-2,000	Green Valley	AZ	85614	520-625-3440
107	1	Town Of Oro Valley Council Chambers	11000 N La Canada	11000 N La Canada	Council Chambers	1,500	ORO VALLEY	AZ	85737	520-229-4700
108	3	Tucson Estates	5900 W Western Way Circle	5900 W Western Way Circle	MULTIPURPOSE HALL	1,700	TUCSON	AZ	85713	520-883-1440
109	2	Tucson Expo Center	3750 E Irvington Road	3750 E Irvington Road	Sapphire Room	2,000-5,000	TUCSON	AZ	85714	520-750-8000
110	3	Tucson FOP Lodge #1	3445 N Dodge Boulevard	3445 N Dodge Boulevard	Hall	1,500-2,000	TUCSON	AZ	85716	520-795-2101
111	1	TUCSON MOUNTAIN BAPTIST CHURCH	5757 W AJO HIGHWAY	5757 W AJO HIGHWAY	ROOM 108	600	TUCSON	AZ	85735	520-883-1234
112	3	VALENCIA BRANCH PUBLIC LIBRARY	202 W VALENCIA ROAD	202 W VALENCIA ROAD	LARGE MEETING ROOM	1,300	SOUTH TUCSON	AZ	85706	520-594-5390
113	3	VIDA NUEVA CHURCH OF GOD	504 W NEBRASKA STREET	504 W NEBRASKA STREET	YOUTH CENTER	800-1,500	SOUTH TUCSON	AZ	85706	520-889-5422
114	4	VUSD - Cienega High School	12775 E Mary Ann Cleveland Way	P.O BOX 800	LIBRARY	624	VAIL	AZ	85641	520-879-2457
115	4	VUSD - Copper Ridge Elementary School	17650 S Canyon Edge Trail	P.O BOX 800	LIBRARY	625	VAIL	AZ	85641	520-879-2500
116	4	VUSD - Desert Sky Middle School	9850 E Rankin Loop	P.O BOX 800	GYM FOYER	800	VAIL	AZ	85641	520-762-2500
117	4	VUSD - Ocotillo Ridge Elementary School	10170 South White Lightning Lane	P.O BOX 800	LIBRARY	600	VAIL	AZ	85641	520-879-3600
118	4	VUSD - Sycamore Elementary School	16701 S Houghton Rd	P.O BOX 800	LIBRARY	928	VAIL	AZ	85641	520-879-2500
119	1	Westward Look Resort	245 E Ina Road	245 E Ina Road	Sonoran Ballroom	1,500-2,000	TUCSON	AZ	85704	520-917-2927
120	3	SUSD - Summit View Elementary School	1900 E SUMMIT STREET	2238 E GINTER ROAD	CAFETERIA	800-1,000	TUCSON	AZ	85706	520-940-0461
121	3	GracePointe: An Evangelical Free Church Elementary and Preschool	2555 W Valencia Road	2555 W Valencia Road		N/A	Tucson	AZ	85746	520-883-3281
122	3	WHY DOMESTIC WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT	341 S SONOITA WAY, HIGHWAY 85 SOUTH	P.O BOX 69	WHY COMMUNITY BUILDING	700	AJO	AZ	85321	520-387-7641
123	3	LIVING FAITH CHRISTIAN CENTER	4108 E NORTH STREET	4108 E NORTH STREET	FELLOWSHIP HALL		TUCSON	AZ	85712	520-722-2217
124	4	FAITH COMMUNITY CHURCH EAST	8455 E GOLFLINKS ROAD	8455 E GOLF LINKS ROAD	FELLOWSHIP HALL		TUCSON	AZ	85745	520-792-3238