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# MEMORANDUM

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Date: June 13, 2014

To: Chairman and Members  
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee

From: C.H. Huckelberry  
County Administrator

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Re: **June 20, 2014 Meeting - Future Bond Election Planning for Flood Control, Governmental Facilities, Job Growth, Education and Workforce Training**

## **A. OVERVIEW**

There are 25 projects on the agenda for the June 20, 2014 Bond Advisory Committee (BAC; Committee) meeting. Five flood control projects and three general government projects were continued from the BAC's May 16 agenda. Information on those projects was included in my May 9, 2014 memorandum to the BAC, which can be accessed at <http://webcms.pima.gov/common/pages/UserFile.aspx?fileId=90045>. One additional flood control project has been proposed since then and is discussed in this memorandum.

Regarding the 11 projects grouped under the category of Job Growth, Education and Workforce Training, 2 are projects previously tentatively approved by the BAC and 9 are new projects that will be presented to the Committee at the meeting. Projects within this category that already received tentative approval from the Committee total \$44.5 million. The updated tentatively approved projects, plus the new and resubmitted projects, total \$219.5 million. My recommendations total \$157.5 million.

Attachment 1 is a table that summarizes the status of these projects, who requested the projects, their priority ranking, funding requests and my funding recommendations. Attachment 2 is the BAC's 2013 adopted criteria for project review, as well as project description sheets for each of the projects. Two-page criteria applications for most new and resubmitted projects explaining how the projects meet or do not meet the BAC's adopted criteria are posted at:

<http://webcms.pima.gov/cms/one.aspx?portalId=169&pageId=48373>

The categories being used for this group of Committee meetings very closely resemble the categories used in the 2013 web-based survey, the results of which can be found online at <http://webcms.pima.gov/cms/one.aspx?portalId=169&pageId=7390>. The Job Growth, Education and Workforce Training category was the highest ranked category out of 8 when respondents were asked how important it was to fund a particular category of projects with bond funds. In addition to surveying the public on broad project categories, we asked respondents to select their top five projects from a list of 16 projects related to job growth,

education and workforce training. Only six of those 16 projects continue to be under consideration by the Committee, which shows how much this category of projects has evolved over time. The numerated list below includes those 6 projects and the percentage of survey respondents that selected a project as one of their top 5.

1. Pima County One Stop Career Center (32.5 percent)
2. Pima Community College Health Education Campus (27.7 percent)
3. Sonoran Corridor Highway Improvements between I-10 and I-19 (19.6 percent)
4. Science Park Drive: Rita Road to Pantano Road (13.0 percent)
5. Oro Valley Business Accelerator (7.5 percent)
6. Marana Cultural and Heritage Park – Economic Development (6.2 percent)

**B. JOB GROWTH, EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE TRAINING**

<u>Dept.</u>	<u>ID</u>	<u>Project Name</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Tentatively Approved Funding</u>	<u>Current Funding Request</u>
FM	1	Pima County OneStop Career Center	TA-increase scope/cost	\$4,500,000	\$6,000,000
FM	11	Pima Community College Health Education Campus	TA - delete	\$40,000,000	\$40,000,000
		UAMC South Campus Allied Health Training & Facilities Expansion	New		\$40,000,000
		Innovation/Technology Building, UA Tech Park - Bridges	New		\$45,000,000
		Science Park Drive - Rita Road to Pantano Road Improvements	New		\$10,772,000
		Tucson Visual Arts Complex - Site Acquisition	New		\$8,000,000
		Marana Cultural and Heritage Park - Economic Development	New		\$20,000,000
		Sonoran Corridor Highway Improvements between I-10 and I-19	New		\$20,000,000
		Oro Valley Business Accelerator	New		\$15,000,000
		TUSD Cooper Center for Environmental Learning (Camp Cooper)	New		\$2,000,000
		Southern Arizona Mining and Industrial Technology Centers	New		\$12,000,000
		<b>TOTAL</b>		\$44,500,000	\$218,772,000

### **Tentatively Approved Projects**

#### **FM1 – Pima County OneStop Career Center; expand scope and increase funding**

The BAC tentatively approved \$4.5 million for this project in 2009. The purpose of the project is to replace an existing rented facility and offer expanded job seeker, training and employer services. Staff now recommends a slightly larger building (18,000 square feet versus 14,000 square feet) for the purposes of including more space to co-locate workforce partners and adding space for a Youth Employment Hub with a separate reception area, resource area, labs and offices. This would increase the cost from \$4.5 million to \$6,737,000. This estimate continues to include acquisition of land and construction or acquisition of an existing building and renovation. A specific site has not yet been identified, but target locations include the downtown/west side area and/or the County-owned Aerospace, Defense and Technology Research and Business Park south of Tucson.

Recommendation: I recommend expanding the scope of this project and increasing the cost.

#### **FM11 – Pima Community College Health Education Campus; delete**

The BAC tentatively approved \$40 million for this project in 2010. Since then, Pima Community College has withdrawn this project request based on an increase in the number of other nursing training programs that now exist in the community. Below is a proposal from The University of Arizona that involves a combination of allied health training and the expansion of clinical space at The University of Arizona Medical Center–South Campus.

Recommendation: I recommend the Committee take action at the June 20, 2014 meeting to delete this project, since it has been withdrawn by the proponent.

### **New Projects**

#### **UA Medical Center South Campus Allied Health Training and Facilities Expansion**

This is a new proposal that continues to build on the success of The University of Arizona Medical Center's (UAMC) South Campus. UAMC has identified over half a billion dollars' worth of facility improvements to the South Campus over the long term. The proposal is for \$40 million of improvements that expand facilities and provide training environments for allied health professionals. This project could be considered a substitute for the Pima Community College proposal that has been withdrawn.

Recommendation: I recommend this project.

#### **Innovation/Technology Building, UA Tech Park – Bridges**

This is a new proposal from The University of Arizona for a 150,000 square foot, 3-story, office and research building to be located at the UA Tech Park–Bridges, formally known as the UA Bio Park. The UA Tech Park–Bridges is located within a large, planned development project located in central Tucson between 36<sup>th</sup> Street and Interstate 10, west of Kino Parkway. The building would be designed to house small to mid-size technology firms, from startups to mature companies, and to house University offices affiliated with Tech Launch Arizona and Tech Parks Arizona. The property is owned by the University, and the University would provide a no-cost ground lease to the County. The County would manage design and construction of the building. The building would then be maintained and operated by Campus Research Corporation, which is the entity that manages facilities for the University’s tech parks. The University of Arizona sees this proposal as a way to revitalize an economically distressed area of central Tucson and facilitate job growth and employment in the technology sectors. This appears to be similar to the County leasing space in the Abrams Public Health Building to Accelerate Diagnostics.

An outstanding issue concerning this project and the Town of Oro Valley’s Business Accelerator project is whether the County would receive market rate rent for the building. If rent was to be subsidized, we could run afoul of the State Constitutional gift clause; unless these facilities were operated more as job training facilities. If market rent is charged, we avoid the gift clause issue, but then have a private activity bond issue. The latter is more preferable, as the County could choose to sell taxable bonds, as opposed to the typical tax exempt bonds, to fund the facility and avoid the private activity bond issue. In this case, the proponents would need to show that a facility that charges market rent still provides the benefits they are expecting.

It must also be clear the County is not funding the parking structure with bond funds.

Recommendation: I support this proposal contingent upon refinement of the proposal to address potential gift clause and private activity bond concerns.

#### **Science Park Drive – Rita Road to Pantano Road Improvements**

This initial proposal from Pima County and The University of Arizona dates back to 2011 but was never acted upon by the Committee. It includes the improvement of 1.4 miles of Science Park Drive from Rita Road to Pantano Road at a cost of \$10.772 million and is part of a larger project to improve Science Park Drive from Kolb Road to Rita Road. Improvements include a 4-lane road and multiuse pathway that will connect to The Loop by way of the Julian Wash Greenway. The UA Tech Park and its developers are funding the Kolb Road to Pantano Road segment. These improvements will improve traffic flow for the general public between Kolb Road on the west and Rita Road on the east, as well as improving access for employees of the UA Tech Park.

Recommendation: I recommend this project.

### **Tucson Visual Arts Complex – Site Acquisition**

Discussions continue regarding potential downtown improvements that could be proposed as part of a County bond election. One proposal, received recently from The University of Arizona, is for the County to purchase the existing, privately-owned La Placita Village, located at the southwest corner of Church Avenue and Broadway Boulevard, east of the Tucson Convention Center. The proposal estimates the cost of this land acquisition at \$8 million. Later phases of the project, in excess of this initial bond funding amount, would include demolition and construction of museum and gallery space; in addition to mixed use office, retail, residential, light/clean manufacturing, and education. This proposal also states the City of Tucson would contribute funding to renovate and maintain the City-owned portions of the Stravenue, Eckbo Plaza and Tucson Convention Center Plaza.

Recommendation: I believe this project, or a project somewhat similar, will continue to evolve as more discussions occur and would recommend it as a placeholder for more specific proposals.

### **TUSD Cooper Center for Environmental Learning (Camp Cooper)**

This is a new \$2 million proposal to improve and replace the existing Cooper Center for Environmental Learning that is located at the west end of Trails End Road along the eastern boundary of Tucson Mountain Park. The Center is owned by Tucson Unified School District (TUSD) and operated by The University of Arizona College of Education. According to their proposal, Phase 1 of a master plan for the facility is underway and should be completed soon. Phases 2 through 5 are proposed to be funded with the \$2 million in bond funds, and the specific improvements are listed in the attached project description sheet. The master plan has also been posted to the County's bond website.

My understanding is that this is one of the only centers of its type in the area. An improved facility would provide an excellent opportunity for Pima County's Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation Department to partner with the Center to offer expanded youth and adult conservation and environmental education programs. An improved facility could also generate more long-term public support and revenue for both the Center and conservation of our unique natural environment in general.

If this project is to be supported by County bonds, it would be appropriate to have TUSD dedicate the property and facilities to the County as an addition to Tucson Mountain Park and then have the County lease the facilities to The University of Arizona College of Education to continue operations. I will begin this dialog with TUSD in the near future.

Recommendation: I recommend this project contingent upon TUSD conveying the land and facilities to Pima County, with operations continuing to be provided by The University of Arizona.

### **Marana Cultural and Heritage Park – Economic Development Component**

The Town of Marana's Parks and Recreation Director, Tom Ellis, presented the \$17.8 million recreational component of this project to the Committee on April 25, 2014 (ranked priority 2 by the Town). This current request is for \$20 million for what the Town is calling the economic development component (priority 1). I am still unclear, however, on the differences between the recreational component and the economic development component and have requested more information.

Recommendation: Consistent with my recommendations prior to the April 25 Committee meeting, I recommend funding half of the requested \$17.8 million recreational component (\$8.9 million) and half of the \$20 million economic development component (\$10 million), so long as the Town of Marana commits to match this funding and so long as we have a clear understanding of facilities that would be constructed under each component.

### **Sonoran Corridor Highway Improvements between I-10 and I-19**

I initially proposed this project in 2011, and this project has taken on many facets over the last three years. The project is a larger effort to increase export-based primary employment within Pima County in a location that has historically been the manufacturing and high technology job employment center of the region. The project has many facets, one of which is to protect the region's largest employer and allow for aerospace, defense and technology employment. The initial project steps have been taken with County funds; i.e., the purchase of buffer lands that can now be reused for compatible job employment centers adjacent to Raytheon. This action was taken using \$6 million from the County's General Fund. In addition, the relocation of Hughes Access Road, to now be known as the Aerospace Parkway, is in design and final approval and is expected to be constructed in 2015. This \$13 million investment was funded by regional transportation related funding and will remove any encroachment issues associated with Raytheon operations, potentially allow for the acquisition of additional buffer lands for Raytheon for both their existing facilities, as well as potential future expanded facilities, and facilitate the planned parallel runway at Tucson International Airport. These two elements of the overall project have been completed with other funds.

The remaining element is to provide sufficient funding to facilitate the long-term interstate investment of an auxiliary interstate highway, also known as the Sonoran Corridor, connecting Interstate 19 just north of the Pima Mine Road interchange to Interstate 10 at Rita Road. This high-speed connector will facilitate surface transportation mobility in this high technology and manufacturing center connecting the employment centers at the UA Tech Park, now employing over 8,000 employees to the airport environs and aerospace and defense employment centers, which employ over 18,000 employees.

In addition, this surface transportation connection will facilitate the emergence of a major logistics center for the Southwest where air, rail and surface transportation facilities are

combined to create logistics center advantages for employment growth. The facilities will interconnect the planned 2,400-acre Aerospace, Defense and Technology Research and Business Park. This primarily export-based employment center is patterned on other successful job centers that exist in proximity to rail, air and freeway transportation capacity.

Originally, the request was for \$90 million. This request has been reduced to \$20 million to complete the Aerospace Parkway between Nogales Highway and Alvernon Way, as well as to initiate the advanced planning and acquisitions that may be necessary to secure right of way for a larger transportation investment funded through both federal and state transportation-related revenues. The matching of other transportation investments, both federal and state, with local General Obligation bonds is not unprecedented. This is the same funding mechanism used in the 1980s to secure, finance and construct the Kolb, Palo Verde and Kino Corridors, where an \$18 million General Obligation bond investment was leveraged into over \$200 million of other transportation investments from federal and state agencies.

Recommendation: I recommend this project.

#### **Oro Valley Business Accelerator**

The Town of Oro Valley initially proposed this project in 2013; but I removed this project from consideration due to legal concerns regarding the gifting of public resources to private business if leases were provided at below market rent and private activity bond concerns if they do, in fact, pay market rent and the County's revenues exceed a certain threshold. This proposal from the Town and the proposal from The University of Arizona appear to propose a market rate rent scenario. We have discussed this issue thoroughly with our attorney and understand now that the County can issue bonds for such a facility, but the bonds issued must be taxable bonds instead of tax exempt bonds. It would also be preferable if the County maintained ownership of the building. The Town and the County would enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement whereby the Town could retain a third party operator and would be required to provide the necessary financial reporting to comply with the terms of the agreement and any particular nuances associated with the initial use of bond funding to construct the facility.

Recommendation: I recommend this project if the proponents are supportive of charging market rate rent and if they still see a benefit to the project with the market rate rent requirement.

#### **Southern Arizona Mining and Industrial Technology Centers**

This is a new \$12 million proposal from the Pima County Joint Technical Education District, which is independent of Pima County government. The proposal is for two technical training and career education centers to be focused on mining and industrial technology, which is one of JTED's occupational tracks. One location is proposed for the Sahuarita area near

existing mines west of Green Valley and The University of Arizona's mine-related training grounds. The second location is proposed for the Interstate 10 and 22<sup>nd</sup> Street area, which we understand would be the UA Tech Park – Bridges area.

Staff that oversee the County's job training programs and Pima County OneStop have discussed this proposal with proponents from JTED and the Town of Sahuarita and have provided some initial feedback concerning the proposal. The proposal appears to have evolved out of a process that began with existing area mines working with the Town, Sahuarita School District and JTED to develop high school courses for the mining and industry occupation track due to a need for more highly skilled workers in these sectors. It is positive to see industry involvement in the development of the proposal. Staff believe the proposal could be improved by expanding the training to also include advanced manufacturing and logistics, which are industries that are also in need of more skilled labor locally. The inclusion of adult education is also seen as a need and could involve various other educational partners in the region. The involvement of Pima County OneStop to link job seekers and employers should be expanded and well developed. These changes would likely increase the cost of the project. Furthermore, the current courses are offered through the Sahuarita School District, so the process for expansion of courses to other school districts would have to be well thought out. It may be best to focus on one center initially before developing a second.

Regardless of the need and merits of this project, JTED is a countywide regional taxing district. My understanding is JTED could fund this project itself. The taxpayers are the same taxpayers that would fund the debt on County bonds. However, if JTED was to fund this project, the County would maintain more bonding capacity for other priority projects.

Recommendation: I do not recommend this project for County bond funding but encourage JTED to fund it themselves and to work with Pima County OneStop, manufacturing and logistics industries, and adult education providers to further improve the project.

### **C. ADDITIONAL FLOOD CONTROL PROPOSAL**

#### **Cemetery Wash Drainage Improvements**

This is a new \$4 million bond request from the Tohono O'odham Nation and Pima County Regional Flood Control District for drainage improvements under Mission and San Xavier Roads. These improvements would provide all-weather access to residents and emergency vehicles and remove dozens of homes from the 100-year floodplain. The involvement of the Tohono O'odham Nation will be a key component in advancing the Sonoran Corridor I-10 to I-19 transportation project; and, thus, assistance with the Nation's infrastructure needs will be important in developing a cooperative relationship with Pima County.

Recommendation: I recommend this project.

#### **D. NEW CITY OF TUCSON PROPOSALS**

We were notified by City staff this week that the City's Bond Project Advisory Committee has forwarded to Mayor and Council five new proposals for County bond funding. These proposals are listed below. If we receive the project description sheets prior to the mailing date for the County's BAC, they will be included. If not, we will transmit them to the Committee when received.

1. Downtown Community Theaters and Historic Cultural Landscape: \$28,000,000
2. Public Safety Training Academy – Judgmental Firearms Training Facility: \$4,100,000
3. Public Safety Training Academy – Multipurpose Training Facility: \$11,700,000
4. Public Safety Training Academy – Driver Training Facility: \$3,000,000
5. Temple of Music and Art: \$871,000

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#### **Attachments**

- c: The Honorable Chair and Members, Pima County Board of Supervisors  
The Honorable Clarence Dupnik, Pima County Sheriff  
Hank Atha, Deputy County Administrator for Community and Economic Development  
Jan Leshar, Deputy County Administrator for Medical and Health Services  
John Bernal, Deputy County Administrator for Public Works  
Priscilla Cornelio, Director, Transportation  
Suzanne Shields, Director, Regional Flood Control District  
Michael Kirk, Director, Facilities Management  
Dr. John Moffatt, Director, Office of Strategic Planning  
Nicole Fyffe, Executive Assistant to the County Administrator  
Diana Durazo, Special Staff Assistant to the County Administrator

Dept ID	Flood Control and Governmental Facilities		Status for 2014 Meetings	BAC Tentative Approval Date	Submitted By, Priority if Provided (Location if submitted by an organization)	Tentatively Approved Funding	Current Funding Request*	County Admin. Recommend.	2014 BAC Tentative Approval	2014/15 BAC Final Approval	Notes
<b>Flood Control</b>											
FC	58	Santa Cruz River: Rillito and Canada del Oro Confluence	TA - scope change	21-May-10	PC	\$ 10,000,000	\$ 10,000,000	\$ 10,000,000			
FC	9	Lower Santa Cruz Levee Extension	Resubmittal		Marana - 4		\$ 7,000,000	\$ 0			
FC	14	40th Street Drainage	Resubmittal		S. Tucson - 2		\$ 3,000,000	\$ 0			
FC	16	South 7th Avenue Between West 28th and 20th Streets Drainage	Resubmittal		S. Tucson - 4		\$ 2,500,000	\$ 2,500,000			
		East 32nd 1/2 Street Drainage	New		S. Tucson - 1		\$ 2,200,000	\$ 0			
		Cemetery Wash Drainage Improvements	New		PC & TO		\$ 4,000,000	\$ 4,000,000			
		SUBTOTAL				\$ 10,000,000	\$ 28,700,000	\$ 16,500,000			
<b>Governmental Facilities</b>											
FM	9	Green Valley Government Center Parking & Access Improvements	TA	19-Mar-10	PC	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,000,000			
FM	34	Downtown Legal Services Building Asbestos Abatement & Fire Sprinklers	TA	19-Mar-10	PC	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,000,000			
FM	110	Elections Equipment	TA - decrease funding	16-Apr-10	PC	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 2,400,000	\$ 2,400,000			
		SUBTOTAL				\$ 9,000,000	\$ 6,400,000	\$ 6,400,000			
		TOTAL				\$ 19,000,000	\$ 35,100,000	\$ 22,900,000			

Dept ID	Job Growth, Education and Workforce Training		Status for 2014 Meetings	BAC Tentative Approval Date	Submitted By, Priority if Provided (Location if submitted by an organization)	Tentatively Approved Funding	Current Funding Request	County Admin. Recommend.	2014 BAC Tentative Approval	2014/15 BAC Final Approval	Notes
FM	1	Pima County One Stop Career Center	TA - increase scope/cost	16-Oct-09	PC	\$ 4,500,000	\$ 6,737,000	\$ 6,737,000			
FM	11	Pima Community College Health Education Campus	TA - delete	19-Mar-10	PC, PCC	\$ 40,000,000	\$ 40,000,000	\$ 0			
		UAMC South Campus Allied Health Training & Facilities Expansion	New		UA		\$ 40,000,000	\$ 40,000,000			
		Innovation/Technology Building, UA Tech Park - Bridges	New		UA		\$ 45,000,000	\$ 45,000,000			
		Science Park Drive - Rita Road to Pantano Road Improvements	New		UA and PC		\$ 10,772,000	\$ 10,772,000			
		Tucson Visual Arts Complex - Site Acquisition	New		UA		\$ 8,000,000	\$ 8,000,000			
		TUSD Cooper Center for Environmental Learning (Camp Cooper)	New		UA/TUSD		\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,000,000			
		Marana Cultural and Heritage Park - Economic Development	New		Marana - 1		\$ 20,000,000	\$ 10,000,000			
		Sonoran Corridor Highway Improvements between I-10 and I-19	New		PC		\$ 20,000,000	\$ 20,000,000			
		Oro Valley Business Accelerator	New		OV - 1		\$ 15,000,000	\$ 15,000,000			
		Southern Arizona Mining & Industrial Technology Centers	New		JTED		\$ 12,000,000	\$ 0			
		TOTAL				\$ 44,500,000	\$ 219,509,000	\$ 157,509,000			

Dept ID	New Projects From City of Tucson		Status for 2014 Meetings	BAC Tentative Approval Date	Submitted By, Priority if Provided (Location if submitted by an organization)	Tentatively Approved Funding	Current Funding Request	County Admin. Recommend.	2014 BAC Tentative Approval	2014/15 BAC Final Approval	Notes
		Downtown Community Theaters & Historic Cultural Landscape	New		Tucson		\$ 28,000,000				
		Public Safety Training Academy - Judgmental Firearms Training Facility	New		Tucson		\$ 4,100,000				
		Public Safety Training Academy - Multi-purpose Training Facility	New		Tucson		\$ 11,700,000				
		Public Safety Training Academy - Driver Training Facility	New		Tucson		\$ 3,000,000				
		Temple of Music and Art	New		Tucson		\$ 871,000				
		TOTAL					\$ 47,671,000				

## Criteria

Pima County Bond Advisory Committee  
Criteria for Project Inclusion  
Revised June 14, 2013

- Broad demonstrated support by public
- Has regional public benefit
- Partnerships
- Other funding sources or matches
- Education and workforce training
- Advances Board adopted principles of sustainability and conservation
- Previously authorized large-scale bond projects or programs that are now short funding
- Phasing of large projects
- Impact on operating and maintenance costs for governments and commitment to fund these ongoing costs
- Project or program is a capital improvement, not a repair or maintenance project

Criteria below would apply to the entire bond package at the end of the process and not to individual projects:

- Advances Board adopted principles of economic development and basic employment growth that will attract more jobs to the community.
- Advances the following nine principles that represent the shared values identified in the Imagine Greater Tucson process: accessibility, educational excellence, environmental integrity, good governance, healthy communities, higher education, broad-based prosperity, quality neighborhoods, and regional identity.
- Regional or jurisdictional balance

## Project Sheets

**Future Bond Election Proposed Projects Template**

**Project Name:** Pima County One-Stop Career Center

**Location:** A west-side location near buses and main traffic arteries in an area with traditionally high unemployment rates.

**Scope:** One Stop Career Centers provide basic job seeker and employer services to all individuals and companies, and fund education and training programs for individuals eligible for specific programs. County is required to operate One-Stop Career Centers under the federal Workforce Investment Act (WIA). One Stop Centers are also expected to house other federal employment programs defined as “partners” under WIA. County owns one Comprehensive One-Stop center facility and currently rents space for another. WIA funding is limited, vulnerable to sequestration and other cuts, and stretched to cover rising cost of training and higher minimum wage for subsidized work programs. The rented One-Stop facility is overcrowded, serving both adult job seekers and youth job seekers, including summer youth employment program participants.

The anticipated need is approximately 18,000 square feet. Space needs include a large resource area for adult job seekers and a Youth Employment Hub with its own entrance. The resource area includes computers for clients to use in job search, computerized assessments, and resume writing; workspace for non-computerized activities, and a library of printed information. Approximately 50 offices/work stations are needed for staff to determine eligibility and assessment for various programs, business services staff, workforce development specialists, supervisors, and support staff. Space should include three classrooms that are wired for computerized instruction with removable walls in order to hold large groups. The Youth Employment Hub needs to include a separate reception area, dedicated resource area with job search/career exploration computer terminals, two classrooms – one with computers for assessments and offices for youth services specialists from both the County and partnering youth employment agencies.

**Benefits:** Elimination of “rent” makes County proposals for discretionary federal funds more competitive; enables County to use more of federal funds for training rather than overhead costs; and makes it easier to ask “partners” to co-locate in One Stop Centers. Co-location of partners supports a coordinated regional workforce system that breaks down resource “silos” to ensure the right service mix for each company and/or job seeker we serve.

**Costs:** The estimated cost with land acquisition is \$6,737,000 to either acquire land and build a new building or acquire existing building and renovate it.

**Bond Funding:** Up to \$6,737,000 in bond funds would be needed for this project.

**Other Funding:** Federal program funds generally cannot be used for construction. However, ongoing O and M costs can be covered by federal funds received by County as well as from “partners” who agree to co-locate in the space.

**Fiscal Year Project Start and Finish Date:** Site acquisition in 2017. Planning and start in 2017 with completion targeted in 2018.

**Project Management Jurisdiction:** Pima County

**Future Operating and Maintenance Costs:** It is estimated that O and M will cost \$78,000 a year. Most of this will be covered by federal funding obtained through formula One Stop programs as well as discretionary grants.

**Regional Benefits:** The One Stop serves all employers in Pima County as well as all job seekers. The majority of people who use the One Stop live in areas of high unemployment.

**Supervisor District of Project Location:** District 5.

**Department: Health Department**  
**Date: Updated October 15, 2012**

**Future Bond Election Proposed Projects Template**

**Project Name:** Pima Community College Health Education Campus

**Location:** Kino Health Campus Complex, 2800 E. Ajo Way

**Scope:**

The overall Kino Health Campus is developing as anticipated into a comprehensive complex of clinical research, educational services and clinical training sites for health workforce and economic development. This physical project will expand the Kino Health Campus Complex to include a 120,000 square foot health career education campus to be administered by Pima Community College (PCC). The 120,000 square foot facility is expected to include state-of-the-art labs and all of the College's existing health education equipment. This project also includes a 400 space parking garage.

**Benefits:**

The creation of this College Health Care Campus component would enable PCC to consolidate and expand 24 programs that educate thousands of students in nursing and allied health professions. Consolidation of PCC's health programs at this campus would allow 25 percent growth to include current programs, which now enroll approximately 2,000 students, including 450 in the associate degree nursing program alone. It could also support, in collaboration with clinical training sites at the hospital and planned nursing home, the development of badly needed allied health programs to train nuclear medicine technicians, radiation therapy technicians, physical therapy assistants, and ultrasound technicians to meet the shortages and future demands for health services by residents of Pima County.

The Kino Health Campus Complex would also be used to develop new health career education programs, organize a charter high school specializing in health career education, and provide continuing education for practicing health professionals. PCC's conceptual design includes innovative efforts to identify and include youth from local high schools, consistent with the mission of the newly created Joint Technical Education District, and establish a supportive environment for such students to complete a curriculum that expedites their entry into a health career track.

The construction of this campus at the Kino Health Campus Complex will enable PCC to operate all of its health career education programs at a single, centrally-located site, resulting in greater efficiency and a larger and more diverse pool of graduates to meet workforce needs.

**Costs:** \$40,000,000 (PROJECT cost estimated at 2008 construction cost)

**Bond Funding:** \$40,000,000 (estimated at 2008 construction cost)

**Other Funding:** None identified at this time

**Fiscal Year Project Start and Finish Date:** Start FY2009 – Finish FY2012

**Project Management Jurisdiction:** Pima County and Pima Community College

**Future Operating and Maintenance Costs:** Estimated at \$6,292,000

**Regional Benefits:** This project will provide for additional health care educational capacity to reduce the shortage of health care workforce currently experienced in Pima County and throughout Arizona.

**Supervisor District of Project Location:** Ramon Valadez, District 2

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**Specific County Administrator Contemporary Issue being addressed with expenditure:**

**Department:**

**Date:**

**2015 Bond Election Proposed Projects Template**

**Project Name:** The University of Arizona Medical Center - South Campus Allied Health Training and Facilities Expansion

**Location:** The University of Arizona Medical Center – South Campus (UAMC-South Campus)

**Scope:** Expansion priorities for UAMC – South Campus include the addition of 30 inpatient medical/surgical beds, improved infrastructure for imaging technologies, a catheterization lab, training space for allied health professionals and EMS Base Hospital providers and faculty, office space to support the Graduate Medical Education program, an expanded bed tower, ICU expansion, renovation of the exiting hospital facility, build out of the third floor in the Behavioral Health Pavilion to include outpatient services . Of these, the projects proposed for the 2015 bond election include the expansion of the 5<sup>th</sup> floor of the exiting hospital to accommodate the 18 new inpatient medical/surgical beds, MRI and CT Scan and other equipment and facility infrastructure to support the goal of improved imaging technologies, new cath lab, build out of the third floor in the behavioral health pavilion and the facilities to accommodate the training of allied health professionals and EMS Base Hospital providers and faculty along with the necessary office space. Ensuring appropriate healthcare facilities are in place is part of training and teaching our next generation of healthcare professionals.

**Benefits:** Formerly Kino Community Hospital, UAMC –South Campus is a now a comprehensive medical center and hospital and Southern Arizona’s newest academic medical facility. As the only hospital located south of Broadway in Pima County, the provision of critical medical services, including emergency and psychiatric care, is vital to a large section of the Pima County population. These facilities will enhance the services provided to our community by: 1. Meeting the healthcare needs our patients require 2. Allow for the training of allied health professionals and residents in a medically underserved area 3. Increase the number of jobs in Pima County resulting in economic development opportunities.

**Costs:** The total cost of the expansion priorities for UAMC – South Campus is \$583 million.

**Bond Funding:** \$40 million is proposed to be included in 2015 Bond Election.

**Other Funding:** To be determined.

**Fiscal Year Project Start and Finish Date:** (Provide estimated Fiscal Year for project start and finish date.) FY 2015/FY 2016

**Project Management Jurisdiction:** (Provide the jurisdiction that will manage the project development.) N/A

**Future Operating and Maintenance Costs:** (Provide information on O&M impact. Estimate an annual amount. If O&M will be paid by other jurisdiction, include the jurisdiction.) N/A. All O&M costs will be paid by UAMC – South Campus

**Regional Benefits:** See “Benefits” above.

**Supervisor District of Project Location:** District 2

**Department:** University of Arizona, Tech Parks Arizona

**2015 Bond Election Proposed Project**

**Project Name:** Innovation/Technology Building, UA Tech Park – Bridges (formerly known as the Bio Park)

**Location:** UA Tech Park - Bridges (Tucson Marketplace Drive/Nobel Way)

**Scope:** 150,000 square foot, three story, multi-tenant office/research building with parking structure; 60% office space, 40% laboratory space; building will be designed for maximum flexibility to accommodate a wide range of technology companies from start-up to mature technology companies; office space for units of Tech Launch Arizona, including Tech Parks Arizona.

**Benefits:** The Bridges is a major in-fill project in the center of Tucson. The Bridges is a Planned Area Development (PAD) and includes 110 acres of retail development and 175 acres of residential development. The UA Tech Park - Bridges occupies 65 acres and can accommodate nearly 4 million square feet of office and laboratory project uses. The Technology/Innovation Building would help kick start development within UA Tech Park – Bridges and provide much needed office and laboratory space in central Tucson for small and mid-sized technology companies.

**Costs:** \$45 million (estimated)

**Bond Funding:** \$45 million

**Other Funding:** Land valued at \$2.5 million (5 acres at \$500,000/acre); University would retain title to the land and provide Pima County with a no-cost ground lease; University has already invested nearly \$6 million in the site and infrastructure improvements (the site is “development ready”); University offices would serve as an anchor tenant of the building.

**Fiscal Year Project Start and Finish Date:** (Start Date: January 2015, Finish Date: December 2016.)

**Project Management Jurisdiction:** Design and construction of the building would be by Pima County; the building would be managed and operated by the Campus Research Corporation (CRC), the entity that manages the facilities for the UA Tech Parks; title to improvements would be held by Pima County; CRC would operate the building under a master lease with Pima County.

**Future Operating and Maintenance Costs:** CRC would lease, manage and operate the building; CRC would be responsible for common area, operating and marketing expenses.

**Regional Benefits:** The UA Tech Park - Bridges provides a strategic location for technology companies and service enterprises that need or want close proximity to the University’s Main Campus, area hospitals (UA Medical Center, UA Medical Center South and VA Regional Medical Center), Downtown Tucson and Tucson International Airport. At full development, the UA Tech Park - Bridges will serve as a major employment center along the Airport/University corridor. Development will contribute to the revitalization of an economically challenged and distressed area of central Tucson.

**Supervisor District of Project Location:** District 2

**Department:** University of Arizona, Tech Parks Arizona, UA Tech Park

**2015 Bond Election Proposed Project**

**Project Name:** Science Park Drive – Rita Road to Pantano improvements

**Location:** Eastbound from Rita Road to Pantano Road alignment

**Scope:** Improve 1.4 miles of Science Park Drive to a four lane divided parkway with multi-use pathway. This is a part of a \$23 Million dollar project to improve Science Park Drive from Kolb Road to Rita Road.

**Benefits:** As the Tech Park employment and occupancy grows, improved access to the park needs to address congestion and handle increasing amounts of traffic while maintaining development guidelines designed to attract new employers and facilities. This project addresses those needs and improves accessibility, not only for vehicles, but also connects the multi-use pathway to the regional Urban Trail System to encourage non-vehicular travel. This parkway also provides an improved route to the southeast from Kolb Road to improve traffic circulation in the area in general.

**Costs:** \$10,772,000

**Bond Funding:** TBD

**Other Funding:** None for this portion of the project. Funding for the \$12 Million dollar improvement of Science Park Drive from the Pantano Road alignment to Kolb Road is to be provided by the UA Tech Park and its development partners. Additionally, the UA Tech Park has already funded \$6 Million for the water system improvement including well, pump station, storage facility and distribution lines.

**Fiscal Year Project Start and Finish Date:** Start Date: January 2015, Finish Date: December 2016.

**Project Management Jurisdiction:** Pima County.

**Future Operating and Maintenance Costs:** Roadway would be owned, operated and maintained by Pima County. If the eastern half of the Tech Park is annexed into the City of Tucson, the roadway and related infrastructure would be dedicated to the City and maintained and operated by the City.

**Regional Benefits:** The UA Tech Park is one of the major employment centers in southern Arizona with infrastructure in place to quickly absorb additional growth. Expansion of Science Park Drive to a 4 lane parkway with multi-use pathway is consistent with improving access to the Tech Park for the increasing number of employees as well as improving traffic flow between Kolb Road on the west and Rita Road on the east. The multi-use pathway will connect the interior of the Tech Park to the Julian Wash Greenway and Urban Trail System.

**Supervisor District of Project Location:** District 4

**Department:** A coalition of groups and organizations, including Tucson Museum of Art, Downtown Tucson Merchant’s Council, and University of Arizona

**2015 Bond Election Proposed Project**

**Project Name:** Tucson Visual Arts Complex – Site Acquisition

**Location:** Downtown Tucson

**Scope:** Acquisition of a preferred site for the building of a Tucson Visual Arts Complex, to anchor the Downtown Tucson Cultural District. The preferred site is the existing La Placita Village, owned by HSL Properties and located at the southwest corner of Church and Broadway Blvd.

**Benefits:** The creation of a Tucson Visual Arts Complex would support the development of a cultural and innovation district in Downtown Tucson, which would drive increased private investment, foster job creation, attract and retain young workers in the community, and create a destination for local and international tourists. The Complex would be an active, flexible, mixed-use space including office, retail, residential, light/clean manufacturing, educational, museums, and gallery uses set within indoor and outdoor spaces. The presence of visitors and workers in the Complex would support the continued growth of Downtown Tucson. The indoor and outdoor gathering spaces in the Complex would be available for use and enjoyment by the community.

Additionally, the La Placita Village currently has low-occupancy rates. Repurposing the site would increase occupancy and use of the property and would increase tax revenues.

**Cost:** The creation of the Tucson Visual Arts Complex will require funds for planning and design, site purchase and demolition, and facility construction and management. Realization will require a multi-year, multi-phase, multi-bond, public/private approach.

**Bond Funding:** The estimated cost to acquire the La Placita Village site would be \$8 million.

**Other Funding:** The multi-stage project would require a Public Private Partnership approach. Contributing partners include:

- Pima County -- Issue bonds and provide other appropriations for site acquisition, design and engineering services, and facility construction.
- City of Tucson -- Contribute funding to help renovate and maintain city-owned portions of the Stravenue, Eckbo Plaza, and Tucson Convention Center Plaza.
- Tucson Visual Art Complex Tenants -- University of Arizona could serve as an anchor tenant (among many others comprising the complex). Each tenant would be responsible for operating and maintenance cost of its facilities.

Total project cost will not be covered within a single bond issue, requiring phased development of the new facility. Potential phasing could occur as follows: Phase 1: Pima County purchases La Placita site with bond and other funds. Portions are leased to University of Arizona and other tenants for academic programs and related business. Phase 2: Pima County demolishes portions or all of La Placita development; begins construction of Phase 1 of new Visual Arts Complex. Phase 3: Pima County begins construction of Phase 2 of new Visual Arts Complex.

**Fiscal Year Project Start and Finish Date:** FY 2015/FY 2016 for acquisition of site.

**Project Management Jurisdiction:** Pima County.

**Future Operating and Maintenance Costs:** None. All O&M costs will be paid by tenants.

**Regional Benefits:** See "Benefits" above.

**Supervisor District of Project Location:** District 2

**Department:** Natural Resources, Parks, and Recreation  
**Date:** May 16, 2014

### **Future Pima County Bond Election Proposed Project**

**Project Name:** TUSD - Cooper Center for Environmental Learning (Camp Cooper) Facility Master Plan  
**Location:** 5403 W. Trails End Road, 85745

**Scope:** This project will take the existing Camp Cooper facilities, which have remained relatively unchanged and unimproved for over 40 years, and replace them with a facility that supports the valuable educational programming that occurs at the site with an innovative and sustainable model for Southern Arizona. Over the past 4 years, TUSD and Cooper Center staff members have developed a comprehensive, five phase master plan for Cooper. With Phase 1 nearing completion, renovations to the entrance area, bond funding would be allocated for Phases 2 – 5. Phase II focuses on renovations to 4 of the sleeping cabins and the construction of a new bathroom building with showers. The third phase involves the construction of a new administration building, the conversion of the old office into a multi-use classroom, and the expansion of storage for program materials. Phase IV will expand and renovate the dining ramada, construct a new commercial-grade kitchen, and provide our amphitheater with shading. The final phase of the plan would renovate the remaining 2 sleeping cabins, convert the old kitchen and old classroom to multi-use spaces, install composting toilets near the cabins, and place contemplative benches throughout the camp for visitor enjoyment of the Sonoran Desert.

**Benefits:** The Cooper Center has been offering meaningful natural world experiences and environmental learning programs for 50 years, serving over 130,000 children during that time. Each year, field trip experiences from local schools bring over 4,000 K-8 students to the center. The Cooper Center is managed through a strong partnership between Tucson Unified School District (TUSD) and the University of Arizona (UA) College of Education; providing an outdoor experiential experience to students, families and community members. The Cooper Center educational programs are available to all public, charter, and private schools, in Southern Arizona and beyond. Should the Cooper Center Facility Master Plan move forward, additional programs could be offered, the facility could be made available for use year round and additional partnerships could be developed resulting in a greater value to the community at large. Advocates for the project include TUSD, UA College of Education, UA Foundation, UA STEM Learning Center, Gates Pass Area Neighborhood Association, and the Friends of Cooper.

**Costs:** \$2 million  
**Bond Funding:** \$2 million  
**Other Funding:** None identified at this time

**Fiscal Year Project Start and Finish Date:** Project Start FY 2015 and Project Finish FY 2018

**Project Management Jurisdiction:** The project will be managed and maintained by Tucson Unified School District with operational support from University of Arizona College of Education

**Future Operating and Maintenance Costs:** Operating and Maintenance Costs will be the responsibility of TUSD. Estimated O & M costs are \$200,000 annually.

**Regional Benefits:** The Cooper Center has served over 130,000 students during its 50 year history and 4,000 students and 1,000 adults experience its programs annually. The center is a partnership between TUSD and the UA, two of our community's largest educational institutions. The Cooper Center educational programs help each learner understand the importance of relationships between nature and the human world through positive experiences in nature and the teaching of basic ecological concepts. Students who experience Cooper programs become more environmentally aware citizens in our community as well as globally.

**Supervisor District of Project Location:** District 5

Town of Marana  
Date: April 15, 2013

### **Bond Election Proposed Projects**

**Project Name:** Marana Cultural and Heritage Park (Marana Heritage River Park -Economic Development)

**Location:** The Marana Heritage River Park is located just north of the Santa Cruz River, in portions of Sections 33 and 34, T11SR11E. The site straddles Heritage Park Drive and is located just west of Tangerine Farms Road. Interstate 10 (I-10) is approximately two miles to the east.

**Scope:** Complete the design and construction of the Marana Heritage River Park (sports, performance and event facilities and infrastructure) Site development, reconstruction of public facilities to serve as interpretive and exhibition spaces, heritage and arts facilities, access (pedestrian and vehicular), parking, convenience facilities, picnic areas, demonstration areas, areas of passive recreation, and trail connections to the Santa Cruz River are all contained in the site plan. The scope compliments the Town's application for economic development funding to stimulate tourism.

**Benefits:** The long-term vision for the park is to showcase Marana's agrarian culture by integrating demonstration farming, community gardens, arts and cultural exhibits, performance and event venues, equestrian facilities, and a farmer's market as the centerpiece of a thriving commercial district and tourist destination.

As the Town of Marana works to create a safe community with a strong sense of place, where diverse people are motivated to be involved and feel connected, needed and appreciated it is important that the Town develop key initiatives and high-quality projects. The Heritage River Park celebrates Marana's rich history and agricultural heritage and provides an opportunity to offer a sense of place for the community and economic benefits through private – public partnerships.

The Marana Heritage River Park tells the story of Marana and the region's past, and celebrates, honors and interpret the community's history and culture as part of a integrated recreation experience. Located along the Santa Cruz River, the park will highlight the importance of the river and water and the role of agriculture in the arid southwest from prehistory through modern farming and agribusiness. Residents and visitors will be able to explore the evolution of the rural landscape through educational programs, art events, interactive exhibits, living history, and recreation.

By partnering with private investors and community-based organizations, the Town aims to create an economically viable destination for both locals and tourists alike. The Heritage Park project features for distinct development areas the Heritage Farm, Heritage Plaza, Heritage Park, and Heritage Ranch connected with an extensive system of walking/biking trails and shared-use paths.

#### **Heritage Farm**

One element of the Marana Heritage River Park is the Marana Heritage Farm. This learning farm provides an opportunity for Marana citizens to learn how to grow fruits and vegetables and resources on how to produce foods in Southern Arizona. The learning farm showcases Marana's heritage through demonstration farming and relevant exhibits and by providing an outdoor classroom for adults, children and families.

The Heritage Farm will feature community gardens, an open-air farmer's market, commercial kitchen facilities and flexible space for public and private use.

The Community Gardens will link area residents with agrarian opportunities passed down as the rich farming heritage of the community evolved. The Garden is a place where individuals and families can grow a portion of their own food in a collaborative environment, benefiting from the experience of other gardeners. Small parcels (10x20) centered around shared composting, tool storage, and water delivery are rented by community members at a nominal fee. Educational programming and site management help ensure a sustainable feel in the community.

### **Heritage Plaza**

The Marana Heritage Plaza provides a flexible space where a tree-lined central court serving as a shady reprieve, quickly transforms into a bustling market, art fair, or family or community celebration. Serving as the northern gateway to the Marana Heritage River Park, the Plaza sets the tone by incorporating the materials used through the historic development of the area.

Providing a design standard that promotes the Town's history, core infrastructure, and easy access to utilities, makes the Heritage Plaza an economically attractive destination for investors while balancing commercial growth with preservation of Marana's unique sense of place. Successful development of commercial partnerships is central to the viability of the Marana Heritage River Park. Bringing together historic structures with updated and new amenities developed for commercial uses allows the Town to leverage space within the Marana Heritage River Park building a business-friendly environment that fosters job growth while providing a tourism destination.

### **Heritage Park**

The Heritage River Park offers the community family-friendly play areas with attractions geared for every age. Themed areas may include a tractor playground, petting zoo, and an irrigation influenced splash pad provide learning opportunities sprinkled throughout the park.

The Marana Heritage River Park has been designed to highlight the importance of water use in the Santa Cruz River Valley. Marana has a long and rich history with more than 4,200 years of continuous human occupation. Long before the coming of the Spanish Conquistadors and missionaries in the 17th Century, the area was inhabited by the Hohokam people who developed extensive canal systems and used waters from the Santa Cruz River to irrigate crops. After WWI that Marana became primarily an agricultural center, producing mainly cotton, but also wheat, barley, alfalfa and pecans.

Adjacent to existing park facilities, a new agricultural themed splash park will provide visitors with an opportunity to experience the cooler temperatures and lush environments while learning from the functional history of irrigation farming practices. Water has been the foundation for community farming throughout history and served as a central factor in the development of what is now known as Marana. Small ponds positioned as the catch basins for the Park may provide an opportunity to serve as an educational tool to share stormwater harvesting techniques and discuss water conservation.

### **Heritage Ranch**

Marana's proud heritage of ranching and rodeo come to life at the Marana's Heritage Ranch. This facility will draw participants and viewers alike from throughout the country to experience the rich western culture kept alive through equestrian activities, concerts, fairs, and special events. The Arena's location, along the banks of the Santa Cruz River, provides the audience a unique natural setting and access to all park amenities.

Linking the areas together is the shared-use path and trail system. The Santa Cruz River Shared-Use Path, as part of an integrated fully-linked trail system, is critical in providing visitors and residents an alternative mode of transportation for access to park amenities. Part of the Juan Batista de Anza Historic Trail, the Path features rest nodes with benches, bike racks, shade, and lush desert landscaping accented by the adjacent Santa Cruz River riparian area. The Path provides: a safe ADA accessible trail for recreational purposes including walking, biking, and skating; access for birding, photography and other leisure activities without precluding equestrian access; and an opportunity to highlight events of national significance as part of the Marana heritage experience.

**Costs:** \$45,000,000

**Bond Funding:** \$20,000,000

**Other Funding:** In addition to the land contribution and more than \$2,000,000 already invested into development of the Park, the Town will leverage additional General Fund, private investment, developer contributions, and grant dollars to maximize the impact of Pima County Bond funds.

**Fiscal Year Project Start and Finish Date:** FY 20013/2014 – 2020/2021

**Project Management Jurisdiction:** Town of Marana

**Future Operating and Maintenance Costs:** Maintenance costs, estimated at \$315,000 (indirect and administrative) - for park improvements will be paid by the Town of Marana using General Fund dollars. The Marana Heritage Farm will be included as acreage in the Town's park inventory and programmed into the resource allocation for park maintenance as part of the Town's annual budget process. Both on-going funds for maintenance and one time funds for park development will be programmed as available. The Town of Marana Parks and Recreation Department will maintain all areas of the Heritage River Park property not encumbered to another entity through a "partner-use agreement". This includes, but is not be limited to, all entry points, fallow fields, fence lines, irrigation systems, landscaping, park facilities, paths, road frontage and service drives. Maintenance regimens will be based on best practices appropriate for the site to insure that Town of Marana Park Standards are met.

**Regional Benefits:** Full development of the Marana Heritage Park will provide a regional draw for tourists and visitors. Its convenient location off of I-10 allows for easy access. The rapid growth of eco and heritage based tourism makes the park and economic development vehicle for the region.

**Supervisor District of Project Location:** District 3

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**Specific County Administrator Contemporary Issue being addressed with expenditure:**

**Department:** County Administrator's Office

**Date:** 6.12.14

**Future Pima County Bond Election Proposed Project**

**Project Name:** Sonoran Corridor Highway Improvements between I-10 and I-19

**Location:** The proposed Sonoran Corridor connecting Interstate 19 just north of the Pima Mine Road interchange to Interstate 10 at Rita Road.

**Scope:** This project will provide sufficient funding to facilitate the long term interstate investment of an auxiliary interstate highway, also known as the Sonoran Corridor connecting Interstate 19 just north of the Pima Mine Road interchange to Interstate 10 at Rita Road. Total costs of the project are estimated at \$90 million. The proposal is for \$20 million in County bond funding to (1) acquire needed land from Tucson Airport Authority, (2) complete the Aerospace Parkway between Nogales Highway and Alvernon, (3) begin advanced planning, (2) start and complete right of way acquisitions, and (3) if funds remain, construct a first phase of the Sonoran Corridor from Alvernon to Wilmot. The remainder phases would be part of the larger transportation investment to be funded through both federal and state transportation related revenues.

**Benefits:** The project is part of a larger effort to increase export-based primary employment within Pima County in a location that has historically been the manufacturing and high technology job employment center of the region. This high speed connector will facilitate surface transportation mobility in this high tech and manufacturing center connecting the employment centers at the Science and Technology Park, now employing over eight thousand employees to the airport environs and aerospace and defense employment centers, employing over eighteen thousand employees. In addition, this surface transportation connection will facilitate the emergence of a major logistics center for the southwest where air, rail and surface transportation facilities are all combined to create logistics center advantages for employment growth. The facilities will interconnect the planned 2,400 acre Aerospace, Defense and Technology Business and Research Park. The primary export based employment center is patterned after other successful job centers that exist in proximity to rail, air and freeway transportation capacity. Finally, this route will create a much more efficient transportation route to TIA from the east and south.

**Costs:** \$90,000,000

**Bond Funding:** \$20,000,000

**Other Funding:** \$70,000,000 federal and state transportation revenues

**Fiscal Year Project Start and Finish Date:** TBD

**Project Management Jurisdiction:** Pima County

**Future Operating and Maintenance Costs:** All State highways are maintained by the State.

**Regional Benefits:** The Sonoran Corridor is not only an economic driver for Southern Arizona, but all communities to the south, the State of Arizona and the Southwestern United States as the gateway to Arizona's largest trading partner and the rapidly expanding economy in Mexico.

**Supervisor District of Project Location:** District 2 and 4

**Jurisdiction:** Town of Oro Valley

**Revised:** May 9, 2014

### **2014 Bond Election Proposed Project**

**Priority: 1**

**Project Name:** Oro Valley Business Accelerator

**Location:** 12941 Pusch Mountain View Lane, Oro Valley; near the intersection of Rancho Vistoso Blvd. and Innovation Park Drive.

**Scope:** The Oro Valley Business Accelerator will help small bioscience and high-tech companies, that have made it through the start-up phase, scale-up to compete in the national and international market. The Accelerator will be built on Town-owned property in Innovation Park, Oro Valley's bioscience corridor, to strengthen the Town's foothold in the bioscience and high-tech industry.

The Oro Valley Accelerator could make the following services and shared facilities available to startup companies: office space, lab space, shared access to reception, IT, biospecimens collection and repository, conference rooms, video and teleconference facility, training suites, video production for investigator training and/or human subject enrollment, research site monitors, administrative support (book-keeping, payroll, HR), and consultation on regulatory strategy, market analysis and business planning. Collaborations between DxInsights, C-Path, AZCERT and the University of Arizona could provide essential elements of the Accelerator's programs.

**Benefits:** Creating an Oro Valley Accelerator in Oro Valley will help us grow Innovation Park and create additional primary jobs. The Oro Valley Accelerator will allow small startup companies to develop a prototype of their product or its equivalent, i.e. the early clinical data or "mock up" that attracts venture capital investors in their company. Successful companies will need to scale up production of their product and at this point, may have the stability and financial support to plan the construction of new facilities.

Oro Valley is already home to Ventana Medical Systems, a member of the Roche Group, a world leader and innovator of tissue-based diagnostic solutions for patients worldwide; and sanofi, the third largest pharmaceutical company in the world. Both facilities are located in Innovation Park where there is considerable room for expansion. Additionally, the region has significant resources devoted to the development of new high-tech and bioscience ventures, such as the University of Arizona Bio5 Institute and University of Arizona Bio5 Oro Valley.

**Costs:** \$15,000,000

**Bond Funding:** \$15,000,000 bonds that avoid the gift clause

**Fiscal Year Project Start and Finish Date:** Start FY 2016/17, Finish FY 2017/18

**Project Management Jurisdiction:** Town of Oro Valley

**Future Operating and Maintenance Cost:** The facility will be operated by a third party and future O&M costs will be the responsibility of the Town of Oro Valley.

**Regional Benefits:** Regional economic development.

**Supervisor District:** 1

**Letters of Support:** TREO and University of Arizona Bio5 Institute (Attached)

**Department:** Pima County Joint Technical Education District (JTED)

**Date:** June 10, 2014

### **Future Pima County Bond Election Proposed Project**

**Project Name:** Southern Arizona Mining & Industrial Technology Centers

**Location:** Tucson/Sahuarita, Arizona

**Project Goal:** Establish regional, state of the art Mining and Industrial Technology Centers that meet the needs of Pima County's population by providing Career and Technical Education (JTED) courses to over 13,000 students, who are enrolled in more than 25 programs at 35 high schools and nine central campus locations. Additionally, the centers will co-locate Pima Community College educational services and One-Stop workforce services to provide general job seeker and employer services to all individuals and companies as well as small business development assistance in the form of workshops, seminars, one-on-one counseling and mentoring.

**Scope:** The anticipated need for the Mining and Industrial Technology Training Centers is approximately 80,000 square feet of classroom and laboratory space. Space needs include classroom and academic meeting spaces for instructional and course work as well offices for faculty, workforce and support staff. An industrial shop and outdoor equipment operating space will provide a hands-on environment and 'real-world' application for students and workforce training. Additional large resource areas with shared and networking conferencing space, wired divisible classroom space, and offices will provide basic job seeker and employer services to all individuals and companies as well as on-site workshops and seminars on business related topics and business counseling.

**Project Description:** The Mining & Industrial Technology Centers will be regional one-stop center for education, workforce development and small business assistance in Pima County. The centers will integrate industry partners, programs and access to academic institutions, workforce development, business counseling and training. Additionally each center will serve as a central campus for the Joint Technical Education District (JTED). One center will be located roughly in the Sahuarita/Green Valley area to serve the nearly 7000 high school students from Southern Tucson to Nogales. An additional site somewhere near 1-10 between 22<sup>nd</sup> and Valencia would serve nearly 10,000 students that attend high school within less than a 10 mile radius. The estimated enrollment of high school students at each site is approximately 700.

At the center high school students will learn specific skills necessary to secure a job as well earn dual Pima Community College or University of Arizona credit in select programs. Furthermore the center will work with business and industry to ensure that all students have the opportunity to move to careers and college.

Participating high school students will learn about the wide variety of careers available in mining and industrial technology including heavy equipment, welding, electrical power transmission, diesel mechanic and fixed plant maintenance. The mining technologies coursework will emphasize the basics of heavy equipment operations for the mining industry, of which students will learn through course work simulations as well as hands-on 'real-word' equipment. Specific applications of mining rigging and mine safety will also be taught. The Mining & industrial Technology Centers will provide students with the opportunity to earn a national certification that can be used to gain entry into apprenticeship

programs at various mine operations and ancillary businesses throughout Southern Arizona and further supporting job growth in Pima County.

The Mining and Industrial Technology Centers will utilize strategic partnerships with Pima County's Workforce Investment Board to assist people and support employers as well as the Small Business Development network to provide high impact, quality services and training to help business owners and further strengthen the local economy.

The innovative aspect of this program is the colocation of the continuing educational services for students and workforce development services for companies. Pima Community College will partner in the centers to deliver post-secondary as well as incumbent worker training. This partnership will create clear pathways for students from high school into the workforce. Additionally, programs will be available through Pima to offer training and certification to adults throughout the region. This partnership will maximize resources through sharing of space, equipment and personnel. The ongoing maintenance and operations costs of the facility will be shared with Pima Community College. Revenue generated from partners who lease space for small business development will also be utilized to maintain and operate the facility.

In addition to the regional centers, another goal of this initiative is to further define the industrial technologies pathways and increase opportunities for students at high schools throughout the county. A common foundation curriculum that can be implemented at virtually any high school is being piloted at Walden Grove and Sahuarita High Schools. This foundational curriculum aligns with the advanced pathways. This provides the opportunity for Pima County to develop a regional approach to meeting the demands of the future skilled workforce.

**Regional Benefits:** Mining is one of the few industries where long-term, well-paying jobs are being added at an impressive rate. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics and reported by the 2011 American Resources Review between June 2010 and 2011 metals mining jobs grew 3.9 percent and in jobs support activities by 19.2 percent nationally. Based on U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA) projections, the U.S. mining industry is expected to grow to over at least the next ten years, adding 11,000-13,000 per year. EIA projects that the industry will also need 78,000 replacement workers due to retirement, bringing the total of 128,000 new positions by 2019.

Mining serves a critical part of the workforce in the region, but it is not the only employer of people with these skills. The commercial construction industry has as seen a significant amount of growth following the "Great Recession." Coupled with the fact that the average age of a construction worker is nearly 55, the opportunities for skilled professionals in fields such as industrial electrician, welding, equipment operation and even construction management are steadily growing. These are highly skilled and well-paying jobs. ONET (Occupational Information Network) through the Department of Labor indicates the median salary for a welder in Arizona is nearly \$40,000 per year and the same is true for an electrician. Diesel mechanics and machinery mechanics can earn as much as \$46,800 as the median salary. Moreover, ONET reports these job categories will see 20%-30% growth in new jobs between 2010 and 2020.

For 2012 the impact of mining to Pima County's economy was estimated to be 14,230 jobs and over \$1.3 billion in total income. The average the labor income of mining company employees is \$99,500 per worker with average labor income across all employment directly and indirectly supported by the

mining industry at \$63,500. Pima County accounts for 27 percent of all mining related jobs in Arizona and claims a large share of the jobs supported by the spending of mining-related general tax revenue.

The Mining & Industrial Technology Centers will develop clear pathway from high school to postsecondary to the workforce and on to additional training by utilizing strategic partnerships to maximize resources and develop skills necessary to secure a job in mining and industrial technology careers. The centers will also integrate workforce development, business counseling and training in support of individuals who are transitioning and pursuing a second career as an entrepreneur and business start-up.

**Costs:** *Estimated cost of \$16,000,000*

**Bond Funding:** *\$12,000,000*

**Other Funding:** Other funding will come in the form of donated equipment from partnering businesses. Ongoing operational budget capacity will be available through enrollment in the Pima County Joint Technical Education programs as well as tuition from the Pima College Programs.

**Fiscal Year Project Start and Finish Date:** Start 2016. Projected Completion: 2018

**Project Management Jurisdiction:** Pima County Joint Technical Education District

**Future Operating and Maintenance Costs:** \$2 million dollars/year for the Pima County JTED portion of the operations. PCC will provide maintenance and operations budget capacity for the adult education portions of the operation. Cost will be shared for equipment whenever possible. Additional funds from revenue generated from leased space for business development and other support services will be utilized to operate and maintain the facility.

**Supervisor District of Project Location:** District 2

## Comments/Letters Received

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Pima County Bond Advisory Board  
Pima County Board of Supervisors  
Pima County Administrator

**FROM:** Dr. Ann Weaver Hart, University of Arizona President

**DATE:** June 5, 2014

**RE:** University of Arizona support of 2015 Pima County Bond proposed projects



The University of Arizona is committed to partnering with Pima County and its residents to support and enhance our positive economic impact on the community. The proposed 2015 Pima County Bond provides several opportunities for innovative partnerships that would drive economic growth for the County, while supporting the mission of the University to improve the prospects and enrich the lives of the people of Arizona through education, research, technology commercialization and cultural and social development.

Earlier this year, I established a UA Bond Committee, which has reviewed the proposed projects, engaged government and community members, worked with relevant units at UA, such as Tech Launch Arizona, and undertaken research to help identify and develop those projects that provide the best opportunity for partnership and impact. The projects the UA supports fulfill all the following criteria:

- Drive positive economic impact for the community in the short and long-term
- Leverage the world class research, educational, and technology commercialization resources of the University for the good of the Pima County community and the University community
- Create a strong partnership between the University and the County, and require commitment of resources and collaboration from both parties
- Support the goals of the Never Settle strategic academic and business plan of the University of Arizona

Based on this work, the University of Arizona will support the following proposed 2015 Pima County Bond projects:



- Innovation/Technology Building at the UA Tech Park – Bridges (Bond Funding: \$45 million): Funding for a 150K sq. ft. multi-tenant office/research building at the UA Tech Park – Bridges location.

Benefit: Provide an employment center in an economically challenged part of Central Tucson; provide an opportunity for business tenants to connect to strength areas of the University from a location close to UA main campus.

UA involvement: Provide the County with a no-cost **ground lease and option** to serve as first (anchor) tenant of UA commercialization activities; the UA has invested \$6M in site and infrastructure improvements (the site is “development ready”). Additional private sector development would be expected based on the commitment of the County and UA to the site. (See Appendix 1 for further details.)

- Science Park Drive at the UA Tech Park– Rita Road to Pantano Improvement (Bond Funding: \$10.8M): Improvement of 1.4 miles of Science Park Drive to a four-lane roadway.

Benefit: Handle increasing amounts of traffic while maintaining development guidelines designed to attract new employers and facilities to the Tech Park; reduce congestion, connect multi-use pathway to the Urban Trail System and improve circulation.

UA involvement: This is part of a larger project to improve Science Park Drive. UA has funded \$6M of improvements. (See Appendix 2 for further details.)

In addition to the projects listed above, there are other proposed projects before the Pima County Bond Advisory Committee which would require the collaboration of the UA in order to be successful. While these projects are not a priority as seen in the University’s academic and business plan, the UA will participate, through appropriate internal departments, in supporting the success of these projects as follows:

- Tucson Visual Arts Complex, Site Acquisition (Bond Funding: \$8M): Acquisition of a site for the proposed Tucson Visual Arts Complex multi-use facility to anchor the Downtown Tucson Cultural District.

Benefit: Secure the anchor site for a cultural and innovation district in Downtown Tucson to drive increased investment and job creation.

UA involvement: Upon completion of the facility, the UA would partner with the County to explore options to become an anchor tenant in the Complex and opportunities to bring

educational programs or cultural assets to the Complex in order to drive interest and traffic to the District.

- Pima County Library/YMCA Regional Center at the UA Tech Park (Bond Funding: \$6M library, \$6M YMCA): Build a joint-use public facility to house a branch library and a YMCA at the UA Tech Park.

Benefits: Serve the 373K residents living within 5 miles of the UA Tech Park.

UA involvement: Provide land valued at \$5.3M for the facility; lease the facility to the County, with eventual transfer of ownership to County.

## Deseret Romero

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**From:** Nicole Fyffe  
**Sent:** Friday, May 16, 2014 1:09 PM  
**To:** Deseret Romero  
**Subject:** FW: Bond Advisory Committee Feedback 2014-05-15 08:20 PM Submission Notification

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<b>Last Name</b>	Barker
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<b>State</b>	AZ
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<b>Zipcode</b>	85705
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<b>Message Subject</b>	Living Streets Alliance's proposal
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<b>Comment</b>	I'm writing in support of Living Streets Alliance's proposal for pedestrian improvements in Pima County, as I am unable to attend the Pima County Bond Advisory Committee meeting on Friday May 16th. Encouraging pedestrian activity has the double benefit of reducing vehicle emissions and traffic and improving health through physical exercise. Please consider this important proposal.
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<b>Response requested</b>	Yes
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Thank you, Pima County, Arizona

## Deseret Romero

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Name	Value
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<b>Last Name</b>	putnam-hidalgo
<b>Email</b>	<a href="mailto:sukai@cox.net">sukai@cox.net</a>
<b>Address</b>	646 S. Third Ave.
<b>City</b>	Tucson
<b>State</b>	AZ
<b>Zipcode</b>	85701

**Message Subject** Pedestrian Use of our city

**Comment** Dear Bond Advisory Committee, I would like to wholeheartedly support the Living Streets Alliance request for bond monies to go towards making Tucson a more walkable city. The climatic reasons are obvious, but so are the importance of building a more community-friendly city. I live in Armory Park, where we were blessed years ago with the foresight of a neighbor who bucked the City engineers, convincing them to allow her to engage in planting street trees. My son now walks to school under the shade of those trees which add immeasurably to the community feel of the neighborhood. We have lots of walkers, and it really adds to the neighborhood. However, I work at Holladay School on 33rd and Fremont. Like many TUSD schools, it was pretty bereft of living vegetation until I and other parents and grandparents put the energy into relandscaping it. However, the neighborhood surrounding it is what one might politely call "blighted" by lack of shade trees, decent sidewalks or streets without potholes. This area, around the school, receives more traffic than the rest of the neighborhood and would benefit mightily from more trees, wider sidewalks and less potholes. (Some of our parents accompany their kids to school in wheelchairs and find the potholes quite dangerous) My intention is not to ask you to focus on this one neighborhood, but to consider that our schools are a locus of pedestrian traffic, and the pedestrians are little folk, often not too busy watching for broken sidewalks or holes in the asphalt. Any monies that you could include in your request to buttress the "walkscape" of our school areas would be much appreciated and add not only to the sense of community but to the safety of our students.

**Response requested Yes**  
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<b>Address</b>	646 S. Third Ave.
<b>City</b>	Tucson
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<b>Zipcode</b>	85701

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Last Name	Chia
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Address	
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City	Tucson
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State	AZ
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Zipcode	85718
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**Message Subject** Living Streets Alliance Bond

**Comment** Dear Bond Advisory Committee Member, Please approve funding for the Living Streets Alliance to provide much-needed pedestrian infrastructure improvements in our region (Tucson and Pima County). Their cause is very important and everyone can benefit from LSA's work. This will help to reduce pedestrian and bicyclist accidents with cars and create safer, walkable, and bikeable areas in our neighborhoods. Sincerely, Sam Chia

**Response requested** No

**Referred Page** <http://www.livingstreetsalliance.org/2014/05/take-a-stand-for-pedestrian-safety/>

Thank you, Pima County, Arizona

## Deseret Romero

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**From:** Nicole Fyffe  
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**To:** Deseret Romero  
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### Name

**First Name** Patricia L

**Last Name** Kelly

**Email** [patkelly38@gmail.com](mailto:patkelly38@gmail.com)

**Address** 9342 E PALM TREE DR

**City** TUCSON

**State** AZ

**Zipcode** 85710

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**Message Subject** Walkable Region for Pedestrians in Pima County

### Comment

Last fall my dog was killed while I was walking with her across Spanish Trail just east of Harris Traffic Control to evaluate the crosswalk/road situation and discovered that the motorists travel legally at this intersection. Traffic Control Department recommendation to close Spanish Trail in dangerous pedestrian walkway closer to the curve in the right lane of 22nd - but this is not an access - only on the north side of the road which was initially used by bikers and pedestrians to access walk the berm to access work or home. I chose to walk my dog on the sidewalk with the legal crossing my dog and almost cost me serious injury or potential death. I displayed symptoms of PTSD at intersections. This is a request for the City and County to put in safe walkways on both sides of Pima County. All future walkways should be tree shaded, separate from road and bike lanes, and Saguara East). Future plans for walkways should alleviate heat island effect of concrete, provide

**Response requested** No

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Thank you, Pima County, Arizona

## Deseret Romero

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<b>Zipcode</b>	85705
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**Message Subject** Pedestrian Improvements

<b>Comment</b>	I am writing to ask for your support of the recommendations that Living Streets Alliance made to the Commission for pedestrian improvements to be included in the upcoming bond package. Pedestrian Improvements in Pima County are key to making this part of Southern Arizona more liveable and more enjoyable to live in. We plan out the bond package.
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**Response requested** No

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Thank you, Pima County, Arizona

**Deseret Romero**

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<b>Last Name</b>	Allen-O'Sullivan
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<b>Address</b>	555 E. Roger Road
<b>City</b>	Tucson
<b>State</b>	AZ
<b>Zipcode</b>	85705

**Message Subject**

1. I would like to see better pedestrian entrances into businesses. Very often it's dangerous to walk into store parking lots like Walmart or Target or Tucson Malls. A lot of times, people are considered losers or low life because they walk. 2. Walking is not a crime and people who like to walk or have to walk are no lesser citizens than those who drive. There needs to be more empathy for pedestrian walkers. 3 It is seriously dangerous to have crosswalks between intersections that have no lights. One in particular is on Broadway. Maybe there are others, but they should have lights, especially if the road is more than 4 lanes wide. I have slammed on my brakes several times on Broadway because there are 6 lanes not including bus lanes which makes it difficult to see someone trying to cross from the opposite side of the street. Thank you for taking the time to read this. Cynthia Allen-O'Sullivan

**Response requested** No

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Thank you, Pima County, Arizona

**Deseret Romero**

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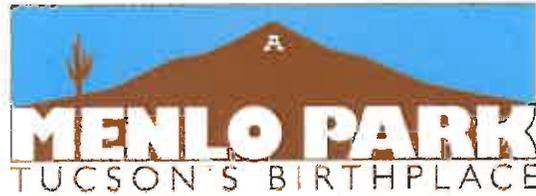
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Email	<a href="mailto:Avon1112@yahoo.com">Avon1112@yahoo.com</a>
Address	
City	
State	AZ
Zipcode	85705
Message Subject	Pedestrian improvements
Comment	I am in support of getting as much help as possible for any pedestrian improvements that we can for our neighborhood. Please count me in as support for this area. Thank you.
Response requested	No
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Thank you, Pima County, Arizona



212 South Avenida del Sembrador – Tucson, Arizona 85745 – 520.971.2348

May 15, 2014

To: The Chairman and Members of the Pima County Bond Advisory Committee  
Subject: Pedestrian Safety and Comfort Bond Proposal

Dear Bond Advisory Committee,

On behalf of the Menlo Park Neighborhood Association I am submitting this letter in support of the Living Streets Alliance Bond Proposal designed to improve pedestrian safety and walkability in the Tucson region.

While the intent of the proposed bond speaks for itself, it is important to call attention to the exemplary work that is already being carried out by the Living Streets Alliance (LSA) in our community. Recently, the Menlo Park Neighborhood Association was the beneficiary of a Walkability Assessment workshop conducted by LSA in concert with neighborhood residents. The interactive workshop engaged participants to discover features that characterize a walkable neighborhood. Following a professional educational presentation residents toured Menlo Park to assess the walking environment and to see and understand the value of walkability.

We learned that communities that support walkability are safer places to live - an important fact in Tucson where, last year, there were 20 pedestrian fatalities. We learned that walkable neighborhoods: promote physical health; provide better access for people of all abilities; increase property values; improve air quality; reduce greenhouse gas emissions and much more.

At one time or another during the day we are all pedestrians. So it makes sense for the Bond Committee to approve a relatively small investment that would go a long way to improving the quality of life for all the residents of Pima County.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gene Einfrank'. The signature is fluid and cursive, written over a light blue horizontal line.

Gene Einfrank, president  
Menlo Park Neighborhood Association

**Deseret Romero**

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**From:** Nicole Fyffe  
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<b>Address</b>	1201 w roger rd apt 6
<b>City</b>	tucson
<b>State</b>	AZ
<b>Zipcode</b>	85705
<b>Message Subject</b>	pedestrian improvements
<b>Comment</b>	Hi I would like to support funding for Westwood Village Neighborhood. There are lots of beneficial reasons and ways to help with the neighborhood. We have lots of elderly people that use walkers and it is difficult for them to walk.
<b>Response requested</b>	No
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Thank you, Pima County, Arizona



Chairman and Members  
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee  
c/o Pima County Administrator's Office  
130 W Congress Street  
Tucson AZ 85701

Subject: Pedestrian Safety and Comfort Bond Proposal

May 15, 2014

Chairman and Members,

Local First Arizona strongly supports the Living Streets Alliance request to include \$25,000,000 in bond funds for pedestrian capital improvements for the 12th Avenue business corridor.

Local First Arizona is the largest local business coalition in North America. We represent over 2,500 Arizona owned businesses. As a local business coalition we are dedicated to preserving and promoting the maintenance and development of dense, walkable business districts. We know that these are economically vibrant areas that promote job and business growth in our cities. Knight Foundation Soul of the Community reports have identified walkable streets as one of the top 3 factors in creating community attachment and have shown that this attachment correlates positively to higher GDP. We have also seen studies that also positively correlate community attachment to higher voter turnout and increased tax revenues paid. Other studies have shown that businesses in walkable districts pay an average of 27-54% higher rental rates for these areas, leading to an increase in property values and higher tax revenues.

These walkable, pedestrian friendly neighborhood destinations are vital to economic competitiveness and attracting and retaining key community members and youth. For all of these reasons, Local First AZ strongly supports the Pedestrian Safety and Comfort Bond Proposal.

If you have any questions about our support of this bond funding, please contact me at [erika@localfirstaz.com](mailto:erika@localfirstaz.com) or 520-628-2728. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Erika R. White".

Erika Mitnik-White  
Southern Arizona Coordinator, Local First Arizona

CC: Chuck Huckelberry, Pima County Administrator, Kimber Lanning, Executive Director LFA, [Nicole.Fyffe@pima.gov](mailto:Nicole.Fyffe@pima.gov), Emily Yetman, Living Streets Alliance

## Deseret Romero

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Address	
City	
State	AZ
Zipcode	85705
Message Subject	pedestrian improvements
Comment	I am in favor of the pedestrian improvements for the westward village area. Please make this count as my vote for our area improvements. thank you
Response requested	No
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Thank you, Pima County, Arizona



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Tucson, AZ 85701

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Pima County Bond Advisory Committee  
Chairman and Members  
C/o Pima County Administration Office  
130 W Congress  
Tucson, AZ 75701

Re: Pedestrian Safety and Comfort Bond Proposal

Dear Chairman and Members.

As a business owner and property owner both in the city and the county I support the efforts of the Living Streets Alliance and their role in improving infrastructure, and in particular, infrastructure that effects alternative transportation.

I am writing to you today in support of the pedestrian funding initiative proposed by Living Streets Alliance in the next bond election. I believe the efforts of the Living Streets Alliance are an important component to improving the overall quality of life for all Tucsonans. I believe making our streets more appealing and engaging and walkable will make Tucson a better place.

I urge you to support the Pedestrian Safety and Comfort Bond Proposal.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kevin Madden", is written over the typed name.

Kevin Madden  
Madden Media

## Deseret Romero

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<b>Address</b>	1291 W. McMillan St
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<b>Zipcode</b>	85705

**Message Subject** Pedestrian Improvements

**Comment** Westwood Village Subdivision has been badly neglected by both city and county for over 53 years. I attended the meeting today and it was hard to hear the opinions of some of the members. I know the proposal for "Pedestrian Improvements" came off like a commercial, but there are serious issues here. W. Roger Rd. for the last twenty years I've lived here has had NO sidewalks, NO curbs (to keep traffic out of your living room), NO street lights, even after a pedestrian was killed ON THE COUNTY SIDE of W. Roger Rd.. I'm sure the county gets a pretty good tax base off the Outlaw Saloon which is a menace to our community. Perhaps your committee could vote to use some of that money since drunken drivers hitting pedestrians is of grave concern to all of us. Last week I saw a woman in a electric wheelchair riding with a dog alongside her on Limberlost (north side of Limberlost, again county rd.) she was in the street because electric wheelchairs fall over in the uneven dirt and gravel. The Westbound traffic was doing 35mph in the center turn lane to avoid hitting her. It made me sick to my stomach that wheelchair bound people are treated like that. To the gentleman who voted nay to the proposal perhaps he would reconsider after reading this. Please give this proposal serious consideration. Thank you for your time, Theresa Pena

**Response requested** Yes  
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Thank you, Pima County, Arizona

**Deseret Romero**

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**Message Subject** pedestrian improvements, public safety

**Comment** i have lived on McMillan St. in the Westwood Village Subdivision since 1967. In all that time the only changes in Roger Rd have been a 4-way stop at Roger and Fairview, the extreme increase in traffic, both pedestrian and vehicular , the increase in the number of potholes in the road. It is still the rinky-dink two lane road bordering the city and the county and with neither taking responsibility. We deserve as much help as those north of the Rillito River.

**Response requested** Yes

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Thank you, Pima County, Arizona

Pima County Bond Advisory Committee  
110 W. Congress 10<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Tucson, AZ 85701

To the Bond Committee Members:

It is a great concern to see that our Board of Supervisors is considering putting a bond proposal on various projects to the voters for their consideration to help better our community.

It is also of great concern to read and hear that the projects for a bond proposal may not be or benefit the entire community.

Any bond proposals must consider regional and jurisdictional balance before going to the voters and for many years, many segments of our community have benefited while others have gone without.

The South side and specifically the South Park area has endured historical discrimination because Tucson's African-American population was segregated into one area to live, and received very little from our government officials in terms of infrastructure, economic incentive and being able to better the quality of life for all residents.

Despite this, the people in South Park fought for the El Pueblo Recreation center, improvements to the El Pueblo neighborhood center and the initial work for the Quincie Douglas Center.

I have heard that the County Bond Committee is considering a proposal that does not make Tucson's South side a priority.

It would be a terrible step in the wrong direction if the Board of Supervisors votes to put a package to the voters that doesn't benefit all aspects of our community. If the Quincie Douglas expansion is not part of the proposal, the South side will not consider the rest of the proposal because for too long, the South side has not had a seat at the table with the rest of the community.

Thank you.



Willie Blake  
Western Hills II NA



James Christopher  
Pueblo Gardens NA

Cc: Nicole Fyffe

May 14, 2014

Pima County Bond Advisory Committee  
c/o Pima County Administrator's Office  
130 W Congress Street  
Tucson AZ 85701

RE: Pedestrian Safety and Walkability Improvements

Dear Chairman Hecker and Committee Members,

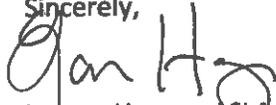
The purpose of the Arizona Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects (AZ ASLA) is, in part, to advocate for the advancement of landscape architecture as an instrument of service in the public welfare. There is much to recommend the proposal provided by the Living Streets Alliance, and I believe the resulting project will support the goals of AZ ASLA.

In the key areas of sustainability, climate change, and the environment an enhanced pedestrian component of the local transportation infrastructure promotes a less car centered culture which, in turn, lowers harmful emissions and minimizes new roadway construction thus reducing the Urban Heat Island Effect. Jurisdictions that invest in this type of green infrastructure will lead the country as we all come to terms with climate change.

As younger generations gravitate towards urban centers that offer not only employment but a high quality of life, they are likely to choose a living environment that includes healthful pedestrian routes to employers, and interesting public spaces including inviting streetscapes. Cities and counties that embrace these needs will be more likely to attract and retain a highly skilled work force and major employers.

In reviewing the proposal made by the Living Streets Alliance, it is clear this organization has consulted with the jurisdictions within Pima County addressing their specific concerns. Additionally, Living Streets Alliance focused on the highest unmet needs within our multi-modal transportation system and has tailored a competitive request for consideration by the Pima County Bond Advisory Committee.

As the Southern Section Chair of the Arizona Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects, I offer my full support for Pedestrian Safety and Walkability Improvements.

Sincerely,  
  
Lauren Harvey, ASLA

**Deseret Romero**

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**From:** Nicole Fyffe  
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<b>Message Subject</b>	pedestrian improvements
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<b>Comment</b>	grant to make area of flowing wells/west roger rd walkable/lights
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<b>Response requested</b>	No
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**Deseret Romero**

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**Message Subject** Pedestrian improvements

**Comment** My husband, Ronald K, and I attended the meeting of the Pima County Bond Advisory Committee meeting held yesterday, 5/16/14 at the River Park Inn. We were there in support of the Pedestrian Safety and Walkability Improvements (Living Streets Alliance), item 4C under New Proposals. We walk and bike ride in the neighborhoods between Fairview Ave and Flowing Wells Rd and Prince Rd and Roger Rd. Most of the streets have sidewalks but there are no street lights, crosswalks, or speed bumps of any kind. Walking along Roger Rd between Fairview and Flowing Wells is dangerous as there are no curbs, sidewalks, or street lighting. Vehicles traveling from Fairview to Tuttle Ave, down west Simmons St, do so as that is the only direct route to Flowing Wells Rd (Simmons St to Tuttle Ave; Tuttle Ave to Pelaa; Pelaa to Reno and Reno to either Knox or Pastime to Flowing Wells).

**Response requested** No

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Thank you, Pima County, Arizona

**Deseret Romero**

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**Message Subject** pedestrian improvements for transit

**Comment** I support the LSA proposal for pedestrian improvements because they are ESSENTIAL to a useful and well-functioning public transit system. We MUST do everything in our power to redress the historical bias toward accommodating and facilitating car travel over all other modes. The City of Tucson and the region are looking to make the bus system more efficient, but that will require greater reliance on a grid of routes in which riders must change buses from one route to another. The cost in time, and the safety hazards involved in making those connections, must be reduced by making our whole road system more safe and comfortable for people traveling on foot and by wheelchair. We hear a great deal about the value of investment in transit-oriented development. We have a tremendous amount of existing density of housing, work, and shopping opportunities located along corridors where transit DOES already go, that could be made infinitely more transit friendly by modest investments in walkability improvements.

**Response requested** No

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Thank you, Pima County, Arizona

**Deseret Romero**

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**Message Subject** Pedestrian Improvements and safety

We would like to get the funding for Pedestrian improvements in Westwood Village Subdivion per the living street alliance proposal. We have many pedestrians due to low-income housing and several schools in our neighborhood. Many students walk daily to Flowing wells High Schoo and Walter Douglas Elementary School and others. We have had an ongoing problem with speeding traffic and two homes in our subdivision have been hit by cars twice each. Please consider the proposal for our area. We desperately need it. Thank you, Mary Swaim

**Response requested** No

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Thank you, Pima County, Arizona

## Deseret Romero

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**Message Subject** Pedestrian/Walkability bond

Dear Bond Advisory Commissioners: I'm writing today to voice my support for the pedestrian safety and walkability bond proposed last week by Emily Yetman of the Living Streets Alliance. As a citizen of Tucson, my reasons for desiring major improvements to the city's walking facilities are many and varied. I walk to reduce stress, to guard against osteoporosis, to stay fit, to clear my thoughts, and to manage my mental health—I have been diagnosed with major depression, and even Tucson's endless sunshine does not help my mood as much as walking regularly, and doing it rather than driving whenever possible (with the added benefit of seeing and meeting other members of my community, which additionally aids my mental health). I live in Menlo Park neighborhood, close enough to San Agustin Market for convenient walking. BUT walking is often uncomfortable and unsafe due to the lack or inadequacy of basic necessities: 1) Sidewalks, 2) Streetlights, 3) Shade! Walkers must be protected from the blistering desert sun in order to be safe and comfortable. I have seen men in wheelchairs and women pushing strollers IN THE STREET because the sidewalks along West Congress are so uneven. This is truly unconscionable. Additionally, my neighborhood is lately seeing a beneficial increase of small neighborhood businesses, and these would be greatly supported by better non-automobile accessibility. I also think of my mother, who is in her 70s, lives alone, and struggles with a disability that means she can no longer drive. She lives in a small town in which she can walk to her bus stop, post office, and grocery store from her apartment, and all this is vitally important for her quality of life. This would not likely be possible for her in Tucson, although I know there are many people like her here. In brief, walking infrastructure does not discriminate against those living in poverty or with disabilities the way car-centered roads do. Having lived in New York City, I have also seen what extraordinarily vibrant community places streets can be. I suspect the streets of Tucson were once thriving centers for community life, before car-centered development slowly brought that to an end. It is a shame that walking is not only dangerous in Tucson, but also prevents residents from feeling a real sense of connection with one another much of the time. I have seen in New York the magic of street life: It puts all the varied and different members of the community face to face, unshielded by cars, in a low-pressure

environment where we can see and hear and come to understand each other better and more deeply. It helps us know who we are and where we are, and helps us see what we have in common. I believe, too, that the ripple effects of improving walkability infrastructure will benefit the economy of all of Pima County in the coming decades, as more young people choose to live in walkable areas and move to cities that provide quality pedestrian infrastructure. In the information economy of the 21st century, many companies can be based anywhere, and businesses are choosing locations based on how attractive a city can be to young employees, which enables the company to lure and retain the highest quality staff. This bond could do tremendous work to reduce Tucson's "brain drain" problem, by helping to lure more, better job opportunities for each year's crop of U of A graduates and offering a higher quality of life for those who stay. For these reasons and more, not least of which is the shockingly high rate of preventable pedestrian deaths in Tucson, I strongly urge you to support the pedestrian safety and walkability bond when it comes back around for your consideration in October. Best, Marin Sardy

**Response requested** No

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Thank you, Pima County, Arizona



April 8, 2013

Greg Caton  
Town Manager  
Town of Oro Valley  
11000 N La Canada Dr  
Oro Valley, AZ 85737

Dear Greg,

As director of the BIO5 Institute, I strongly support your proposal to develop an Oro Valley Accelerator at the Municipal Operation Center (MOC). Establishing this center in partnership with Sanofi, TREO, Ventana, and the University of Arizona will be crucial to elevating economic development and job creation for the region.

The Town of Oro Valley is central to the most significant bioscience cluster in Arizona. It is here where scientific collaboration, technological innovation and business opportunity thrives. As home to almost a dozen leading bioscience and hi-tech companies, Oro Valley enjoys a diverse business environment.

Additionally, the Translational Drug Discovery and Development Center and Accelerator located in the BIO5 Institute's Oro Valley facility boasts a hybrid atmosphere that bridges academia and industry. The accelerator space also provides a good space for new companies to grow in a cost-effective wet lab research space and access to shared resources. BIO5 is committed to playing a key role in creating a biotechnology hub in Oro Valley and leveraging our combined resources. As such, I enthusiastically support the proposed development of the Oro Valley Accelerator in conjunction with the Town of Oro Valley's continued promotion and expansion of BIO5's accelerator located adjacent to Innovation Park, Sanofi, and Ventana. I have no doubt that these efforts will contribute to the regions economic growth and the State's excellence in the life sciences and biotech.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if additional information is needed.

Sincerely,

Fernando D. Martinez, MD  
Regents' Professor  
Director, BIO5 Institute and CTSI  
Director, Arizona Respiratory Center  
Swift-McNear Professor of Pediatrics

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Friday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2013

Greg Caton  
Town Manager  
Town of Oro Valley  
11000 N La Canada Dr  
Oro Valley, AZ 85737



Dear Greg,

As the lead economic development agency for the greater Tucson and southern Arizona, TREO supports the proposed Oro Valley Accelerator. Creating an Oro Valley Accelerator at the Municipal Operation Center will help us grow the region's bioscience economy and help create primary jobs.

Oro Valley is home to some of the region's most important assets in the bioscience sectors. As home to Ventana and Sanofi, Oro Valley has established itself as a hub for bioscience innovation. In addition, with tools like the Economic Expansion Zone, Oro Valley is leading the way on creating a business friendly environment to attract world class companies.

TREO supports the Town's efforts to create a bioscience accelerator. Such a facility would provide an essential new tool and improve the region's competitiveness. Bioscience is one of our most important economic drivers and an Oro Valley accelerator would contribute significantly to our ability to attract and grow bioscience and high tech firms.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joe Snell", is written over a horizontal line.

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