

# Public Comments

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January 9, 2015

Pima County Bond Advisory Committee  
c/o Deseret Romero  
Pima County Administration  
130 W. Congress, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Committee Members:

I am writing this letter in support of the 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue Cultural and Culinary Corridor Project that is currently under consideration by the Bond Advisory Committee.

Twelfth Avenue holds special significance in Tucson as a cultural and culinary destination. It has many retail shops, restaurants, small businesses, and a strong sense of community. Businesses here have persevered despite not having crucial infrastructure, and the corridor is a hub of transportation for people from all areas of Tucson and beyond.

This area has gone without much-needed investment for years. Sidewalks along roadways are missing, there aren't enough bus shelters, and there is very little landscaping. Roads have not been maintained and potholes are a hazard to community members. These problems make it dangerous for pedestrians, drivers, and bikers who live in and visit the 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue corridor.

The 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue area is as deserving of the Bond Committee's attention and investment as other Tucson neighborhoods. Funding improvements of roadways and community infrastructure will help this area to attract more of the businesses and patrons that make it a vibrant place. Existing businesses will flourish and thrive, contributing to making Tucson as a whole a better city.

As a resident of the 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue corridor and someone who is vested in the success and improvement of my community, I ask that you please invest in the 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue Cultural and Culinary Corridor.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Macario Saldate".

Macario Saldate  
Member, Arizona House of Representatives

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**Deseret Romero**

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**From:** notification@pima.gov  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 04, 2015 12:30 AM  
**To:** bondinfo  
**Subject:** Feedback Form 2015-02-04 12:29 AM Submission Notification

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| <b>Message Subject</b> | Velodrome & LSA |
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| <b>Comment</b> | Thank you for supporting these two bond projects! |
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| <b>Response requested</b> | No |
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Thank you, Pima County, Arizona

**Deseret Romero**

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**From:** notification@pima.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 03, 2015 9:31 PM  
**To:** bondinfo  
**Subject:** Feedback Form 2015-02-03 09:31 PM Submission Notification

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| <b>First Name</b> | Joy               |
| <b>Last Name</b>  | Mockbee           |
| <b>Email</b>      | [REDACTED]        |
| <b>Address</b>    | 2245 E. Seneca St |
| <b>City</b>       | Tucson            |
| <b>State</b>      | AZ                |
| <b>Zipcode</b>    | 85719             |

**Message Subject** thanks for putting walkability on the bond package!

**Comment** Thanks so much for putting this critical project on the bond package. This is essential to the future health of Pima County residents.

**Response requested** No

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Thank you, Pima County, Arizona

**Deseret Romero**

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**From:** notification@pima.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 03, 2015 12:29 PM  
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| <b>First Name</b> | Mark                    |
| <b>Last Name</b>  | Reynolds                |
| <b>Email</b>      | [REDACTED]              |
| <b>Address</b>    | 2308 E. Eastland Street |
| <b>City</b>       | Tucson                  |
| <b>State</b>      | AZ                      |
| <b>Zipcode</b>    | 85719                   |

**Message Subject** Bond Committee and Walkability

**Comment** Dear Bond Advisory Committee, Thank you for listening to the people who spoke on behalf of the Pedestrian Safety & Walkability proposal and moving to include it in the bond. I realize that there is a lot more work for you to do to put together a package that is feasible and that people will vote for. I hope that you will be able to keep the funding and spirit of the proposal intact throughout the process. Thanks for taking on the job of getting the bond together. Mark Reynolds

**Response requested** No  
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Thank you, Pima County, Arizona

**Deseret Romero**

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**From:** notification@pima.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 03, 2015 11:23 AM  
**To:** bondinfo  
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| <b>First Name</b> | Madeleine        |
| <b>Last Name</b>  | deBlois          |
| <b>Email</b>      | [REDACTED]       |
| <b>Address</b>    | 4205 E Kilmer St |
| <b>City</b>       | Tucson           |
| <b>State</b>      | AZ               |
| <b>Zipcode</b>    | 85711            |

**Message Subject** Thank you

**Comment** Thank you for supporting walkability in our region through your decision to include \$25 million in pedestrian improvements in the next bond election.

**Response requested** No

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Thank you, Pima County, Arizona

**Deseret Romero**

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**From:** notification@pima.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 03, 2015 11:06 AM  
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| <b>Last Name</b>  | Moodie             |
| <b>Email</b>      | [REDACTED]         |
| <b>Address</b>    | 721 W Las Lomas Rd |
| <b>City</b>       | Tucson             |
| <b>State</b>      | AZ                 |
| <b>Zipcode</b>    | 85704              |

**Message Subject** made a really good decision on January 23rd

**Comment** Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! Walkability is really important to my family My husband and I used to walk all over town for urban adventure and exercise. Now, we're older and lamer and really, really appreciate more effort put into safe walking areas. My grandkids walk a lot - to bus stops, school, and for exercise. When we travel we always note the area's friendliness and community support for walkable areas. It's how we judge them and I'm sure that is how visitors judge Pima County, as well!

**Response requested** No  
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Thank you, Pima County, Arizona

## Deseret Romero

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**From:** David B. Clark [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 02, 2015 9:58 AM  
**To:** Nicole Fyffe; Deseret Romero  
**Subject:** For the attention of Mr.Lawrence M.Hecker Jr. and members of the Bond Advisory Committee

**To:** Mr. Lawrence M. Hecker Jr. and the Members of the Bond Advisory Committee

**From:**

**Name:** David B. Clark  
**Email:** [REDACTED]  
**Address:** 15 E. Camino Rancho Cielo  
Sahuarita, AZ 85629

**Message Subject:** Future Bond Election Proposed Project named PR-181, The Sahuarita Pool and Recreation Complex

I would like to add my support for this project. Please see the letter dated January 10, 2015 to Chuck Huckelberry, Pima County Administrator, from the partners for this project (The Town of Sahuarita, The YMCA of Southern Arizona, Sharpe & Associates, Inc, The Sahuarita United School District).

No Response Requested

Thank you,

*David B. Clark*



Sahuarita Health and Wellness Foundation, Inc.  
P.O. Box 1733  
Sahuarita, Arizona 85629

February 2, 2015

Mr. Lawrence M. Hecker Jr.  
Chair  
Pima County Bond Advisory Committee  
130 West Congress, 10th Floor  
Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Mr. Hecker:

Re: Future Bond Election Proposed Project named PR-181, the Sahuarita Pool and Recreation Complex

The Sahuarita Health and Wellness Foundation wishes to add its support for this Project. Please see the letter dated January 10, 2015 to Chuck Huckelberry, Pima County Administrator, from the partners for this project (The Town of Sahuarita, The YMCA of Southern Arizona, Sharpe & Associates, Inc, The Sahuarita United School District).

*David B. Clark*

David Clark/Past Chair and Current Board Member

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## Deseret Romero

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**From:** Nicole Fyffe  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 10, 2015 8:11 AM  
**To:** Deseret Romero  
**Subject:** FW: Support for Colossal cave Mountain Park and critical bond funds

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**From:** Wendy Erica Werden [mailto: [REDACTED]]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 09, 2015 9:38 PM  
**To:** Nicole Fyffe  
**Cc:** Anne Gibson  
**Subject:** Support for Colossal cave Mountain Park and critical bond funds

Hello Nicole:

Please add my strong support for full funding of Colossal Cave Mountain Park (CCMP) in the upcoming bond election cycle. As a member of the advisory council for the Arizona National Scenic Trail, and a trail steward for the section that traverses CCMP who has personally built and maintains that section of the trail, we need every penny of funding to keep CCMP a viable local park. This means the original \$3 million in funding, and at a bare minimum \$2 million.

CCMP is the best local access point to the Arizona Trail for both Tucson and the Vail area, and the bond funds are needed to grow visitors to the trail, both local residents and tourists. The Arizona Trail is an incredible opportunity for CCMP to generate revenue as a destination location for multiple trail user groups from hikers, to trail runners, mountain bikers, bird enthusiasts and equestrians. As a frequent visitor to the park with my horse, CCMP is the best location for staging large group rides with the Tucson Saddle Club and has the potential to lure other groups from across the country with the right facilities. This bond funding is critical to improving trail access, camping and parking areas now, and for future generations.

We appreciate your consideration of this request. Please contact me if you need additional information.

Sincerely, Wendy Erica Werden  
(520) 954-7754  
[REDACTED]

## Deseret Romero

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**From:** Nicole Fyffe  
**Sent:** Monday, February 09, 2015 2:59 PM  
**To:** Deseret Romero  
**Subject:** FW: Colossal Cave Mountain Park

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**From:** Matthew Hoose [mailto: ]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 09, 2015 12:21 PM  
**To:** Nicole Fyffe  
**Subject:** Colossal Cave Mountain Park

Nicole Fyffe,

This weekend we visited CCMP with our family, toured the cave, spent the night in the campground and hiked to the Ranch in the morning. Our family loved this outing but the park desperately needs the \$3 million originally proposed in the potential county bond intuitive to repair the roads/parking lots and upgrade infrastructure. What the park provides is wonderful for residents and tourists but it needs the county's help to attract others and generate enthusiasm from recent park visitors. When visitors drive the roads leading up to and inside the park, it certainly is not "inviting" to them given the extremely rough nature of the pavement. Further, without my SUV, many of the camp sites are not assessable to sedans.

I have been informed that the original \$3 million target for CCMP has been changed to \$2 million in an effort to reduce the bond cost. Please maintain at least this new amount as "our" park needs every bit of help from the county that it can provide.

Sincerely,

Matt Hoose  
7553 S. Pacific Willow Dr  
Tucson, AZ 85747  
520-784-3769

## Deseret Romero

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**From:** Nicole Fyffe  
**Sent:** Monday, February 09, 2015 8:49 AM  
**To:** Deseret Romero  
**Subject:** FW: Bond Advisory Committee, Chairperson

**From:** Sharlene Gillette [mailto:████████████████████]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 09, 2015 7:51 AM  
**To:** Nicole Fyffe  
**Subject:** Bond Advisory Committee, Chairperson

T0: Members of Pima County Bond Advisory

From: Sharlene Gillette, 10451 E. Sixto Molina Lane,. Tucson 85747

I am writing this message in support of the Bond Funds designated for Colossal Cave Mountain Park. This beautiful and unique place deserves and vitally needs the funds for infrastructure replacement and other needs to maintain its status as a wonderful scenic and educational asset for our region. Many of us are certainly hoping the designated amounts for the Park can be increased not decreased. As the Board of Supervisors allocates these funds, please know many citizens of Pima County value and appreciate the Park and its amazing educational potential.

Thank you for your consideration  
Sharlene Gillette

Pima County Administrators Office  
Attn: Nicole Fyffe  
130 West Congress, 10th Floor  
Tucson, AZ 85701

Dear Bond Advisory Committee Members,

I am proud to provide this letter of support for the Buffalo Soldier Memorial Project. As you know at this present time there are no monuments or memorials in Tucson representative of contributions African Americans made in settling Southern Arizona and the West. In addition to this, I feel this memorial is needed for some of the following reasons:

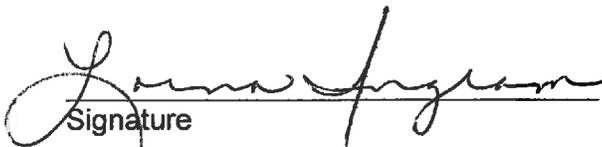
- The memorial would be of benefit in the areas of education, quality of life and recreation activities.
- The location of the memorial will increase the use of the Quincie Douglas Library and its facilities.
- This memorial can be a fitting tourist attraction and a great addition to other military attractions such as the Pima Air and Space Museum and Museum of the Horse Soldier.
- From a historical perspective it would compliment Arizona Historical Society - Downtown History Museum and their efforts to recognize the Buffalo Soldiers.
- The memorial honors the past and currently servicing members of our military.

Recently Tucson Mayor Jonathan Rothschild proclaimed July 28, 2014 Buffalo Soldier Resolution Day. The proclamation recognized the achievements of the Buffalo Soldiers and their "fierce bravery and fighting spirit" that helped settle this region and allowed Arizona to achieve statehood status.

Just as Ms. Quincie Douglas made great contributions to the city of Tucson, the Buffalo Soldiers made important contributions in settling Southern Arizona and the Western United States. The Quincie Douglas Neighborhood Center would be a very fitting site for the memorial.

In this spirit, I strongly support the Buffalo Soldier Memorial project and urge its approval to the full Board of County Supervisors. I am very interested in supporting this project to its completion and would like to thank committee members for their interest and hard work on this important bond issue.

Respectfully Yours,

  
Signature

520-247-6908  
Phone Contact

2/3/15  
Date

## Deseret Romero

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**From:** Nicole Fyffe  
**Sent:** Friday, February 13, 2015 12:57 PM  
**To:** Deseret Romero  
**Subject:** FW: Colossal Cave Mountain Park

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**From:** Hilary O'Bert [mailto: ]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 13, 2015 12:56 PM  
**To:** Nicole Fyffe  
**Subject:** Colossal Cave Mountain Park

Dear Nichole Fyffe,

I am a lifelong resident of the Vail Community. I grew up less than 5 miles from the Colossal Cave Mountain Park. My parents even lived in one of the houses on La Posta Quemada Ranch in the early 60s. When I was growing up, Colossal Cave was our favorite place to bring family and friends from all over the world when they would visit our home. Over recent years, I have seen extreme deterioration of the roads all of the way through the park and ranch area. The road has become a deterrent for the much needed visitors to spend time in the ranch and camping areas of the park. There are several areas where the pavement has washed out and many large potholes are unavoidable. If I am not mistaken, the last time this road has seen fresh pavement was in the 70s when my grade school bus went through this area every day. This beautiful park desperately needs the \$3 million originally proposed in the potential county bond intuitive to repair the roads/parking lots and upgrade infrastructure. It is my understanding that the bond has been reduced to \$2 million. Although we do understand the County's need to conserve money, we have to ask that this bond not be reduced any further so that we can move forward with the much needed repairs to this historic Tucson attraction. We need your help to bring Colossal Cave Mountain Park back to life!

Thank you for your understanding!

Respectfully,

Hilary O'Bert

## Deseret Romero

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**From:** Nicole Fyffe  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 18, 2015 12:41 PM  
**To:** Deseret Romero  
**Subject:** FW: Colossal Cave Mountain Park

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**From:** bluefin1@earthlink.net [mailto: ]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 18, 2015 12:00 PM  
**To:** Nicole Fyffe  
**Subject:** Colossal Cave Mountain Park

Attn: Bond Advisory Committee

I was shocked to hear that the bond amount for Colossal Cave Mountain Park (CCMP) had been reduced from \$3 million to \$2 million. The recent Performance Audit performed for Pima County indicates a number of focus areas that need maintenance to merely preserve the infrastructure of CCMP (page 10 of Executive Summary). The report further outlines the need for additional funding to enhance and improve CCMP so that it can be enjoyed by the public in new and exciting ways. Input from citizens at community meetings reveal there are many creative suggestions to enhance CCMP, from adding interpretive centers and mini-museums to recreational opportunities. Funding is needed to turn selected suggestions into reality. Please consider re-allocating the full \$3 million of bond money to CCMP – and at the minimum please maintain the \$2 million the Committee recently allocated.

CCMP is a unique jewel in the desert – there is no other example of a dry limestone cave accessible to the public in the entire southwest region. In addition, its history with the settling of the Southwest, its involvement with the Civilian Conservation Corp and its incredible, undeveloped open space places it at the top of the list for Pima County attractions. Please do all you can to provide funding to help CCMP shine like the jewel it is.

Thank you,  
Gayle Alleman  
Board of Director President  
Colossal Cave Mountain Park

## Deseret Romero

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**From:** Luise Faber [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 18, 2015 9:15 AM  
**To:** bondinfo  
**Subject:** Suggestion re: Bonds

Hello,

It has been suggested that members of the symphony get in touch with your board to get some badly needed work done on some of our cultural venues. It has been a shame to see the appearance of the Music Hall slowly disintegrate. I started volunteering for the symphony in 2001 when I returned from Peace Corps. From doors not working properly to aisle T which has been missing one of its arms. This is probably a two minute job to replace. But the Music Hall has been allowed to continue to go downhill.

Interestingly we put a project up to be paid for by taxpayer money and then we forget it. That is a big problem in this town- from streets to buildings to schools. Until Tucson changes how it treats infrastructure we will be stuck having to come up with millions of dollars to "redo" things that should have been taken care of in a more timely manner.

You, the Board should know better, to make sure we take care of what we have rather than having to gut a building and start all over. Our streets are proof of that lack of maintenance. Our Music Hall is another example of that neglect.

Think about that.  
Luise Faber  
[REDACTED]

## Deseret Romero

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**From:** Anne Gomez [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 18, 2015 9:35 AM  
**To:** bondinfo; Richard Elias; Chuck Huckelberry; District1; District4; Ramon Valadez; Tim Steller; Sharon Bronson  
**Subject:** Comment on Bond Package

Without seriously addressing the poor condition of Pima County roads, the Bond issue will not fly. The gas tax excuse is getting old. COT passed a bond issue to fix their pot holes, time that Pima County does something to address their problem. Building new roads as proposed in the Sonoran project needs to be be put on hold.

With threats of raising property taxes and sewer cost, voters aren't ready to take on more debt.

Anne Gomez  
Far Eastside

Sent from my iPhone

**Dear Committee Members,**

I am a Pima County resident and I am a pedestrian. I want a walkable region because  
It would make our family healthier if we  
had access to stores & family friendly venues w/in  
our communities. Also, it would improve the safety of our neighborhoods.



I am writing to you in support of fully funding the Pedestrian Safety & Comfort Bond Proposal put forth by Living Streets Alliance and I look forward to voting "YES" for it in 2015.

Thank you for your consideration and for your service to the community as a member of the Bond Advisory Committee.

Sincerely,

Marianne Harris (name)  
1215 N. Tyndall Ave (address)  
Tucson, AZ 85719

**Pima County  
Bond Advisory Committee**  
c/o Pima County Administrator  
130 W Congress Street  
Tucson, AZ 85701

