



December 7th, 2011

THE WARD 2 WEEKLY

Holiday Season in The Old Pueblo



Paul Cunningham,
Councilman, Ward 2

Fellow Tucsonans,
It's December in the Old Pueblo, and the Holiday season is at hand. Winter is always a special time in the desert; a time to break out the jacket that you only wear a few times a year, hanging lights and cozying up with friends and family. As you enjoy your holidays, please take time to improve our great community. Help your neighbor hang lights, volunteer with one of our community service non-profits

or work with neighbors to tidy up your street. I am always proud to see the goodness that winter brings out in Tucson, and I know that this year will be no exception. Your spirit and commitment to Tucson is what makes this city great.

Happy Holidays and Bear Down,
Paul Cunningham

UPCOMING WARD 2 EVENTS:

- 14/12/11—December business Roundtable with Mayor Jonathan Rothschild
- 15/12—Ward 2 Open House and Holiday Party

ONGOING:

- Second Annual Holiday Toy Drive at Eastside City Hall
- Eastside City Hall Holiday Food Drive

Look inside for more information or call (520) 791-4687!



Mayor Rothschild

New Mayor and Council Sworn in this Week

On Monday December 5, Tucson's new Mayor and Council were sworn in at the Tucson Convention Center.

I was honored to have my wife and parents present for the ceremony, where I took the opportunity to renew my

pledge of moving Tucson forward with new ideas and a results oriented approach based on cooperation and leadership.

I look forward to working with my fellow council members and I am honored to

welcome Mayor Rothschild to city hall.

“STUFF THE BUS” EVENT A SUCCESS, MORE HELP NEEDED



I am happy to report that the Community Food Bank’s “Stuff the Bus” event was a great success. I personally delivered canned and non-perishable food from my Ward 2 office and by 10:00 AM, the bus was $\frac{3}{4}$ full. The event was held right here in Ward 2 and its success is a testament to the generous nature

that Ward 2 residents all share.

Remember that it isn’t too late to support this cause. While “Stuff the Bus” was a great success, the Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona informed me that food reserves for the needy are still low.

For more information on how you can help, visit communityfoodbank.com or call (520) 622-0525.

You may also bring your non-perishable donations to our Ward 2 office at Eastside City hall, 7575 E. Speedway Blvd.



ITS COLD OUT THERE!

Sub-freezing temperatures have hit Tucson a little early this year. Remember to take precautions to protect your home and belongings as these cold temperatures become more frequent throughout December and January.

Cover your outdoor plant life to prevent frost damage and avoid bursting pipes by making sure that exposed sections are wrapped and insulated.

Lastly, be sure to keep your pets inside the home whenever possible.



OPERATION “DEEP FREEZE” KICKS OFF EARLY

As the needle dips past freezing, the volunteers at Operation Deep Freeze spring into action to ensure warmth and safety for Tucson’s homeless.

By collecting warm clothing, distributing blankets and opening overflow fa-

cilities to shelter Tucsonan’s on cold nights of 32 degrees or less (40 degrees or less with rain), these community volunteers are helping to make Tucson a better and safer place.

For information on how

you can help, visit www.TPCH.info and click on “Operation Deep Freeze.”

December Business Roundtable with Mayor Rothschild

I am pleased to be hosting our Mayor-Elect at my business roundtable the week after his inauguration to share with members of the business community his 180 day plan. The roundtable will be held here at the Ward 2 Office on Wednesday, December 14 at 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM. Lunch will be served for free. However,

I am asking everyone in attendance to bring new unwrapped toys for the Second Annual Councilman Cunningham Toy Drive at Eastside City Hall.

Space is limited, so please contact demetri.downing@tucsonaz.gov or RSVP at 791-4687 ahead of time.

If you cannot make the roundtable, please feel free to review his plan at your convenience at <http://www.jonathanformayor.com/180-day-work-plan/>



Ward 2 open house and holiday party!

Happy Holidays! I am extending an invitation to all our friends and neighbors to join us here at the ward office for our holiday gathering and open house! We will be sharing some refreshments, snacks and stories with friends of the activities of the past year. Everyone is invited to this

event! We will have music, Santa Claus and other holiday entertainment! All we ask is that you bring an unwrapped toy for the toy drive place it under the tree and join us for some caroling!! The gathering will take place from 4 - 7 PM Thursday, December 15, 2011. If you

would like to RSVP so we can make sure we have enough cookies and pie, please do so at 791-4687 or at mary.fimbres@tucsonaz.gov

"All we ask is that you bring an unwrapped toy for the toy drive..."

Second Annual Holiday Toy Drive At Eastside City Hall

The tree is up and the boxes are in the lobby so that we may collect Toys for Tots for the youth of the Tohono O'odham Nation. The toys can be dropped off anytime during work hours.

Please contact Demetri Downing (520) 791-4687 or at demetri.downing@tucsonaz.gov for more information and BRING IN THOSE TOYS!!!!





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WE ARE A DROP OFF POINT FOR ITEMS FOR DONATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING GROUPS:

- * THE COMMUNITY FOOD BANK - Non-perishable foods
- * DIAPER BANK OF SOUTHERN ARIZONA - Infant/child/adult diapers
- * SAAF (Southern Arizona Aids Foundation) - Personal hygiene products and household cleaning products
- * TIHAN (Tucson Interfaith HIV/AIDS Network) - Personal care items for individuals and families in need
- * ICU - Eyeglass donations to a student-led organization that sends them to war-torn countries
- * CINDERELLA'S CLOSET - Prom dress donations so that all young ladies can have a beautiful gown for their prom. Please feel free to drop off prom dresses and accessories to any of the following sites:
 - Ward 2 Council Office (7575 E. Speedway)
 - State Farm Insurance Agency (6801 E. Camino Principal, Suite 103)
 - Sahuaro Girl Scout Council Office (4300 E. Broadway)
 - Bookman's (3733 W. Ina Road)
- * DANCING IN THE STREETS AZ www.ditsaz.org (<http://www.ditsaz.org/>)
- The power of dance to transform lives, to enrich community! DITSAZ is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization that uses the excitement and discipline of ballet to guide children in achieving life skills. Please feel free to drop off gently used or new ballet attire i.e. pink tights, pink ballet slippers and pink or black leotards, as well as, gently used ballet costumes.

Visit our Ward 2 website for more information
<http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/ward2>

Eastside City Hall Holiday Food Drive

Our office continues to receive food donations for the Community Food Bank. Thanks to our community for being so generous and remind you that we are a year-round drop-off site. Please take time to remember those less fortunate than ourselves and drop off non-perishable food items at the Ward 2 Office.

For more information please contact 791-4687 or mary.fimbres@tucsonaz.gov

Welcome New Staff!

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Brandon Patrick as the newest member of the Ward 2 team. Brandon has served the community in numerous capacities over the years, from military service to his time in the Giffords office and his ongoing work as a community activist. I have great confidence in his ability to serve the needs of the people in ward 2 and I am looking forward to working with him.