



Greater Casa Grande
Chamber of Commerce

BUSINESS UPDATE

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Business of the Week

Congratulations to Business of the Week, [Blossom Digital Marketing](#), located at 200 W. 2nd St in historic downtown Casa Grande. As a division of Kramer Media, Blossom Digital Marketing, has expertise in connecting the public with information about products and services offered by our local businesses. They specialize in video production, drone photos, websites, GEO Media, e-mail blasts and much, much more. If you or your business needs any type of marketing (and who doesn't?), Blossom Digital Marketing will present many excellent options to customize a digital marketing plan for your business. Contact Brian today and let him know that the Greater Casa Grande Chamber of Commerce sent you.





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July Business Before Hours

Friday, July 10 was a great day for our VIRTUAL Business Before Hours hosted by [Keller Williams Legacy One - Advantage Home Team](#), located at 475 E. Cottonwood Lane. Our thanks to Robbie and Colleen Bechtel and their team for hosting.

We met virtually via ZOOM, and had 21 attendees participate in the Chamber's morning networking event, including a virtual tour of the real estate office and a highlight of the 4th Annual Shoe Drive - where the team at KW Advantage Home Team connects generosity with local non-profit, Seeds of Hope. Learn more, call 520-836-9301.

Now in our 5th month of a global pandemic, we commemorated the event with a lively round of "Toilet Paper Trivia." Those who won the trivia question were given a ☐Minute at the Mic☐ and entered to win a "LoveIt" Casa Grande loyal-tee shirt. ☐Minute at the Mic☐ winners: 2 time winner, Cindy Bell, [Alluvion Communications](#); Jackie Guthrie, [AZ New Horizon Realty](#); Samantha Alvarez, [NESCO Resource](#); Mike Nasir, [AZ Quality Services](#); Nancy Tucker, [AirMed Care Network](#); Sue Conn-Hood, [Juice PLUS+](#); Joel Brookmeyer, [International Minute Press](#); Sylvia Tadros, [DEX - Thryv](#); Kristin Gramando, [J. Warren Funeral Services](#); and Ole Solberg, [Solberg Engineering](#). Loyal-tee shirt winners are: Cindy Bell, Sylvia Tadros and Nancy Tucker.

Business - Networking - Community - Opportunity - these are the Chamber's areas of focus...and also a great way to promote our member businesses and Casa Grande community.-

4th Annual
Shoe Drive
 July 7th - August 7th, 2020

Advantage Home Team is proud to support Seeds of Hope by hosting a back to school shoe drive for over 40 local children. Visit the ADV office to "Pick an Apple" from the Giving Tree to help sponsor a child.

Office located at:
 475 E Cottonwood Lane,
 Casa Grande 85122
 Questions? Call: 520-836-9301

Now accepting donations
 Mon-Friday 8-5 PM
 All shoes must be dropped off
 by 5 PM, August 7th

Proudly sponsored by:
 Advantage Real Estate, Keller Williams Legacy One Realty & Seeds of Hope Casa Grande

CHAMBER RENEWALS

June 1-30, 2020

A great big **THANK YOU** to the following Chamber Members for renewing their memberships!

[Anaya's Fresh Mexican Restaurant](#)
[Antiaging and Wellness Institute, PLLC.](#)
[Arizona Water Company](#)
[Arizona's Best Choice Pest & Termite Services](#)
[Bay of Island Massage & Spa](#)
[Best Western](#)
[Big O Tires](#)
[BPL Plasma](#)
[Buffalo Wild Wings](#)
[Café de Manuel, LLC](#)
[Capital R Construction](#)
[Casa Grande Family Dentistry](#)
[Casa Grande Union High School District](#)
[Casita Verde RV Resort](#)
[Central Arizona Project](#)

[Garnet of Casa Grande](#)
[Goodruby Christian Bookstore](#)
[The Hearing Centers of AZ](#)
[Henry+Horne](#)
[Ivory Towers Realty](#)
[Kiva Insurance, LLC](#)
[Las Brisas Apartments](#)
[MainStay Suites](#)
[My Golden Era](#)
[NewLife Baptist Church](#)
[Pinal 40 Foundation](#)
[Robson Ranch](#)
[Safari Mobile Home Park](#)
[Small Animal Clinic, P.C.](#)
[Southwest Gas Corporation](#)
[Spartan Trucks](#)
[Sun Corridor Metropolitan Planning Organization](#)
[Sunrise Pre-Schools](#)

[Creative Furniture Connection](#)
[Ed Whitehead's Tire Pros & Automotive Repair](#)
[Edward Jones - Robert Miller](#)
[Ehrbright & Hankel, DDS, PLLC](#)
[Eva's Fine Mexican Food](#)
[Express Homes a D. R. Horton Company](#)
[Foothills West RV Resort](#)

[Taco Giro](#)
[Tractor Supply Company - Distribution Center #111](#)
[U-Haul Moving and Storage of Casa Grande](#)
[Valley Humane Society, Inc.](#)
[Vitalant](#)
[Waste Management](#)

Membership Information:

To learn more about benefits of membership contact Ken Saltzman at the Chamber, 520-836-2125, or email membership@casagrandechamber.org.

Welcome
New Chamber Members

The following new member was announced with a typo in their category. Following is a correction.

Land Advisors Organization

Kirk McCarville
442 W. Kortsen Rd., Ste. 203
Casa Grande, AZ 85122
520-251-0348

kmccarville@landadvisors.com

<https://landadvisors.com/markets/#team>

Category: Land Brokers

Business Briefs

The **Arizona Department of Health Services** (ADHS) and **Arizona State University** (ASU) announced a new partnership today that will increase COVID-19 diagnostic testing in Arizona. ASU will launch several testing sites that will provide free saliva diagnostic testing for COVID-19 in high-need underserved communities around the state. The testing will begin this Saturday, July 11 in the West Valley. The tests are by appointment only, which can be scheduled by visiting azhealth.gov/testing.

Through this partnership, ADHS has committed up to \$12.7 million to fund the expansion of testing sites to serve up to 100,000 Arizonans. ASU's Biodesign Institute announced in May that it had developed the first saliva-based COVID-19 test in the state and has been utilizing saliva-based testing over the past six weeks to test critical workforce including health care workers, first responders, and infrastructure personnel. ASU has also been using the saliva-based test with employees and students. [Read the entire press release here.](#)

BPL Plasma Casa Grande is your local plasma collection center. BPL collects plasma that is made naturally from the body and helps make therapeutic medications. Plasma is then made to help the fight against

hemophilia, auto-immune diseases, and COVID-19. Every donation counts. There is a person waiting to receive these products and with your help we can give the treatment these individuals need. All donors are pre-screened with the latest CDC recommendations to ensure safety is prioritized. All donors are compensated for their time. Save a life and get paid to do so.

Recently we have launched a program to help fight the world battle against COVID-19. If you are symptom free and have recovered from COVID-19 please stop by and help us fight together.

To become a donor stop by our center with a photo ID, social security card, and proof of residency. We will take care of the rest and make sure you are compensated. Thank you all for your commitment and we look forward to having you join our cause.

We are reaching out to all businesses to see if they will allow us to come to your location and set up a table and speak to any staff and/or customers that might be interested in donating plasma. If interested please the center at 520-371-5702 or call Tina Kling 520-450-1178.

[Central Arizona College's](#) annual Summer Bridge program will be conducted virtually from July 26 through July 30, 2020 for high school graduates (class of '18, '19, or '20) or GED completers.

This long standing CAC tradition will offer participants a memorable week full of activities and events as they participate in online activities and workshops that will prepare them for high achievement at Central Arizona College and successful transfer to a four-year university. Learn more, visit

<https://centralaz.edu/future-students/outreach-programs/summer-bridge/>

[Elim Mining](#) is pleased to announce the company has finalized and secured a financing package with two premier mining financiers, the Tembo Capital Group (Tembo) and Resource Capital Funds (RCF). The \$19.1 million package allows Elim to finalize the purchase of the legacy Sacaton Mine site (located just west of Casa Grande and due north of Casa Grande-Maricopa Highway). This property, combined with other adjacent properties that Elim has already secured, creates the footprint for what will become the Cactus Mine. "This is a great day for Elim. Despite all the challenges in today's world and financial markets, we have built a solid business case for this site. The long-term outlook for copper is positive, we have great deposits, and are excited about the potential this site brings," said John Antwi, President and CEO of Elim. [Read the entire press release here.](#)

Meet your 2020 Board of Directors

DID YOU KNOW your Greater Casa Grande Chamber of Commerce is served by a Board of Directors that represents our Business Members and advocates on behalf of our business community?

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