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**ORO VALLEY, ARIZ (July 8 2008)** — Oro Valley has been named one of *Family Circle* magazine's "10 Best Towns for Families."

After searching the country to find the best places to live and raise a family, the magazine selected Oro Valley and profiled the town in its August issue. The winners were selected based on a number of criteria, including the affordability of homes, safety, the quality of local schools and a demonstrated commitment to the environment.

The magazine commended Oro Valley's ability to grow in population while maintaining a cozy, small-town atmosphere where everything you need "is five minutes away." The article also recognized Oro Valley residents' outstanding volunteer efforts and the Town's commitment to environmental sensitivity through the implementation of low-voltage lighting, recycled carpets and non-toxic cleaning products in all new municipal buildings.

"This is a great testament for our community," said Town Manager David Andrews. "Family Circle is a terrific publication and this honor speaks to the commitment of our town employees, residents, businesses and everyone who has an interest in keeping Oro Valley a quality, safe and scenic place for people to live, work and play."

Mayor Paul Loomis agreed. "We have seen tremendous changes take place in Oro Valley over the past 20 years, but one thing that has not changed is our community's willingness to work together to ensure our quality of life is maintained, and these efforts are being recognized by people all over the country. We are no longer a bedroom community, and while we continue to serve our active, older adult population, we now see growth in the number of families and young professionals that seek to make Oro Valley their home."

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