

# ORO VALLEY, *it's in our nature*

*"Sunset" by Danilo Faria*



*A good move, naturally.*

Surround yourself and your family with everything the beautiful Town of Oro Valley has to offer. Outdoor recreation and the natural beauty of Southern Arizona. Clean and safe streets. Great schools and neighborhoods in a tight-knit community. Looking for the good life? Take a look at Oro Valley. [www.orovalleyaz.gov](http://www.orovalleyaz.gov)

**Oro Valley** is located in the beautiful Sonoran Desert, about three miles north of the Tucson city limits. Nestled between the Catalina and Tortolita mountain ranges, this 35-square-mile town is surrounded by dramatic views and wide open spaces. Oro Valley sits at an elevation of 2,620 feet and enjoys one of the sunniest, most comfortable climates in the country. Year-round temperatures average highs of 83 and lows of 54 degrees. With a variety of quality housing options and status as the safest community in Arizona, the quality of life in Oro Valley is second to none.

**Love arts and culture?** Catch a live concert at historic Steam Pump Ranch, or check out our collection of more than 200 pieces of public art spread throughout town.

**Interested in education?** Oro Valley is home to nationally ranked schools and just 13 miles from the University of Arizona, and 4.8 miles from the Pima Community College Northwest Campus.

**Craving outdoor adventure?** Our recreation comes with stunning views. Whether you're a walker, runner, hiker, skater, cyclist, horseback rider or mountain biker, you can find your path here with nearly 55 miles of shared use paths throughout the town. Oro Valley is the gateway to beautiful Catalina State Park, and we're even connected to the Chuck Huckelberry Loop, named the 2021 Best Recreational Trail in the nation by USA Today. Oro Valley is a year-round golfing mecca, and in winter, our proximity to Mount Lemmon means the ski slopes are just 60 minutes away.



*Sheryl Hester*

**Oro Valley has a long and proud history of accolades, including:**

- Safest City in Arizona  
*Safewise, 2019*
- Arizona's Best Small City  
*WalletHub, 2017*
- Best Place in Arizona to Raise Kids  
*Bloomberg Businessweek, 2013*
- Playful City USA  
*Kaboom!, 2011-2017*  
*(Program discontinued in 2017)*
- 10 Best Towns for Families  
*Family Circle Magazine, August 2008*
- 100 Best Places in America to Live and Launch a Small Business  
*Fortune Small Business Magazine, 2008*

## Close to everything

Oro Valley is conveniently close to key locations, not only within Arizona, but across the Southwest.

	<u>MILES</u>
University of Arizona	13
Saguaro National Park West	20
Tucson International Airport	22
Mount Lemmon Ski Valley	52
Phoenix Sky Harbor Airport	110
Arizona State University	114
Rocky Point (Puerto Peñasco), Mexico	227
Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff	250
Grand Canyon National Park	332
Las Vegas, Nevada	393
San Diego, California	430



## Demographics

Residents of Oro Valley enjoy an upscale lifestyle. Our population of 44,630 is balanced across all age segments. Projections indicate continued healthy growth. Per capita income is among the highest of any community in Arizona, with a median annual household income of \$83,341.

- Median age is 54
- 97.2% have a high school diploma or higher
- 52.4% have a bachelor's degree or higher

Regional median household incomes:

- Marana, \$85,812
- Oro Valley, \$83,341
- Sahuarita, \$80,525
- Tucson, \$43,425

(From US Census 2015-2019 estimates) Source: [US Census Bureau](#)



## Community events

Oro Valley partners with agencies like the Southern Arizona Arts and Cultural Alliance to provide rich community events that offer something for everyone.

- Farmers Market at Steam Pump Ranch every Saturday
- Live music concerts year-round
- Spring Festival of the Arts
- Off the Vine Wine Festival
- Cruise, BBQ and Blues Car Show
- 4th of July Celebration and Fireworks
- Halloween Spooktacular
- Celebrate Oro Valley (Heritage Festival)
- Holiday Festival of the Arts and Tree Lighting Celebration



# Find your path

Life takes us down some interesting paths. Some of the most interesting are right here for you to enjoy in beautiful Oro Valley. We offer world-class cycling, swimming, hiking, spas, tennis, golf and some of the most stunning desert sunsets on Earth. Oro Valley. Find your path here.

## Multi-use paths

Oro Valley has a dynamic trail system, including 22 miles of paved multi-use pathways along major streets, which allow recreational users and commuters to safely reach schools, employment and shopping without encountering vehicle traffic. The Town also has 44 miles of natural trails for hiking and mountain biking.

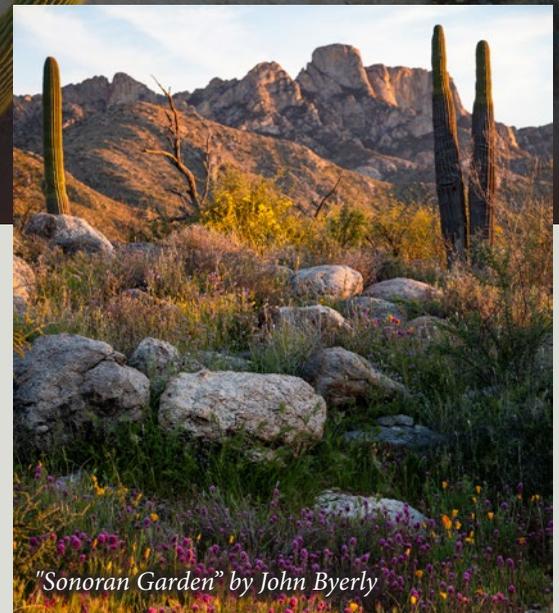
The Cañada del Oro Linear Park, located along the Cañada del Oro Wash, features a paved path and native landscaping, from La Cañada Drive to Steam Pump Village, a distance of 3.5 miles one way. From this core section, users can access Catalina State Park, Big Wash Linear Park and the [Chuck Huckelberry Loop](#), a paved, 136-mile urban trail system that was voted Best Recreational Trail in the country by USA Today readers. The Loop offers easy access to restaurants, retail and historic Steam Pump Ranch.

## Cycling

Oro Valley has been at the forefront of establishing bicycle facilities along its roadways over the last decade, adding to the region's reputation as a premiere training location for both bicyclists and multi-sport athletes. Currently, Oro Valley features 79 miles of bikeable streets and pathways. Of these, 33 miles are signed bike routes, and 24 miles are bikeable paved shoulders.

## Mountain biking

Thrill seekers and mountain biking enthusiasts will find their bliss in Oro Valley. Check out the Honeybee Canyon Loop, which was ranked among the best trails in southern Arizona by *Bike Arizona*. This loop trail is a 17-mile, single-track trail that is rated easy to intermediate.



"Sonoran Garden" by John Byerly



## Catalina State Park

Oro Valley is the gateway to beautiful [Catalina State Park](#), a 5,493-acre park on the western slopes of the Santa Catalina Mountains. Tent and RV campgrounds let you get away from it all while having modern conveniences just minutes away. Hike, horseback ride or bicycle on a variety of trails, rated "easy" through "difficult." Don't miss the easy Romero Ruins trail (hikers only), which will lead you to an archaeological site from 500 AD.

# Recreation in Oro Valley

## Swimming pools

The Oro Valley Aquatic Center is located within James D. Kriegh Park, 23 W. Calle Concordia. The facility, which is open year-round, features two heated pools: a 50-meter competition pool and 25-yard recreation pool. It also includes an interactive splash pad, a giant water slide, diving boards and space for parties and meetings. Oro Valley also has a lap pool that accommodates aqua-aerobic classes at the Oro Valley Community Center, 10555 N. La Cañada Drive.



## Golf

Oro Valley is home to El Conquistador Golf at the Oro Valley Community Center, which offers 45 holes of championship golf on three exceptional courses designed by Greg Nash. The Views Golf Club also welcomes public play.



## Dog parks

Oro Valley has two off-leash dog park locations. The James D. Kriegh Park location has a single area where dogs of all sizes can play together. The Naranja Park location has three separate spaces for small dogs, large dogs and vulnerable dogs. The double-gated fenced parks also contain picnic tables, shaded ramadas and paved paths.



## Parks

The Town of Oro Valley has five recreational parks within its boundaries. **James D. Kriegh Park (JDK)**, is a 20-acre park with racquetball courts, a dog park, baseball and softball fields and the Oro Valley Aquatic Center. **Cañada del Oro Riverfront Park** is 30 acres with a playground, tennis court, basketball court, softball and soccer fields and a lighted walking path. **West Lambert Lane Park** spans 40-acres and features natural trails and interpretive signage. **Naranja Park** is the largest park at 213 acres. It contains an archery range, three off-leash dog parks, four multi-purpose fields, a playground with a zip line, and more than three miles of hiking trails. **Honey Bee Canyon Park** has two ramadas and a three-mile trail system that winds through the Sonoran Desert.



## Community Center, tennis and pickleball

The Oro Valley Community Center offers a number of activities and amenities, including: a fitness center, classes for all ages such as yoga, tai chi and painting, indoor racquetball courts, lighted pickleball courts and a lap pool. Oro Valley has a strong tennis community. Fifteen lighted tennis courts are available for play and an additional 16 lighted courts are available at the El Conquistador Resort location, 10000 N. Oracle Rd. The Community Center is also home to two 18-hole golf courses, a golf shop and restaurant/bar.



Learn more about Oro Valley Parks and Recreation at [www.orovalleyaz.gov](http://www.orovalleyaz.gov).

# Check out your new neighborhood

## Quality housing options

Oro Valley has a diverse offering of housing options to meet the needs of its residents. Not only are Oro Valley neighborhoods close to shopping centers, schools and churches, they also provide the closeness and “small town feel” that residents desire. You’ll enjoy getting to know your neighbors, attending local community events, and easy access to parks, trails and neighborhood playgrounds.

Oro Valley neighborhoods are safe neighborhoods thanks to an outstanding police department (see Public Safety on page 7) and active Neighborhood Watch programs. Our streets are wide, clean and smooth.

No matter what you’re in the market for, Oro Valley has the right neighborhood for you, including:

- Modern planned communities/subdivisions, many with neighborhood parks and homeowner associations that monitor neighborhood standards
- Quality apartment options, from budget-friendly to “luxury”
- Homes on large individual lots can be found throughout the Town limits
- Homes with land for horses and local stables nearby
- Age-restricted communities with minimum age requirements
- Senior living facilities that range from individual living villas to live-in facilities with on-site care

## DID YOU KNOW?

The Town of Oro Valley does not levy a property tax.

Commercial property assessed at 18% of fair market value.

Residential property assessed at 10% of market value.

## Major employers

Oro Valley is proud to be the home of several major employers (more than 100 employees) who provide outstanding jobs and services for the community. Oro Valley is also a growing hub for bioscience and technology. See pages 9 and 10 for a map of all major employers. The following employers provide a total of 3,700 local jobs:

- Roche Tissue Diagnostics
- Oro Valley Hospital
- Amphitheater Public Schools
- Casa de la Luz
- Simpleview
- Splendido at Rancho Vistoso
- El Conquistador Tucson, A Hilton Resort
- Meggitt Securaplane



# Education

There's a reason Bloomberg Businessweek named Oro Valley the best place in Arizona to raise kids. While our community boasts some of the finest schools in the state as well as first-class recreational amenities, we are also proud to be one of the safest communities in the nation. At all levels, for all ages, Oro Valley offers excellent opportunities for education.

## K-12 Education

Standardized test scores in Oro Valley schools outpace national, state and county averages in almost every category for reading, language and math skills. Oro Valley is part of Amphitheater Public Schools, and in addition to public schools, students have nationally-ranked charter and private schools options.

### PUBLIC SCHOOLS

- Canyon del Oro High School
- Copper Creek Elementary School
- Innovation Academy, a K-5 STEM school
- Ironwood Ridge High School
- Painted Sky Elementary School
- Richard B. Wilson Jr. Elementary School

### CHARTER SCHOOLS

- BASIS Oro Valley (K-12)
- Leman Academy of Excellence (K-8)

### PRIVATE SCHOOLS

- Casas Christian School
- Immaculate Heart School
- Immaculate Heart High School
- Pusch Ridge Christian Academy

## University of Arizona

Tucson's University of Arizona is a premier, public research university with more than 45,000 students, more than 300 majors and 20 colleges. In fact, the newest addition to their college offerings is the University of Arizona College of Veterinary Medicine, which is located right here in Oro Valley. UArizona is in the top 20 public research institutions. The Arizona Wildcats NCAA Division I teams compete in the Pac-12 Conference.

## Pima Community College

With more than 45,000 students, six campuses, four education centers and several adult education learning centers, Pima Community College provides traditional and online instruction for more than 180 transfer and occupational programs. The college also offers workforce training, non-credit personal interest classes and post-baccalaureate certificates.

## Additional college extension campuses

The Tucson-Metro area also hosts branches of Arizona State University, Northern Arizona University and the University of Phoenix.



## Public safety

The Oro Valley Police Department understands that safety is the primary reason people choose to live, work and play in our community. We are committed to providing the highest level of police services through a multitude of services and programs, all designed to increase community engagement and transparency. Working together with our community and regional partners, we strive to ensure that our brand of public safety creates a solid foundation for businesses to succeed, schools to excel and families to grow. The Oro Valley Police Department is a full-service law enforcement agency that utilizes a highly trained staff as well as cutting-edge technologies that enhance public safety.

Among its many programs and community services, the Oro Valley Police Department is proud to offer:

- Adopt-A-Business
- School Resource Officer
- Mental Health Support Team
- Citizen Police Academy
- Cadet Program
- Citizen Volunteer Assistance Program
- Neighborhood Watch
- Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design
- OV Safe Return



For more information, statistics and our annual report, visit [www.orovalleyaz.gov](http://www.orovalleyaz.gov) and click on the blue “Police” button.

## Healthcare

Oro Valley Hospital is a 146-bed, all-private room, acute-care hospital where technology and skilled professionals come together to provide compassionate, customer-focused care. Key services include orthopedics, cardiology, emergency medicine, minimally invasive surgery, gastroenterology, otolaryngology, inpatient rehabilitation, cardiopulmonary testing, imaging and diagnostics, sleep lab, and inpatient and outpatient behavioral health services.

Additionally, Oro Valley Hospital is:

- Certified as a Primary Stroke Center
- Recognized as a Chest Pain Center by the Society of Cardiovascular Patient Care
- Certified as a Pediatric-Prepared Emergency Room

Oro Valley Hospital is part of Northwest Healthcare, an integrated healthcare delivery system made up of four hospitals, two freestanding emergency departments, urgent cares, ambulatory surgery centers and a large primary care and multi-specialty physician group.

Oro Valley residents may also receive healthcare services at Southern Arizona Urgent Care in two convenient locations.





# Dine OV & Shop OV



As a reflection of the unique character of the town, Oro Valley also offers unique dining options that include Mexican, Indian, Chinese, Japanese, Middle Eastern, American and Thai. For a comprehensive list, visit the Town's "Business Navigator" at [www.orovalleyaz.gov](http://www.orovalleyaz.gov).

## OV originals

In addition to your favorite standbys, Oro Valley has a growing list of restaurants and cafés that originated right here in Oro Valley, including:

- Bottega Michelangelo
- Charred Pie Wood Fired Pizza
- Cheng's Beijing
- China Valley Chinese
- Dragon Village
- Epazote Kitchen and Cocktails
- Firetruck Brewing Company
- Flavor of India
- GMG Chinese Bistro
- GOLD at the Westward Look
- Goyita's New Mexican Cuisine
- Grain River Asian Bistro
- Harvest
- Just Kabab
- Monsoon Cafe
- Noble Hops
- Saffron Indian Bistro
- Salted Pig American Barbecue
- Sundance Café
- Sushi Valley
- The Bagel Joint
- The Landing
- The Lookout Bar & Grille
- The Overlook Restaurant
- The Views Restaurant
- Tohono Chul Garden Bistro
- Village Bake House



## Retail centers

Oro Valley boasts multiple retail centers throughout the community, with businesses and services to meet every need. We've included just a few examples below of the most well-known businesses in these centers. See the next page of this brochure for a map, which identifies these retail centers. Learn about ALL of Oro Valley's businesses and restaurants by visiting the Town's "Business Navigator" at [www.orovalleyaz.gov](http://www.orovalleyaz.gov).

- **Entrada de Oro (7925 N. Oracle Road)**
- **Lambert & La Cañada**
- **Oracle Crossings (7665 N. Oracle Road)**
  - Kohl's
  - Sprouts
  - BrakeMax
- **Oro Valley Marketplace/Oro Valley Village Center (11895 N. Oracle Road)**
  - Best Buy
  - Century Theatres
  - DSW Shoes
  - Petco
  - Ulta
  - WalMart Super Center
- **Placita de Oro (11941 N. 1st Ave.)**
- **Plaza Escondida (7848 N. Oracle Road)**
  - Trader Joe's
  - AutoZone
  - Marshalls
- **Rooney Ranch Plaza (10555 – 10855 N. Oracle Road)**
  - Fry's Food & Drug
  - Home Depot
  - Office Max
  - Petsmart
  - Target
- **Safeway Center (12112 N. Rancho Vistoso Blvd.)**



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The Tree of Knowledge, located at the Oro Valley Public Library, is only 1 of more than 200 pieces of public art in Oro Valley. Our prominent public art, wide in scope and imagination, is so popular we've set up tours for the public. (Tours are temporarily suspended due to COVID-19.)



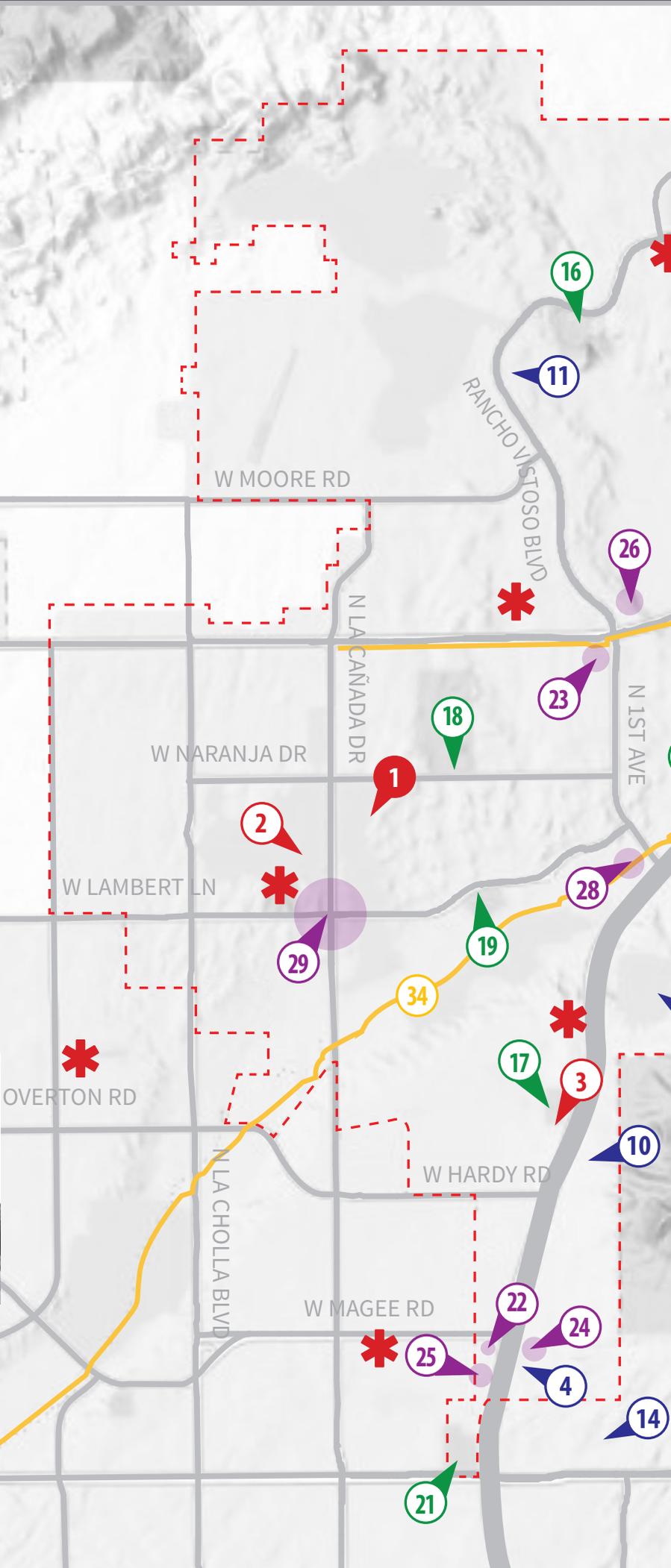
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Pay a visit to historic Steam Pump Ranch, established by George Pusch more than 100 years ago as a place to water cattle being driven to the railroad in Tucson. The ranch, listed on the National Register of Historic Places, has become a community gathering place for events, live music and a farmers market every Saturday.





## MAP LEGEND

### PUBLIC/TOWN FACILITIES

1. Oro Valley Town Hall  
Oro Valley Police Department  
Oro Valley Public Library
2. Oro Valley Community & Recreation Center
3. Oro Valley Aquatic Center

### MAJOR EMPLOYERS

4. Casa de la Luz
5. El Conquistador Tucson, A Hilton Resort
6. Honeywell Aerospace
7. Meggitt Securaplane
8. Oro Valley Hospital
9. Roche Tissue Diagnostics
10. Simpleview
11. Splendido at Rancho Vistoso
12. University of Arizona College of Veterinary Medicine
13. University of Arizona Center for Innovation at Oro Valley
14. Westward Look Resort

### PARKS

15. Catalina State Park
16. Honey Bee Canyon Park
17. James D. Krieh Park
18. Naranja Park
19. Cañada del Oro Riverfront Park
20. Steam Pump Ranch
21. Tohono Chul Park

### RETAIL CENTERS

22. Entrada de Oro
23. Placita de Oro
24. Plaza Escondida
25. Oracle Crossings
26. Safeway Center
27. Oro Valley Village Center (Formerly Oro Valley Marketplace)
28. Rooney Ranch Plaza
29. Lambert & La Cañada retail area

### ENTERTAINMENT

30. Western National Parks Association
31. Gaslight Music Hall
32. Century Theaters
33. Childrens Museum Oro Valley

 Golder Ranch Fire Station

 Oro Valley Town Limits

 Chuck Huckelberry Loop



Tohono Chul has been rated one of the 10 best botanical gardens in the world by Travel + Leisure magazine. This 47-acre desert jewel, with walking paths, weaves the magic of Sonoran Desert plant and animal life with art galleries, a desert plant greenhouse, Southwest gifts and fine cuisine.



El Conquistador Tucson, A Hilton Resort, is Oro Valley's front door for thousands of guests and winter visitors. Fine dining, meeting and business space, pools, a deluxe spa, and outstanding accommodations at the foot of dramatic Pusch Ridge.



Recently completing a \$10M renovation, Westward Look Wyndham Grand Resort & Spa offers 80 acres of beauty and magic only found in the Sonoran Desert. At 650 square feet, the oversized guest rooms provide newly updated luxury. Enjoy tennis, horseback riding, sand volleyball, dining alfresco on the GOLD or Lookout Bar & Grill patio, or just relax and be pampered in the Sonoran Spa.



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