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## OV Finance Department does it again!

For the 29th year in a row, the Town of Oro Valley has been awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the Town's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022. The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in governmental accounting and financial reporting. It is awarded by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). The Town also received a second award from the GFOA for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting for the Town's Popular Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022. This is Oro Valley's ninth consecutive time winning this award.

## Community Center parking lot update

Exciting news for Community and Recreation Center patrons! The parking lot reconfiguration and expansion project is substantially complete, eight weeks ahead of schedule! That means that patrons can now park in the 130 new spots. The only thing left to do is install lights in the parking lot, and that should be finished by mid-September. Curious as to why the project was finished ahead of schedule? It's because this project didn't experience ANY delays due to weather, supplies, or other unforeseen issues. These kinds of delays are things that contractors usually encounter, so they proactively build extra time into a project schedule to accommodate those issues. Thankfully, they didn't need that extra time, and things came together quickly and smoothly. Thank you for your patience as we worked to improve parking at the Community Center!

## New and improved way to schedule a ride with Dial-a-Ride!

Oro Valley's Transit Services Division has launched a new online passenger portal designed to replace and enhance the current online reservation system by allowing passengers to directly book rides, review upcoming trips, and track where buses are in real time. The new Passenger Portal is a web-based tool that can be accessed on a desktop, tablet or mobile device. Please note that passengers can continue requesting their rides via phone if they prefer. Passenger Portal has some great features that make it easier than ever to reserve a ride. For all the details and instructions on how to reserve a ride, [click here](#) or visit [orovalleyaz.gov](http://orovalleyaz.gov) and search for: **NEED A RIDE**.

## NARANJA PARK EXPANSION PROJECT



The turf on the new multi-purpose fields is growing exceptionally well. They're just as green and bright as the existing fields! Haydon is monitoring watering conditions and putting extra fertilizer to ensure Oro Valley has the best fields around. If you visit the park, you might also notice that field light poles are now up. Crews continue to do behind-the-scenes construction including grading and underground utility work, which will make way for construction to start on the remaining park improvements, including the splash pad, skate park, pump track and pickleball courts.

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[www.orovalleyaz.gov](http://www.orovalleyaz.gov)

## New Video Series: Behind the Scenes

Government plays a role in all of our lives, but the extent of that role can be surprising. That's why the OV Communications and Marketing Division has launched the "Behind the Scenes" video series. Each month, we'll give Oro Valley residents a closer look at the work staff does day-to-day. In our first video, go behind the scenes with the OV Stormwater Utility to learn more about how they keep us safe year-round—especially during our unpredictable monsoon season. Our next video will feature staff in the Finance Department. Catch our videos on social media or on the Town's website. [Click here](#) or visit [www.orovalleyaz.gov](http://www.orovalleyaz.gov) and search for **BEHIND THE SCENES**.

## Disc Golf "how-to" video now available

Have you been wanting to learn about disc golf (or play!) but you aren't sure how to get started? We've got a great "how to" video for you! Join us as we follow along with Ryan, a local disc golf player and Oro Valley resident as he plays a few holes on the championship course at Pusch Ridge here in Oro Valley. The video covers what equipment you need, how to pay for a round of disc golf at OV's course, and a few tips and tricks for how to play and what to expect when you're out on the course. Course closes for the season September 30. [Click here to watch the video!](#)

## Shop Oro Valley!

Remember: shopping locally is a reinvestment in your quality of life! Explore all of Oro Valley's shopping, dining and service options by visiting [shopovaz.com](http://shopovaz.com)

### NOW OPEN:

- **2nd Haus Salon**; 7225 N. Oracle Rd., #108
- **China Valley Chinese Restaurant**  
10110 N. Oracle Rd., #180  
(under new ownership)
- **Exhibition Hub Art Center Tucson Oro Valley**  
11975 N. Oracle Rd.
- **First Citizens Bank**  
8580 N. Oracle Rd. (former CIT bank)
- **Fruit Shack**; 10785 N. Oracle Rd., # 143  
(under new ownership)
- **Stretch Lab**; 10515 N. Oracle Rd., #169

### COMING SOON:

- **BFT (Body Fit Train)**; 11015 N. Oracle Rd., #101

### THIS IS ORO VALLEY

#### NEW PODCAST EPISODE

Steam Pump Ranch may be historic, but it's still growing and changing!

The Town of Oro Valley continues to uphold its promise to preserve the rich history of Steam Pump Ranch, most recently by repairing and improving the barbeque and bunkhouse buildings at this historic ranch. If you'd like to learn about how these buildings were used in the past, and how the community will continue using them into the future, be sure to listen to our most recent episode of the "This is Oro Valley" podcast. [Click here](#) or visit [orovalleyaz.gov](http://orovalleyaz.gov) and search for **PODCAST**.

## Upcoming FREE Events

### Movies on the Lawn

OV Community and Recreation Center  
10555 N. La Cañada Dr.  
Family-friendly movies begin after sundown (approx. 7:30 p.m.)  
Bring a blanket or chairs and enjoy a movie under the stars.

**Saturday, Sept. 16:** *The Little Rascals (1994)*

### Single Senior Mingle (Ages 55+)

Steam Pump Ranch, 10901 N. Oracle Rd.  
Sept. 28  
10 a.m. – noon  
Event is FREE, but please register at [PlayOV.com](http://PlayOV.com)

### Friday Night Concerts at Steam Pump Ranch

10901 N. Oracle Road  
7 – 9:30 p.m. (6-8:30 p.m. on Nov. 3)

**Sept. 29:** Znora Band  
**Oct. 6:** Mamma Coal  
**Oct. 27:** Steele Saguaros  
**Nov. 3:** Midnight Auto Band

### Bark in the Park!

Steam Pump Ranch, 10901 N. Oracle Rd.  
Saturday, Sept. 30, 5 – 8 p.m.  
Bring your family, friends, and doggies! For all the fun details, including dog costume contest and prizes, visit the Town's event calendar.

### Movies at the Ranch

Steam Pump Ranch, 10901 N. Oracle Rd.  
Movie begins around 7 p.m.

**Saturday, Oct. 7:** *Homeward Bound: The Incredible Journey*

**Saturday, Oct. 21:** *October Sky*

### Gadget Guidance Technology Assistance (Ages 18+)

Steam Pump Ranch, 10901 N. Oracle Rd.  
Wednesdays in September  
10 a.m. – noon  
Event is FREE, but please register at [PlayOV.com](http://PlayOV.com)

## Even MORE good stuff in October!

For complete details, visit the Town's events calendar at [www.orovalleyaz.gov](http://www.orovalleyaz.gov)



- **Oct. 8: AZ Heroes Memorial 10K, 5K and Memorial Mile** (Details at [azheroesmemorial.org](http://azheroesmemorial.org))
- **Oct. 9 – 13: Fall Break Camps** with OV Parks & Recreation (Register now at [PlayOV.com](http://PlayOV.com))
- **Oct. 14: Second Saturdays at Steam Pump Ranch** returns for the 2023/24 season
- **Oct. 25: Oro Valley's State of the Town Address** (For tickets, visit [OroValleyChamber.com](http://OroValleyChamber.com))
- **Oct. 28: HalloVeen Spooktacular**, 5 – 8 p.m. at James D. Kreigh Park