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### Mayor's Message: City Constructs Facilities at Exactly the Right Time, Saves Taxpayer Dollars

The upcoming grand opening of the El Mirage Police Station on January 23rd gives me the opportunity to reflect on the timing of Council decisions to construct this facility as well as the fire station and the recreation facility with swimming pool. The decisions, made amid the unprecedented economic recession between 2008 and 2011, resulted in 5 to 20% savings on building costs for each of the three projects.

According to Architekton, the architectural firm that designed the recreation facility, El Mirage locked in costs to build all of its civic projects when costs were very near

the lowest point in the firm's more than 20 years in business. Similar remarks have been made by D.L. Withers, the contractor building the police facility. Recessions for the construction industry equate to fierce competition among companies, especially for projects such as those approved by El Mirage voters. Thanks to the community's support, these projects are being completed at a substantial savings and property values in El Mirage have increased, bolstered in part by these public safety and recreation improvements. The Arizona Republic highlighted the upward trend in home prices in a December

29, 2013 article entitled, "Test Your Business Knowledge." The article noted that in 2013, El Mirage was the Valley community that enjoyed the greatest percentage increase in median home sale prices.

This Council remains committed to ensuring your tax dollars are spent on the things that matter most to you. We also remain mindful that timing is important in making sure tax dollars are spent in a manner that brings about the greatest return on your investment.

Remember, these facilities are yours. So, I hope to see you at the Police Station Grand Opening on January 23rd at 10:00 am.

### Mayor Lana Mook Reappointed to NLC Transportation Infrastructure & Services Policy and Advocacy Committee

El Mirage Mayor Lana Mook has been reappointed to the National League of Cities (NLC) Transportation Infrastructure & Services Policy and Advocacy Committee. The committee is responsible for developing a range of transportation policy positions including planning, funding and security for streets and highways, as well as aviation, railroads, and ports.

The Transportation Infrastructure & Services Committee plays an important role in shaping NLC's annual leg-

islative agenda. Committee members are called upon not only to advocate for NLC's legislative priorities, but also to review and approve the policy proposals and resolutions that guide outreach efforts for the organization and its federal relations team. Local officials from cities and towns across the country are appointed annually to the committee by state municipal leagues to serve one-year terms with no term limits.

For more information, visit the NLC website at <http://www.nlc.org/>.

## El Mirage accepting farmers' market vendor applications



**El Mirage  
Farmers' Market**

The City of El Mirage is currently accepting vendor applications for the future farmers' market to be located at the southeast corner of El Mirage and Thunderbird Roads behind the Community Garden. Application materials and submission instructions may be requested by contacting Pat Gregan at (623) 876-2973 or via e-mail at [pgregan@cityofelmirage.org](mailto:pgregan@cityofelmirage.org).



## New signs coming to all City streets

El Mirage has taken the initiative to improve traffic safety and enhance community aesthetics by updating all street identification signs within City limits. The new signs have a green background with large white lettering, and are more visible and more legible than the current signs.

The new signs are funded through a \$437,000 grant award from the Maricopa Association of Governments as part of a County-wide



highway safety improvement program. No City match was required.

The Public Works Department will begin replacing street signs on January 20th and is expected to finish the work in about three weeks. According to Deputy City Manager Larry Dobrosky, "The City continues to seek ways to improve community safety, while ensuring

compliance with state and federal highway regulations."

## Neighborhood Housing Services Seeking El Mirage Home Buyers

NHS of Phoenix currently has funding available for down payment and closing cost assistance for prospective homeowners interested in living in El Mirage.

An income-eligible individual or family may qualify for up to \$14,999 in assistance. For more information and to schedule an appointment with an NHS counselor, call (623) 242-8931.



# El Mirage attends JPAC meeting

Through the Maricopa Association of Governments, the City of El Mirage is a member of the Joint Planning Advisory Council (JPAC). JPAC met in December to discuss regional economic and transportation efforts and elected officials received an update from the

State Land Department. JPAC was established to identify mutually agreed upon goals and interests, provide guidance on possible technical assistance and joint planning activities, and enhance the communication and cooperation among the policy-makers in the region.



From left to right: Avondale Mayor Marie Lopez Rogers; Chandler Vice Mayor Jack Sellers; Queen Creek Mayor Gail Barney; Mesa Mayor Scott Smith; Apache Junction Vice Mayor Robin Barker; Fountain Hills Mayor Linda Kavanagh; City of Maricopa Mayor Christian Price; Eloy Mayor Joseph Nagy; Sahuarita Mayor Duane Blumberg; Nogales, Sonora Mayor Ramón Guzmán; Litchfield Park Mayor Thomas Schoaf; Youngtown Mayor Michael LeVault; El Mirage Mayor Lana Mook; Buckeye Mayor Jackie Meck; Nogales, Arizona Mayor Arturo Garino; Carefree Councilmember Michael Farrar; and Globe Mayor Terry Wheeler.

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Date	Van 1	Van 2	Trailer
1	Dysart north of Cactus N/B D003	Peoria btwn El Mirage and Dysart E/B P002	Thunderbird east of El Mirage T007
2	Dysart north of Cactus N/B D003	Peoria btwn El Mirage and Dysart E/B P002	Thunderbird east of El Mirage T007
3	129 Ave south of Thunderbird X001	127 Ave south of Thunderbird X004	Cactus west of El Mirage C004
4	Peoria btwn El Mirage and Dysart W/B P001	El Mirage north of Cactus E025	Cactus west of El Mirage C004
5	12100 BLK THUNDERBIRD E/B T007	Canterbury C002	Cactus west of El Mirage C004
6	Thompson Ranch Rd north of Grand E036	12100 BLK THUNDERBIRD W/B T008	Cactus west of El Mirage C004
7	129 Ave south of Thunderbird X001	12100 BLK THUNDERBIRD W/B T008	Cactus west of El Mirage C004
8	129 Ave south of Thunderbird X001	12100 BLK THUNDERBIRD W/B T008	Cactus west of El Mirage C004
9	129 Ave south of Thunderbird X001	12100 BLK THUNDERBIRD W/B T008	Cactus west of El Mirage C004
10	Peoria btwn El Mirage and Dysart E/B P002	Canterbury C002	Thunderbird east of El Mirage T007
11	12100 BLK THUNDERBIRD W/B T008	Cactus west of El Mirage w/b C005	Thunderbird east of El Mirage T007
12	Cactus west of El Mirage w/b C005	Thompson Ranch Rd north of Grand E036	Thunderbird east of El Mirage T007
13	129 Ave south of Thunderbird X001	Varney V001	Thunderbird east of El Mirage T007
14	El Mirage north of Cactus E025	Peoria btwn El Mirage and Dysart E/B P001	Thunderbird east of El Mirage T007
15	El Mirage north of Cactus E025	Peoria btwn El Mirage and Dysart E/B P001	Thunderbird east of El Mirage T007
16	El Mirage north of Cactus E025	Peoria btwn El Mirage and Dysart E/B P001	Thunderbird east of El Mirage T007
17	Cactus west of El Mirage w/b C005	Peoria btwn El Mirage and Dysart W/B P001	El Mirage north of Cactus E025
18	Varney V001	127 Ave south of Thunderbird X004	El Mirage north of Cactus E025
19	129 Ave south of Thunderbird X001	Cactus west of El Mirage e/b C004	El Mirage north of Cactus E025
20	Thompson Ranch Rd north of Grand E036	Dysart north of Cactus S/B D004	El Mirage north of Cactus E025
21	12100 BLK THUNDERBIRD W/B T008	Cactus west of El Mirage e/b C004	El Mirage north of Cactus E025
22	12100 BLK THUNDERBIRD W/B T008	Cactus west of El Mirage e/b C004	El Mirage north of Cactus E025
23	12100 BLK THUNDERBIRD W/B T008	Cactus west of El Mirage e/b C004	El Mirage north of Cactus E025
24	12100 BLK THUNDERBIRD E/B T007	Canterbury C002	Peoria btwn El Mirage and Dysart W/B P001
25	Canterbury C002	12100 BLK THUNDERBIRD W/B T008	Peoria btwn El Mirage and Dysart W/B P001
26	El Mirage north of Cactus E025	Peoria btwn El Mirage and Dysart E/B P002	Peoria btwn El Mirage and Dysart W/B P001
27	129 Ave south of Thunderbird X001	Canterbury C002	Peoria btwn El Mirage and Dysart W/B P001
28	Cactus west of El Mirage w/b C005	127 Ave south of Thunderbird X003	Peoria btwn El Mirage and Dysart W/B P001

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## Insights: Cautiously Moving in the Right Economic Direction

By **TOM DOYLE,**  
ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST

After years of negative to moderate growth in Arizona since the great recession, it's easy to understand why economists are cautiously optimistic about 2014. The Arizona economy is getting better and indicators like the unemployment rate, housing market, and construction-related jobs all show positive signs.

The AZ Republic gave a 2014 economic forecast featuring five economists. All predicted moderate growth at a pace better than 2013. The lingering effects of the post-recession are slowly reaching pre-recession levels. Most people agree that pacing

our growth is much more sustainable than the rapid appreciation we experienced in the early to mid-2000's.

Many commercial real estate brokers are also predicting a better 2014 for the Greater Phoenix Area. The AZ Republic asked some of the Valley's top brokers if they see Greater Phoenix on the rebound. One broker noted that Phoenix has moved up eight spaces from last year, ranked 25th in an "Emerging Trends in Real Estate" report detailing the best places in the U.S. for investors to put their money. The key factors influencing this new ranking include employment and population growth and a relatively low cost of doing business.



**Tom Doyle**

All three commercial areas - office, industrial, and retail - are predicted to grow by 2.4 percent in 2014.

This is good news for El Mirage. The City's decision to invest in infrastructure improvements will open opportunities for new business locations. In addition to infrastructure improvements, the

City is also making market improvements by actively pursuing new business interests, working closely with area brokers, and collaborating with state and regional economic development organizations.

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Home Occ.	Marian Ciolac	12825 W St. Moritz	El Mirage	623-628-3381
Restaurant	Dos Locus bar and grill	12006 W Thunderbird	El Mirage	602-495-7355
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# FOCUS ON THE FIRE DEPARTMENT



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## Smoke alarms keeping you safe

Every year, more than 3,000 people die in home fires in the United States; most of whom are in homes without a working smoke alarm.

Smoke alarms are just like any other appliance in a home; they need to be maintained and replaced regularly. The El Mirage

Fire Department receives calls weekly from residents whose smoke alarms are "chirping." This occurs when the batteries are low and need replacing and when the life span of the smoke alarm has been reached.

If a smoke alarm is "chirping", try these steps:

- Replace the batteries in every smoke alarm with new ones. Use good quality batteries.

- Clean the dust out of the smoke alarm. Use canned air to blow out dust particles. Smoke alarms cannot tell the difference between smoke and dust.

- Once the smoke alarms have new batteries and have been cleaned, press and hold the "test" button on the smoke alarm until all of the smoke alarms in the house begin to sound. This should take approximately 10-15 seconds. This will reset all the smoke alarms.

If the above steps do not eliminate the "chirping," then the smoke alarms probably need to be replaced. Smoke alarms have a 10 year life span and need to be replaced just like any other appliance. According to City records, approximately 75% of all homes in El Mirage are at least 10-12 years old and as a result the smoke alarms need to be replaced.

A working smoke detector is the least expensive and most dependable tool that has been proven to save lives in the event of a house fire.

For more information, call El Mirage Fire Department at 623-583-7968, or go to [www.usfa.fema.gov/campaigns/smokealarms](http://www.usfa.fema.gov/campaigns/smokealarms).

## Scalds a burning issue

Hot water causes 33% of all burns according to the American Burn Association. Scald injuries are painful and require prolonged treatment. They may result in lifelong scarring and even death. Prevention of scalds is always preferable to treatment and can be accomplished through simple changes in behavior and the home environment.

In conjunction with Burn Awareness Week, February 2-8, the American Burn Association and El Mirage Fire Department is providing information relating to scald burns.

To decrease the risk of tap water scalds:

- Set home water heater thermostats to deliver water at a temperature no higher than 120 degrees Fahrenheit/48 degree Celsius.

- Provide constant adult supervision of children or anyone who may experience difficulty removing themselves from hot water on their own.

- Install grab bars, shower seats or non-slip flooring in tubs or showers if the person is unsteady or weak.

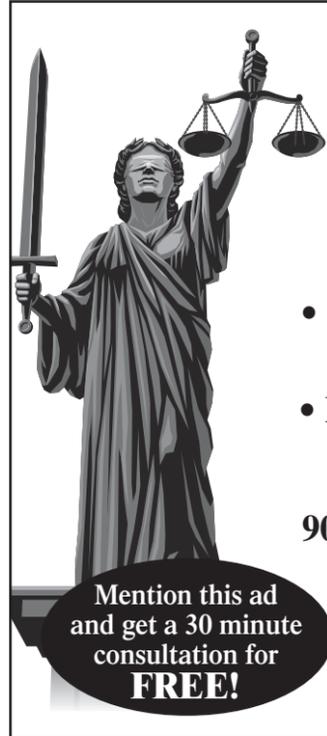
To decrease the risk of cooking-related burns:

- Establish a "kid zone" out of the traffic path between the stove and sink where children can safely play and still be supervised.

- Cook on back burners when children are present. Keep all pot handles turned back, away from the stove edge.

- Never drink or carry hot liquids while carrying or holding a child. Quick motions may cause spilling of onto the child.

For more information about preventing scald burns, contact the El Mirage Fire Department at 623-583-7968, the Arizona Burn Foundation, [www.wazburn.org](http://www.wazburn.org), or the American Burn Association, [www.ameriburn.org](http://www.ameriburn.org).



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## El Mirage Welcomes New Officer

The El Mirage Police Department is proud to introduce their newest officer, Jason Van Aller. Officer Van Aller was sworn in as an El Mirage officer in December and is assigned to the patrol division. He has twelve years of police service in northern Arizona. Welcome Officer Van Aller!



Jason Van Aller

## Online Crime Tool Now Available!

Interested in reviewing crime statistics or receiving alerts about recent police activity? The El Mirage Police Department is now uploading police data to www.crimemapping.com. On this website, visitors can view incidents, see statistical reports on activity, and register for email alerts. For questions or comments, contact Crime Analyst Aimee Currey at 623-433-9519.

felony convictions and willing to volunteer a minimum of 8 hours a month. Applicants must be able to pass background and polygraph investigations. For more information, contact Aimee Currey, acurrey@cityofelmirage.org or 623-500-3006.

## El Mirage Police Department Property and Evidence Division UNCLAIMED PROPERTY

Report #	Owner	Item Description
E11052129	Yeargin, Nicholas	Clothing
E11120494	Bruno, Sarah	Currency (US)
E13112179	Marcelino JR, Rivera	AZ Identification
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E13121193	Unknown	Bike, Mongoose
E13121652	Evans, Rodney G.	Wallet
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E13122029	Rojelio, Lara	Necklace

## Volunteers needed

The El Mirage Police Department is looking for a few good men and women willing to volunteer and help make a difference in the community. The department has an immediate need for volunteers in the Administration section to perform various tasks including document scanning, filing, and reception desk coverage.

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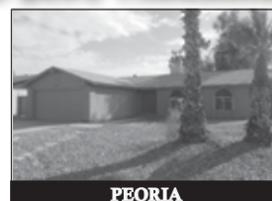
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## El Mirage, Dysart Community Center, and United Way host Project Connect Event

The City of El Mirage, Dysart Community Center, and the United Way hosted the Project Connect event on January 14, 2014 at the Dysart Community Center.

Project Connect is a one stop shop where individu-

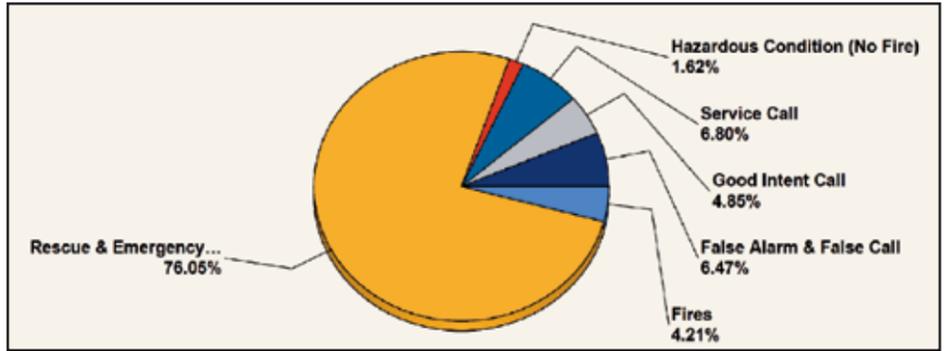
als who are homeless or on the verge of homelessness are able to get connected to services in one day that generally take days, weeks, or months to receive.

Approximately 300 volunteers assisted 400 guests

with clothing, food, veteran's affairs, legal assistance, housing information, and medical services.

For more information about United Way and Project Connect go to [www.vsuw.org](http://www.vsuw.org).

## Fire Department analysis of incidents for December 2013



### Fire Operations Division: December 2013

Fire Units responded to the following incidents:	Fire/Emergency Medical Training Hours = 424
Fires = 13	<b>Significant Incidents</b>
EMS Calls = 235	• 12/21 – House Fire, Cause electrical overload, Estimated damage = \$5,000
False Alarms = 20	• 12/23 – Single vehicle roll-over accident Grand Ave & Thompson Ranch Rd.
Other Calls for Service = 41	<b>Community Involvement</b>
Total Calls for Service = 309	• 12/14 – Pancake Breakfast • 12/21 – El Mirage Firefighter Charities Toy event
Total Fire Loss = \$5,000	<b>Fire, Building &amp; Life Safety Division</b>
Total Value of Property Saved = \$180,000	Permit applications received = 26
Save Factor = 97%	Permits issued = 24
Average Response time in El Mirage 00:05:00	Plan reviews completed = 24
	Building Inspections = 354
	Fire Prevention Inspections = 6
	Revenue = \$20,725

## El Mirage Fire Department Calendar of Events

March 15 - CPR Training  
9am - noon

April 26 - Fire Extinguisher Training  
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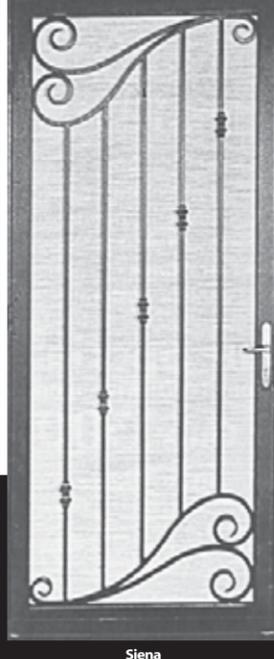
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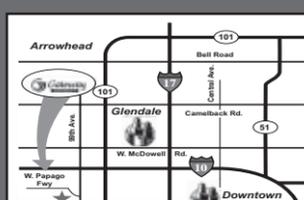
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Services: FHC offers adult and pediatric primary care, with a special emphasis on disease prevention and wellness. General dentistry, diagnostic radiology, and pharmacy services are also available on site. A quarterly, bilingual diabetes clinic is a recent addition to FHC services and has become a model for other clinics to help patients manage their diabetes.

Community Collaborations: The City and FHC have developed a productive working relationship, often promoting each other's events and mutually assisting at health fairs for residents of all ages.

School nurses from throughout Dysart Unified School District refer students and their families to FHC for financial assistance to access health care, and FHC performs well-child check-ups for children of migrant seasonal

farmworkers, thanks to a partnership with Chicanos Por La Causa of Phoenix.

Kids 18 years and younger benefit each summer from FHC's collaboration with St. Mary's Food Bank. FHC is one of 82 sites around the Valley that offers free lunches through the Summer Food Service Program for Children known as Kids Café.

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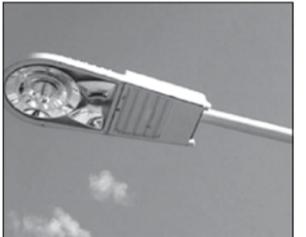
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Community Calendar – February 2014				
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<b>3</b> 8:00 Sit and Be Fit 8:30 1-mile Walk 9:00 ESL Classes 9:30 Loteria 11:00 Wii Bowling	<b>4</b> 8:00 Sit and Be Fit 8:30 1-mile Walk 10:00 Word Search 12:00 Wii Bowling	<b>5</b> 8:00 Sit and Be Fit 8:30 Chair Exercises 9:30 Bingo	<b>6</b> 8:00 Sit and Be Fit 9:00 Ageless Aerobics 10:00 ESL Classes 10:30 Puzzles/Games	<b>7</b> 8:00 Sit and Be Fit 8:30 1-mile Walk 9:30 Bingo
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<p><b>Co-ed Adult Soccer:</b> Games played at Gateway Park. For information, go to www.azcoedsoccer.com or 800-BSA-0886.</p> <p><b>Benfica Youth Soccer:</b> Mon-Thurs., 6 pm – 8 pm year-round. For information, go to www.azbenfica.org or 800-BSA-0886.</p> <p><b>White Tanks Little League:</b> Send inquiries regarding upcoming spring season to Whitetanksll@msn.com or 623-241-4602.</p>	<p><b>El Mirage Martial Arts Academy:</b> Ages 6–12 learn traditional martial arts and life skills. \$45/month, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 6 pm – 7 pm. Ages 13+ train Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 7 pm – 8 pm. For information, contact Richard Gutkosky 623-628-6725.</p> <p><b>West Valley Youth Football:</b> Ages 5 – 15 learn flag, tackle, cheer, dance, and step. For information, go to www.wvy-faz.com or email wvyouthfootball11@gmail.com.</p> <p><b>NSA Adult Softball:</b> Co-ed softball leagues play Friday and Sunday evenings. Winter and Spring Leagues available! For information, email chris@playnsaaz.com or tim@playnsazz.com.</p>

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 Teen Book Discussion – February 27, 4 pm. Ages 12 – 18. Discuss what you're reading with other book teens.

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**Friends of the El Mirage Library**  
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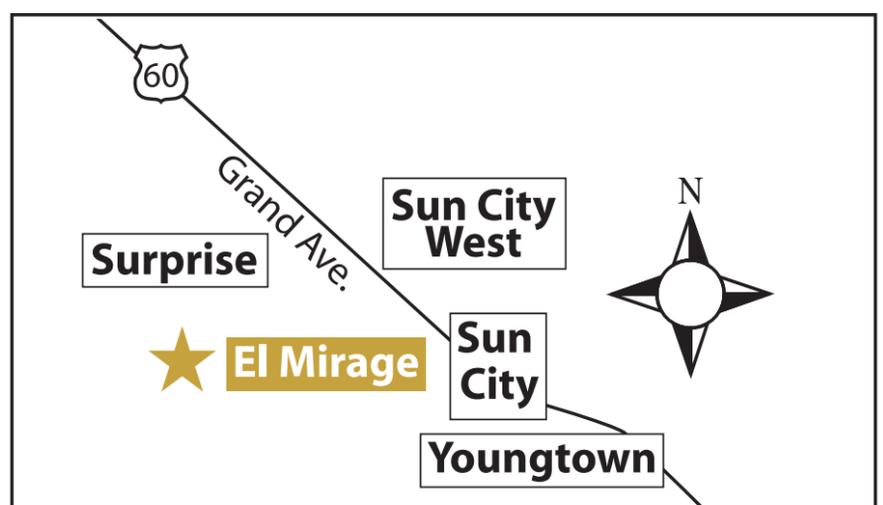
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