



TOWN OF QUEEN CREEK

STATE OF THE TOWN 2021



EFFECTIVE GOVERNMENT



Volunteers contributed nearly 45,000 hours saving approximately \$1.2 million.

Census response rate of 70% exceeded State & National rates.



24,300 pounds of food collected for region with Pinal County.

Recognized by the Arizona Association of Economic Development as Medium Organization of the Year for Economic Development.



Received a Platinum level "Healthy Worksites Award" in recognition of our Employee Wellness Program.

Property owners in Street Light Improvement Districts (SLID) will save an aggregate annual amount of \$400,000 due to the Town taking over maintenance of the streetlights from SRP.



Saved 2.6 million in interest by paying off debt early.

The Schnepf Farms Annexation and Rezoning project received the Honorable Mention Award from the Arizona Chapter of the American Planning Association.





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SUPERIOR INFRASTRUCTURE

In partnership with Maricopa County, completed new bridge over the QC Wash at Rittenhouse.



Completed the Signal Butte extension.

Completed the Meridian Road extension, including a bridge over the QC Wash.

Completed four new intersections.



Completed design of three major roadway projects, breaking ground in 2021.



Completed the Town's largest water storage facility & broke ground on another.

Expanded water service area, adding 1,800 customers, four wells & four storage tanks.

Constructed 17 miles of utility lines.

Broke ground on the Chandler Heights improvement project.





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SAFE COMMUNITY



MCSO engaged the community with neighborhood parades & McGruff the Crime Dog visiting more than 200 residents.



Opened Fire Station 4, located in the NE area of Town, with five stations now serving the community.

Celebrated QC's first ladder truck, Ladder 411.



QC Fire + Medical Department welcomed 14 new firefighters.



Approved establishing the QC Police Department with official transition in early 2022.

Approved QCPD logo, patch, badge & vehicle design.

QCPD welcomed a new police chief, two lieutenants & a senior administrator.

Hosted two free flu shot clinics in partnership with Maricopa County.





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QUALITY LIFESTYLE

In partnership with Maricopa County, opened 1.3 miles of new trails with the addition of the Trails at Horseshoe Park.



A new trailhead was completed at Power Road and the Sonoqui Wash.



Engaged the community through modified events including HayQC, the "Live" Stock Experience & Virtual Ice Cream Social.

Horseshoe Park & Equestrian Centre/Roots N' Boots Queen Creek was awarded first place for Best Footing in the WPRA Turquoise Circuit.



Monthly blood drives with Vitalant resulted in 345 blood donations, a 366% increase from 2019.



QC staff donated \$21,000 to non-profits.

Recreation Supervisor Erica Perez recognized by National Parks & Recreation Association & NBC Universal.



Mansell Carter Oasis Park received two awards from the American Council of Engineering Companies.





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SECURE FUTURE



Issued 1,985 single-family permits, the largest in QC's history & processed more than 6,000 permits & applications in 2020.

Secured nearly \$1.85 million from Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) for transportation improvements.



QC's first hotel, Hampton Inn, opened in Town Center.



Banner Ironwood expanded, adding two new floors & 36 additional beds.



Residents diverted nearly 165 tons of material during the QC Recycles events & Neighborhood Recycling Drop-off Center.



Residents diverted 895 gallons of cooking oil by utilizing the Cooking Oil Recycling Program, a 20% increase from last year.



Offered business support grants to 104 recipients, distributing nearly \$400K in direct support.



Fitch & S&P affirmed the Town's issuer credit ratings (ICR) of 'AA' and affirmed the Town's excise tax revenue bond ratings of 'AA.'