

### TOWN OF QUEEN CREEK STATE OF THE TOWN 2022 SAFE COMMUNITY

Hired more than 70 officers, recruits and support staff members to join the Queen Creek Police Department.

QCPD joined the national 30x30 challenge that strives for 30% of the police workforce to include women by the year 2030. QCPD met the 30x30 challenge at the launch date on Jan. 11.

QCPD's Mission: Together, we will promote a safe community through accountability, connection, and trust.



The Town of Queen Creek thanks the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office for decades of service in this community.





open this spring.



Response Team (CERT).



- Four firefighters from Queen Creek Fire & Medical Department were certified as paramedics. Currently, 60% of the fire department staff are now paramedics!
- Y Permanent Fire Station 2 just opened serving the southwest area of Town. Along the southeast portion of Town, Permanent Fire Station 5 will



- Welcomed four new members to the Community Emergency
- Monthly blood drives in partnership with Vitalant resulted in a 65% increase in blood donations from 2020!



## TOWN OF QUEEN CREEK STATE OF THE TOWN 2022 OUALITY LIFESTYLE

Town Council approved funding for new park facilities including East Park, the remainder of Mansel Carter Oasis Park, a multi-generational recreation center and aquatics center.





Expansion of the wash trail system continues with the groundbreaking of the Sonoqui Wash Trail from Hawes to Crismon. Design started for the extension of the Queen Creek Wash Trail from Crismon to Meridian.

Keeping QC clean and safe is an important aspect of a quality lifestyle. In 2021, the Town diverted:

1,100 gallons of cooking oil



Town of Queen Creek recognized as the 10th best suburb in the US to move to in 2021 by Homes.com.

To help accommodate a variety of k9s, a separate entrance

for timid/small dogs was added to the Pocket Park for Pups.

According to the 2021 Citizen Survey, 94% of residents rated Queen Creek's quality of life as good or excellent.



3 tons of Household Hazardous Waste

385 tons of materials



### TOWN OF QUEEN CREEK STATE OF THE TOWN 2022 SECURE EUTURE

The Town became the first municipality in the state to have a fully funded pension reserve, saving taxpayers nearly \$2 million annually.

Fitch, a leading provider in bond ratings, affirmed the Town's 'AA' rating for excise tax revenue bonds.

During the first year of operation, QC's first hotel, Hampton Inn had a 71% occupancy rate - serving nearly 24,000 hot waffles!



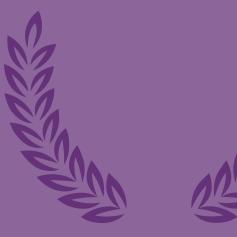
Issued nearly 1,950 single-family permits and processed more than 6,900 permits & applications, a 12% increase from the previous year.

The Town was awarded the Award for Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association.



Worked to streamline the permit payment process, enhancing payment options, saving an anticipated \$435,000 annually.







#### Permitted \$1 Billion in Construction Value in 2021.



Steve Sossaman received the 2021 Distinguished Public Official Award from the Arizona Planning Association (AZPA).

Dubbed one of the Town's Founding Fathers, Sossaman has served as mayor, council member, on the school board and on the Planning and Zoning Commission.



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# SUPERIOR INFRASTRUCTURE

The Town created a Capital Improvement Projects, or CIP, Department, consolidating all of the Town's construction activities under one department to ensure efficiency and maximum savings.



Progress continues towards two additional water storage tanks. Bringing the total to three tanks with eight million gallons of water storage.



### Working towards **Better Roads Ahead:**

Completed Rittenhouse Road improvements - with two lanes in each direction throughout Queen Creek.

#### Construction began:



Broke ground on two new portions of the Meridian Road corridor -Queen Creek to Germann, and Germann to the State Route 24 extension, in partnership with Pinal County.



• Widening Chandler Heights Road from Power to Recker • Widening Power Road from Brooks Farm to Chandler Heights • Widening Ocotillo Road from Signal Butte to Ironwood in partnership with Maricopa County • Extension of Signal Butte Road, from Germann to Pecos in partnership with the City of Mesa



### TOWN OF QUEEN CREEK STATE OF THE TOWN 2022 EFFECTIVE GOVERNMENT

Launched a new digital reporting system - SeeClickFix - to resolve a variety of issues.

## SeeClickFix 1,200 reports & counting



Downtown Development Manager, Jennifer Lindley was recognized by the Arizona Association of Economic Development as the Economic Developer of the Year for a medium organization.



Received the Platinum level "Healthy Worksites Award" in recognition of the Town's Employee Wellness Program.



#### **Camp Live Play Learn**

Received the 2021 Outstanding Youth Enrichment Program Award and Marketing & Communications Award, Arizona Parks and Recreation Association.

#### Outreach for the Law Enforcement Study & Hay QC

Received the Award of Merit from the Public Relations Society of America, Phoenix Chapter.





Received the Award of Excellence from the City, County Communications and Marketing Association.



Volunteers contributed nearly 80,000 service hours, saving approximately \$2.2 million.



#### **QC** Recycles events