

PHOENIX

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BRIEFS

Blankets, warm clothes needed for homeless

PHOENIX — The city is asking you to donate items for the homeless. Donate blankets, new or used but clean, clean warm clothing, such as long-sleeve jackets and long pants, hats and gloves, coats, underwear, socks, shoes and hygiene items. Other items needed are baby food/formula, diapers and children's blankets. They may be delivered to any of the city's four Family Services Centers. Travis L. Williams, 4732 S. Central Ave.; Central Phoenix, 1250 S. Seventh Ave.; John F. Long, 3454 N. 51st Ave.; and Sunnyslope, 914 W. Hatcher Road. Call (602) 262-4520.

Cesar Chavez Library grand opening is Jan. 8

PHOENIX — Phoenix Public Library will celebrate the grand opening of Cesar Chavez Library on Jan. 8. Festivities begin at 9:40 a.m. with a ribbon-cutting ceremony at 10 a.m. featuring Vice Mayor Doug Lingner and others. The celebration will continue until 2 p.m. with clowns and performances by singing cowboy Gary Sprague and magician Mark Carter. The library is a 25,000-square-foot regional branch that includes a computer training lab, a children's story room, a community meeting room, 57 Internet-access computers, a 1,000-square-foot teen space. It also houses the First

Five Years/Los Primeros Cinco Años program, a space for parents/caregivers and young children. The library is at 35th Avenue and Baseline Road. Visit phoenixpubliclibrary.org.

Disabilities council seeks board members

PHOENIX — The Arizona Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities is looking for volunteers for its advisory board. Candidates include people with developmental disabilities, a family member or anyone who serve people with developmental disabilities. The advisory board acts as an informational resource for individuals with developmental disabilities and their families, providing information on health care, education, employment, self-advocacy, quality assurance and community support systems. Call (866) 771-9378.

Residents can get look at new Monroe School

PHOENIX — The Children's Museum of Phoenix has unveiled its tour dates for January through April. Adults can now see the renovation of the Monroe School that will be turned into a children's museum. Meet board and staff members, and get a continental breakfast or light lunch, depending on the tour chosen. The first tours will be from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Jan. 11. The school is at 215 N. Seventh St.