

MEDIA ALERT

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HUMAN SERVICES CAMPUS' MONTHLY WATER-COLLECTION EVENT IS SATURDAY; 100,000 BOTTLES NEEDED EVERY MONTH THROUGH SEPTEMBER





WHAT

- The Human Services Campus (HSC) July ThirstAid water drive is from 9 am. to noon on Saturday.
- 100,000 bottles of water are needed every month through September. HSC staff hands out 3,000 bottles a day to help people experiencing homelessness, particularly during the brutal summer months.
- Donations of hygiene items are always accepted. Urgent seasonal needs include
 - deodorant
 - adult underwear and socks (new and in packages)
 - electrolyte packs and
 - sunscreen, hats, visors, solid grey bandanas (no patterns), sunglasses, lip balm, aloe burn gel and insulated water bottles (half-gallon size are preferred).

WHEN

• Saturday, July 9 from 9 a.m. to noon.

WHERE

• The collection location is near the Harrison Street Gate at 1300 W. Harrison in Phoenix. HSC staff and volunteers will unload all donations.

WHY

- Summer months are particularly brutal for people experiencing homelessness and living on the streets.
- · Human Services Campus partner St. Joseph the Worker started ThirstAid a number of years ago.

WHO

• HSC, a 501c3 nonprofit agency, owns and operates a 13-acre campus at 12th Avenue and Madison that is home to 16 nonprofit organizations providing services and resources to people experiencing homelessness.

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- Community members interested in participating in the drive also can visit the <u>HSC Amazon Wish List</u> or by making an online donation to help cover the cost of the needed items at the HSC website, <u>www.hsc-az.org.</u>
- For more information visit www.hsc-az.org.

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https://hsc-az.org/hsc-events/#thirstaid

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ABOUT THE HUMAN SERVICES CAMPUS: Founded in 2005, the Human Services Campus is a collaborative force of partner organizations united on one campus to end homelessness. Located just west of downtown Phoenix, 16 independent agencies on the Campus see nearly 1,000 individuals every day, offering a holistic range of client services including: reunification with family and friends; mental, physical and dental health; shelter; employment; meals; legal services and housing. Having all of these resources in one location with intra-agency communications makes it more feasible to provide a customized engagement for each client to help end their homelessness. For more information, visit www.hsc-az.org.