

Street Smart your E-Communiqué from the Livable Communities Coalition

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Street Smart is a compilation of articles scoured from various sources that help us meet our mission promoting livable communities in Arizona through education and advocacy.

Legend

Articles are color coded by topic!

Transportation - white/melon
Housing - blue
Health - violet
Environment - green
Legislative - gray
Thought Provocation - buff

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Don't Miss This Event!

Connections & Partnerships Moving Arizona Forward A Conference for Connectivity

Take a look at this jam-packed conference agenda filled with informative, exciting information that articulates our message **and** we have a limited number of **scholarships** to attend April 12th! Please click on the registration link below to inquire about availability.

[Click here to see the conference agenda.](#)

[Click here to register for the April 12th conference.](#)

Housing + Transportation Affordability Index

Take a peek at this interesting tool to help determine the impact of gas prices on transportation and housing expenses as it relates to overall income.

[Check it out](#)

America's Great Outdoors:

A Promise to Future Generations

Americans today have become increasingly disconnected from our great outdoors. We find ourselves cut off from the natural and cultural inheritance that has shaped our lives and history. Our natural resources remain central to our economic vitality, yet they are under intense pressure from development and fragmentation, unsustainable use, pollution, and impacts from a changing climate. In 2010, President Obama launched the America's Great Outdoors (AGO) Initiative and charged experts to develop a 21st-century conservation and recreation agenda that addresses these challenges.



[Read the Executive Summary](#)

The Hidden Water We Use

You might be surprised how much water it takes to bring that hamburger to your plate or to make your favorite t-shirt. Compare apples to oranges, beer to wine, wind power to coal and see how your choices add up.



[How Much H2O is Embedded in Everyday Life?](#)

Did You know?

Mad Men Like Fast Trains!



[FunnyorDie](#)



Events of Note

- April 3, Scottsdale - Cycle the Arts - [Free!](#)
- April 4, Tucson - BICAS Bikes and Burritos! Happy Hour Ride - [Yummy and Fun](#)
- April 7 - Phoenix - Attend Rogue Green's - Event Numero Diecisiete - "It's Getting Hot in Here" featuring Mark Wilhelm talking about Phoenix's Heat Island Effect - [Join the Conversation](#)
- April 8 - Tucson - Arizona Housing Alliance - Arizona Housing Alliance Academy - The Economy & Immigration & Souther Arizona Housing Market - [Join the Conversation](#)
- April 8 - Valley Forward - Livability Summit "The Green Economy: Why it Matters and how You can Profit" - [Go Green](#)
- Through April 15 - Keep Arizona Beautiful Seeks Nominations for 2011 Environmental Stewardship Awards - [Nominate!](#)
- April 16, Sedona - Earth Day Celebration and Concert in the Park - [Fun, Fun, Fun!](#)
- April 16, Prescott - Get Out...Get Into It! - Prescott Natural History Day - [Sign Up](#)
- May 3-5 - Baltimore - 2011 High-Speed Rail Practicum on Implementing High Speed Rail in the United States - [Clickity Clack](#)
- June - Corvallis, OR - Regards to Rural 2011 - "a gathering to inform, inspire, and celebrate... all that is rural." [Check it out](#)

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