

SUN CITY WEST

The area that is now known as Sun City West was formerly a working cattle ranch 45 minutes northwest of Phoenix, Arizona. The Del Webb Corporation bought the land in 1971 and began the master plan for future development of the area. Sun City West is an unincorporated age restricted community just two and one half miles west of Sun City. The first residents moved into their new homes in October of 1978.

Since then, Sun City West has continued to grow and evolve into one of the foremost communities of its kind. Since it is an Age Restricted community, at least one member of each household must be 55 year of age and no permanent resident can be under 19 year of age.

However, there is no age restriction on ownership.

Sun City West is home to approximately 31,000 people and four recreation centers. Between them there are 3 indoor and 3 outdoor swimming pools. You can also enjoy bowling, billiards, tennis, handball, racquetball, and numerous other activities.

In addition, there is a 1,200 seat social hall, arts & crafts rooms for ceramics, stained glass, silver craft, photography, sewing, woodworking, painting and weaving as well as a 300 seat theater, a library, picnic area and a playground for children.

There are also many recreational, social and craft clubs that relate to a particular hobby, vocation or special field of interest. Residents pay a modest annual fee for the use of all the recreational facilities throughout the community.

There are financial institutions, brokerage firms, several restaurants, and other businesses to serve your everyday needs. Sun City West has two large shopping centers plus more than 80 other shops and stores. A large, regional shopping mall, Arrowhead Town Center Mall, is 15 minutes east of Sun City West.

The lifestyle is casual, southwestern and relaxed. Nowhere else does the "ENJOY LIFE" attitude flourish as it does here! Many residents living in the Sun Cities have moved here from somewhere else and they have come from every state as well as some foreign countries. They discover new interests, hobbies and talents, make new friends and enjoy life to its full-est.

You'll find many here riding bikes, walking, playing golf or tennis, even jogging.

You owe it to yourself to come to Arizona, look us over, visit the Northwest Valley of the Sun and the Sun City West area. You'll be glad you did.

In addition to the recreation centers, residents own seven of the nine golf courses in Sun City West. Four of the seven – Pebblebrook, Grandview, Deer Valley and Trail Ridge are championship courses, while Stardust, Echo Mesa and Desert Trails are executive-length courses.

Hillcrest Golf Club is owned by John Jacobs School of Golf and is open to all residents and the public. Briarwood Golf Course and Country Club, an elegant expression of taste and quality, is Sun City West's only country club – featuring golf, swimming and tennis. With its warmth and charm, the club offers members and their guests the opportunity to enjoy country club living at its best.

Homes in Sun City West range from approximately 700 square feet for a one-bedroom, one-bath apartment-style unit to 3,500 plus square feet for the larger homes. Many homes are built on golf course lots which give the owners open views of the course and the fairways. A Mira Vista Properties Realty Group Agent can assist you with information about current prices for properties in Sun City West or you can visit our website at www.MiraVista-Properties.com.

Real estate taxes in Sun City West are very reasonable compared to other areas of the country. For current information contact Mira Vista Properties Realty Group toll-free, 888.842.6090 or visit our website www.MiraVista-Properties.com

Volunteers service the community and play a large part in the cleanliness, low crime rate and successful operation of the many organizations, agencies and programs that serve the interests and meet the special needs of Sun City West residents. These men and women are to be commended for their generous gifts of time, talent, effort and their commitment and contribution to the community.

There are numerous organizations providing valuable services to the community, such as those listed below, that make the lives of others fuller, more meaningful and more rewarding.

Helping Hands loans items, such as medical related equipment, rollaway beds, baby items, etc. to residents of Sun City West and Sun City Grand at no charge. They are supported by donations from those who borrow equipment (if the user is financially able) and by contributions from local residents, businesses and other organizations.

The Property Owners and Residents Association (PORA), provides services to residents of Sun City West in all civic matters except those strictly dealing with the administration and operation of the recreational facilities. The Association provides consumer information, monitors legislation and taxation, helps with gardening problems, etc.

The R. H. Johnson Library is the most recognized building in Sun City West with its clock tower and chimes. It houses more than 45,000 books, serials, video and audio tapes. The operating expenses of the library are paid for by the dues, while other materials available are paid for by The Friends of the Library through various fundraising activities.

Every Saturday morning the Prides, a group of over 300 volunteers, work to keep the public thoroughfares of Sun City West neat and clean. They also maintain the watering systems.

The Sun City West Posse, another volunteer organization, has approximately 200 members under the direct authorization of the Maricopa County Sheriff. While the primary function of the Posse is crime prevention, members are trained in several different programs that benefit the community. They respond to fire, medical and accident calls. They perform home security patrols, neighborhood watch programs, and vacation inspection services. The Posse is funded by contributions from the homeowners and the business people of Sun City West,

Interfaith Community Care is a non-profit, non-sectarian human services agency formed to meet the special needs of the community by assisting individuals to remain living independently in their own home. They provide services regardless of the recipient's inability to pay.

The Handi-Capables Club is a chartered club of The Recreation Centers of Sun City. The purpose is to plan programs and recreational activities of interest and benefit to Sun City residents who have a lasting physical disability.