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WEEKLY UPDATE

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

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FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY GRANT AWARDED

Tempe Housing Services has been awarded a significant grant provided through HUD's national **Family Self-Sufficiency [FSS] Program**. FSS encourages communities to develop local strategies to help families who live or participate in HUD's **Section 8 Program** to obtain employment that will lead to economic independence and self-sufficiency. The funding is distributed to local agencies which allows them to hire or retain FSS Coordinators. The criteria to receive the highest grant amount was difficult, and of the twelve Arizona agencies to receive funding, Tempe ranks third in total funding awarded.



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DAM FLOW

Water flowed over the top of the west end dam at Tempe Town Lake this week, thanks to a combination of rain, flows released from the Granite Reef Dam, and heavy inflow from the **ADOT drain** and the **Indian Bend Wash**. The water moved at 4,300 cubic feet per second [cfs], which is a gentle pace. The water passed over the dam and safely downstream toward the **Phoenix Rio Salado Project** within the **Rio Salado** channel. Tempe Town Lake was designed to convey water safely during flood events and can withstand flows of more than 150,000 cfs. The USGS has real-time water data posted for the Salt River at Priest Drive on their website at <http://waterdata.usgs.gov/az/nwis/uv?09512165>. Data includes the gage height and discharge rates [cfs].



TEMPE TOWN LAKE
on the rio salado

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HOLIDAY BOULEVARD IN THE DISTRICT

The **Holiday Boulevard Miracles + Wishes Auction** will be held on Saturday, 15 December from 1-4PM at the main stage in **The District** at **Tempe Marketplace** [voting has been extended due to inclement weather]. The 2007 **Holiday Boulevard of Trees** benefiting the **Forever Young Foundation**, **Steve Young's** [former San Francisco 49er Quarterback] charity, will feature more than 30 fashionable trees and wreaths. Holiday trees and wreaths will be auctioned off to benefit the Forever Young Foundation. Most fashionable trees will be awarded and one lucky voter will win a \$500 shopping spree to Tempe Marketplace.



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