Store it and Keep it Clean

Simple solutions to improve health and safety around your home

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Did you know that...

Smaller homes, larger families in Maryvale and not enough space... Do you find yourself thinking this when you are at home? Finding storage for your household items can be challenging.

• 71% of households in your Maryvale neighborhood live in homes they own. Homeowners tend to accumulate large amounts of personal and household items

• ... household items, building or landscaping materials, appliances, and other items that are placed outdoors create areas for pests such as scorpions, spiders and other unfriendly creatures. Rusty items also pose health threats if you, your child or pet should cut yourself on one of these items

• ... the Phoenix Preservation Ordinance (NPO) does not allow visible outside storage in the front or side yard

• ... inoperable vehicles visually distract from a community appearances and could be a violation of the NPO and result in a citation or fine

What to do...

Here are some suggestions of what you can do to solve some of your storage needs with these low-cost strategies.

Outside storage strategies you can use:

• Place items in your backyard storage area

• Consider holding a community yard sale and meet a few of your neighbors

• Donate items or inoperable vehicles that are no longer needed to Big Brothers Big Sisters, Goodwill, Saint Vincent de Paul, People’s Treasure Shop or Value Village Thrift Store located in the Maryvale area. Many of these organizations provide a tax benefit for donated items

Where to go...

If you choose to purchase a storage unit or shed, be sure to contact the City of Phoenix Neighborhood Services Department at 602.262.7811 regarding a permit, as some sheds need a building permit and have to meet other city specifications.

Sources for purchasing low-cost outside storage solutions in the Maryvale area:

• Visit your local home building supply store and explore the many options they have for outdoor storage units

This 7x8 foot plastic storage unit can be found in virtually every home building supply store for about $400. The acquisition of this type of unit can help you organize and keep your belongings well protected in your backyard.

• Sizes and prices will vary depending on the storage unit type that you prefer

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