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## **NEWS RELEASE/ PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT**

### Chino Valley cancels July 4<sup>th</sup> event, adds to 50<sup>th</sup> Celebration

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CHINO VALLEY, AZ- After extensive discussion with Town leadership, staff, and local authorities, the Town of Chino Valley announced today that the planned July 4<sup>th</sup> 2020 Celebration has been canceled.

“We really wanted to move forward with the celebration this year,” said Mayor Darryl Croft. “But after considering all the factors, we felt it was in the best interest of the Town to cancel. Our main concern is for the health and safety of the community and with so many factors to consider this is really the best decision at this time.”

Among the factors the Town considered were current and projected fire dangers, as well as the current coronavirus recommendations of the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) and the office of [Governor Doug Ducey](#) regarding large gatherings and social distancing.

Many of the attractions that had been scheduled for the July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration will now be featured at the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Golden Jubilee, scheduled for Saturday, September 5, 2020. These include vendors, inflatable play areas for children, and a fireworks display.

This event, which commemorates the incorporation of Chino Valley, AZ in 1970, will be held at Memory Park, located at the corner of Palomino Road and North Road 1 West. It will be an all-day event included with the Town’s annual Territorial Days Parade.

More information on the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event activities, including a live concert and street dance, is available by visiting [www.chinoaz.net](http://www.chinoaz.net).

As the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event draws closer, staff will be monitoring CDC and local fire marshal guidelines daily and provide any updates as needed.

The Town Aquatic Center, located at [1615 N Road 1 East, Chino Valley, AZ](#) will be open offering free admission on July 4, 2020, while following the [recommended guidelines for public pools](#) as stated by Gov. Ducey.

The Aquatic Center July 4<sup>th</sup> schedule is as follows:

6:00 am-8:00 am - Free Lap Swim

9:00 am-7:00 pm - Free Open Swim with three sessions (9am-12 noon, 1pm-3pm, and 4pm-7pm, each session will be limited to 250 persons.

The Town will also be offering a free hot dog and bag of chips per Aquatic Center guest, with additional hot dogs available for purchase (\$1.00). Vending machines are also available for snacks.

Additional information on the Aquatic Center safety measures is available [HERE](#):  
(<http://www.chinoaz.net/DocumentCenter/View/6321/Aquatic-Center-Physical-Distancing-Guidelines>)

Summer Aquatic Center schedule and rates are available [HERE](#):  
(<http://www.chinoaz.net/DocumentCenter/View/6319/2020-Pool-Schedule>)

Additional information on the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event is available [HERE](#):  
(<http://www.chinoaz.net/523/Chino-Valley-50th-Anniversary>)

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