



Neighborhood Block Parties

The City of Mesa supports the efforts of residents to organize Block Parties for their communities. They are intended for residents only and not the general public. If your event is open to the general public, involves major street closures/restrictions, and is being advertised, you will need to contact the City of Mesa Special Events Office (480-644-3500) and apply for a Special Event License (<https://www.mesaaz.gov/business/licensing/special-event-license>).

Application:

Neighborhood Block Party Packet can be downloaded at (<https://www.mesaaz.gov/residents/streets-transportation/block-party-guidelines>) and contain the following:

- Guidelines
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Application
- Neighborhood Petition.

Note: The applicant is required to obtain 70% approval from residents on the closed street to be considered

If you have any questions or would like to request the packet via e-mail, contact the Transportation Department at (480) 644-2160 or transportation.info@mesaaz.gov.

Submittal:

Completed applications, including the Neighborhood Petition, must be submitted either in person by visiting the Transportation Department at 300 E. 6th Street, Mesa or via e-mail at barricade@mesaaz.gov. Please allow a minimum of four (4) City working days (Monday-Thursday) for review.

Approval:

Upon approval, a copy of a Temporary Traffic Control (TTC) Permit will be issued to the applicant. The Transportation Department will arrange for the delivery and pickup of the barricades to close your street. Barricades and "Street Closed" signs will generally be delivered the day of or before to the address of the applicant and picked up within three days after the Block Party. The applicant is responsible for setting up the barricades before and remove them from the roadway after the Block Party.



Neighborhood Block Party Guidelines

1. Block parties are intended for participation by the neighborhood and should not be for private celebrations or gatherings.
2. A neighborhood Block Party Application must be submitted to the Transportation Department for review/approval a minimum of ten (10) calendar days before the Block Party's date.
3. All applicants must be a resident of the public street requested to be closed, should be 18 years or older, and must provide a completed copy of the Neighborhood Block Party Petition with their Block Party Application. Each resident within the road closure for the Block Party must provide their name, address, phone number, and sign the petition. **A minimum of 70% of the residents must sign the petition for your application to be considered.** Applicants are responsible for notifying their HOA. A copy of photo identification (Arizona Driver's license or I.D.) of the applicant will be required to complete the application process. This does not apply to G.A.I.N or Block Watch events.
4. All closures must begin and end at an intersection or in cul-de-sacs. Streets may not be closed mid-block or in front of a single home. Collector and arterial roadways will not be approved for neighborhood block parties.
5. Streets and sidewalks must not be altered in any way in preparation for or during a block party. Objects placed in the roadway and within the closure must be easily removable (no large or fixed objects that require specialty equipment to disassemble and/or move). Party organizers must clear the streets and sidewalks of signs, debris, and any other materials used for the party. The City of Mesa may charge the applicant for any cleanup or repairs as a result of the Block Party.
6. A block party should not extend past 10:00 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, or 1:00 a.m. on Friday, Saturdays, and Holidays.
7. Barricades used to close the street will be supplied by the City of Mesa. Barricades will be dropped off at the applicants address within twenty-four hours prior to the start of the Block Party. The City will collect the barricades at the applicants address within three (3) days following the Block Party.
8. Alcohol must be confined to private property. Alcohol consumed on public property is a violation of City Code and prohibited. Alcohol should not be sold or given to minors.
9. Any sound such as band music, recorded music and any amplifying equipment must be restricted to a volume that does not disturb residents and shall terminate no later than 10:00 p.m. in accordance with the City's noise ordinance.
10. The City of Mesa Transportation Department will issue a Temporary Traffic Control (TTC) Permit authorizing the applicant to close the roadway for their Block Party. A copy of the permit will be sent via e-mail or may be picked up in person at the City of Mesa Transportation Department (300 E. 6th Street, Mesa Az.).



Frequently Asked Questions

Why do I need to notify the City that we are having a Neighborhood Block Party?

Neighborhood Block Parties are normally held in the public roadway and will need to be closed to traffic. Applications must be submitted to the Transportation Department for review/approval a minimum of ten (10) calendar days before the Block Party's date so there is adequate time to notify emergency services (fire, police, etc.) and other City departments (solid waste, etc.) of the planned closure so those departments can route their services around the event.

How long does it take to get my permit?

Block party applications take about four (4) City working days (Monday-Thursday) to review and approve. The city will call you or e-mail you your permit when your application has been approved or if there may be additional information required on your application.

What streets should I close?

Generally, Block Parties are held on local streets only. Arterial, collectors, and the first block that intersects with arterial roads are not permitted.

Who can I invite to the Block Party?

Block parties are restrictions to the residents on the street to be closed for the Block Party. Block parties are not intended for private gatherings or celebrations.

How do I get the barricades to close my street?

The City of Mesa Transportation Department will arrange for delivery and pickup of the barricades and "Street Closed" signs. Barricades will generally be delivered either the day of or before the Block Party date and picked up within three (3) days after the block party.

How much does it cost to have a Block Party?

There is no additional cost to City residents for a Block Party.

I live on a private roadway within a private subdivision and want to host a block party. Do the Block Party Guidelines apply to me?

No. This application process applies to Block Parties held on local public roadways only. The request for a Block Party on private roadways should be routed through your neighborhood HOA and coordinated with Mesa emergency services (fire, police, etc.).



Neighborhood Block Party Application

To Whom It May Concern:

We, the undersigned agree to save and hold harmless the City of Mesa, from all injury and damage to any person(s) and property which is caused by any activity, conditions, or events arising out of the temporary closure of the above street(s) for the purpose of a neighborhood block party (as stated above) for the dates and times provided on this application.

We agree to close the above street(s) by setting out traffic barricades as shown in the attached drawing at the noted start time and remove traffic barricades, placing them away from travel lanes and sidewalks, by the noted end time on this application. The City will provide all barricades to the undersigned's address within twenty-four (24) hours prior to the start of the Block Party.

We further agree to follow the City's Neighborhood Block Party Guidelines.

(Print Name and Sign)

(Date)

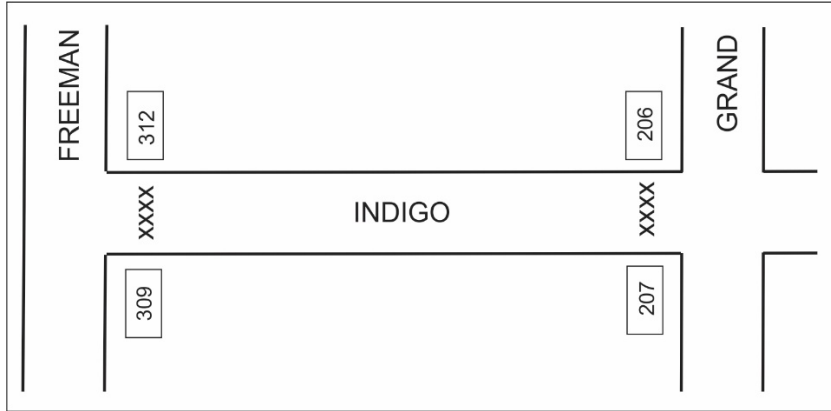
Applicant Information			
Applicant Name / Responsible Party:			
Street Address:			
City, State, Zip Code:			
Phone Number:		Cell Number:	
E-mail Address:			
Contact Person (on site) Day of event:			
Contact Person Cell Number:			
GAIN or Authorized Block Watch Information			
Is This a GAIN or Authorized Block Watch Event:		YES	NO (if No, skip to next section)
Block Watch Captain:		Cell Number:	
Crime Prevention Officer:			
Neighborhood Block Party Information			
Block Party Date:			
Block Party Hours:	Start:	End:	
Name of Street to be Closed:			
From (Street Name):		To (Street Name):	
Nature of the Party:			



Road Closure Diagram

Please draw a diagram of the proposed street closure for your block party, including the barricade and street house numbers at each end of the closure. Use "XXX" where the barricades will be placed.

Example: Road closure on Indigo from Freeman (House #309) to Grand (House #206):



Note: You may attach a Google Map photo in place of a hand drawn sketch.



Neighborhood Block Party Neighborhood Petition

The applicant is required to obtain a minimum of 70% approval from the residents on the closed street. This requirement does not apply to G.A.I.N or Block Watch events.

Neighborhood Block Party Information			
Block Party Date:			
Block Party Hours:	Start:	End:	
Name of Street Closed:			
From (Street Name):		To (Street Name):	
Resident Information			
Name	Address	Phone or E-mail	Signature

Please attach additional pages as needed