

## The Sonoran Desert is Green

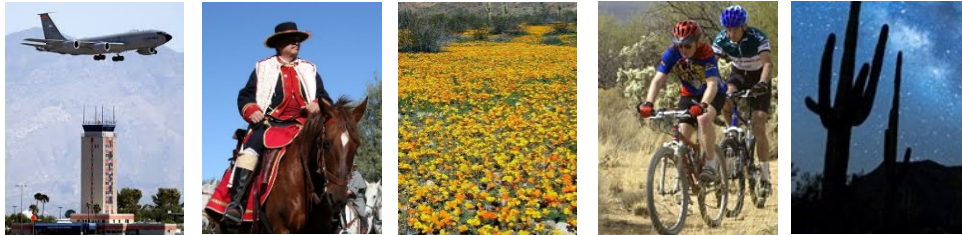
Green Valley parallels the Santa Cruz River, which flows intermittently from south to north during the rainy seasons. Although arid, southern Arizona is not barren. It sports wildflowers in the spring, fruiting cacti in the summer, golden boughs in the fall and even snow-capped mountains in the winter.

### Attractions

Southern Arizona is a visitor's delight. Major attractions include birding, bicycle riding, camping, concerts, museums, Spanish missions, presidios, and historic Canoa Ranch, star-gazing, mountain climbing, fishing, wine tasting, culinary tours, all of which can be done as daytrips or longer excursions (see [VisitAz19.com](http://VisitAz19.com) for more daytrip and excursion information).

### Location, Location, Location

Green Valley is easy to visit. "Big City" amenities and Native American and Latin cultural experiences can be easily had by traveling north 30 minutes to Tucson and the Tohono O'odham Nation's San Xavier District and south 30 minutes to Nogales, Arizona and Nogales, Mexico. The Tucson International Airport is only 30 minutes away.



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# WELCOME *to* GREEN VALLEY ARIZONA

A Premier Community  
Where People Retire *to*  
Live  
Work  
Play &  
Invest

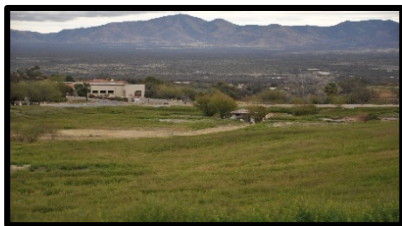
An Unincorporated  
Community  
Where People Volunteer *to*  
Govern Themselves

## A "Small Town" Friendly Community

Green Valley was developed as a stand-alone or "full-service" community for retired people in 1964. The community supports a wide variety of local businesses, restaurants, churches, and banks. Other amenities and services include parks, a post office, a library, short & long-term care facilities, a regional hospital, as well as cultural & educational facilities and recreation campuses. Safety, law enforcement and judicial services are provided by the Pima County Governmental Sub-Complex located in Green Valley and by the Green Valley Fire District.



*Santa Cruz Valley Regional Hospital*



*Canoa Hills Trails Park*

## A Community Partnership

The GV Council partners with GREEN VALLEY RECREATION, INC., which offers its members recreational facilities, cultural and educational programs and clubs for every interest, and with the GREEN VALLEY/SAHUARITA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & VISITOR CENTER, INC., which supports businesses and promotes economic development. The three organizations together represent over 90% of the community's residential and business interests.

## The GVC Foundation, Inc.

The GVC Foundation, Inc., is a charitable organization that works together with the Council to fund special projects to enhance and support the interests and unmet needs of Green Valley. Major efforts include landscaping medians, developing ten-year community plans, strengthening economic sustainability, promoting health, providing volunteer opportunities, and coordinating with Pima County on the friends group for the Canoa parks.



*GVR East Social Center*



*Continental Mall*



*Conrad Joyner Library*

# **GVC** Green Valley Council

*...Your Community Voice*

Unincorporated Green Valley chose the Council as its form of governance. Organized since 1973, the Council has been an advocate for Green Valley interests and concerns vis-à-vis the Pima County Government. The Council uses a variety of means—cooperation, collaboration, education, advocacy, and respect—to achieve its mission and mobilize resources to meet community needs.

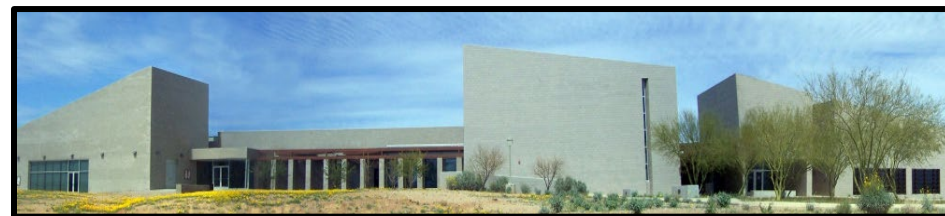
The Council is a membership organization, representing homeowner associations, businesses, investors, and public service agencies. Rather than a single planned community of homes, the whole community is made up of more than 90 HOAs and neighborhoods, covering a wide range of residences and affordability and served by an equally wide range of retail and commercial businesses.

**The Green Valley Council is The "Town" Council**

Each HOA has its own, bylaws and Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions (the CC&Rs), by which they govern, and each HOA sends a representative to the Council's Board of Representatives to manage the civic responsibilities and social welfare of Green Valley.

Over 200 volunteers serve on the Board of Representatives, the Executive Committee, and eight Standing Committees. Well above 5,000 volunteer hours are spent annually on doing the business of the Council, its committees and program services.

Governmental alignment between the Standing Committees of the Green Valley Council and the Departments of Pima County improves communication and contributes to the Council's civic efficiency and effectiveness.



*Community Performance and Art Center in Green Valley, Arizona*