

Fall is fast approaching and there will be many opportunities for everyone to get out and take advantage of the activities and services in Marana. Specifically, Marana will be hosting several events for you and your pets. Following is a quick summary, so be on the lookout for additional information and be sure to call us at (520) 382-8020 with questions or to register for these events. Please note, some events require pre-registration to attend. All events are listed on our website at www.MaranaAZ.gov/Animal-Services

Saturday, September 7th – 80's Doggy Paddle Pool Party at Ora Mae Harn Park. Saturday, September 7th - \$10 microchips at Ora Mae Harn Park. Saturday, September 28th – Low cost Spay & Neuter Clinic at Ora May Harn Park Saturday, November 16th – Vaccination clinic at the Marana Municipal Complex Courtyard.

We offer these services as an affordable option to help protect your pets and comply with state and local law. The law mandates that all dogs receive rabies vaccinations, both for their health and for the safety of the public. Although not required for other pets and animals, it is highly recommended that you also vaccinate your cats and any other animal you may have that spends time outdoors.

As the cooler weather approaches, we generally see an increase in other activities within the neighborhoods, specifically yard sales and solicitors. We can address them in order.

Yard Sales

Please remember that yard sales are a great way to get rid of unwanted personal property, but are not a way to avoid having a regular place of business. For that reason, Marana Town Code regulates this activity within Marana Town Code Titles 9 (Business Regulations) and 17 (Land Development Code).

In general, the code states that the sale of personal property should be limited to no more than four times per year and for no longer than three days at a time. Anything more than this requires a business license. Also, while the code allows for the placement of temporary signage directing the public to the yard sale, it also mandates that signs not be placed in the medians, on sidewalks or street signs, or in a manner that obstructs pedestrian or vehicular sight or movement. The code further requires that signs be picked up when the activity ends each day.

SOLICITORS IN NEIGHBORHOODS

The Town of Marana has noted that there has been an increased concern about solicitors in neighborhoods and the Town wants to take this opportunity to ensure that our community is aware of the law and requirements in this area.



As of July 5, 2019, Marana Town Code Title 9 (Business Regulations) is amended. Businesses are expected to ensure that their employees who are soliciting in neighborhoods are complying with the law. Violations of Marana Town Code or state law can result in suspension, revocation, or nonrenewal of a business license.

The Marana Police Department and Marana Code Enforcement Division are committed to ensuring that solicitation in our community complies with both the Marana Town Code and Arizona state law.

A.R.S. § 13-1502 states that a person commits criminal trespass in the third degree by:

- 1) Knowingly entering or remaining unlawfully on any real property after either:
 - a. A reasonable request to leave by law enforcement, the owner, or other person with lawful control over the property; \mathbf{OR}
 - b. Reasonable notice prohibiting entry.
- 2) The "reasonable notice prohibiting entry" provision applies when there is a no soliciting sign posted and clearly visible at a person's home **OR** when a neighborhood posts <u>clearly visible signs</u> prohibiting solicitors at <u>each point</u> where a solicitor could enter the neighborhood.

If you do not want solicitors to come to your home, your best option is to post a "no solicitors", "no peddlers", or "no canvassers" sign on the sidewalk leading up to your home. If the sign is posted on or near your door, the solicitor will walk all the way up to your house before turning away.

If your neighborhood posts clearly visible signs at all entrances prohibiting solicitors, the Town of Marana will enforce your neighborhood's prohibition on solicitors. Please be advised, however, that a sign at your individual home provides the best level of protection if you seek to not be disturbed by solicitors.

If a solicitor comes to your home despite posting a clearly visible sign prohibiting solicitation, it is a violation of law. If a solicitor refuses to leave your home after being asked to do so, it is a violation of law. Violations of law may affect the status of a business license.

If you are concerned about a solicitor in your neighborhood, please call 911.

Should you have any questions regarding the various codes please feel free to contact us at (520) 382-2520 or codeenforcement@maranaaz.gov. Should you like to view the various codes in their entirety for yourself they can be found at http://www.maranaaz.gov/marana-town-code