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Economics of a Healthy Community

Sun Life receives ACA grant to expand behavioral health; \$250,000 goes toward equipment, staff for five Pinal communities

By Lindsey Gemme
Sun Life Family Health Center

CASA GRANDE – This month Sun Life was one out of only three health centers in Arizona to receive a portion of the \$56.6 million in federal funding from the Affordable Care Act, to expand its integrated behavioral health department.

Health and Human Services Secretary Sylvia M. Burwell announced earlier this month the

221 grantees of the \$54.6 million in funding, spanning 47 states and Puerto Rico, to establish or expand behavioral health services for over 450,000 people nationwide. Health centers will use these new funds for efforts such as hiring new mental health professionals, adding mental health and substance use disorder health services, and employing integrated models of primary care.

The Sun Life Integrated Behavioral Health

program started four years ago in 2010. And thanks to the federal funding, a two-year, \$250,000 grant, the department at Sun Life will be growing.

The monies afforded them by the Affordable Care Act will not only allow Sun Life to upgrade telemedicine equipment, but expand behavioral health care to five Sun Life offices that have never had those services before. The organization plans to hire three new full-time behaviorists. One will work out in Maricopa, another will work in both Coolidge and Eloy, and the third will work in the Oracle and San Manuel communities.

Needs for integrated behavioral health services, Department Manager Davis Plunkett said, has been steadily growing, one that Sun Life has been eager to meet.

“An estimated 60 percent of the patients that come in our doors at Sun Life are in need of behavioral intervention,”

he said. “So, there is definitely a need. One that’s growing, given the state of the unrest in the world today and what people are going through, and all of the stressors of today.”

Mental health providers at Sun Life not only screen patients for behavioral conditions such as bi-polar disorder, anxiety, insomnia or depression, but also help patients having a hard time adhering to their care plan to take control of their health. Care plans can be for anything medical, from patients trying to get a handle on their diabetes, hypertension, COPD, and/or chronic pain.

Patients commonly receive their behavioral health consultations in the exam room with their doctor, and a small percentage have six or more sessions with Sun Life behaviorists.

“But those patients who need more in-depth counseling, we refer out,” Plunkett explained.

“What we typically work on with patients is trying to help them make some immediate changes. We’ll set goals with our patients. We try to encourage patients to try to start to take accountability in their lives, and set some small, attainable goals for their health.”

According to Plunkett, the two-year grant will allow Sun Life to reach an additional 1,500 patients a year.

“The integrated behavioral health program here at Sun Life has grown over the years, as we’ve seen the needs increase. And I think with the expansion of the program, thanks to this grant, will allow us to meet the needs of patients who have been struggling in those communities without that support for a long time. This grant and behavioral health expansion is not only going to strengthen Sun Life, but a medical program that looks at all facets of a patient’s



Davis Plunkett

health – medically and emotionally – using mind-body medicine.”

The Affordable Care Act expanded mental health and substance use disorder benefits for approximately 60 million Americans. These monies give those with newly expanded health coverage additional opportunities to access high quality care.

Today, nearly 1,300 health centers operate more than 9,200 service delivery sites that provide care to over 21.7 million patients in every state, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and the Pacific Basin. In 2013, health centers saw over 1.2 million behavioral health patients.

For a list of awardees, please see: <http://1.usa.gov/1lc6MRj>.

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The physicians at Banner Casa Grande Medical Center encompass over 30 specialties including cardiology, nephrology, neurology, OB/GYN, orthopedics, and pulmonology.

Their surgery department includes five suites. Surgeons perform, general, vascular, colon/rectal and many laparoscopic procedures. Their many services include heart care, endoscopy, ICU, infection control, wound and hyperbaric center, laboratory services, urgent care, women's health, breast center, pulmonary/respiratory, maternity, pediatrics, medical imaging and rehabilitation.

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health population management model that improves quality, coordination and care outcomes, at a lower cost. This is achieved with a patient-centered approach. With the health care industry amidst change, largely driven by the Affordable Care Act, they remain committed to ensuring those who seek their

services have resources available to them to help manage their care and well-being. We encourage patients and the community to visit www.Healthcare.gov for the latest information and enrollment options within the Health Care Marketplace. Information can also be found at www.BannerHealth.com.

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Oro Valley Hospital opened its doors in 2005 with a 96 bed facility. In 2008 it expanded to a 144 bed facility providing health care for Tucson and the surrounding areas including parts of Pinal County. They provide inpatient and out patient care, diagnostic imaging and emergency, medical and surgical care. They also offer additional services through the Sleep Centers of Oro Valley Hospital and Rancho Vistoso Urgent Care. The hospital has a Level 4 Trauma Center. They are the closest hospital to Marana, San Manuel, Oracle, Mammoth,

and Hayden. In 2013 they had 5,128 inpatient admissions. OVH employs 656 people.

Over 200 health care professionals provide medical services which include ambulatory services, cancer care, cardiac care, diagnostic imaging, GI endoscopy, hospitalist, intensive care unit (ICU), laboratory and pathology, neurology, orthopedics, gastroenterology, podiatry, rehabilitation, senior behavioral health, urgent care, urology and women's health. OVH has received a Gold Seal designation from the Joint Commission for its total knee and total hip replacement programs as well as being certified as a Primary Stroke Center, Pediatric-Prepared Emergency Care, and is NICHE certified for its Senior Friendly ER.

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and numerous specialties. They have 2,040 employees and had 17,645 inpatient admissions in 2013.

Their many health services include ambulatory service; bariatric weight loss; cardiac care; diagnostic imaging; emergency department; laboratory services; inpatient units; occupational medicine; orthopedic services; rehabilitation; robotic surgery; stroke center; surgical services; the spine program; total joint center; women's health center; and wound care. NMC has five Urgent Care facilities and the Lazos de Familia and Healthy Beginnings pregnancy outreach programs.

The Northwest Tucson Surgical Center has five fully equipped operating rooms, two



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Healthcare and Economic

By James Hodl
Copper Area News

Healthcare is playing a two-prong role in the economic development plans of Pinal County. "On one hand, we are working hard to attract healthcare companies to locate in the county," said Tim Kanavel, Pinal County Economic Development program manager. "And we are highlighting the availability of a broad selection of healthcare services here to attract the type of high-tech, manufacturing and transportation businesses that will further convert Pinal County from a primarily rural economy based on agriculture and mining to an urban one of futuristic industry."

To accomplish the former, Pinal County is enticing healthcare firms to consider relocating or opening operations using results from a skills survey conducted at a cost of \$200,000 this spring in most of the county. The survey found large number of residents with nursing and medical technician skills that healthcare companies need – especially in the San Tan Valley community where a good deal of the county's population growth has occurred since 2000.



Tim Kanavel

With the exception of Banner Ironwood Medical Center in San Tan Valley, the hospitals in the county are situated in older areas of the county (Banner Casa Grande Medical Center, Florence Hospital at Anthem, and Banner Goldfield Medical Center in



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Apache Junction). While the county lost a hospital when Florence Community Medical Center closed in 2012, Kanavel reports that both Banner Health and Dignity Health are looking into building a new hospital in Maricopa. But that one could be several years away, he noted.

The skilled people found in the survey not only can help staff a new Maricopa medical center, but also satellite health centers that perform common medical procedures and feed more critically ill patients to the hospitals. Because of its rapid growth, San Tan Valley has a greater person per medical service provider than other parts of the county.

“We are looking into filling the gaps in medical service availability where they exist, because the healthcare industry provides high-paying jobs,” Kanavel said.

Among the skilled workers identified by the survey are personnel who can become part of the workforce of a healthcare company willing to locate its managerial and sales operations within the county.

The availability of a medical/healthcare infrastructure also is an enticement for other types of businesses to locate in Pinal County, Kanavel explained.

Current Pinal County economic development efforts are aimed at bringing jobs to match the rapidly growing and changing population. For much of its existence, Pinal County was a sparsely populated area dependent on agriculture and mining. But as the suburbanization of the East Valley spread past the border

of Maricopa County, the Pinal County population exploded, reaching 179,727 in 2000, then more than doubling to 375,770 in 2010. Few of the new arrivals can be classified as farmers or miners.

Armed with the results of its Skills Survey, Pinal County is citing the presence of a skilled workforce already in place, along with there being plenty of open land on which to build, low taxation, and nearby recreation areas. A good and growing healthcare infrastructure also is a promotional point.

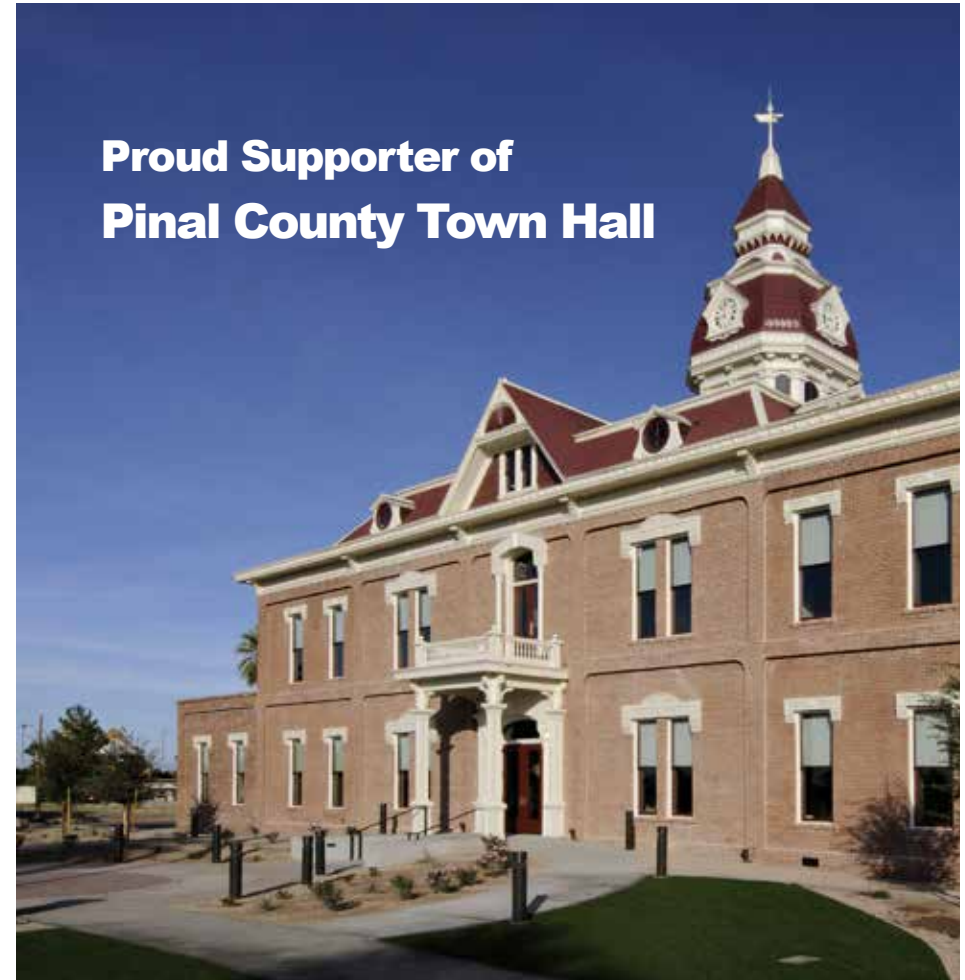
A 2012 survey cited by David Sayen, regional administrator for Medicare Services with the US Department of Health and Human Services, found that businesses do look at the quality of healthcare when they scout an area for adding a branch facility or for relocation.

Most big businesses like to offer a healthcare benefit to their employees and having quality medical providers nearby not only lowers the cost of benefits but also reduces employee downtime should they suffer a medical problem, Sayen said. Nearby medical facilities also enables these companies to arrange for wellness programs they can offer to their employees.

It is a quality of life issue that manufacturers and big businesses care very much about, Kanavel added.

The desirability of a healthcare infrastructure extends into recreational activities. While employees may be near a health clinic should they suffer a dislocated finger playing softball or a shin splint playing tennis, they might not while engaging in

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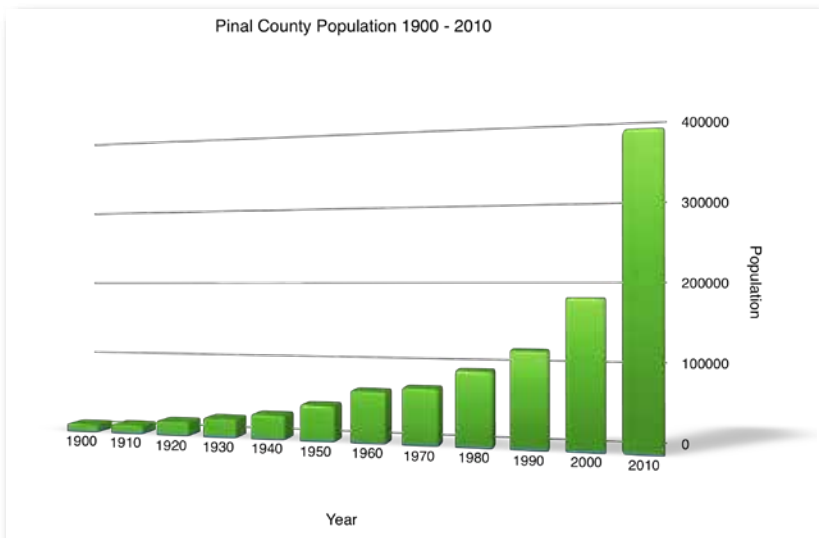
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Sun Life trains for disaster with firefighters

By **John Hernandez**
Copper Area News

A call to 911 is made. A boiler has exploded at a local clinic. There are injuries to patients and personnel. Emergency crews are needed.

Now, to add to the panic: the local fire department only has three firefighters in the station.

The firefighters aren't sick. There isn't a staffing issue. This fire department is located in a rural community – staffed with volunteers.

The local police (or sheriff) has an officer en route, but he was on a call elsewhere in the district.

Our first responders aren't panicking, though. They are more than prepared to handle the situation – with a little help from their neighbors.

Agencies in rural communities have come to rely on their nearby neighbors for back up especially during times of disasters. That trust isn't something that is just given and received. It's earned – with hours of training as a team. Fire, police, ambulance crews and even helicopter crews stage scenarios and work the drill as if it is an actuality. Agencies throughout an entire area are involved.

The above scenario was used July 28 in

Oracle and San Manuel at the Sun Life Family Health Center facilities. Participating agencies included Sun Life, San Manuel Fire Department, Oracle Fire Department, Tri City Med/Southwest Ambulance and the Pinal County Sheriff's Office.

This was the first time Sun Life was involved in such a training and is part of Sun Life preparing its staff to be ready in case there is ever an emergency incident or disaster at one of their facilities.

"Safety is my number one focus," said Al Gutierrez, director of the San Manuel and Oracle Sun Life facilities. "In every position I have had, safety has always been a priority."

Gutierrez praised his staff in charge of safety at the health centers, Oscar Flores in San Manuel and Jennifer Sanchez in Oracle. "They are so amazing in what they do," he said. He said that Flores has been working with Tri-City Med, San Manuel Fire and the Oracle Fire Department and putting a safety plan together.

The training exercise was first held at the San Manuel Sun Life Health Center and in the afternoon at the Oracle Sun Life facility. The simulated disaster was a water heater explosion with injuries of some staff members. Flores and Sanchez acted as incident commanders and made sure staff and patients were evacuated



Oracle Firefighters confer with a 'patient' during a boiler explosion simulation at Sun Life Family Health.
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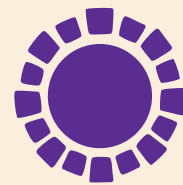
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Where is Pinal County healthcare headed? Wait until dust settles from the ACA

By James Hodl
Copper Area News

Healthcare in Pinal County, as it is elsewhere in Arizona, is in a holding pattern. The industry is waiting to see what happens with the Affordable Care Act (a.k.a. Obamacare) before charting a path to the future, according to Thomas Schrayner, director of the Pinal County Department of Public Health.

During the previous decade, there was a lot of growth in the healthcare industry here as the industry moved to serve the growing population in Pinal County's bedroom community corridor from Apache Junction to Maricopa. And it could grow more in the future as Pinal County becomes its own economic engine and not a satellite of Phoenix and the near East Valley suburbs, Schrayner said.

Future growth also will be determined by the final rules of ACA once the dust settles from its formation. A major thrust of ACA will be to convert healthcare from an industry that primarily serves people when they get sick to one the primarily works to keep people from getting sick, Schrayner noted.

"I'd like to say that since I took office that I quadrupled the number of hospitals in the county, but that was the work of the free market system moving in to serve a growing population," he said.

Only a few years ago, the only hospital in Pinal County was the Casa Grande Medical Center. But that hospital has since been purchased by Banner



Health, which improved its financial footing. Since then the county has seen the opening of Banner Ironwood Medical Center in San Tan Valley in 2011, and the opening of Florence Hospital at Anthem and Banner Goldfield Medical Center in Apache Junction in 2012. The latter resulted when Banner Health purchased and upgraded a doctors' clinic called Arizona Regional Medical Center.

A fifth hospital, Florence Community Medical Center, started up in 2010 but closed in 2012 after filing for bankruptcy. Banner Health and Dignity Health are reported looking into building a new hospital in Maricopa, but Schrayner doesn't see that happening for at least five years.

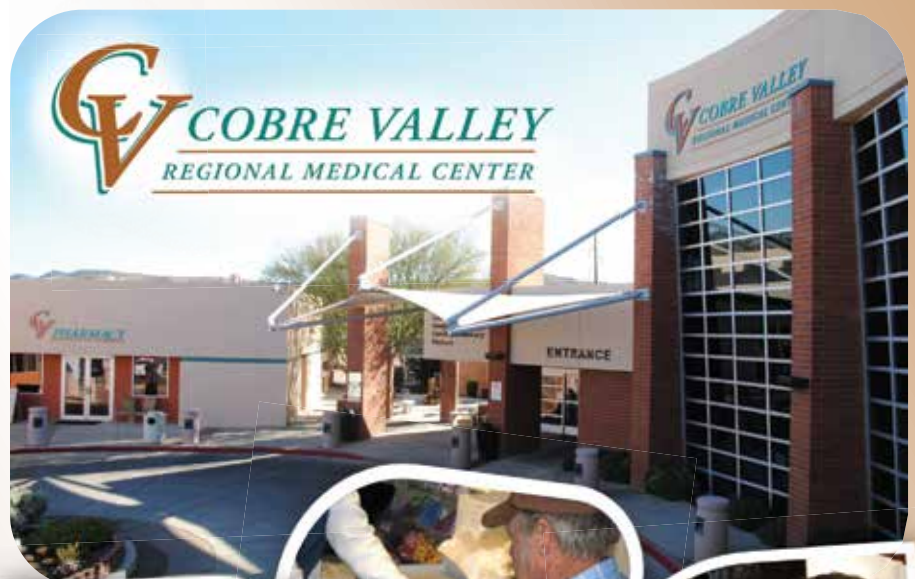
All four current hospitals have emergency rooms and perform surgery. The most services are offer by Banner Casa Grande, which include an anticoagulation clinic, a cardiac care unit, infection control, maternity services, medical imaging, Pediatric care, and a sleep-depravation lab.

Pinal County also currently has three ambulatory

surgical centers, three behavioral inpatient clinics, seven renal care (dialysis) clinics, nine federally-qualified health centers, four medical hospices, 82 outpatient treatment centers, and three rural health clinics (the latter in Kearny, Coolidge and Superior). The whole list can be viewed by going to www.azdhs.gov/als/databases/index.htm and clicking the PDF by Medical Providers. The Pinal County list begins on page 512.

According to Schrayner, the number of physicians practicing in Pinal County, although some also have practices in Maricopa County. The exact number in Pinal County is not known, though one can find a Pinal County physician in one of more than 50 specialties at www.azmd.gov and click Doctor Search.

"What we need more in Pinal County are primary care doctors," Schrayner said. "As the industry shifts to disease and illness prevention, these doctors will be needed on the front lines. We aim to try and convince more such doctor to hang their shingle in Pinal County."



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Future medical technologies: The Doctor will see you over the Internet

By James Hodl
Copper Area News

As a county in transition, Pinal is becoming increasingly urban in its northwestern section abutting its border with Maricopa County from Apache Junction to Maricopa. But other parts remain very rural.

With the modern healthcare infrastructure becoming increasing concentrated in the population growth areas, the problem becomes how to provide 21st Century healthcare in the low-population areas abutting Gila County.

One answer is Telemedicine, which uses telecommunication and information technologies to provide clinical health care at a distance. Besides improving access to medical services where it would not consistently be available, it also can be used to save lives in critical care and emergency situations, said Bill Bolin, vice president of operations with Systems Technology Staffing, Cave Creek.

The most common use of Telemedicine will be the acquisition of medical data (like medical images, biosignals etc.) for online computer transmission to a doctor or medical specialist at a convenient time for assessment. It does not require the presence of both parties at the same time.

Dermatology radiology, and pathology are common specialties that Telemedicine can handle

online. The key difference between traditional in-person patient visits and telemedicine encounters is the elimination of an actual physical examination, requiring the remote doctor to rely on a history report and audio/video information in lieu of a physical examination, Bolin explained.

Going further is the technology of Telehealth, which goes beyond the curative aspect of Telemedicine to encompass the preventative, promotive and curative aspects of healthcare. Telehealth takes in many additional technology solutions for helping remote patients. Doctors can employ email to communicate with patients, order drug prescriptions and provide other health services. This technology also enables home monitoring of conditions by patients. In clinical trials in both

the US and Great Britain, Telehealth monitoring was found to significantly improve the mortality of vulnerable patients by 45 percent.

Benefits of remote patient monitoring is that patients can have their medical problems checked while staying at home in their own beds rather than at a hospital of clinic. This increases access to care while decreasing healthcare delivery costs, Bolin said. This is especially beneficial in chronic disease management as changes in a patient's condition can be quickly detected, thus reducing the number of emergency department visits, hospitalizations, and duration of hospital stays. It also enables healthcare providers to spend more time to remotely educating and communicating with patients.

Telehealth also can be used to monitor severe

diabetic conditions, in-home renal dialysis and prenatal care. Earlier this year, remote patient monitoring was qualified for reimbursement under Medicare.

The idea of using telecommunications systems to expand the reach of medical care is not new. The first such system involving HAM radio was launched in 1958 to serve people in Australia's Outback. The first Telemedicine system operating over telephone lines to monitor cardiac patients was launched in the US in 1989 by MedPhone Corp. The first Telemedicine systems employing the Internet appeared in 2007.

To set up a Telemedicine and Telehealth system one needs a local Internet system with lots of broadband capacity, something not always available throughout Arizona, Bolin said.



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DISASTER TRAINING

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facilities and cleared each building making sure everyone was out of the building including the injured that were then treated by EMTs and paramedics. The exercise

received good evaluations. The training is the first in what will be more simulations to prepare staff in case there should ever be a disaster at one of the facilities. The



Checking the 'victim' during a training exercise.

training brings together first responders who also become familiar with the facilities and the staff they may be working with in responding to an emergency.

At the debriefing Al Gutierrez thanked the first responders for what they do and for their participation. He said, "We are a very, very safe facility and care about the safety of our patients and staff."

In the Tri-Community (Mammoth, San Manuel and Oracle area), first responders from multiple agencies were put to the test in March 2010 when the Republic Plastics facility caught fire.

A three-alarm fire ripped through the production area of Republic Plastics early March 31, 2010, sending two to hospitals in Tucson.

The fire began around 1 a.m. and the "three-alarm" was sounded at 2:30 a.m. San Manuel, Mammoth and Oracle

Fire Departments responded.

Northwest Fire District, Golder Ranch Fire Department and Rural/Metro out of Tucson also sent crews to battle the blaze.

According to the Pinal County Sheriff's Office approximately 15 people were in the building at the time of the fire and all were able to get out.

Two employees were injured in the blaze: one was

transported by ambulance to Oro Valley Hospital for smoke inhalation and was released within 24 hours. The second man was flown by helicopter to University Medical Center for smoke inhalation and later transported to the Burn Center in Phoenix in critical condition. The remaining employees who were on shift when the fire broke out were examined by doctors and determined to be in good

health.

Pinal County Environmental Quality was contacted to ensure the air was safe. They deemed that an evacuation of the area was not required.

Oracle Fire Chief Larry Southard at the time said that his department was glad to help in this emergency. "We don't get structure fires often," he said, adding that the departments all have to work together when they do.

NORTHWEST HOSPITAL

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surgery, gynecological surgery, gastrointestinal procedures and pain management.

Northwest Medical Center is allied with Northwest Allied Physicians giving their patients access to specialists with offices located throughout Tucson. The specialists include Ear, Nose and Throat, General Surgery, Family Medicine, Internal Medicine, Orthopedic Surgery, Vascular Surgery, OB/GYN Surgery and Infectious Disease.

Northwest Medical Center is part of the Northwest Healthcare team which includes Oro Valley Hospital, Northwest Allied Physicians, and Northwest Urgent Care centers.

On the Affordable Care Act: Hospital volumes are down across the US as more patients defer health services due to higher co-pays and deductibles and because advances in medical treatments make it possible to address more healthcare needs on an outpatient basis. In some cases, individuals are postponing care until they have an emergency or they can enroll in the new plans available under the ACA. Enrollment in the state and exchange plans has increased but it's still too early to determine the impact this will have on usage of hospitals or our outpatient access points such as urgent and primary care clinics.

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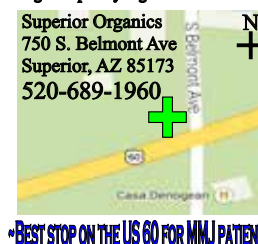
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ECONOMICS

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outdoor activities like hiking, climbing or hunting well outside of populated areas.

But the ongoing upgrading of county fire districts into fire and medical districts is filling this need. More firefighters are being trained as EMTs (Emergency Medical Technicians) or paramedics so that when a fire truck arrives on the scene, the EMT can treat and stabilize an injured person and, if the injury is severe enough, call for an ambulance. Stabilizing a person suffering a heart attack or a severe laceration in the field improves chances that the person will make it to the hospital in areas where an emergency room may be a 30-minute drive away.



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A coalition of business, educational, governmental and community leaders whose goal is to provide leadership and support in specific areas of focus, including:

- Transportation and Infrastructure • Government Relations
- Economic Development • Parks, Trails, Open Space and Public Lands
 - Education • Health and Human Services
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Partnering: Bringing the Private Sector and Government together to address infrastructure needs and issues.

Pinal Partnership will host the first General Election Gubernatorial Debate

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Health Care in Pinal County

Cobre Valley Regional Medical Center
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www.cvrmc.org

Cobre Valley Regional Medical Center is a 25-bed Critical Access Hospital (CAH) located in Globe-Miami, Ariz. and has served the local area for 100 years. It serves a regional population of 45,000 within a radius of 65 miles in a full service acute care facility with a medical staff of 25 active physicians and numerous visiting specialists.

Founded in 1907 by Miami Copper Company and Inspiration Copper Company, Miami-Inspiration Hospital served the mining communities by providing medical services. Injuries to underground mines were common occurrences, many caused by falling rock and ore. Over the next 100 years Miami-Inspiration Hospital changed faces several times and became the sole provider of acute medical care in the Globe-Miami Area.

In 1992, the administration of the hospital was taken over by Brim Healthcare, now HealthTech Management Services. The name was changed to Cobre Valley Community Hospital. Over the next 13 years the hospital continued to provide the best services available, adding new services, technology and state-of-the-art equipment to all departments. In March 2010, Cobre Valley Community Hospital became Cobre Valley Regional Medical Center. The new name is a reflection of the customers and patients served by the expanding facility.

The Cobre Valley Regional Medical Center Superior Clinic is located at 1134 Highway 60 in Superior, Ariz. The



clinic opened in 2012 and has been a welcome addition to the Superior area. The clinic is open Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. It is also now open for a walk-in clinic on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Please call 520-689-2423 for an appointment.

Banner Ironwood Medical Center
37000 N. Gantzel Rd., San Tan Valley, AZ
480-394-4000
www.bannerhealth.com

Banner Health recognizes the growing health care needs in Pinal County and the Southeast Valley. The 80-acre Banner Ironwood Medical Center campus at Combs and Gantzel roads, next to the Town of Queen Creek, offers a state-of-art hospital and other associated services.

Banner Ironwood features 47 private rooms and focuses on emergency services, obstetrics, surgery and general medical care.

They offer a patient-centered approach, featuring all the amenities of a hotel and the highest quality of health care available. This includes services such as: A full-service emergency department, inpatient beds devoted to intensive care and medical/surgical care, a maternity department with four labor/delivery/recovery rooms, four large surgical suites with high-intensity LED lighting, and medical imaging services



including X-ray, MRI, CT and ultrasound.

Banner Ironwood is built to expand quickly with community growth. The first patient tower has 47 beds and can accommodate up to 86 beds when fully equipped. In total, more than 500 beds and supporting health services could be built on this site.

Banner Ironwood Medical Center is part of a network of Banner Health medical centers designed to meet the East Valley's growing health care needs.

Banner Goldfield Medical Center
2050 W. Southern Ave.
Apache Junction, AZ
480-733-3300

Banner Goldfield Medical Center, located on Ironwood and Southern roads in Apache Junction, Ariz., provides state-of-the-art, patient-centered care in the communities of Apache Junction and Gold Canyon. The 30-bed hospital offers an array of medical care, including: emergency services, intensive care, medical/surgical care, progressive care, surgery, imaging, pharmacy and lab.

Banner Goldfield is part of nonprofit Banner Health. Banner was recently recognized as a top health system in the nation by Truven Health Analytics.

Banner Goldfield Medical Center upholds the Banner Health standard of efficient and effective medical care. Electronic medical records ensure the highest level of patient care management and record keeping. The architectural design includes many features that support both patient and staff safety.

Banner Goldfield pairs a highly skilled care team with the latest medical technology to provide excellent patient care. In addition to the medical team on-site, patients in the Intensive Care Unit, Medical/Surgical Unit and Emergency department will also be monitored by Banner iCare team, which provides 24-hour remote monitoring of patients by physicians and nurses via closed circuit cameras and technology.



Florence Hospital at Anthem
4545 N. Hunt Hwy., Florence, AZ
520-868-3333
www.fhanthem.com

The 36-bed Florence Hospital at Anthem is licensed as a general, acute-care hospital combining traditional hospital services with pioneering efforts in rapid, accurate and compassionate emergency care. At Florence Hospital at Anthem, the "Door to Doc in 31 minutes"™ mission guarantees patients will be seen by a board certified emergency physician within 31 minutes of arrival.

Florence Hospital at Anthem is a privately owned hospital and sister facility to Gilbert Hospital, both of which are anticipated to be Visionary Health Hospitals.

The hospital's medical imaging services provide comprehensive diagnostic radiology with the most up to date, advanced technology. Radiologists work closely with a highly qualified staff of technologists to provide a full range of diagnostic imaging services for inpatients and outpatients.

The hospital carries out outstanding care in its emergency department. Their goal is to provide patients experiencing an illness or injury with compassionate care in a professional and efficient environment. The 22-bed Emergency Department is staffed 24-hours a day by physicians, nurses and support personnel trained to care for a wide range of emergent health concerns, including cardiac, orthopedic, general illness and pediatrics.

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San Manuel-Sun Life Clinic, 23 S. McNab Pkwy.
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