

PARKER ARIZONA

LIFE STYLES

Have you ever taken the time to look at the desert in the early morning hours; watch the colors on the mountain ranges change almost by the minute; watch the sky as the sun sets and see colors you have never seen before – almost as if the Artist is mixing his colors and wiping his brush against the sky; see the reflections of silver and gold on the water while the river quietly goes on its way? These are just some of the things the community of Parker, Arizona offers you.



Are you a nature buff? Do you like trail hikes, rock hounding, bird watching, visiting or finding old mines, or touring the back roads in your off road vehicle? Perhaps fishing, boating, personal watercraft or water skiing are more your style – or day use areas on the river and lake with easy access.

Emerald Canyon Golf Course offers a challenging four star 18 hole course, driving range, two putting greens and club house, located on Business Route 95, with superb views of the Colorado River. We offer all of this and more.



For your children we have an excellent public school system, the Arizona Western College extension offers community college level classes to further your education and extension classes are offered by Northern Arizona University.

The Town of Parker offers a summer recreation program, activities on the Colorado River, tennis and handball courts, baseball fields, three city parks, a library that also has a mobile unit, and a Performing Arts Series presented by Arizona Western College for both young and the young at heart.

For the entire family, we have throughout the County, 21 Churches of all denominations, fine State, County and private campgrounds, good fishing, many service clubs, fraternal organizations, nice restaurants, supermarkets and numerous retail stores and service facilities. A 39 bed hospital with EMS helicopter, heliport, full medical facilities and labs, an airport with a 4,800 lighted hard-surface runway, gas, mechanical services and Unicom. We have an excellent senior center, fully staffed with year around programs and meals. We even have an annual County fair, the old fashioned kind!



We offer nice weather, a little warm in the summer, beautiful sunny weather in the winter, no smog or fog, blue skies and just plain nice people.

If you should miss the “big” city life, we are only 2-1/2 hours from Phoenix, 2 hours from Yuma, 3 hours from Las Vegas, Nevada and San Bernardino, California – but then why leave town when we have it all.

Wouldn't you like to join us in the good life?

BUSINESS CLIMATE

The elected officials of the Town of Parker, many of them small business owners or managers, recognize the importance of small to medium size business and actively encourage and solicit new business to locate in our area.

The business climate in the Town of Parker and La Paz County, of which Parker is the county seat, is geared toward services and agriculture, with manufacturing/industry beginning to emerge.

The service and retail business sectors are the major contributors to the financial soundness of this area through recreation and tourism. Agriculture follows closely with hay, cotton, melons and lettuce being the main crops.



Water sports, fishing, hunting, rock hounding, golf and off-road activities bring many visitors into the area. Our mild winters entice many out-of-state visitors who return each year for a 4 or 6 month stay. Many rent or lease homes or stay in one of the excellent R.V. Parks. Many choose to locate at one of the several unimproved long-term visitor areas.

Newer developments in this region include a truck body manufacturing plant, a carbon recycling facility, a transmex facility, a casino, three dairies, a proposed ethanol production facility and numerous restaurants, which have joined the already existing manufacturers of boating and water skiing safety equipment and clothing and a gravel and cement plant.



The Arizona & California Railroad, a regional railway, acquired 240 track miles of railroad from Santa Fe Railway and have elected to make Parker their headquarters. Their land holdings include an industrial park.

The Parker Annex area at the junction of Arizona Highways 95 and 72, also offers industrial sites within the Parker Annex Industrial Park.

Property values in the region are in the moderate range and leased home sites are also available.

Three major banking firms, two independent banks and a credit union look after your financial needs and are full service financial institutions.



The major employers are the school districts, the hospitals (La Paz Regional and Parker Indian Health Clinic), wholesale agriculture, manufacturing plant, the casino, and the governmental agencies. Competent law enforcement and fire services enhance our area.



Parker, located in the Southwestern portion of Arizona, on the Colorado River, a part of Arizona's West Coast, is an ideal area for companies in the water sports and desert sports fields to relocate. It remains a place of opportunity and growth in the state and is truly something new in the desert.

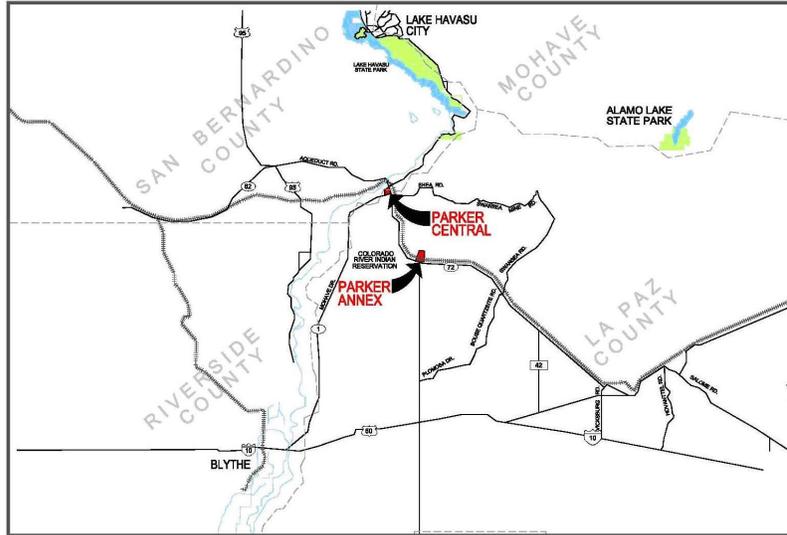
RESOURCES

The Town of Parker business climate is ripe for development. The 15th Arizona County, being created in 1983, has just the right location and acreage for your business needs available at a reasonable land costs.

The Arizona and California Railroad has an Industrial Park with land available for purchase in heavy industrial, light industrial and commercial categories.

The Town of Parker has annexed land at the intersection of State Highways 95 and 72 that is available for commercial, industrial and manufacturing plus recreational and residential developments.

Utilities are provided by Arizona Public Service, Town of Parker Water Dept., Southwest Gas, Verizon Telephone, NPG Cable and several propane dealers. The water company is an enterprise of the Town of Parker. Sanitation is provided by the Joint Venture Sewer System except in Parker Annex where septic systems are permitted. Eventually the Town of Parker will build a “state of the art” sewer disposal plant in the Parker Annex.



The Town of Parker’s Economic Development Department is available to assist you with selection and development planning.

Interstate 10, State Routes 95 and 72 and the Arizona and California Railroad Co. transverse La Paz County making shipment of goods to and from Parker easily accessible. California Routes 62 and 95 are close by with Interstate 40 approximately 65 miles to the North.

The climate is excellent for agriculture products with good soil, water and sunshine. Our average year-round temperatures are conducive to both indoor and outdoor work.

There is an available work force of skilled, semi-skilled, and unskilled labor and Arizona is a “right to work state” with more tax advantages than most other states. We are an alternate NAFTA corridor and can offer training programs through Arizona Western College (a satellite campus of Northern Arizona University) and the Career Center.

The Town of Parker, our banks, real estate firms, the Chamber of Commerce and La Paz County will be pleased to work with you to find exactly what you are looking for.

Before you make a decision to relocate, see what our fast growing area in Western Arizona has to offer. You’ll be glad you did.