



CITY OF TUCSON

# MEDIA RELEASE

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**Contact:** Nicole Urban-Lopez  
Office of Conservation and Sustainable Development  
(520) 837-6934

**Date:** June 17, 2009  
**TTY:** (520) 791-2639

### CITY RELEASES 3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL SUSTAINABILITY REPORT

The City's Office of Conservation and Sustainable Development (OCSD) released the City's 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Sustainability Report today. The report is available online at [www.tucsonaz.gov/ocsd](http://www.tucsonaz.gov/ocsd)

The Sustainability Report showcases many things the City is doing to protect our local environment and the integrity of our community. As the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Report demonstrates, the City of Tucson has had a very exciting and productive year promoting sustainability both in City operations and in the community. OCSD staff has also been working hard to bring resources and tools to residents, businesses, and organizations to help them become more sustainable in their activities, work, and home lives.

The report highlights many City initiatives related to green building, energy and climate change, transportation alternatives, water resources, waste reduction and recycling, urban nature, and environmental health.

One key OCSD initiative was the launching of its comprehensive sustainability website in 2008. The site is intended to be an evolving source of information on City programs and activities that promote sustainability, highlights of community partners and local sustainability projects to inspire similar action by others, and tools and resources for greening businesses.

OCSD also partnered with Pima County and the Inner Connection to launch The Green Pueblo Map, a map of all the assets that make the region sustainable. Community members are invited to "make your mark" on the map by nominating sites that showcase the best of the region's culturally, socially, and environmentally sustainable features at [www.greenpueblomap.org](http://www.greenpueblomap.org)

More information about these and other projects and programs highlighted in the report is available on the OCSD sustainability website at [www.tucsonaz.gov/ocsd](http://www.tucsonaz.gov/ocsd)

###