

Phoenix 1981-2000



Civic Life



- ❧ The city's civic life started to become more diverse, or perhaps complex, in that the city did not necessarily embody a single or specific type of lifestyle anymore.
- ❧ When elected mayor, Terry Goddard began to place more of an emphasis on the quality of life for residents in Phoenix, rather than placing most of the focus solely on the city's economic prosperity.

Terry
Goddard



Source: Tom Tingle

Built Environment



❧ After the district system had been put in place, the development of the built environment in Phoenix varied to from district to district. Proponents of the district system would argue this added to the city's diversity, while critics argued it further fragmented the city.

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Community Assets



- ❧ Phoenix's service industry began to expand during this era, and the increase in the quality of hotels and resorts created a substantial amount of new jobs.
- ❧ The focus placed on revitalizing the downtown area brought somewhat of an infrastructural overhaul to the city. The era witnessed the construction of sports stadiums for the Arizona Diamondbacks and Arizona Cardinals in hopes of stimulating the area's economy, in addition to the construction of the Arizona Science Center, Central Library, and Phoenix City Hall.



Source: abc.com



Source: www.phoenix.gov

Community Challenges



- ❧ The intensity of the effects stemming from urban sprawl began to take even more of a toll on the city, as municipalities began to face serious problems in regards to their ability to effectively provide for their constituents.

**Lingering Effects
of Phoenix
Sprawl**



Source: Christopher Gielen