



Needles Chamber of Commerce

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Thank you for your interest in the City of Needles, the “Gateway to the Mojave National Preserve,” and located on historic Route 66. The Needles Chamber of Commerce is very proud of the area we represent. Some of the advantages of our community include beautiful desert surroundings, the scenic Colorado River, winters full of sunshine ideal for all types of activities, bright blue skies, potential for growth and a friendly, small-town atmosphere.

Enclosed is material which we hope will provide the information you have requested. If you have any questions, or if there is anything further the Chamber can do for you, please give us a call. We invite you to stop by the office when you are in the area. We are open Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:30am and 3:30pm. We would appreciate receiving any comments you may have regarding your vacation or visit to Needles. We are sure you will agree that this is a great community in which to visit or live.

Due to increases in postage costs, donations to cover postage and handling are gratefully accepted and appreciated. Thank you again for your interest. We hope to see you soon!

Sincerely,

Sue Godnick
Executive Director



Enjoying life on the Colorado River



#designates businesses that are members of the chamber.

COMMUNITY REVIEW FOR NEEDLES, CALIFORNIA

The City of Needles, Enjoying Life on the Colorado River, @ was founded in 1883. It is located on Interstate 40 on the California, Nevada and Arizona borders. It is built on the west bank of the Colorado River.

ELEVATION: 484 Feet

LAND AREA: 31 square miles

POPULATION: 5,225

CITY GOVERNMENT INCORPORATED: 1913

www.cityofneedles.com

FORM: Council/Manager, an elected Mayor, 6 councilpersons and an appointed City Manager

MEETINGS: Held 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month @ 6pm

Council Chambers at Civic Center, J Street & Bailey.

CITY ADDRESS: 817 3rd Street B Needles, CA 92363 (760) 326-2113

OPERATING BUDGET: 2010-2011 \$27,648,000

LAW ENFORCEMENT & EMERGENCY SERVICES

San Bernardino County Sheriff's Dept 50 Staff

San Bernardino County Fire Dept 5 Staff, 15 paid on call, 3 engines, 1 water truck

California Highway Patrol 23 Uniform officers

Baker EMS – Ambulance/Paramedic Service on call 24 hours/7 days

TAXES Sales tax: 8.75%

Property tax: approximately 1% of assessed value

POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS (2000 Census)

Sexual Makeup: 49.2% Male 50.8% Female

Median Age: 39.0

Average family size: 3.03%

Median Family Income: \$ 31,605

EMPLOYMENT

MAJOR EMPLOYERS:

#Burlington Northern/Santa Fe Railroad

Needles Unified School District

#Colorado River Medical Center

#City of Needles

#Bashas= Grocery Store

SB County Sheriff=s Department

Southern California Gas

Pacific Gas & Electric

Bureau of Land Management

California Highway Patrol

#Fort Mojave Indian Tribe

Tri-State Truss Company

EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION:

Employment Development Department

By phone only, all services:

Calling in Calif (800) 300-5616

Outside of Calif (800) 250-3913

San Bernardino County

Employment Services & Training

1300 Bailey Avenue

(760) 326-9289

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Bank of America

1001 W Broadway

Needles CA 92363

(760) 326-3803

#Desert Communities Federal Credit Union

305 D Street, PO Box 918

Needles CA 92363

(760) 326-2942

DRIVER=S LICENSE & VEHICLE REGISTRATION

A new resident to California has 10 days to renew their driver=s license and 20 days to register their vehicles in California. California does have a mandatory insurance law.

DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES, 1040 E Broadway (Bashas= Center)

(800) 777-0133

BUS Needles Area Transit - Regular route service, Mon-Sat, Wheelchair access (866) 669-6309

LIBRARY San Bernardino County, 1111 Bailey Avenue, Phone (760) 326-9255 (call for hours)

NEWSPAPER #Needles Desert Star (weekly/each Wed) www.thedesertstar.com
800 W Broadway #E (760) 326-2222

POST OFFICE 628 3rd Street, Needles, CA 92363 (800) 275-8777 8:30 am – 4:30 pm M-F

#SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER 1699 Bailey Avenue (760) 326-4789 Meals/Transportation available

SOCIAL SECURITY 1502 Bailey Avenue (866) 596-7946 (Closed Mondays)

PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES 1300 Bailey Avenue (760) 326-9260

COURTHOUSE, San Bernardino County 1111 Bailey Avenue (760) 326-9245 www.sbcounty.gov/court (limited hours)

POLICE-San Bernardino County Sheriff=s Dept 1111 Bailey Ave (760) 326-9200 business

SHOPPING IN NEEDLES

GROCERY/MARKET	#Bashas= Needles Point Liquor Dollar Tree	#Needles Point Liquor Rite-Aid	Cub's Liquor
CLOTHING/HOUSEWARES			
VARIETY STORES/HARDWARE	#Hardware Express	Rite-Aid	Dollar Tree
NURSERY/GARDENING	#Needles Four Seasons Nursery		
COLLECTIBLES and/or ANTIQUES	#Needles Point Pharmacy	The Way We Were	
GIFTS	#Needles Point Pharmacy	Dollar Tree	
PHARMACIES	#Needles Point Pharmacy		Rite Aid
AUTOMOTIVE PARTS	#Big O/#NAPA Auto Parts		

Other shopping within 30 miles of Needles: Safeway, Smith=s, JC Penney, Kmart, Wal-Mart Supercenter, Sam's Club, Horizon Outlet Mall, Target, Kohl's, Ross, Lane Bryant, Fashion Bug and more.

EDUCATION

COLLEGES: Palo Verde Community College-Needles campus, limited classes (760) 326-5033
Mohave Community College B Bullhead City, AZ (25 miles)
UNLV - Las Vegas, NV (110 miles)

NEEDLES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT: 1900 Erin Drive (760) 326-3891 - District wide Enrollment: 1150

ELEMENTARY: Katie Hohstadt School (1-2) (760) 326-2177

Vista Colorado School (K and 3-5) (760) 326-2167

MIDDLE: Needles Middle School (760) 326-3985

SECONDARY: Needles High School (760) 326-2191

PRESCHOOL: Headstart (760) 326-5221

PRIVATE SCHOOL: Seventh Day Adventist School Home Schooling
(760) 326-4406 (760) 326-2107, call for appt

DAY CARE SERVICES Yoney's Family Child Care
(760) 326-2624

MEDICAL

#COLORADO RIVER MEDICAL CENTER, 1401 Bailey Avenue, Needles CA 92363 (760) 326-4531
 10 bed hospital (53 bed capacity), physicians on staff. 24 hour physician coverage in emergency room. Two operating suites available.

PHYSICIANS Robert Strecker, MD gastroenterology 1600 Bailey Ave (760) 326-4435

Dr. Shing, MD general 1404 Bailey Ave (760) 326-3181

Theodore London, OB-GYN appointments (928) 788-2229

Alan Barton, MD pediatrics 5300 S Hwy 95 (928) 788-8000

Ricardo Alfafara, MD; Channa Prasad, MD; Thomas Jacobson, MD Cardiology Bullhead City, AZ
 (928) 758-4114 or (928) 763-9199

VETERAN SERVICES

Medical Centers: Loma Linda, CA; Phoenix, AZ; Las Vegas, NV
 Outpatient Clinics: Kingman & Lake Havasu City, AZ; Henderson, NV; Victorville & Palm Desert, CA

DENTAL

#Mohave Dental Center
 Douglas E Kaylor, DDS
 1406 Bailey Ave, Suite F (760) 326-4541

OPTOMETRIST

#Bruce V Graff
 1406 Bailey Avenue, Suite C (760) 326-2149

CHIROPRACTIC

#Active Chiropractic Ruth Ross, DC
 Dr William Lansford 111 F Street
 1050 E Broadway (760) 326-6544
 (760) 326-4414

HOSPICE

#New Hope Hospice – 3650 S Pointe Circle #107, Laughlin, NV (702) 298-4673 (866) 333-4673

REALTORS

#Advantage Realty
 1400 Needles Hwy, Suite 101
 (760) 326-6654

#IRP Above All Real Estate
 (California listings) 10213 Harbor Ave
 Mohave Valley, AZ (800) 430-3070

#048 Realty
 Home based, please call
 (760) 326-6683

**REALTORS,
RENTALS
& PROPERTY
MGMT**

#River Crossing Realty
 Business & Residential in Needles
 (702) 755-2186

#IRP Above All Real Estate
 (California properties) 10213 Harbor Ave
 Mohave Valley, AZ (800) 430-3070

APARTMENTS**CORONADO APTS**

1017 Coronado
(760) 326-3304
1 & 2 bedrooms, pool
\$425-525, water/trash paid
deposit required

#RIVER GARDEN APTS

1970 Clary Drive
(760) 326-5047
2 & 3 bedrooms, income qualifying
water/sewer/trash paid
deposit required

TERRACE VIEW APTS

1501 Lily Hill Dr
(760) 326-4813
1 & 2 bedrooms, pool & Jacuzzi
\$395-500, water/trash/sewer paid
deposit required

RIVERVIEW TERRACE

1933 Erin Drive
(760) 326-4800
1 & 2 bedrooms, rent based
On monthly income
Water/trash/sewer paid, deposit

#LILY HILL APTS

1001 Lily Hill
(760) 326-2433
1, 2 & 3 bedrooms +handicapped,
rent & deposit based on family
monthly income, HUD

#MESA GRANDE APTS

1600 Lily Hill
(760) 326-2404
senior and/or handicapped/disabled only.
Rent based on % of monthly income
deposit, utility allowance

**rents and deposits are subject to change.*

MOBILE HOME PARKS

#Needles Marina Park
100 Marina Drive
(760) 326-2197

#The Palms River Resort
4 miles north on River Road
321 Needles Hwy
(760) 326-0333

#Moabi Regional Park
Park Moabi Road
(760) 326-3831

#Rainbo Beach Resort
3520 Needles Hwy
(760) 326-3101
*some winter rentals avail

#Calizona MH & RV Park
5 miles south on Hwy 95
(760) 326-5679

#Verde Shores MH Park (55+)
530 Beach Dr
(760) 326-2672
*some winter rentals avail

#Desert Vista MH & RV Park
900 Coronado
(760) 326-5255

HOUSING INFORMATION: Housing Authority of Needles
908 Sycamore St (760) 326-3222

NEW HOME DEVELOPMENT (proposed) #HOOVER HOMES Information (928) 577-0777
CENTURY VINTAGE HOMES – Mountain View Shores Information (800) 289-2368 www.CenturyVintageHomes.com

HOMES ON THE RIVER

THE PALMS RIVER RESORT – 4170 Needles Highway (760) 326-0333
proposed #RIO VISTANCIA B off Needles Highway, towards Laughlin www.riovistancia.com (951) 695-2800
proposed #HOOVER HOMES – Lighthouse Landing Information – Greg Brasher (928) 577-0777

UTILITIES (deposit amounts and rates are approximate as market rates vary)

ELECTRIC #Needles Public Utility Authority, 817 3rd Street, Needles, CA 92363 (760) 326-5700
Current system capacity: 25MW Commercial rate: \$25.50 plus \$.119120 per kwh(based on CPI)
Current system demand: 15MW Residential: basic \$17.00 \$.119120 per kwh with lifeline .07515/kwh
Residential deposit: \$100 or credit letter for last 12 months Establishment fee: \$15.00

GAS #Southwest Gas Corporation 1705 Langford Dr B Bullhead City, AZ 86442 (800) 748-5539
Average monthly residential bill: summer \$10-30 winter \$50-150
Deposit \$50 (+2 times highest average for address) Connection fee: \$25

TELEPHONE #Frontier (Citizens Communications), 911 W Broadway, Needles CA 92363 (800) 921-8101
1 party touch-tone basic service - \$24.70 month + taxes (Lifeline Service available)
Deposit: \$80-100 - Advance payment required

UTILITIES-continued(deposit amounts and rates are approximate as market rates vary)

WATER	#Needles Public Utility Authority, 817 3 rd Street B Needles, CA 92363 Source: Wells Residential: :@ basic: \$29.61/1,000cf \$1.39 per additional 100cf Residential deposit: \$100 establishment fee \$15.00 Commercial: :@ line \$27.30basic / \$1.39 per 100cf	(760) 326-5700
TRASH	#Needles Public Utility Authority, 817 3 rd Street, Needles, CA 92363 \$18.50 a month (residential) B twice weekly. Business depends on container and number of pickups.	(760) 326-5700
SEWER	#Needles Public Utility Authority, 817 3 rd Street, Needles, CA 92363 \$35.77/month (residential) General Commercial: \$60-125	(760) 326-5700
**CABLE & INTERNET	CalNeva Broadband Installation fee required, several packages to choose from	(866) 330-2028
INTERNET	#Frontier Dialup & DSL for a monthly fee + installation	(800) 921-8101
	#Red River Communications Installation + monthly fee	(928) 788-4999
SATELLITE	#Frontier (depending on location of property) DirectTV	(800) 921-8101 (888) 866-3008

****cable channels provided**

KNXV ABC-Phoenix	KUTP Indpt-Phoenix	TLC-The Learning Channel
KPHO CBS-Phoenix	KAZT Indpt-Prescott	USA-variety network
KPNX NBC-Phoenix	KSAZ Fox-Phoenix	MTV-24hr video music
KAET PBS-Phoenix	KTVK Indpt-Phoenix	TBN-Trinity Broadcasting
CNN & Headline News	KTLA Indpt-Los Angeles	DCS-The Discovery Channel
TV Land	Arts & Entertainment	History
WGN Indpt-Chicago	QVC-Home Shopping	Univision-Spanish
WTBS Indpt-Atlanta	Great American Country	Nickelodeon-Family
ANPLAN-Animal Planet	TNT-Turner Network	C-SPAN-24hr political news
ESPN-Sports	TCM-Turner Classic Movies	TV Guide-24hr channel guide
ESPN 2	Animal Planet	Spike TV
Lifetime	KVVU Indpt-Las Vegas	CSPAN2
VH1-24hr music	KVBC NBC-Las Vegas	Sci-Fi
The Disney Channel	CMT-Country Music Television	Community Programming
Home Shopping Network	***Premium Channels(extra charge)	HBO - Cinemax - Showtime

RADIO STATIONS - KTOX am 1340; also broadcast stations from Bullhead & Lake Havasu City, Kingman, Arizona & Las Vegas, NV

TRANSPORTATION

Railroad	AMTRAK departs from Needles west @ approx 1:15am and east @ approx 1:40am. For current arrival and departure times and ticket information: 800/872-7245. Freight service available.
Bus Line	Greyhound in Bullhead City, AZ 800/231-2222
Area Bus	Needles Area Transit B Monday thru Friday, 7am-7pm, Saturday 10am-2pm 866/669-6309
Taxi	No service available
Needles Airport:	(760)326-5263 Located 5 miles south of town on Hwy 95, in the city limits. Elevation: 990ft above sea level. Runways: Main B 4800ft x 150ft Alternate B 500ft x 150ft Base operator: Paradise Aviation, some services avail. 760/326-5263
Laughlin/Bullhead Airport:	(928) 754-2134, located in Bullhead City, approximately 30 miles north of Needles. Elevation: 619ft above sea level. Some commercial flights and other charter, cargo and private.
Highways:	Interstate 40 (east/west) three exits, US Highway 95 (north/south two exits) Needles CHP (760) 326-2000