

SUN CITY

FACT SHEET

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1. Sun City opened in January of 1960. Over 100,000 visitors viewed the new community during the premiere, and 272 homes were sold the first weekend.

SALES. . .

That initial year ended with sales of 1,301 homes and apartments.

Sales for 1977 totalled 4,189 with a valuation of \$204,041,866.

POPULATION. . .

The community now has more than 48,000 residents, making it the seventh largest community in Arizona.

2. ORIGINAL FACILITIES. . .

Prior to opening, Sun City already had:

- A. A Recreation Center with swimming pool, lawn bowling greens, shuffleboard courts, auditorium, club and meeting rooms and hobby studios.
- B. Nine holes of the first golf course, with the second nine holes under construction.
- C. Grand Shopping Center.
- D. Motor hotel with restaurant.
- E. Model homes.

3. PRESENT FACILITIES. . .

- A. Seven recreation complexes.

They offer the following facilities:

1. Seven swimming pools (one indoor).
2. 8 lawn bowling greens
3. 72 shuffleboard courts (18 air-conditioned, indoor).

4. Four miniature golf courses.
5. Studios for almost every kind of hobby or craft.
6. Card and meeting rooms.
7. Exercise rooms.
8. Therapy pools.
9. Five auditoriums (one with 1,800 capacity).
10. 13 tennis courts.
11. Picnic area with scenic waterfall, cabanas, barbeques.
12. 32 Bowling Lanes.
13. Bocci and horseshoe courts.
14. Boating and fishing lake.
15. Pool and billiards rooms.

Bell Recreation Center features a 40,000-volume library and the community's first handball, racquetball and volleyball courts.

Residents currently pay \$40 per year per person for use of these facilities.

(Exception: A minimal line rate is charged for bowling and nominal "club fees" are charged for lawn bowling and the use of certain arts and crafts facilities).

Residents own the recreation centers and have set up a non-profit corporation with paid staff to govern and maintain them. To provide an orderly pattern of use of their facilities, Sun Citians have formed over 300 clubs and organizations in the categories of civic, church, charitable, recreation and service.

- B. Eleven golf courses, ten 18-hole layouts and one 9-hole. Three of these are private country clubs. Of the eight community courses, three are par-60 executive courses, the other five are full sized par-72 layouts.
- C. Sun City's Sun Bowl is a 7,500-capacity outdoor amphitheater, grass-terraced with a shell-type stage. Top stars who have performed here include Liberace, Jimmy Durante, Guy Lombardo, Al Hirt,

- Lawrence Welk and his Champagne Music Makers, Henry Mancini, Roger Williams, Pete Fountain, Roberta Peters and many others. This facility will be superceded in September 1980 with the opening of the spectacular 7,169-seat Sundome Center for the Performing Arts in Sun City West. The Sundome, boasting a sound and acoustical system that will make everyone think he's sitting front row center, will host some 120 shows during the 1980-81 season.
- D. Sun City Stadium is spring training headquarters for the American League Milwaukee Brewers and home field for the Sun City Saints, a nationally-known women's amateur softball team.
- E. Lakeview and Bell Center Lanes are modern, completely automated, 16-lane bowling facilities. They feature the new electronically computerized scoring machines.
- F. Six major shopping centers. There are now approximately 350 businesses and professional offices in the community.
- G. 16 fine restaurants, plus nine golf course and bowling alley coffee shops and three dining rooms in private clubs.
- H. 35 religious organizations meet in their own house of worship or in community rooms. (27 have built their own houses of worship).
- I. 16 branch banks and 23 savings and loan offices, plus 5 brokerage houses.
- J. Walter O. Boswell Memorial Hospital, a modern medical facility with <sup>271</sup> 261 beds. The circular patient wings with centrally located nursing stations provide visual monitoring and quick access to every room. The hospital is designed for expansion to 400 rooms. *New tower added 8/4*
- K. Seven medical buildings. The largest provides 100,000 square feet of useable office space for doctors, dentists, laboratories, pharmacies, x-ray offices and other medical technicians.

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- L. Sun Valley Lodge, a nursing and health care facility operated by the United Church of Sun City.
- M. Beverly Manor Convalescent Center, a new 195-bed care facility, features three 65-bed wings, two for skilled nursing and one for personal care.
- N. The Carillons, an 84-unit catered living facility for residents who wish to maintain individuality and independence, yet have necessary services available under the same roof.
- O. Sunshine Service provides medical and sick room equipment, wheel chairs, emergency beds and children's equipment and many other services on a free-loan basis to residents.
- P. Lakes Club, a private dining facility on Viewpoint Lake. It has a large dining room with dance area, cocktail lounge and bar, and 500-capacity ballroom.
- Q. Heading Ranch, the location of Sun City's trap and skeet range, small bore rifle and pistol range and archery lists.
- R. Agricultural Gardens, where residents are assigned 20 x 40 plots where they can grow vegetable gardens. The Webb Company furnishes the land and water.
- S. Trailer compound provides residents with enclosed park for trailers, campers, boats, etc. at a minimal annual fee.
- T. Rancho Estates features homes on acre or larger lots, ranch-fenced corrals, option stalls and tack room, and bridal paths leading to the nearby Agua Fria river bed. Stables are also available west of Riverview Golf Course for horse owners living in other parts of Sun City.

- U. Bell Plaza, an office building complex consisting of the Del E. Webb Development Company Administrative Office and an identical rental office building.
- V. Sun City West Model Home Show offers 20 different floor plans featuring four distinctive modes of living. Included are single family homes, duplexes, patio apartments, and garden apartments. Basic prices range from \$56,990 to \$112,990 (subject to change without notice).

#### 4. SUN CITY WEST. . .

With Sun City's development nearly completed, the Del E. Webb Development Company has built a new resort-retirement community - Sun City West. Like its sister city to the east, Sun City West is a complete environment tailored to the needs and desires of persons 50 years of age and older. Standing by its conviction that active retirement lends immeasurable quality to one's mature years, the Webb Company has created in Sun City West a community abundant in cultural, creative and recreational opportunities.

#### 5. VACATION SPECIAL . . .

Sun City West offers a one-week introductory vacation (2 weeks May 1 to December 15) in a lovely, furnished apartment for \$200 (\$275 if a return visit). Husband or wife must be 50 years or older. The vacation package includes guest activity card for use of recreation facilities, two rounds of golf, steak dinner, buffet breakfast and tour of Sun City and Sun City West. Rates will increase December 15, 1980 to \$225 for introductory visit and \$300 for return visit (i.e. these new rates are now in effect for apartment occupancy on and after December 16, 1980).