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### **Gila County to Celebrate National County Government Month**

GLOBE, ARIZONA --- Gila County will celebrate National County Government Month (NCGM) during the month of April to highlight essential county government services and programs. The theme for this year's celebration of NCGM is "Healthy Counties, Healthy Families."

Featured NCGM events in Globe and Payson will include:

- **April 2<sup>nd</sup> ...Wellness Spring Training.** A 4-week challenge that will give all County employees an opportunity to sample healthy activities.
- **April 9<sup>th</sup> -30<sup>th</sup> ...Daily Prize Drawings.** Throughout the month drawings will be held with prizes (*donated by local businesses*) being awarded to County employees.
- **April 13<sup>th</sup> ...Earth Day Poster/Essay Contest (K-12).** Winners will be announced at the Gila County Board of Supervisor's Meeting on May 1<sup>st</sup>. All entries will be displayed at the Courthouse during the month of April.
- **April 16<sup>th</sup> ...All County Departments "Open House" (Globe & Payson)**
- **April 17<sup>th</sup> ...Appreciation Luncheon (Globe)** for County employees.
- **April 19<sup>th</sup> ...Appreciation Luncheon (Payson)** for County employees.
- **April 21<sup>st</sup> ...Green Waste Day at Gila County Landfills.** *Russell Gulch and Buckhead Mesa Landfills will accept greenwaste for free in honor of Earth Day.*
- **April 28<sup>th</sup> ...Free E-Waste Recycling Event (Payson).** Recycle your unwanted TVs, computers, monitors, printers, batteries, chargers, cell phones, VCRs, CD and DVD players, fax machines, small appliances, cables and cords.

"We are very proud of the essential services and programs our county provides each day and especially the people who deliver them, said Board Chairman Tommie Martin."

Since 1991 the National Association of Counties (NACo) has encouraged counties across the country to raise public awareness and understanding about the roles and responsibilities of counties.

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