

Short-Term Rental Response

November 20, 2023

City Council Work Study Session

Go to [ScottsdaleAZ.gov](https://scottsdaleaz.gov), search “Short-Term Rental”

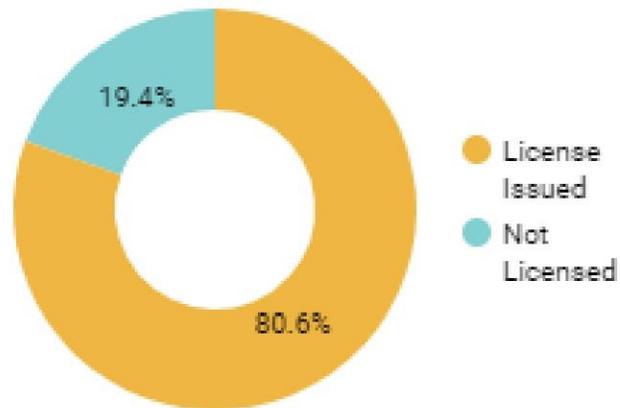
Overview

Brent Stockwell, Assistant City Manager

The number of short-term rentals in Scottsdale varies over time

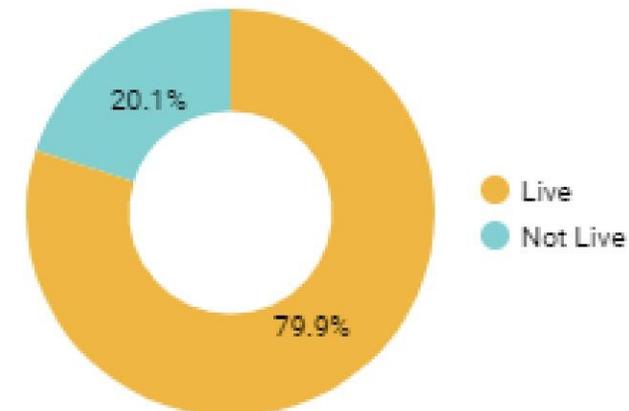
Current STRs

4,105

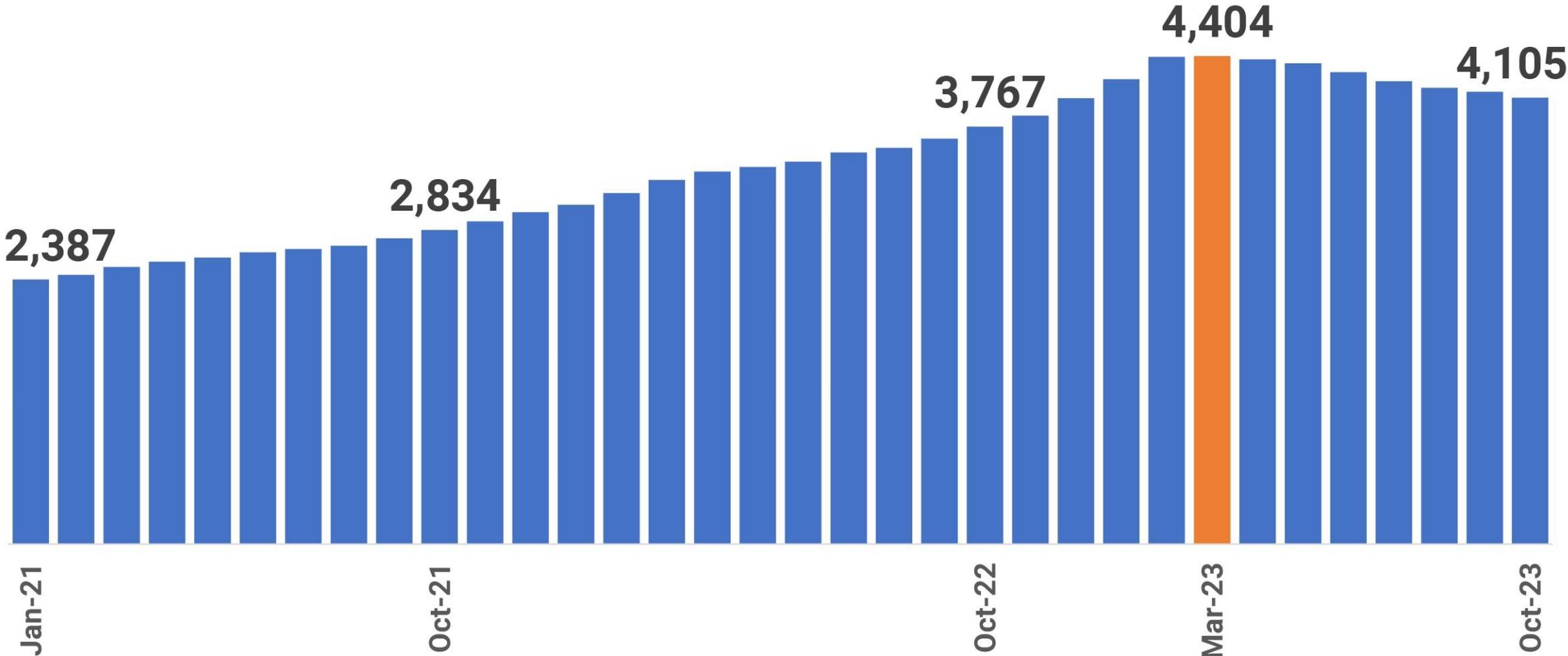


Current & Previous STRs

5,039



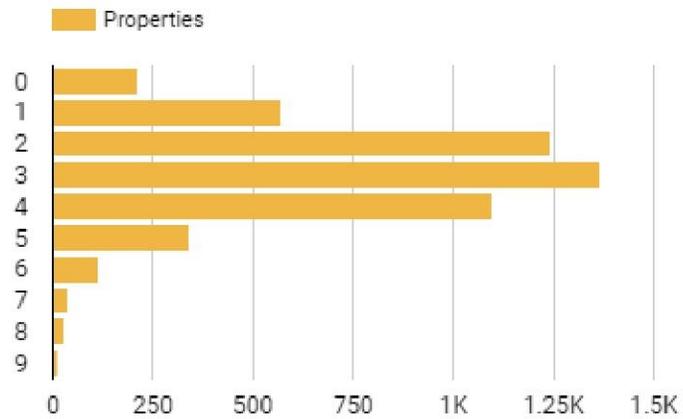
The number of live properties peaked in March



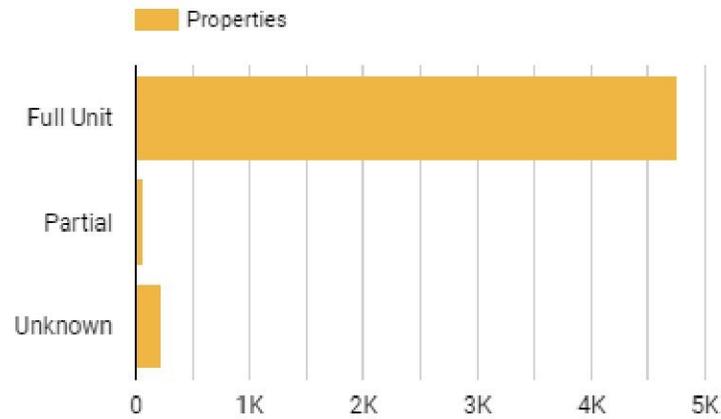
Source: Rentalscape

Full unit, single-family with 2-4 Bedrooms

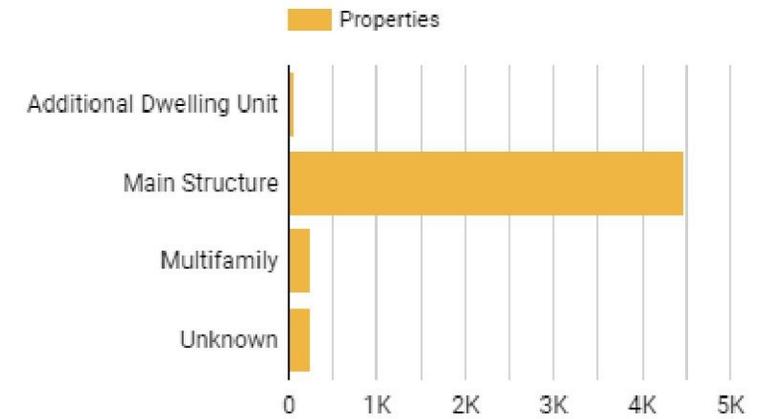
Bedrooms



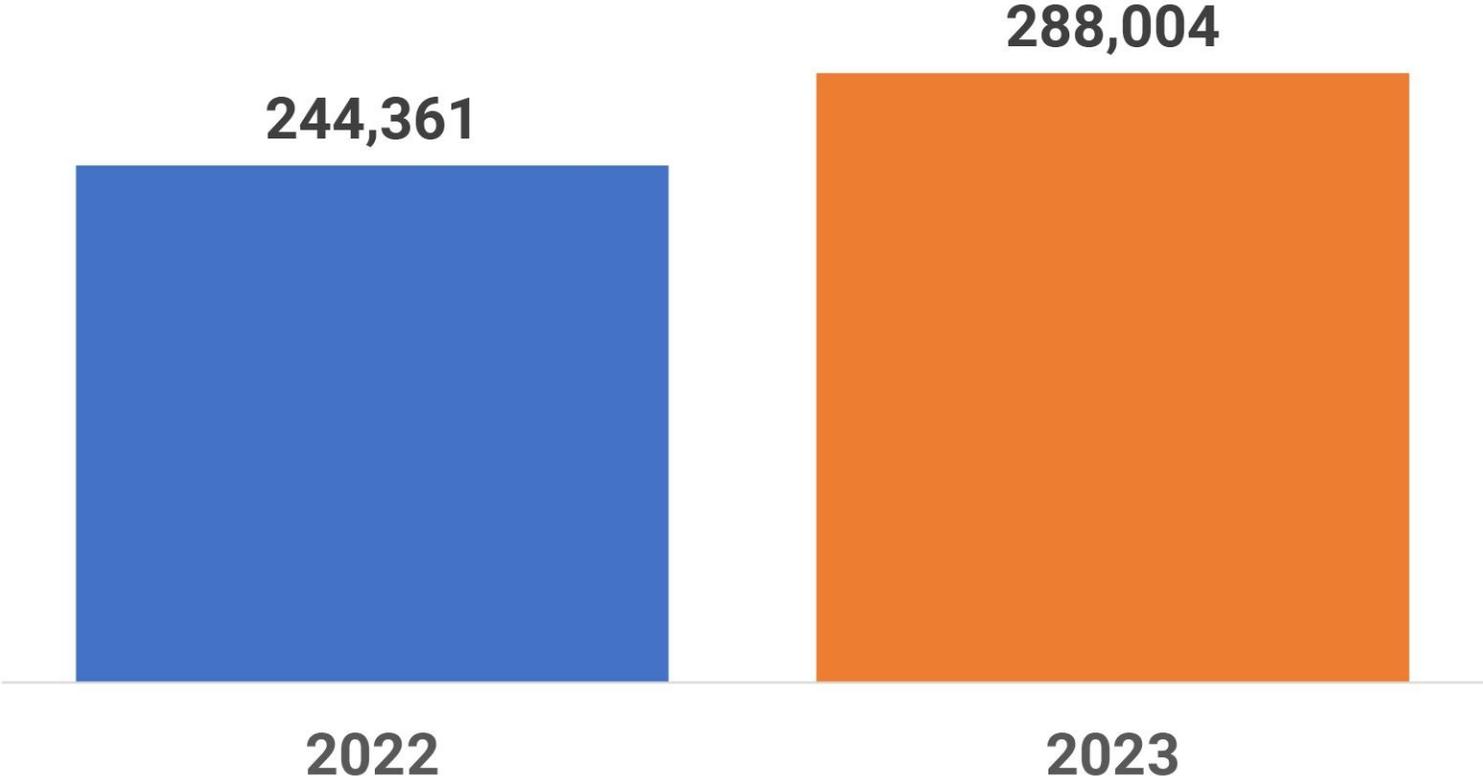
Unit Type



Rental Structure



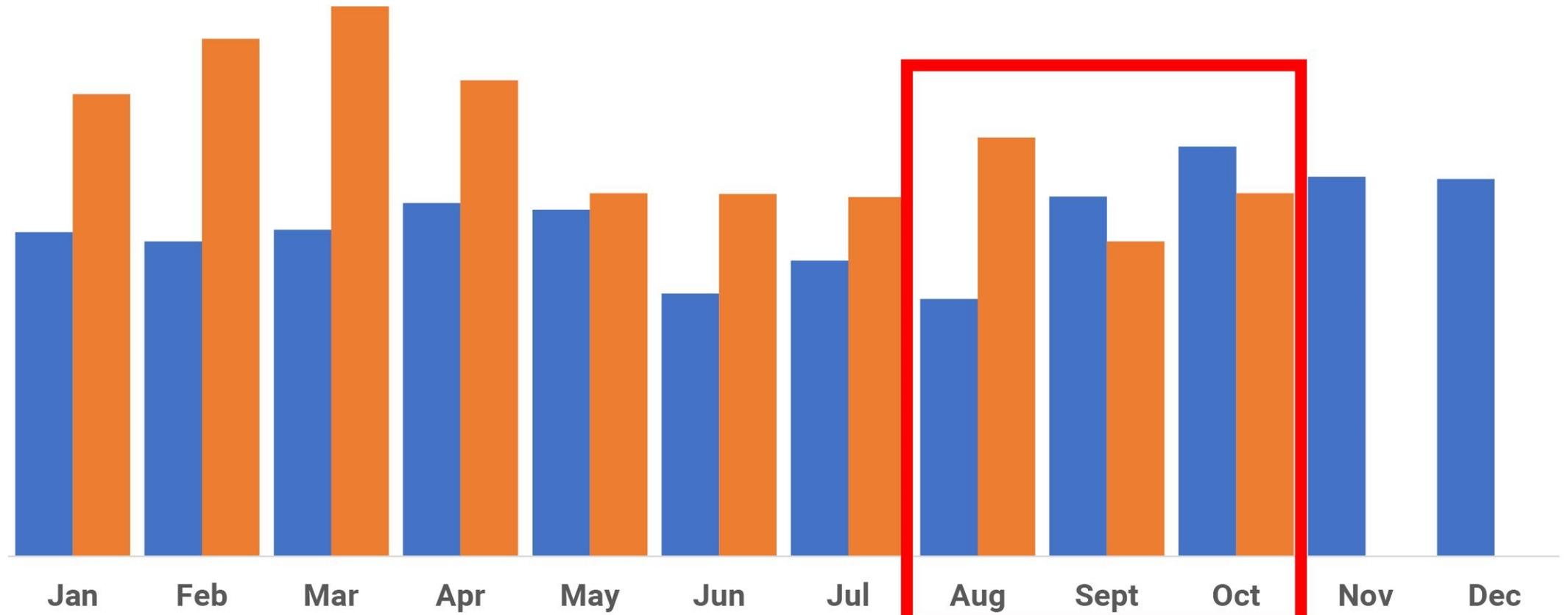
Stays have increased 17% since 2022



*2023 November and December stays not included

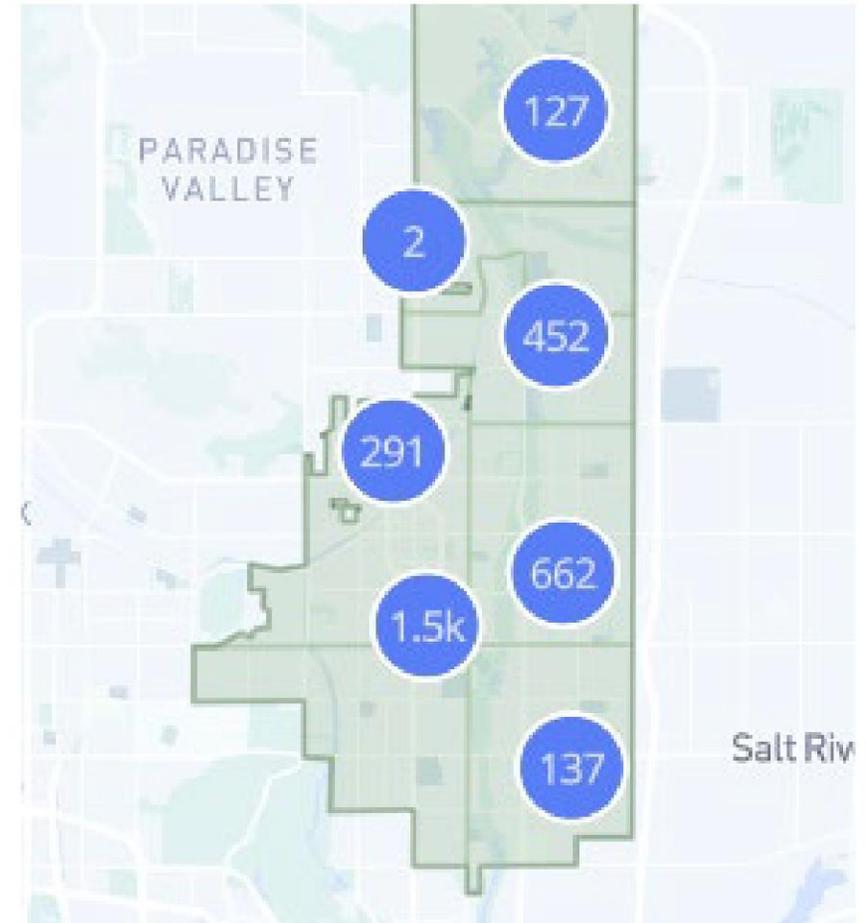
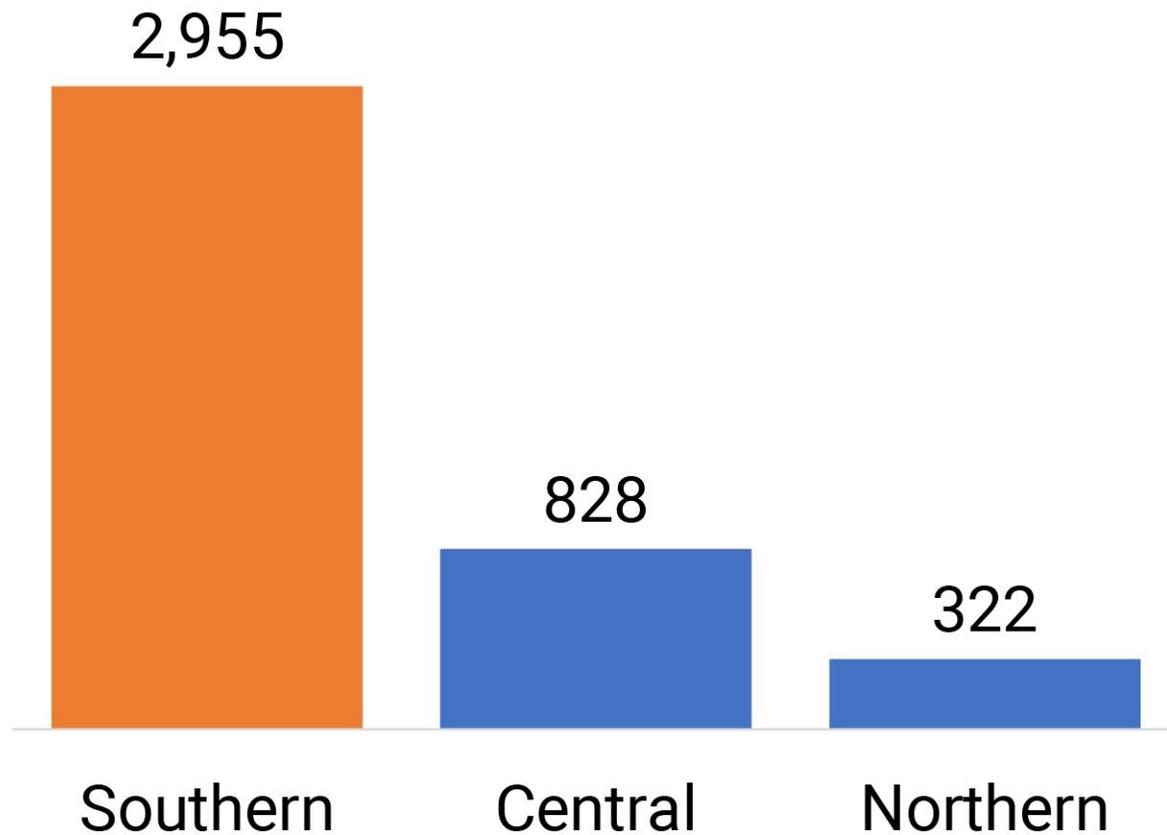
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Since August, stays are trending lower



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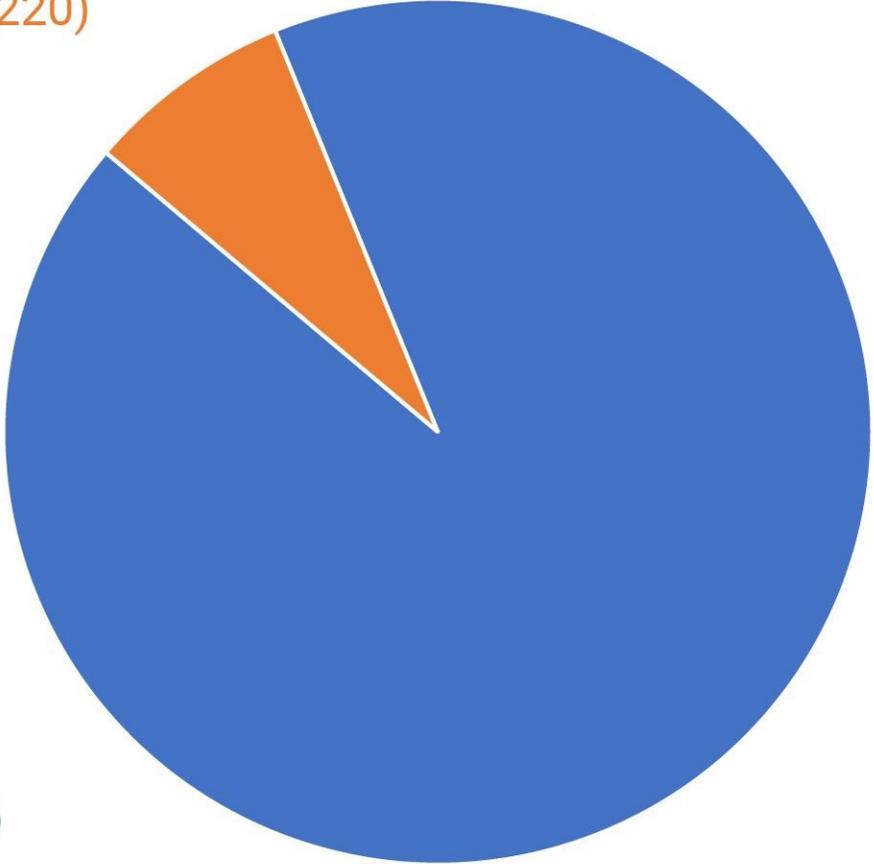
About 70% are in southern Scottsdale



Source: Rentalscape

92% of licensed owners only have 1 property

STR Owners with More than 1 Property (220)



STR Owners with Only 1 Property (2,628)

Source: Rentalscape

Lots of issues to consider

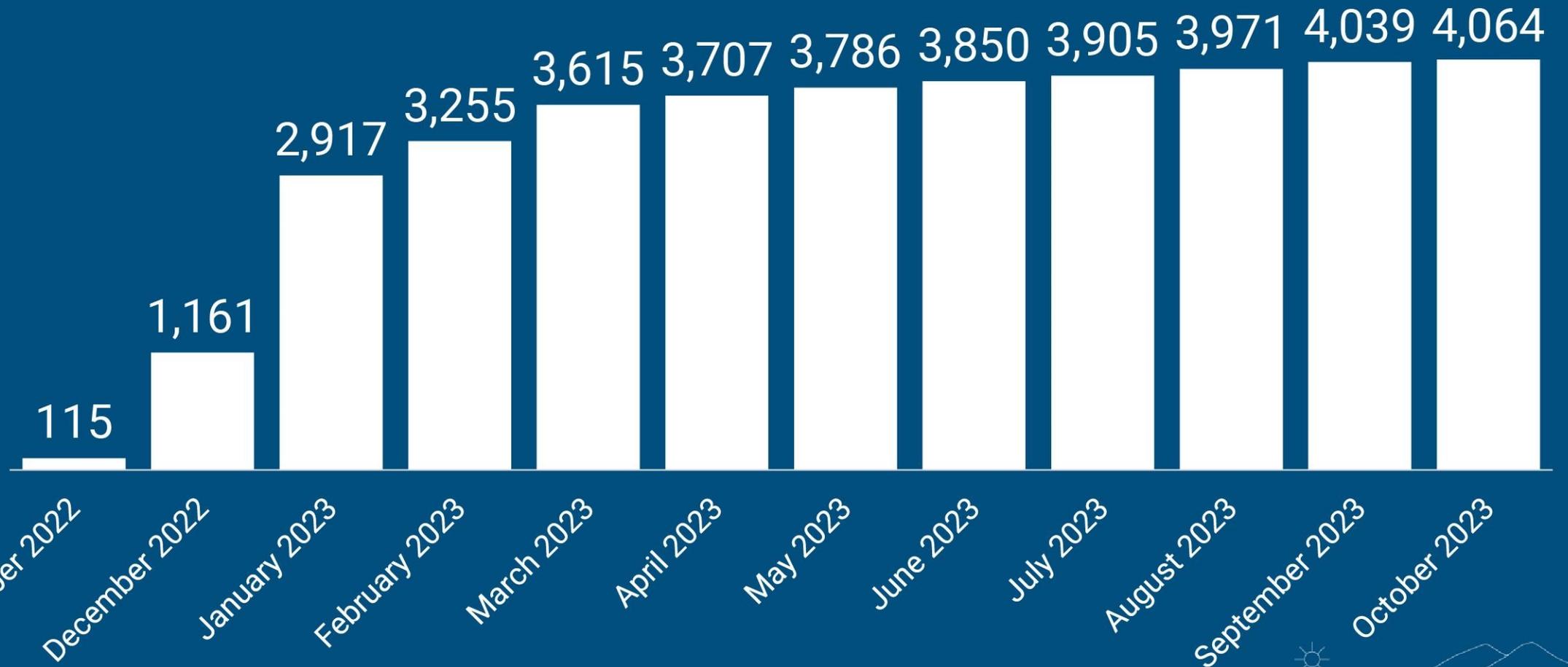
- Lots of individual properties
 - Lots of different neighbors
 - Lots of different owners
 - Lots of different emergency contacts
 - Lots of different guests every week
 - Lots of State preemptions and limits
 - Lots of Scottsdale-specific ordinance requirements
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- All this combines to make education and enforcement challenging



Licensing

Sarah VanGoethem, Tax and Licensing Manager

Cumulative New STR Applications



Cumulative Newly Approved STR Licenses



STR Licensing Next Steps

Renewal notice
emailed 60 days
prior to expiration

Payment to be
completed online by
customer

Completed renewals
to be process within
7 business days

License issued



Code Enforcement

Alyssa Yanez, Code Enforcement Manager

Scottsdale Code Enforcement Team

November 2022:

9 Code Inspectors

- 2 *Short-Term Rental Contract Positions*

November 2023:

12 Code Inspectors

- 2 *Short-Term Rental Inspectors*



Team Roles & Responsibilities

2 STR Code Inspectors

- Unlicensed Live Listing Properties
- STR License Advertising Compliance
- Neighbor Notification Completion and Insurance Attestation

10 Area Assigned Code Inspectors

- Nonresidential Use
- Exceeding Occupancy
- Property Maintenance and Public Nuisance
- Zoning Ordinance



Enforcement Process



Intake & Assignment



Investigation & Communication



Notices & Compliance



Community Engagement



Prosecution for Noncompliance



Short-term Rental Code Enforcement Cases



Technology Support

- **Streamlines** Short-Term rental **identification**
- Provides **inspectors** with the most **current information**



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Possible Violations (36)

Invalid License Displayed (18)

Failure to Provide Complaint Contact Information to the city of property owner or owner's designee. (18)

All (2) IG (5) Vrbo (8)

Airbnb ██████████ ✓ [Dispute](#) [History](#) [Not Live](#)

Host Bedroom advertised 1

STR License displayed ██████████ Occupancy advertised ⚠️ 4

Unit type Full Unit Rental Structure Multifamily

First seen 2022-07-28

Airbnb ██████████ ✓ [Dispute](#) [History](#) [Live Listing](#)

Booking Activities

Booked

Nov 2023

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
			1	2	3	4
			\$74	\$74	\$74	\$74
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
\$103	\$103	\$104	\$103	\$103	\$103	\$103
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
\$103	\$103	\$104	\$103	\$103	\$103	\$103
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
\$104	\$105	\$103	\$103	\$103	\$103	\$103
26	27	28	29	30		
\$104	\$114	\$114	\$108	\$103		

Opportunities and Plans for the Future

- Commitment to *address concerns constructively & quickly*
- Work in partnership with SPD to *prioritize* STR related *issues & complaints*
- Continued *collaboration* to *identify* potential *violations proactively*

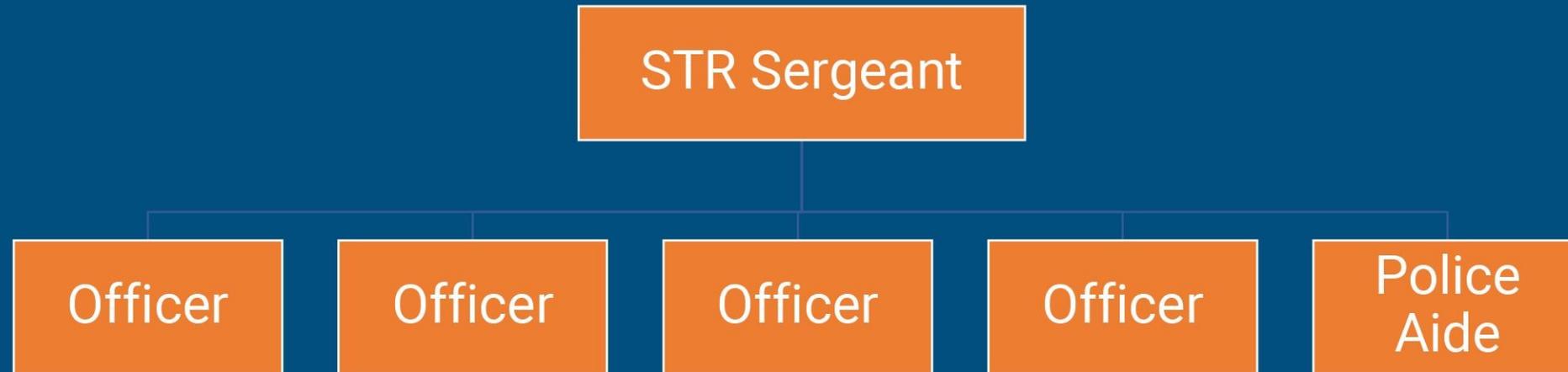


Scottsdale Police Department Actions

Jeromie O'Meara, McKellips District Commander

George Gollihar, Downtown Section Lieutenant

Short Term Rental Squad Staffing



- Assigned within the Downtown Section of the McKellips District
 - Bike Units and Special Projects Squad part of the Downtown Section
 - Housed in the Downtown Police Building

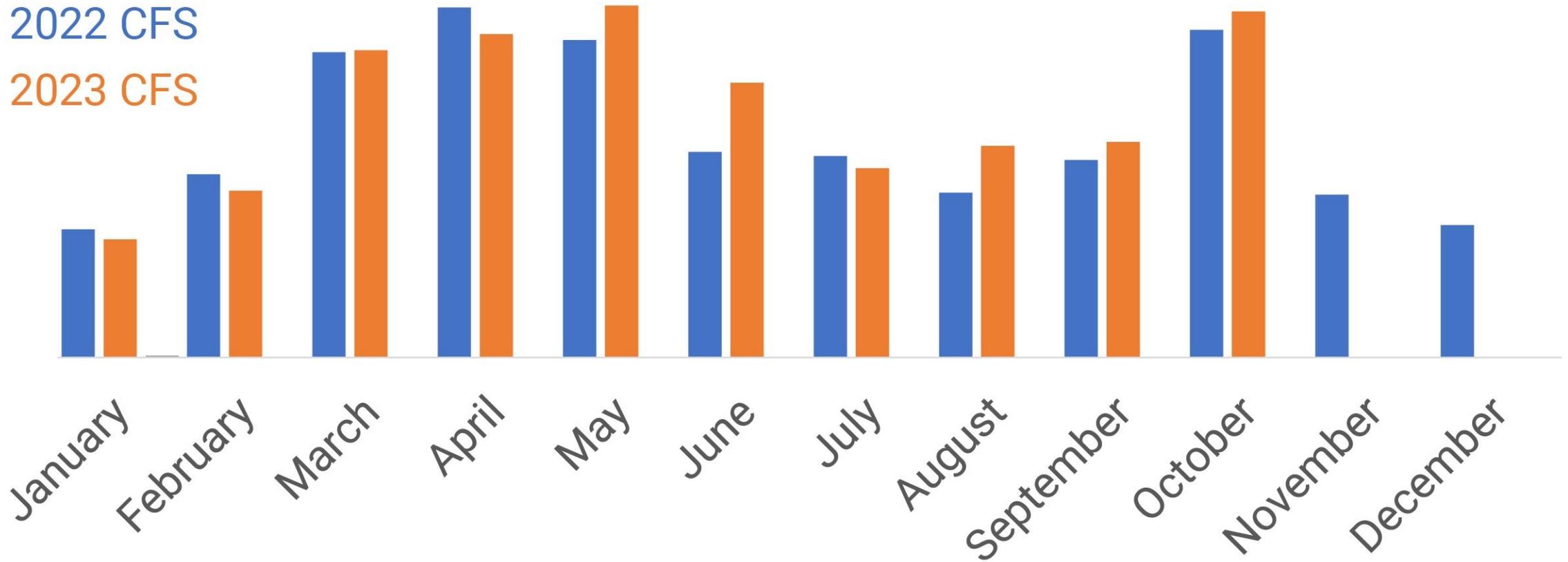




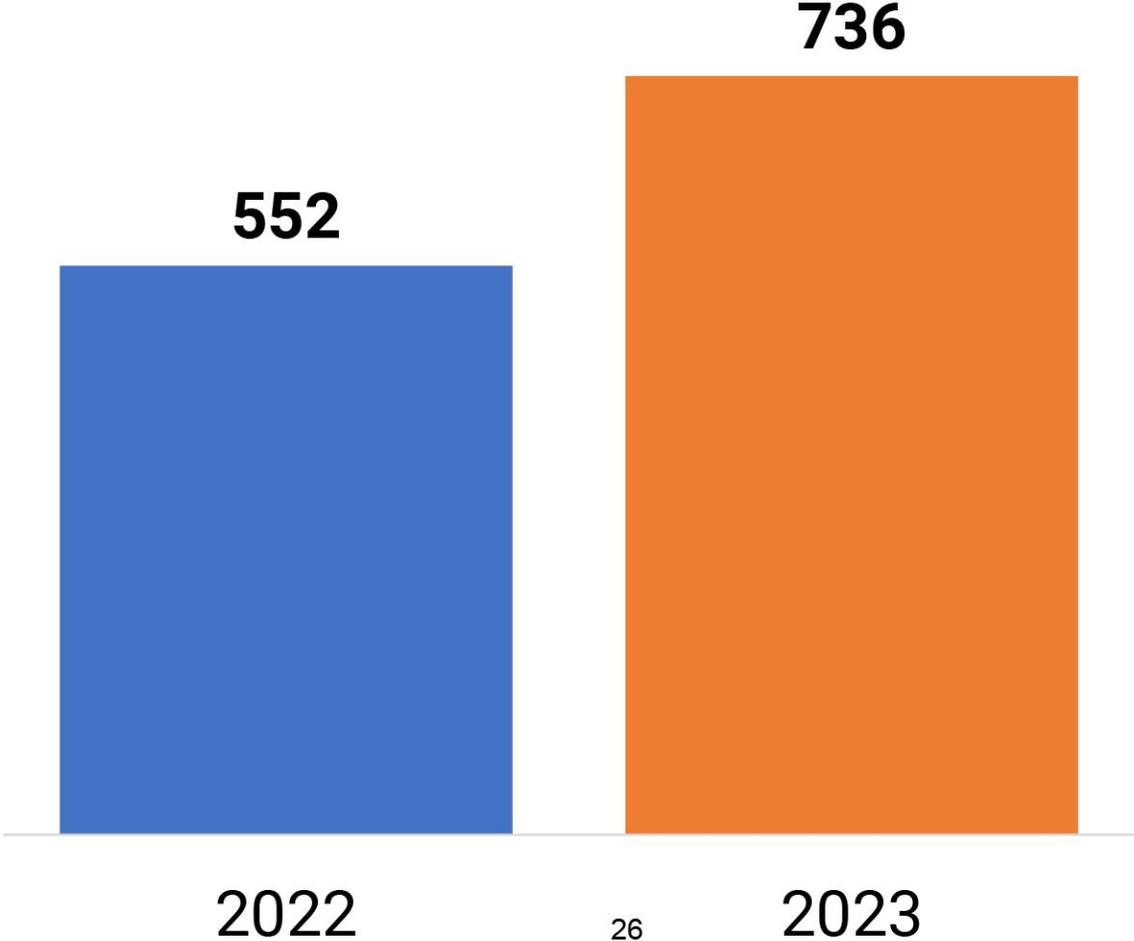
Nuisance party calls for service have outpaced 2022 by 5%

2022 CFS

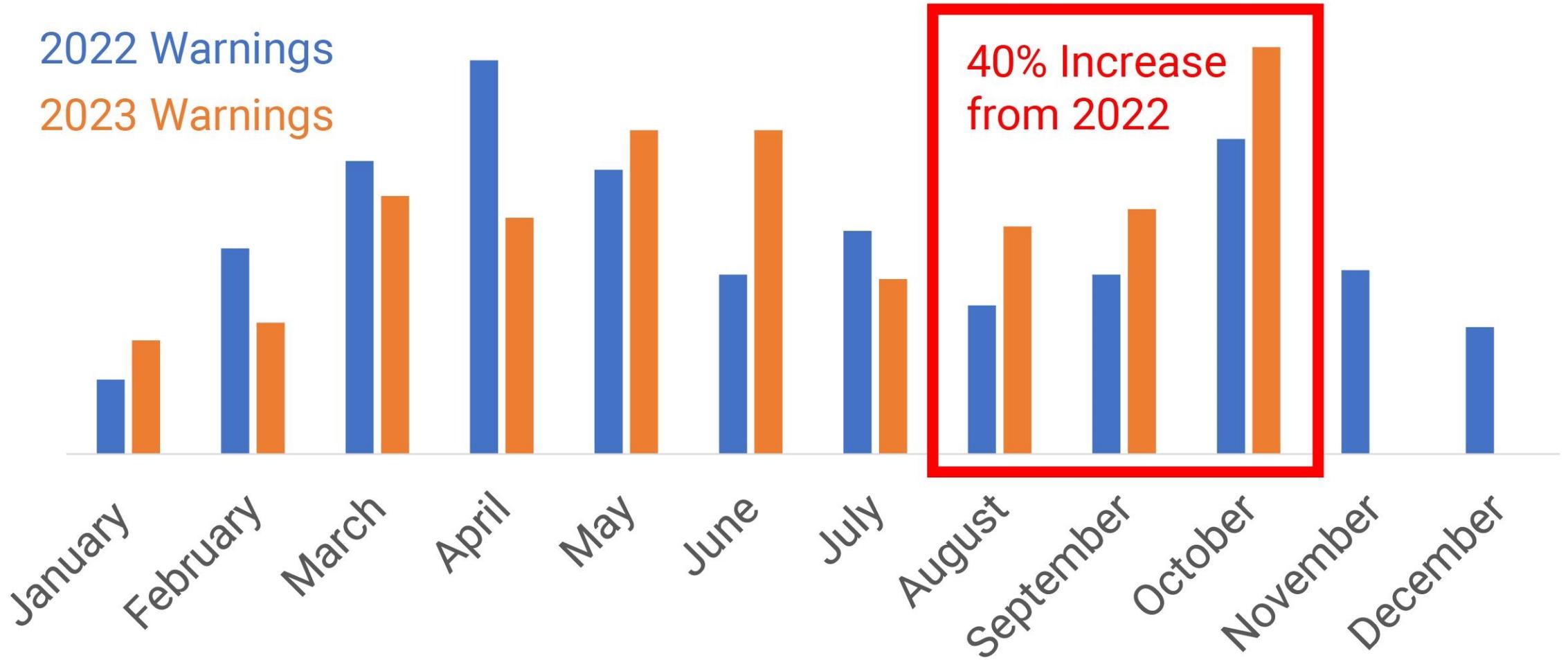
2023 CFS



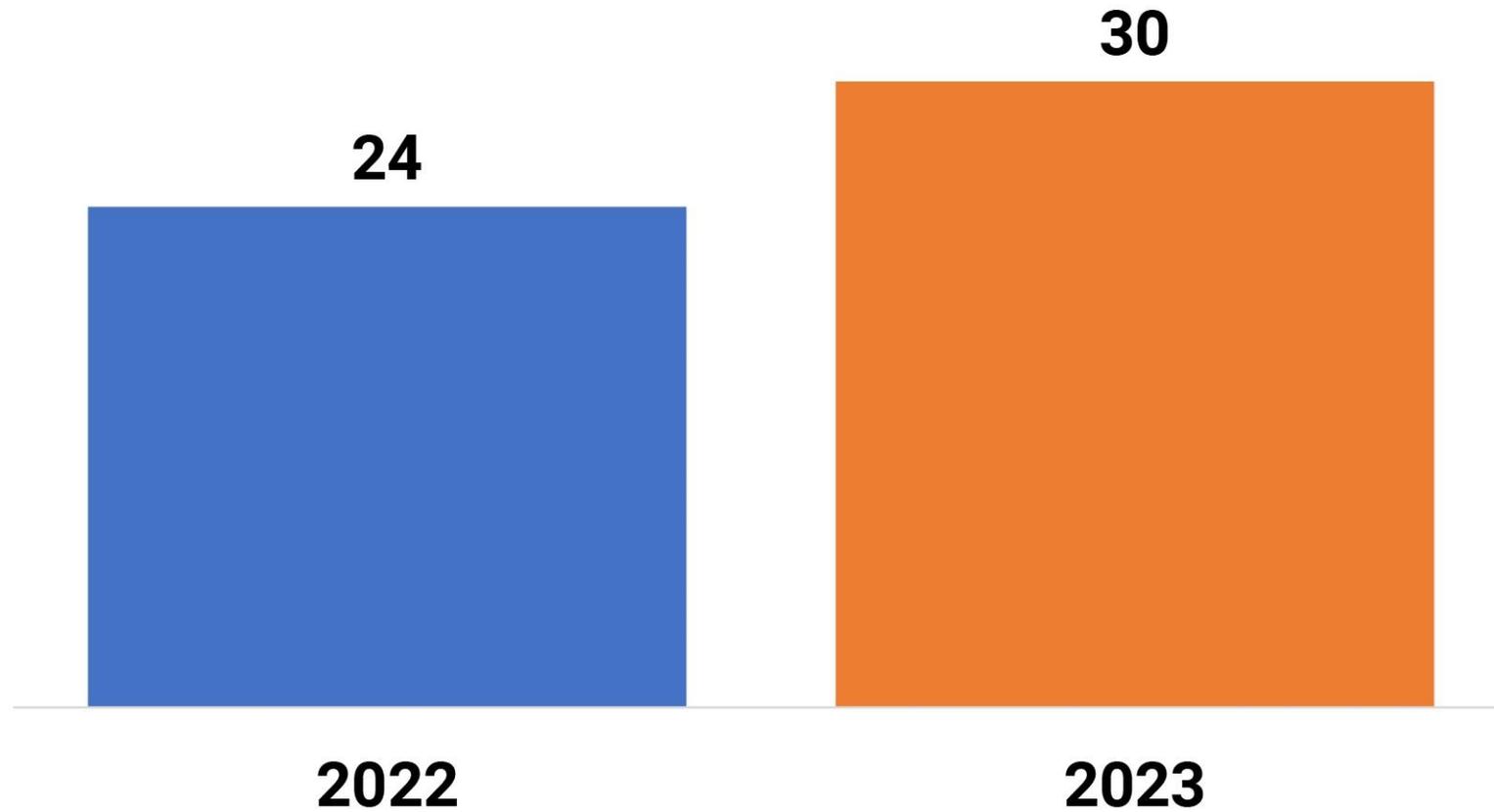
Nuisance party calls for service at STRs have grown by 33% during the same time period



Police issued more warnings in Fall 2023



Citations have increased



Current Goals

- Increase enforcement efforts of responding patrol officers
- Decrease the response time of officers responding to nuisance party calls or other related disturbances at residences
- Improve the documentation for successful charging of violations post incident



Opportunities and Plans for the Future

- Fully staff the STR team in 2024.
- Continue to evaluate and develop strategies to increase enforcement on violations while reducing the response time to nuisance party incidents
- Work in partnership with the City Prosecutor's Office and Code Enforcement to fully investigate and hold accountable properties in violation of the nuisance party and STR city ordinances
- Continue to share the trends and challenges of enforcement actions for the nuisance party and STR related city ordinances to enhance and strengthen the city codes regulating these activities
- Increase the analysis of the nuisance party and STR data for proactive strategies to reduce calls for service at known problem locations



Communications

Kelly Corsette, Communications and Public Affairs Director

Online Resources and Information

[Home Page](#) / [Codes & Ordinances](#) / [Vacation Rentals & Short-Term Rentals](#)

Vacation Rentals & S

All properties offered for rent less than 30 days require a Scottsdale license

Scottsdale Ordinance 4566 requires rental property owners/operators to obtain a license for each property and comply with several safety, health and neighborhood requirements.

[Learn more and apply for a license.](#)

Scottsdale's [Short Term Resource Center map](#) shows the license status of short-term rentals in Scottsdale.

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PROPERTY OWNER REQUIREMENTS &

City

Short-term/vacation rental owners must obtain and maintain an annual city license property. The annual license fee is \$250 per property; funds received will go 100 per associated with licensing vacation and short-term rentals. This license is in addition to state requirements outlined in the sections below.

Scottsdale's licensing portal will open Nov. 28, 2022, and owners of existing short-term properties must obtain licenses by Jan. 8, 2023. New short-term/vacation rental properties must comply with ordinance requirements and be licensed before being offered for rent.

The screenshot displays the City of Scottsdale website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the City of Scottsdale logo and links for Home, Open Data Portal, and City of Scottsdale Home. A search bar is visible in the top right corner. Below the navigation bar, there is a banner with the text "I want to..." and two buttons: "Understand license compliance" and "Report a violation".

The main content area features a search bar labeled "Search for an Address" and a map of Scottsdale. The map is overlaid with a legend that categorizes properties into three status groups:

- Licensed:** Represented by green dots.
- Pending:** Represented by yellow dots.
- Unlicensed:** Represented by red dots.

The map shows various streets and landmarks, including E Gary Rd, E Gail Rd, E Mescal St, E Cortez St, E Kallie Dr, E Lupine Ave, E Cholla St, E Desert Cove Ave, and E Jenan Dr. Major roads like AZ-101-LOOP N and Pima Fwy are also visible. The map includes standard navigation controls like zoom in/out and a search icon.

CITY OF SCOTTSDALE **Short-term and vacation rentals: A guide for Scottsdale residents and neighborhoods**



This guide is for Scottsdale residents who want to know more about the laws that apply to short-term and vacation rentals in Scottsdale, including the quickest to report issues and concerns. The city also publishes guides for short-term rental owners and guests to encourage them to be good neighbors and obey Scottsdale's laws. Review these guides and find more information at ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search "Short-term rentals."

What are vacation rental and short-term rental properties?
Vacation rentals or short-term rentals are residential properties offered for rent for less than 30 days. Under state law, the city cannot prohibit short-term rentals. They are allowed in apartments, condominiums, and townhomes, and single-family neighborhoods, unless they are prohibited through a private agreement, such as deed restrictions. Guest houses and guest rooms cannot be rented independently of the main house; they may only be rented together.

Rental properties cannot be offered for rent or rented solely for non-residential activities such as corporate events, bachelor or bachelorette parties or weddings.

What does Scottsdale require of rental property owners?
Scottsdale Ordinance 4999 requires rental property owners/operators to obtain a Scottsdale License for each property and comply with several safety, health and neighborhood notification requirements. This City of Scottsdale license is in addition to county and state requirements. Read the ordinance at ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search "short-term rentals."

What is and is not allowed at a short-term rental property?
Activities that are legal at a private residence are legal at a short-term rental, like yard games, swimming, playing music or a reasonable level of gatherings, house parties, smoking tobacco or marijuana and drinking alcohol. Someone renting a property can have guests over and can park in the street unless there are private restrictions in place.

Short-term rentals (the same as with private residences) are not allowed to be used for nuisance parties, unlawful gatherings, or other criminal activity.

A nuisance party is a social activity or social occasion conducted in a manner that causes substantial neighborhood disturbance. This includes excessive noise and traffic, obstruction of public streets, public drunkenness, underage drinking, fights, disturbance of the peace and litter.

Proactive noise is an activity or gathering that disturbs the peace or quiet of a residence or neighborhood from the perspective of a reasonable person of normal sensibilities. Examples of noise that could be considered excessive are usual levels of loud it wakes you from a sleep or prevents you from watching television inside your home.

If a rental property is hosting a nuisance party or causing excessive noise, typically, the fastest way to resolve it is for you to call the emergency contact registered for the property and inform them of the problem.

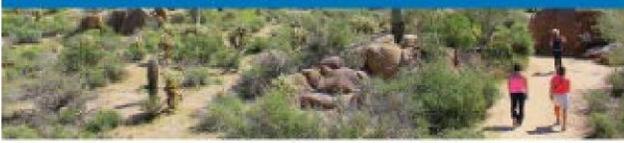
Scottsdale's Short-Term Rental Resource Center is a database of properties that includes emergency contact information for each registered short-term/vacation rental in the city - find it at STR.ScottsdaleAZ.gov.

If the emergency contact does not resolve the issue, call the Scottsdale Police Department non-emergency line at 480-312-5000. See the next section for tips about how to assist police in following up on a complaint.

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A Good Neighbor Guide for Scottsdale residents and neighborhoods

CITY OF SCOTTSDALE **A Good Neighbor Guide for Scottsdale Visitors**



Welcome to Scottsdale - We're glad you're visiting! Whether you're here to catch a Spring Training game, hike the beautiful Scottsdale McDowell Sonoran Preserve, enjoy award-winning dining, or attend one of Scottsdale's many world-renowned signature events, our city has something for everyone! The reason you chose to rent a vacation property in our city is likely the same reason our residents love living here - Scottsdale's high-quality neighborhoods and community amenities. These "good neighbor" tips will help make your stay the best it can be for you and the neighbors around you. Enjoy!

Tips for being a good neighbor

Have a good time, but please keep the noise down. Any activity or gathering that disturbs the peace or quiet of a residence or neighborhood is prohibited, particularly between the hours of 10 p.m. to 9 a.m. If a neighbor calls or comes over and asks you to quiet down, be friendly and quiet down.

Scottsdale city code limits occupancy of a property to six adults and their dependent children.

Rental properties cannot be used for non-residential activities such as corporate events, large parties or weddings. Obey any HOA/Community Association guidelines, such as on-street overnight parking or use of community pools.

Scottsdale collects recycling once each week, and trash once each week.
Learn more about recycling and trash collection at ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search "solid waste."

Recyclables like aluminum cans, glass bottles, plastic cartons, paper and cardboard go in the pink bin. Place the recycling bin on the street (not the sidewalk) for pickup by 5 a.m. on collection day.

Trash goes in the black bin. Place the trash bin on the street (not the sidewalk) for pickup by 5 a.m. on collection day.

Be mindful of pets and swimming pools

Scottsdale welcomes furry friends, too! To keep our neighborhoods safe and clean, the law requires you to keep your pets on a leash, pick up after them and control habitual barking. Scottsdale has several parks and off-leash areas for you and your pets to enjoy and mingle with our 4-legged locals. Visit ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search "dog parks" for a list of locations.

Drownings are a top cause of preventable death for children in Arizona. Adults are also at risk. If you are renting a property with a swimming pool, keep fences in place with gates secured, watch children at all times, and never swim alone - no matter your age.

Learn more about Scottsdale's vacation rental rules at ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search "vacation rental."

City of Scottsdale Phone Numbers

- Police & Fire Emergency - 911
- Non-emergency Police - 480-312-6000
- General City Questions - 480-312-5101

A Good Neighbor Guide for Scottsdale Visitors

CITY OF SCOTTSDALE **A Good Neighbor Guide for Owners and Managers of Short-Term /Vacation Rental Properties in Scottsdale**



The reason vacation rentals in Scottsdale are so successful is the high-quality of city neighborhoods and community amenities. Each property owner plays an important part in maintaining the quality of life, which in turn protects and enhances your property investments and contributes to neighborhood livability for future residents and rental property benefits.



For Scottsdale Ordinance 4999, short-term/vacation rental property owners must obtain and maintain an annual city license for each Scottsdale property. The City of Scottsdale license is in addition to the county and state requirements outlined here.

Find helpful links and additional information at ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search "Short-Term Rental", or scan the QR code to the right.

Registration requirements and process:

STEP 1: Obtain a Transaction Privilege Sales Tax (TPST) License from the Arizona Department of Revenue at adrs.az.gov. A valid TPST license is required for each rental property in Scottsdale; your TPST number will be needed to apply for the City of Scottsdale rental license in Step 2.

STEP 2: Apply for a Scottsdale License at ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search "short-term rental" or use the QR code above. Complete the Scottsdale license application - for each property, you must provide:

- The name, address, phone number and email for the owner or owner's agent
- The address of the property
- Proof of TPST license (obtained above)
- Emergency contact information

STEP 3: Notify neighbors and provide proof of insurance
Within 30 days of receiving your Scottsdale license for any time the contact information for a property changes, you must notify neighbors that the property is being offered for rent and provide the property manager's 24-hour telephone contact information.

Notification must be provided to all single-family residential properties adjacent to, directly and diagonally across the street from the property, or in a multi-family residential building, all units on the same building floor. Scottsdale's ordinance also requires that every short-term/vacation rental property be insured with liability coverage of at least \$500,000 (either directly or through an online lodging marketplace).

- Once neighbor notification has occurred, complete the attestation and upload a proof of liability insurance via the website at ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search "Short-term rental"

STEP 4: Complete Maricopa County requirements at www.maricopa.gov
Each property must be registered with Maricopa County as required by AHS 35-1802 - it is illegal to rent a property before it is registered with the Maricopa County Assessor.

STEP 5: Once your property is licensed, make sure contact information is maintained
If the emergency/management contact information changes for a licensed rental property, you must update your city license and provide the new property contact information to neighbors.

- Update a Scottsdale short-term/vacation rental license via the city's website at ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search "short-term rental"
- Once neighbor notification of the updated contact information has occurred, complete the attestation form at the city's website at ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search "Short-Term Rental"

A Good Neighbor Guide for Owners and Managers of Vacation and Short-Term Properties in Scottsdale

Short-Term Rental - Complaint

Step 1 - Details and Location

Details (* = required)

Privacy Policy: Zoning violation case files fall within the definition of a public record and are subject to public disclosure pursuant to ARS Section 39-121. The **identities** of complainants will be held as **confidential** unless ordered to be released by a judge of a court of record. 

If police presence is needed on site immediately, please call 911 and an officer will be dispatched to the residence accordingly. 

To lodge a complaint or learn more about company-specific policies pertaining to Short-Term Rental companies, visit

AirBnB - [Airbnb Neighbors - Contact Us](#)

VRBO - [Help \(vrbo.com\)](#)

What is the nature of the complaint? *

- Unlicensed property
- Online listings do not include Scottsdale Short Term Rental License Number
- Home is only partially rented out (guest house / single room)
- Other- Please note in Description box below

Required

If you have an additional complaint regarding trash or nuisance party issues, please submit these complaints accordingly by clicking on the highlighted orange word. 

- Issues pertaining to **trash** are handled through our Solid Waste department
- **Excessive noise** is handled through our Scottsdale Police Department



Continuing Communication

Scottsdale proposals would strengthen local authority over short-term rentals

By **Scottsdale Office of Communication**

August 31, 2023

Three Scottsdale proposals that would give local governments additional tools to protect neighborhoods from the negative impacts of short-term/vacation rental properties have been adopted and are now part of the League of Arizona Cities and Towns 2024 Legislative Agenda.

The proposals are designed to return quality of life to Arizona's communities. They ask the Arizona Legislature to amend state law so that local governments can cap the total number of short-term rentals in their community, limit density in specified areas, and establish separation requirements between short-term rentals.

"Mayors throughout Arizona recite horror stories about negative impacts of STRs," said Scottsdale Mayor David D. Ortega. "The undercutting of housing, shattered neighborhoods, blockage of pathways and undermining permanent resident population, which erode federal and state revenue sharing, are undeniable."

In 2017, the Arizona Legislature pre-empted local authority over short-term rental properties, wiping away many municipal ordinances like the one in Scottsdale that banned property rentals of fewer than 30 days. Some smaller Arizona communities say that short-term/vacation rental properties now comprise nearly 15% of their total housing stock.

City of Scottsdale - Government 3d · 🌐

Are you curious which properties in your neighborhood are short-term rentals? 🏠

You can access that information on-demand with Scottsdale's Open Data Portal.

This tool provides several publicly available data sets related to short-term rentals in Scottsdale. Check it out: <https://data-cos-gis.hub.arcgis.com/explore?query=str>

Boost this post to reach up to 1575 more people if you spend \$35. **Boost post**

👍 25

4 comments 11 shares

Like Comment

Ordinance Updates

Will Brooks, Management Associate to the City Manager

Review of other ordinances

Overall, Scottsdale's Ordinance is more detailed than other Arizona cities.

Generally, there are variations in these areas -

1. Response times for non-emergencies
2. Application information required
3. Sex offender background checks requirements



Nuisance Party Ordinance Possible Changes

Promoters not clearly responsible for organizing a nuisance party



Add promoters as responsible party

Difficult to require party attendees to leave property after nuisance party



After police declare a party to be a nuisance, make it unlawful for attendees to stay on the property

People are holding parties at STRs that would otherwise require a special event permit



Make it illegal to hold an event without a special event permit

Parties at STRs are illegally providing alcohol



Enhance enforcement of applicable violations of Title 4



Vacation Rental Possible Changes

Minors renting STR properties pose a public safety hazard



Ban on people under 18 renting a STR in Vacation Rental Ordinance

High occupant load for parties/events at STRs poses a public safety hazard



Change the nuisance party ordinance to give police the ability to require non-residents to leave



Addressing occupant load

While built as a single-family residence, short-term rentals are being used commercially; where guests are transient in nature, it creates a unique public safety issue. If we apply occupancy load limits consistent with other commercial residential properties:

- 200 sq. ft. per person (1,888 sq. ft. would be 9 people, 3,157 sq. ft. would be 15 and 3,896 would be 19)



Legislative Updates

Dale Wiebusch, Government Relations Director

2024 Legislative Efforts

- The City of Scottsdale submitted three short-term rental policy proposals to the League of Arizona Cities and Towns in August, and all three proposals passed the Resolutions Committee unanimously. The proposals are now included in the League's Legislative Agenda for the State Legislature's 2024 session.
- The Government Relations Department is already working with the League and other concerned cities and towns to advance these proposals.
- The legislation will be permissive, meaning each city or town has the option to create ordinances, but is not required to do so. What works for one city may not work for another – this is the essence of local control.
- The next state legislative session begins January 8, 2024.



Policy Proposals

- Allow cities to place a cap on the total number of licenses within the city boundaries.
- Allow cities to limit density in defined geographical areas, e.g., the subdivision level.
- Address spacing between licensed short-term rentals.



Issues to Consider with a Cap

With approximately 4,000 STRs in the city, we have:

- Decreased housing stock, which results in a lack of available dwellings, driving up home costs.
- Fewer full-time residents, which contributes to a decreased population – at 2.09 persons per household in Scottsdale (American Community Survey estimate), that equates to roughly 8,300 fewer people.
- Increased costs of police intervention and code enforcement.



Issues to Consider with Density and Distance Requirements

- Community disconnect.
- Commercialization of neighborhoods.
- Certain neighborhoods are saturated with noise, nuisance and problematic behavior, and bear the brunt of density and lack of separation. Allow cities to place a cap on the total number of licenses within the city boundaries



Hindrances in Advancing Legislation

- Private property rights argument.
- Legislative attitude leaning towards free market capitalism and maintaining a business-friendly atmosphere.
- Antipathy to cities and towns by certain members of the legislature.



Assets in Advancing Legislation

- Multiple cities and the League of AZ Cities and Towns engaged.
- Active and vocal citizenry want their neighborhoods back.
- Current regulatory system is not curtailing problematic behavior to citizen satisfaction.



Contacting Legislators

- Go to ScottsdaleAZ.gov, search “Government Relations”

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Government Relations

Scottsdale's Government Relations Department coordinates municipal issues with other governments and advocates the city's positions before the U.S. Congress, Arizona State Legislature and regional governing boards.

STATE GOVERNMENT RESOURCES

Find and contact your state legislators

Legislative District 3



Senator John Kavanagh

[Website](#)



Representative Joseph Chaplik

[Website](#)



Representative Alexander Kolodin

Contact Information

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Related Links

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Requirement	Reference
1. Allowing a nuisance party or unlawful gathering	S.R.C. 18-124
2. Allowing a nuisance party or unlawful gathering – owner	S.R.C. 18-125
3. Refusing to provide truthful name and date of birth when detained	S.R.C. 18-130
4. Operating without a vacation or short-term rental license	S.R.C. 18-151.A
5. Operating with an expired, suspended or revoked license	S.R.C. 18-151.B
6. Fail to Update Information Required by License within 10 business days	S.R.C. 18-160
7. Fail to Comply with federal, state and local laws, rules regulations	S.R.C. 18-170
8. Using a STR for non-residential use or purpose	S.R.C. 18-171
9. Fail to Respond to an Emergency – Emergency Contact	S.R.C. 18-172.C
10. Failure by Owner to have Emergency Contact Respond to Emergency	S.R.C. 18-172.D
11. Fail to provide primarily liability insurance coverage of at least \$500k	S.R.C. 18-173
12. Fail to display license number on each advertisement	S.R.C. 18-174
13. Leave trash within public view not in proper collection containers	S.R.C. 18-175.B1
14. Place trash containers out early or not remove day of collection	S.R.C. 18-175.B2
15. Fail to have working smoke alarms installed and maintained	S.R.C. 18-171.C
16. Fail to provide and display floor plan with exit routes	S.R.C. 18-175.D
17. Fail to clean property in between stays	S.R.C. 18-175.E
18. Fail to provide regular (at least bi-monthly) pest control treatments	S.R.C. 18-175.F
19. Fail to comply with pool barrier requirements in S.R.C. 31-177	S.R.C. 18-175.G
20. Fail to post required notice inside front and back door	S.R.C. 18-175.H
21. Fail to conduct required sex offender background checks	S.R.C. 18-176
22. Fail to provide neighbor notification before first rental	S.R.C. 18-191
23. Exceed Occupancy Limits of 6 adults and related dependent children based on zoning	Zoning Ordinance

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COMMENT

I live on 3rd Street in the heart of Old Town. My street is now nearly half rental and short-term rental properties. I have one next door to me that is a nightmare to say the least. I am constantly having to call the police for rowdy pool parties and late night drunks staggering back to the rentals yelling and carrying on... waking me up from a sound sleep, even with my noise machine on to help drown out the noise. The machine does not work when you have at least 10 insidious men or women thinking it is okay to speak to each other with "bullhorn" mouths. I have had to board up my east side windows because of rogue golf balls flying over my wall. The man who owns this rental has said that if he is shut down... he will retaliate and rent the house out to a bunch of college guys. He is only interested in making lots of money, and does not care how many people are crammed into this home or how they act. Nothing is being done to stop them. The police come out and tell them to quiet down and that is it. Then the revolving door opens for the next group of young party animals to come in, and once again I am having to call the police to get them to stop with their abhorrent behavior. I hear the F word constantly flowing into my home, even with the boards up on my windows. We as residents have NO rights anymore. The beautiful neighborhood I grew up in was named "Peaceful Valley." It should now be renamed and called "Dreadful Valley." The Nightmare on Elm Street is now the Nightmare on 3rd Street. A couple of weeks ago... police showed up with bright lights at the short-term rental across the street from me just after 10 pm and had AR-15's. They walked all over the front of the house, tried to open the front door, went to the short-term rental next door to the east and did the same. I was scared to say the least. They hung around for quite some time in the front yard and then they left. I did not sleep that night... nor did I feel safe in my home. This is what my once quiet and quaint little neighborhood has become. Homes are being torn down and mega houses put in, while others are being remodeled into "tacky" party houses with themes for their "guests." The pink "Barbie House" has been on channel 15 news as the destination

place for "bachelorette" parties. We have had over 150 people on that property partying and clogging up our streets as well as being totally obnoxious. In a house this small... nightclubs would not be allowed to have that many people crowded together for fire danger and safety. We have the "firehouse" which is now the "Charlie Brown" house because it was so disgusting to look at and the neighborhood complained to the city. We used to have 30-day minimum rental agreements in Scottsdale, but those laws were thrown out by ex-governor Ducey. We need to bring legislation back to get rid of these one-day, even 4-hour rentals for pool parties. Best yet... ban them from our city like other cities have done. It has... and is bringing more crime, violence, and unfavorable people into our neighborhoods, making them unsafe. I am attaching pictures of what I have had to deal with concerning these animals that rent in our neighborhood. No property owner should be having their property violated and have to board up their homes to accommodate these thugs renting in our neighborhoods. My yard was messed up by a drunk driver driving over my front yard nearly missing my decorative wall. Other times they come over and throw their trash into my cans thus trespassing on my property. See all pictures attached.

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COMMENT

Does the city have an "end game" strategy for banning Short Term Rentals, like NYC was able to do? Or are we prepared to slowly turn into Disney World? It is getting less and less desirable to live here. Thank you.