

The 66th Annual Great Canadian Picnic
South Mountain Park – Activity Complex
10919 S. Central Ave. – Phoenix, AZ. 85042
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10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m

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(Phoenix, AZ., May 23, 2017) The 66th Annual Great Canadian Picnic, which welcomes 3000 attendees from Canada and the U.S., is set to take place on Saturday February 3, 2018 at the South Mountain Park Activity Complex. It is a family fun day filled with activities, games, live music, snow games, rock climbing wall, classic cars, door prizes, great food and so much more for both adults and kids! An annual highlight of many Arizona-Canadians and their friends, it is open to the public and admission is free.

For the last 65 years the Great Canadian Picnic has provided a vital source of exchange, support and referrals for families who have relocated to the Valley. The picnic was started by the Canadian Social Club, one great lady in particular, Reta Wallace, but is now supported by the Canadians In Arizona Benefiting Education & Exchanges 501(c)3 Non-Profit Organization. Proceeds from the Great Canadian Picnic support exchanges between Arizona and Canadian Cities that focus on youth and education.

With 128,000 Canadians living and working here along with the expected 1 million visitors from Canada this year the Picnic is a great display of heritage for Canadians to enjoy.

With long time sponsors and supporters such as BMO Harris Bank, Circle K, Keats Connelly and The Arizona Coyotes the day brings both fun and opportunity for all that attend. There are many displays that have vital information for ease of relocation, dual living or just visiting. The fun begins with music and snow games including a snow slide, snow golf and snow mound. There is a petting zoo and rock climbing wall. The Coyotes show off their new and exciting interactive Youth Mobile Tour and Ball Hockey. There is a beautiful classic car display for the automobile lovers. There is so much for the kids to take in with face painting, a balloon artist, a caricature artist, calf roping, moose bean bag toss, Canadian candy bars and so much more! Don't miss the great assortment of delicious food trucks including the Canadian favorite Poutine.

The Great Canadian Picnic....a day filled with fun, friends and making memories!