



STAFF RATES

The Phoenix Film Office utilizes city staff to assist with productions. The type and number of staff is determined based on several factors such as the location, filming activity, impact, and footprint. Staff from the Phoenix Film Office will be able to advise regarding your staffing requirements based upon the information provided in your application.

City staff will be on the clock from the arrival time of the first vehicle until the last vehicle departs the location.

City observed holidays (listed at the end of this document) will require staff to be paid 1.5x their hourly rate.

Following are the rates for the most common types of staff required to accommodate filming on city property or that impact city property:

Police

Phoenix Police Department (PD) will assist productions filming on or impacting city rights-of-way (streets, sidewalks, alleys), as outlined in the Film Office Policies, or when a scene depicts elements that may raise public concern, such as the display of weapons (guns/knives), violence, or law enforcement recreation.

- Officer - \$90/hr
- Supervisor - \$95/hr
 - One (1) Officer will be bumped to Supervisor rate if three (3) or more Officers are assigned.
- Motorcycle - \$5/hr and \$0.65/mile (barn-to-barn)
 - Hourly rental fee aligns with call/wrap time of Officer(s) or Supervisor for each motorcycle.
 - Mileage charge is inclusive of all mileage driven (reporting to set, during shoot, and return of motorcycle).
 - *Note: Officers may elect to use their own personal vehicle based on the type of project and there will not be a motorcycle fee as a result.*
- Payment Method – At wrap via cash or check (made out to the individual Officer/Supervisor), although Zelle or Venmo is preferred.
 - If you are using a payroll company, you will need to notify the Phoenix Film Office.



Phoenix PD will be paid for a minimum of 4-hours or the total hours indicated on the permit by Production, whichever is greater.

Park Ranger

Phoenix Park Rangers are required when filming occurs in a desert park and/or mountain preserve.

- Park Ranger - \$70/hr
- Payment Method - At wrap via cash or check (made out to the individual Ranger(s)).
 - If you are using a payroll company, you will need to notify the Phoenix Film Office.

Park Rangers will be paid for a minimum of 4-hours or the total hours indicated on the permit by Production, whichever is greater.

Park Recreation Staff

Park Recreation Staff are usually required when filming occurs in a park with grass (aka community park), sport complex, or community center. If Park Recreation Staff are required but not available on the day of your shoot, you will most likely be assigned a Park Ranger or Phoenix PD.

Rates may vary depending on location, but the following should be used for budgeting purposes.

- Park Recreation Staff - \$56.20/hr
- Payment Method – Via credit card in advance for a minimum of 4-hours or for the total hours indicated on the permit by Production.
 - Phoenix Film Office will provide the proper contact to call based on the selected location.

Aviation

An Aviation Escort is required for any filming at any of the airports overseen by the Phoenix Aviation Department (Sky Harbor International Airport, Deer Valley Airport, and Goodyear Airport).

- Aviation Escort - \$125/hr
- Payment Method – Via credit card in advance for a minimum of 4-hours or for the total hours indicated on the permit by Production.



Should your shoot require a staff person not listed above, the Phoenix Film Office will provide you with the proper rate and payment method.

CITY OBSERVED HOLIDAYS - 2026

- January 1st – New Year’s Day
- January 19th – Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- February 16th – Presidents’ Day
- March 31st – Cesar Chavez Day
- May 25th – Memorial Day
- June 19th – Juneteenth
- July 3rd – Independence Day
- September 7th – Labor Day
- October 12th – Indigenous Peoples’ Day
- November 11th – Veterans’ Day
- November 26th & 27th - Thanksgiving
- December 25th – Christmas Day