

ABOUT SISTER CITIES

A sister city organization is a volunteer group of ordinary citizens who, with the support of their local elected officials, form long-term relationships with people and organizations in a city abroad.

Each sister city organization is independent and pursues the activities and thematic areas that are important to them and their community including municipal, business, trade, educational and cultural exchanges with their sister city. Sister city organizations promote peace through people-to-people relationships—with program offerings varying greatly from basic cultural exchange programs to shared research and development projects between cities with relationships.

Prescott Sister Cities

Prescott has three active Sister City connections, each with its own structure, organization and separate goals and events:

- Caborca, Sonora, Mexico
- Suchitoto, El Salvador (currently inactive)
- Zeitz, Germany

State Sister Cities

Arizona Sister Cities is an important resource in the negotiations of governments in letting the people themselves give expression of their common desire for friendship, goodwill and cooperation ... for a better world for all.

Sister Cities International

Founded by President Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1956, Sister Cities International is a 501(c)(3) nonpartisan nonprofit serving as the national membership organization for 545 U.S. sister cities, counties, and states with 2,121 partnerships in 145 countries on six continents. This network unites tens of thousands of citizen diplomats and volunteers.

MEMBERSHIP

ALL PRESCOTT SISTER CITY PROGRAMS ARE 501(C)3 ORGANIZATIONS
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION ALSO AVAILABLE ON WEBSITE

YES! I want to become a Sister City Member of (please check one):

- Caborca, Sonora, Mexico**
- Suchitoto, El Salvador (currently inactive)**
- Zeitz, Germany**

Annual Renewal is December 1st. Dues are delinquent as of December 31st each year. I am a (please check one):

- New Member**
- Returning Member**

Print Name: _____

Print Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Cell Phone: _____ **Alt. Phone:** _____

E-mail: _____

- Individual - \$15.00**
- Family - \$25.00**

If Family, List Names of Significant Other and Children Under 18:

- Business/Service Org. - \$50.00**
- Supporting - \$50.00**

PLEASE MAIL THIS FORM AND YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO:
PRESCOTT SISTER CITY (LIST PREFERRED SISTER CITY)

PRESCOTT CITY HALL
201 S. CORTEZ ST.
PRESCOTT, AZ 86303



SISTER CITY PROGRAM

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FRIENDSHIP AND
CULTURE

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CABORCA, SONORA

Heroica Caborca is approximately 330 miles from Prescott, about 96 miles south of the U.S.-Mexico border, and is located in a valley floor 940 feet above sea level in the state of Sonora. Its hot summers and cool winters average 72 degrees.

The present Caborca is a new city re-built in 1869, after the surging waters of the Asuncion River almost destroyed the old pueblo in 1867.

Caborca is a modern city of 67,000 people. It is the administrative center of the municipality (county) of Caborca, which has a population of 89,000. Caborca is governed by a mayor and eight council members.

Caborca is an agricultural and ranching area of Sonora. Local industries include asparagus farms and packing facilities, the growing of dates, raisins, apricots, watermelons and the production of olive oil. They have a large mining operation ranking first in the world for silver and second for gold. There is a hospital, several secondary schools and two private universities.

Some of the local service organizations include: the Chamber of Commerce, Lions, Masons, Kiwanis Rotary International, 20-30 Club, Business and Professional Women's Club, the Cattlemen's Association, and the Farmers' Association.



SUCHITOTO, EL SALVADOR

Suchitoto is a colonial city, founded in 1542 by Spanish explorers. It is located in the mountain region of El Salvador, approximately one hour north of the capital city of San Salvador. Suchitoto has approximately 40,000 inhabitants, similar in size and terrain to Prescott.

Suchitoto is rich in arts and culture, dating back to the Mayan period and the Spanish conquest. Named "Cultural Capital of El Salvador" by the United Nations, Suchitoto attracts artists from all over the world to its annual art festivals.

Coffee beans and sugar cane are local crops. The public can tour organic farms that harvest botanicals for the health and medical industries. Suchitoto is known to be the originator of indigo dye in the Americas. Local shops feature indigo blue clothing.

The City Hall houses an office dedicated to women's issues and assistance with their economic development.

Nearby Lake Suchitlán is the country's largest, with a recently completed tourist center built with Spanish and Belgian grants. Natural waterfalls glide down beautiful mountain streams through verdant areas filled with rare wildlife and beautiful flowers.

****Suchitoto is currently inactive. If you would like to reestablish this program please contact City Staff at 928-777-1435 or citystaff@prescott-az.gov****



ZEITZ, GERMANY

Zeitz is an historic city, dating back to the late 10th century. It is situated in east-central Germany, along the banks of the Weisse Elster River, renowned as an ideal location for its many vineyards. For nearly 600 years, Zeitz was known as a residence town of bishops when a number of architecturally significant buildings were constructed, among them the 500 year old Rathaus (city hall), the Church of St. Michael, the Cathedral of St. Peter and St. Paul and the recently restored Franciscan Monastery, where Martin Luther spoke in 1542. Zeitz has approximately 40,000 inhabitants, similar in size to Prescott.

Zeitz is rich in arts and culture, dating back from its first mention in 967 to the present. Among the cultural treasures are the Martin Luther Library & Museum, the Mortizburg Castle, the "Old Market Place" and the Bavarian Beerhouse.

Zeitz enjoys a history rich in industrial development, including a historic baby carriage factory, chemical and mining industries, wine production and one of the largest sugar beet factories in Europe with its affiliated bioethanol fuel production facility.

Sister City Zeitz focuses on cultural exchange, especially through their Student Exchange Program between Prescott and Zeitz.