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## New Sahuarita Mayor joins PAG Regional Council/RTA Board

Tom Murphy, elected as Mayor of Sahuarita on Dec. 12, will serve as the new Sahuarita representative on the Regional Council of Pima Association of Governments and the Regional Transportation Authority Board.

Murphy filled the seat vacated by Duane Blumberg, who served as mayor for nearly five and a half years and served as the PAG/RTA representative.

Pima Association of Governments is the region's metropolitan planning organization, representing local, state and tribal governments. PAG works to deliver effective and accountable regional policies and programs that embrace:

- 1) Safe, reliable and efficient mobility
- 2) Clean air and water
- 3) An enhanced lifestyle for everyone

The Regional Transportation Authority manages the 20-year, \$2.1 billion transportation plan approved by voters in May 2006. The multimodal plan includes roadway, transit, safety, environment and economic vitality improvements. More than halfway through plan implementation, the RTA has completed more than 770 transportation improvements across the region.

"Members of PAG and the RTA work collaboratively to address our regional mobility, environmental and economic needs," said PAG/RTA Executive Director Farhad Moghimi. "Their involvement and commitment at the regional level is a consequential component of the overall long-term advancement of our region in these areas."

*Pima Association of Governments is an association of local, state and tribal governments with a mission to build consensus among its members and the public on regional planning for transportation, energy, watershed and air quality. Please visit [www.PAGregion.com](http://www.PAGregion.com) or [www.facebook.com/PAGregion](https://www.facebook.com/PAGregion) for more information.*

*The Regional Transportation Authority is the fiscal manager of the \$2.1 billion regional transportation plan approved by Pima County voters on May 16, 2006. The RTA Board is comprised of elected representatives from the cities of Tucson and South Tucson, Pima County, the towns of Marana, Oro Valley and Sahuarita, the Pascua Yaqui Tribe and the Tohono O'odham Nation. The Pima County representative of the Arizona State Transportation Board also serves on the board. The RTA is managed through Pima Association of Governments, the region's metropolitan planning organization. For more information about the RTA plan, visit [www.RTAmobility.com](http://www.RTAmobility.com), see RTA Pima County on Facebook, or call (520) 792-1093.*