

I'm Not Convinced

Dear Friend,

The phones in my office are ringing off the hook and the mail is flowing in about the President's proposal to take military action in Syria. Nearly all of the people who contact my office are opposed to U.S. military action in the war in Syria. According to House leadership, a vote will be held next week.

While I'm glad that President Obama decided to listen to Senator Obama, who understood no president could authorize unilateral military action without an actual and imminent threat to our country, I do not believe there is a U.S. interest at stake in Syria. Although I plan on reviewing all the classified information before I make a final decision, I am currently planning on voting against U.S. military involvement. Click [HERE](#) to read my statement on President Obama's decision to seek congressional authorization for military action in Syria.

Additionally, I am not completely convinced that it was the Syrian government that used chemical weapons in the incident that occurred on August 21. Some reports indicate that the rebels may have used the chemical weapons, not the Assad regime. I also do not believe we have outlined a reasonable exit strategy, if we were to engage in military action in Syria. These are among the many questions that must be answered. Click [HERE](#) to read more in *The Arizona Republic*.

Reconsider and Reverse Yarnell Aid Decision

On Wednesday, I joined Gov. Jan Brewer at the State Capitol in Phoenix as she signed the state's letter to President Obama appealing his administration's decision to deny federal assistance in response to the Yarnell Hill Fire.



(Rep. Gosar speaks alongside Gov. Brewer at the press conference, September 4, 2013)

It is my hope that the Obama administration reconsiders its denial of aid to the communities devastated by the Yarnell Hill Fire and reverses its decision. This disaster has been an overwhelming loss, in life and assets. A federal disaster

declaration seems only appropriate. Click [HERE](#) to read my statement.



(Rep. Gosar joins Gov. Brewer at the state capitol for a press conference, September 4, 2013)

Entire Arizona Delegation Signs Letter to FEMA Administrator

On Thursday, I signed a letter to Administrator Fugate in support of Gov. Brewer's appeal of the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) decision to reject Arizona's request to designate the Yarnell Hill Fire as a major disaster, which would provide relief to its victims. The entire Arizona delegation signed the letter, asking the Administration to 'expeditiously' reconsider their denial. Click [HERE](#) to read the letter.

Obamacare Malady of the Week

Free healthcare for all! Clarification, you will be taxed if you do not purchase healthcare. The IRS recently finalized the penalty for the Obamacare mandate. In 2016, for example, the penalty will be \$695 per person or 2.5 percent of household income. Click [HERE](#) to read more.

Congressional District 4: DID YOU KNOW?

There are 525 buildings in Prescott that are on the National Register of Historic Places. Several Victorian-style homes are found throughout Downtown Prescott area.



(Downtown Prescott, photo from City-Data.com)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2013

CITIZENSHIP WORKSHOP

TIME: 9:00AM -2:00PM

LOCATION: The Heights Church
2121 Larry Caldwell Drive, Building H2
Prescott, AZ 86301

Free Assistance Available in Applying for U.S. Citizenship

Legal residents can receive FREE help filling out their citizenship applications.

**Next Citizenship Day:
Monday, September 23
Call (928) 445-1683**

To become a U.S. citizen, a person must:

- Have been a legal permanent resident of the United States for at least 5 years, or have been married to a U.S. citizen for at least 3 years and been a legal permanent resident for at least 3 years.
- Be at least 18 years old.
- Be able to speak, read and write in English.
- Have good moral character, with no criminal problems in the past 5 years, including no DUI/DWI or other felonies.
- Pay a fee to the "U.S. Department of Homeland Security" to process your application. Their current fee is \$680.



During this one day event, trained volunteers will complete your U.S. citizenship application (N-400) with the information you provide. Immigration attorneys will also review applications and check them for accuracy before they are submitted.

To make an appointment for Sept. 23 or for more information, please call (928) 445-1683.

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2121 Larry Caldwell Drive, Building H2
Prescott, AZ 86301
Date: Monday, September 23, 2013
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.



As always, you can follow everything I am working on in Arizona and Washington, D.C. through my website (<http://gosar.house.gov>) on Twitter [@repgosar](https://twitter.com/repgosar), or through [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/RepGosar) at Representative Paul Gosar.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Paul A. Gosar, D.D.S.

Paul A. Gosar, D.D.S.
Member of Congress

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