

Why make **SAFFORD** your home?

New Home Fee Waiver and Assistance

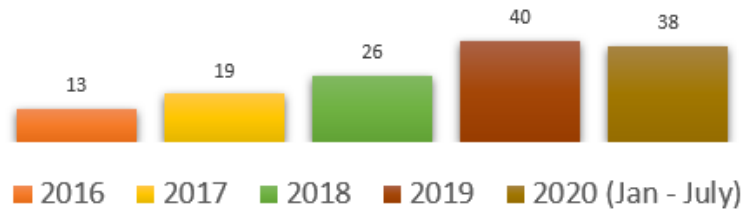
New home builds have been on the rise in Safford since 2016 (see graph below). In 2019, City Council voted to waive building permit fees for the contractor and reimburse water capacity and meter fees to the new home owner for one year to further attract new residents to make their home in Safford. With it's 2020-2021 budget year, City Council has again voted to waive building permit fees for new single-family residences, and reimburse water capacity and water meter fees at fifty percent beginning July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

Eligibility:

Qualifications for New Single-Family Residential Building Permit Fee Waiver:

- Work authorized by that building permit shall commence within ninety (90) days after permit issuance. Required inspections shall occur before the expiration of each ninety (90) day time period. If the work authorized by that building permit is not commenced or has been suspended for a period exceeding 90 days, the building permit will be revoked.
- The single-family residential home must be completed within one year of the permit being issued.
- The single-family residential home must be built within the city or newly annexed areas of the city.
- All public infrastructure to service the new home must be in place or be built in conjunction with the home.

New Single Family Homes Per Year



Qualifications for New Single-Family Residential Water Capacity and Water Meter Fee Reimbursement:

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For more information, visit our website at <https://www.cityofsafford.us/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=366> or contact Planning & Community Development at 928-432-4140.

Other benefits of living in Safford:

- Free dump at Landfill once per month (residential trash only)
- Give from the Heart Utility Payment Assistance (for those who qualify)
- Useful customer portal to assist customers in controlling their utility usage with notifications
- No fees to pay your utility bill online
- Twice a week trash pick up
- Average emergency Police response time: 3-5 minutes

