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## \$1.5M transit savings seen in proposed cuts

Scottsdale would eliminate two bus routes, trim a third and cut back on the downtown trolley to save nearly \$1.5 million a year.

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FABRITEC STRUCTURES

The SkySong shade structure is designed to be the centerpiece of SkySong, the ASU Scottsdale Innovation Center, a high-tech development at Scottsdale and McDowell roads. It stands 125 feet tall and is covered with 50,000 square feet of Teflon-coated fiberglass material.

**SkySong shade, plaza to be dedicated Wednesday**

You've seen it from afar. Now's your chance to stand beneath the Teflon-coated peaks of the SkySong shade structure, enjoy free food and music and meet people who work at the high-tech center. SkySong, the ASU Scottsdale Innovation Center, will hold an Innovation and Dedication Day Wednesday. The celebration dedicating the shade structure and plaza begins at 5:30 p.m.

— Jane Larson/*The Republic/azcentral.com*

**WHO**

The dedication is free and open to the public. No RSVP is needed

**WHAT**

**Exhibits:** Arizona State University and tenant companies will have exhibits in the plaza so attendees can learn more about their programs and products. Exhibitors include ASU's Gaming Lab, Technopolis and Online and Extended Campus; American Solar Electric Inc.; and Canon U.S.A. Inc. Supai Middle School students will demonstrate their "Mars to Zoo" work.

**Music and dance:** ASU's Jazz Combo, Coronado High School's advanced choral ensemble, Strings Quartet and Ballet Folklorico will perform.

**Food:** Hot dogs, popcorn and drinks.

**Dedication:** Speakers are Scottsdale Mayor Jim Lane; Barry Broome, chief executive officer of the Greater Phoenix Economic Council; Sharon Harper, chief executive officer of co-developer Plaza Cos.; and Katy Cavanagh, assistant superintendent of the Scottsdale Unified School District.

**WHEN**

5:30 to 7 p.m. Wednesday. The dedication ceremony starts at 6 p.m.

**WHERE**

The central plaza at SkySong, the ASU Scottsdale Innovation Center, 1475 N. Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale. Parking will be available in the SkySong parking garage and in the parking lot on the east side of 74th Street. Take McDowell Road to 74th Street, turn south on 74th Street to reach the garage or parking lot.

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