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ANNUAL REPORT FY26

July 01, 2025 – June 30, 2026

A Year in Review

POPULATION

4.4% INCREASE FROM 2025

45,000 ANTICIPATED
NEW RESIDENTS
2025 – 2035

Source: Internal projections

91,900

*As of July 1, 2026



1,039

NEW SINGLE FAMILY
HOMES PERMITTED

**BS/BA
Degree
or higher**

43.4%

Source: 2024 ACS 1 year

Median Age:
33.4 YEARS

Source: 2024 American Community Survey (ACS) 1 year

**MEDIAN
HOUSEHOLD INCOME:**

\$155,001

Up 14.4% from previous year – was \$135,444



ACCOLADES & Awards



#1 Arizona's Biggest
Boomtown

#3 Best Place to Retire
in Arizona

#3 Best Places to Live
in Arizona

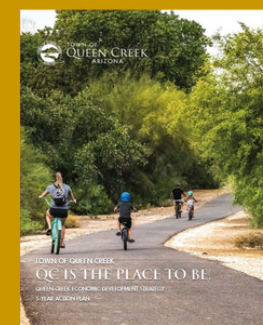
#6 Most Popular Place
to Move in Arizona

Named Rising Star
Travel Destination

Sources: AZ Big Media, US News & World Report,
AZ Big Media, Arizona Republic, 2026 Travel
Trends Forecast

Economic Development

The Town was successfully **reaccredited** as an
IEDC AEDO (Accredited Economic Development
Organizations), one of just 93 in the world.



The Economic
Development
Strategic Plan
was updated
and **adopted** in
May 2026.

Unemployment
3.8%

Source: Average for the FY; Bureau of Labor Statistics,
compared to 4.6% for Arizona, June 2026



**VINEYARD
TOWNE CENTER**

100% leased

\$100M Target-anchored
260,000 SF retail development

AWARDS

- Marissa Garnett**, Economic Development Project Manager, was awarded
AAED Economic Developer of the Year – Medium Community, 2026
- Arizona Association for Economic Development (AAED) Golden Prospector
Award, Marketing Brochure – **Inaugural Economic Development Annual
Report**, 2025
- Doreen Cott**, Economic Development Director, was named one of AZ Big
Media's Most Influential Women in Arizona Business, 2025



THE TOWN SAW
AN 8% INCREASE
IN SALES TAX
REVENUES IN FY26

Tourism

The Town Council approved
Queen Creek's **first** Tourism
Strategic Plan in August 2025.

This two-year Tourism
Strategic Plan is a roadmap to
guide the Town toward a
thriving tourism future.

**NEW
SQUARE
FOOTAGE
ADDED**

364,000



- RETAIL
- RESTAURANT
- MEDICAL
- INDUSTRIAL

**BUSINESSES
THAT
OPENED**



& many more



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L to R: Jennifer Lindley, Doreen Cott, Marissa Garnett, Bridgette Blair

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Office



The Collective on Ocotillo

Over



190,000 SF

Medical and professional office projects in the pipeline, including space in Downtown, Town Center and throughout Town.



LG ENERGY SOLUTION



90%
Completed



EXPECTED TO BEGIN
PRODUCTION IN
LATE 2026

Downtown Queen Creek

Private

INVESTMENT in DOWNTOWN

\$200M



230k SF



UNDER CONSTRUCTION



- Homewood Suites
- Magma Plaza
- Rusty Buckle Saloon
- The Matheson
- The Perch Development
- The Switchyard
- QCPD Headquarters (Public Investment)



NOW OPEN



The Sacred Pint (Independently owned)

Craft Beer Taproom and Wine Bar



Sweet Creek Boutique
(Independently owned)

Local shop featuring
handcrafted items

Circle K
New convenience
store and gas station

