

ABOUT OUR PLEDGE DRIVE

Oro Valley First is a group of Oro Valley citizens who support local businesses. They oppose Vestar's choice of a Wal-Mart Supercenter as the anchor at the Oro Valley Marketplace (OVM) at the corner of Oracle and Tangerine.

Oro Valley First is launching a campaign to urge Vestar, the developer of OVM, to keep its promise of a "unique shopping experience." Take Wal-Mart out of the equation and divide the huge big-box square footage into two smaller stores instead.

There's reason for hope! In Chandler, local business owner Sandra Laney collected thousands of signatures in opposition to a Wal-Mart Supercenter. This was enough to bring Vestar to the negotiating table. Vestar opted to build a Steinmart and a Sprouts Market instead of a Wal-Mart.

Please consider the following:

- *Crime rates are higher in areas near a Wal-Mart than any other retailer.*
- *Wal-Mart stores decrease property values in surrounding neighborhoods.*
- *A new Wal-Mart routinely puts local competition out of business.*
- *A 24-hour supercenter will significantly increase traffic congestion, noise and light pollution.*
- *Wal-Mart's labor practices are among the worst, including forcing employees to work without pay, discrimination against women and people with disabilities, and violations of child labor laws.*
- *Wal-Mart has a poor environmental track record including a history of violations of water protection laws.*

Let Vestar know how you feel. Please show your support for local businesses and pledge to Stop the Super Wal-Mart at the Tangerine and Oracle Roads.

YOU MAY SIGN THE PLEDGE ONLINE at www.ov1st.com. Click on **PLEDGE** at the top of the page.

OR COMPLETE THE PLEDGE ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS FLYER AND MAIL TO:

OV1st, PO Box 68158, Oro Valley, AZ 85737

You do **not** need to be a registered voter to sign this pledge. All members of your family may sign individually, and there are no age restrictions. You need only be a shopper!

Thank you for your support!

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Send this pledge to: OV1st, PO Box 68158, Oro Valley, AZ 85737

I pledge to shop Oro Valley First and support locally owned businesses in Oro Valley! In objection to the selection of Wal-Mart as the anchor store at the Oro Valley Marketplace, I pledge to avoid shopping at ANY store in the Marketplace, and I will encourage others to do the same.

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____

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Please send completed pledges to P.O. Box 68158, OV, AZ 85737 or call Kathy (878-0256) or Pat (544-7886).

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