

## Super Target to replace old store at Pavilions

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A Target store at the Scottsdale Pavilions will be replaced by a Super Target that will open in late 2009 less than a mile north at a new retail power center called Salt River Commons.

Scottsdale-based Barclay Group is developing Salt River Commons on about 40 acres southeast of Pima Road and Via de Ventura, just west of Loop 101, on the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Reservation.

The Scottsdale Pavilions, also on the reservation, is less than a mile south at Pima and Indian Bend Road.

The 185,000-square-foot Super Target will include a grocery store and will anchor a shopping plaza called Salt River Commons, which will break ground this fall. The project will include 400,000 square feet of retail, restaurant and retail office space.

A variety of yet-to-be-announced national retailers have already committed to the project, taking up more than 150,000 square feet of the available space.

Trey Eakin, Barclay Group senior vice president of development and project spokesman, said the tenants will include an electronics store, office supply store, some soft good businesses, plus both fast-food and more upscale restaurants.

Phoenix-based De Rito Partners Development Inc., new owners of the Scottsdale Pavilions, had hoped to keep existing tenants. The Target store is among the 135-acre center's major anchors. De Rito bought the center in January for \$88 million.

Eakin said the existing Target will close, but the timing of that has not been announced.

But Marty De Rito, co-owner of De Rito Partners with Chuck Carlise, said they have not received notice

from the Target Corp. that is closing the Pavilions store. He said Target has an existing long-term lease with the center. The goal is to provide Target, as well as other existing Pavilions tenants, an opportunity to expand.

Target spokeswoman Anna Goeppinger confirmed that Salt River Commons is getting a Super Target, but said it would be premature to discuss the fate of the existing Target at the Scottsdale Pavilions.

"We are very excited about a Salt River Commons location, and also excited to be expanding our product offerings and services there with our Super Target," she said.

There are 210 Super Targets in 22 states, including five in Arizona. Super Targets offer general merchandise as well as a full grocery that includes organic products, a deli, pharmacy and 1-hour photo.

Salt River Commons is a joint venture between Barclay Group, Vertical Holdings and VDG LLC.

Colliers International is leasing the project, and Phoenix-based Kurt D. Reed & Associates (KDRA) is the architect. The general contractor has not been announced.

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