



Glendale Strong Family Network
Meeting Notes
February 11, 2021, 1-2:30 PM, Via Zoom

Attendees: Aimee Sitzler, Maria Pataka, Peggy Peixoto, Nora Lozano, Ed Baker, Michelle Sambrano, Oliva Lucero, Leslee Miele, Liz Rivera, Elvia Zaragoza, Amanda Fore, Davita Solter, Mary Perez, Kaitlyn Kirkham, Sharmane Romero, Silvia Ochoa, Maria Landeros, Ismael Cantu, Vanessa Iriarte, and Simon Hill.

Barrier Busters & Good News

Barriers – Low program registration across all Head Start programs, partly due to remote services during COVID pandemic. Please refer families as appropriate.

Good News – Two families from Healthy Families were able to get free cribs from Phoenix Rescue Mission due to connection made at the GSFN January meeting. GESD is hosting two parenting classes online in Spanish and have good registration numbers.

Partner Highlight

Dr. Ed Baker, Medical Director, Equality Health

Presentation about the COVID vaccine and how to address community member concerns and hesitancy through a better understanding of the virus and vaccine science. Dr. Baker also spoke about the importance of equity over equality and how to overcome implicit bias and community build trust and support vaccination efforts.

Food Resources & Needs

No Really...Take the Meal Campaign – Aimee shared the English-Spanish social media posts and flyer to direct families to local Grab and Go meal sites being used by the ECN North Phoenix Team. The group decided they would like to develop a Glendale Specific flyer to distribute through the GSFN to promote Grab and Go participation and increase food security,

GSFN Partner Agreement

The partner agreement was reviewed and revised at the December 2020 meeting. Now it is posted online as a Google form. Group members will be given a link and asked to complete it online prior to the next meeting to become “official” GSFN partners.

Next Meeting

March 11, 2021, Via Zoom