

Glendale Strong Family Network

Thursday, January 13, 2022, 1:00 – 2:30 PM

Meeting Notes



Vision: Strong families and safe children in 85301

Attendees: Nora Lozano, Peggy Peixoto, Jodi Gallimore, Maritza D., Carmen Guzman, Nicole Yezzi, Anvi Bhakta, Yadira Medrano, Liz Rivera, Kristin Taylor, Chuck Fitzgerald, Ismael Cantu, Diana Manzo, Pamela Morrison, Leslee Miele, Mirenia, Jessica Huston, Jessica Graber, Davita Solter, and Michelle Sambrano

Barrier Busters & Good News

Resources shared include:

Family kinship program – [Arizona 's Children Association](#)

[CASS Day Empowerment Center](#) - vocational development services and looking for help, employment, GED or diploma services.

[Phoenix Rescue Mission](#) – open M-Th, Community members can go twice a month to get food. PRC also supports the Glendale Works Center – an employment center for individuals experiencing homelessness and connects them with case management services and housing.

April Community Food Gathering

The Glendale Elementary School District is moving Market on the Move out of the District parking. Market on the Move will be hosted at the Coyote Ridge Elementary campus (7677 W Bethany Home Rd, Glendale AZ), which is being converted to the Districts "System of Care Center." Coyote Ridge is not in 85301.

The group discussed moving the gathering to the Heart for the City Community Garden location.

Decisions Made

The group would like to host the next community food gathering at the Heart for the City Community Garden. They really liked the diversity of families and community members that already gather at the garden. This is different than previous gatherings because it will not be tied to a Market on the Move date. However, there will be a link to the GESD Family HUB as well as

- Outside, walk-thru event
- Tied to families from GESD HUB
- Families can walk around and go from table to table
- Large parking lot available

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The group decided to tour the garden in early February for partners to see the garden and plan the event. Partners to complete Doodle Poll by Monday, 1/31/22 to select garden tour date.

GSFN Updates

December Lean on Me Az Training – Michelle Sambrano was the trainer. There were 16 attendees! There will be more funding for additional trainings in the future. So, any interested organization can contact

FREE Trainings to be offered through Early Childhood Nutrition Team – GSFN is NW council ECN team

- Child Nutrition Systems 101
- Remote Marketing and Engagement
- Panel Discussion on Using a Trauma Informed Lens
- Centering Lived Experience and Cultural Humility
- Motivational Interviewing

More info to follow via email.

Next Steps

February Partner Highlight – SWHD Healthy Families

Partners wanted to share family voice. Please contact aimee at aimee@communityallianceaz.com for more information.

Next meeting – February 10th

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