



Glendale Strong Family Network

Thursday, August 10th, 2023

1:00 - 2:30pm meeting via Zoom

Attendees

Stephanie Santiago- Mountain Park Health Center
Elvia Zaragoza- Healthy Families, SWHD
Denis Parcels- GESD SOCC
Liz Rivera- GESD Family Hub Resource Center
Justine McDilda- Div of Child Care DES
Christian Romo- DES
Heather Okeke- cfraz.org
Jeremiah Smith- Everyone Inc.
Leah Stefani-SWHD
Gladys Cazares-SBH Services
Michelle Sambrano- SBH Services

Regina Weiler- DES Employment and Rehab Services
Daisy Pacheco-Touchstone BH
Davita Solter- Glendale School District
Peggy Peixoto-Glendale Strong Family Network
Aimee Sitzler-Glendale Strong Family Network
Nora Lozano- Equality Health
Brandi Jordan- Rise Up Glendale
Noemi Leiva- Molina Healthcare
Stephen Zubia
Olivia Lucio

Resource Highlight

Department of Child Safety Concrete Resources Program – Peggy Peixoto

DCS Concrete Resources Program

AZDCS Office of Prevention is partnering with local resource centers across Arizona to provide referrals for families in need to obtain up to \$1000 per family.

This money is focused on the following 4 areas:

Trade School, Auto Repairs, Children's Dental Care,
and Mental Health Support

<https://dcs.az.gov/helping-grand>

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Support is Available When You Need It
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- TRADE SCHOOL
- AUTO REPAIRS
- PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY
- MENTAL HEALTH CARE

Do You Qualify?
Eligible participants can submit to receive a one-time payment not to exceed \$1000 per family – in order to qualify, you must meet the following requirements:

- NO PREVIOUS INVOLVEMENT WITH CHILD WELFARE DEPARTMENT
- INCLUDE SUFFICIENT DOCUMENTATION TO DEMONSTRATE
- BE UNINSURED OR UNDERINSURED FOR PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY
- LIVE IN ONE OF THE FOLLOWING ZIP CODES: 85008, 85009

GET READY FOR SCHOOL, GLENDALE!

Back to School Event Review

- Outcome of the highly successful event:
 - Served 500 families, totaling 2,579 people (378/1,665 served at last year's event)
 - Gave away all 1,300 backpacks
 - 400 produce and food boxes distributed
 - 272 children received dental screenings
 - 21 children were given over 60 vaccines
 - 122 children received haircuts at the event
 - Over 30 agencies participated in the resources fair
 - Over 50 volunteers showed up to support the event

- Feedback
 - Meeting participants requested an infographic that shows the outreach of this event
 - Social Media could be used for promotion

- Considerations for the Next Event
 - The heat was a challenge. We may consider doing the next event at a place like Desert Diamond to bring the event indoors
 - There may be an event sponsorship opportunity to accommodate an indoor event.

Next Event – FOR PARTNERS!

Partner Collaboration Event

Event Details

- Tentative: Sometime in the first couple of weeks of October
- Glendale System of Care Center 7677 W. Bethany Home Rd., Glendale 85303
- One Day event: Training session in the morning, then a networking lunch and additional training in the afternoon

Upcoming Event – FOR FAMILIES!

Grateful for Jackets

Event Details

- Tentative date: November 18 time TBD
- Glendale System of Care Center 7677 W. Bethany Home Rd., Glendale 85303

Noemi confirmed that Molina has budgeted 1,000 for jackets.

Regina Welier will work to get volunteers.

Due to the timing, we may offer food boxes with Thanksgiving side fixin's.

Peggy will send an email to assemble a planning committee for the event. Hope to hold the planning meeting within the next 2 weeks or so.

Other Program Updates

MCDPH Grant

As part of the Maricopa grant, we are eligible to apply for vaccine education materials via TAPI. Anyone who would like to participate, please review the options at

<https://whyimmunize.org/free-materials/>

Send selections to Peggy by Monday 8/14 and she will submit one order on behalf of GSFN.

Opportunities for GSFN

Maricopa County Department of Public Health Health Equity Training	Bringing Back Family-style Meals	Support a Child's Growth at Every Size
August 16 9am-12pm	September 13 6:30-7:30pm	September 27 6:30-7:30pm

Sign up! <https://www.maricopa.gov/5815/Feeding-Kids-Zoom-Workshops>

Good News and Program Updates

Mountain Park Health Center: Their new Glendale facility has opened, and Stephanie invited everyone to come out for a tour (ssantiago@mphc-az.org). They are planning a Fall Fiesta as a connection to the community. Stephanie will send more information to Peggy to send out to everyone.

Liz Rivera has received a generous shipment of infant formula, please reach out to her if you know of anyone who could benefit from this opportunity.

Rise Up! Glendale has two options for volunteering as part of a grant opportunity:

10/18- Race packet stuffing 4pm-7pm

10/22- Bike aid station #1 6am-10:30am

Each volunteer needs to sign up individually for one of the two slots above and let me know that they signed up! im70.3arizona@ironmanvolunteers.com

If anyone has access to give aways for participation engagement (like stress balls, etc.) please reach out to Brandi Jordan.

Sharing good news! Rise Up Glendale was just awarded a \$50,000 grant from Maricopa County.

**Next Meeting
September 14th
In-person Meeting (with Zoom option)
Mountain Park Health Center - Glendale Facility
12:30pm Facility Tour
1:00pm Meeting Begins**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88155373136?pwd=eDhuUUJoWEYrc0M0blo4ODBkTGIPdz09>