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ARIZONA



“Helping People Help Themselves”

COMMUNITY

NEWSLETTER



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Phoenix, Az 85004
602-254-5081 or 602-513-8311

www.azoic.org

YOU DID IT CONGRATS, AYDAN!

Wishing you the very best in all his future endeavors. Well done on a remarkable accomplishment!

Class OF 2024



Aydan Lopez embarked on his GED preparation journey at Arizona OIC on October 3rd, 2023, following his move to the Metro Phoenix area from Las Vegas, Nevada. Despite his commitment to a full-time job, Aydan dedicated three days a week, investing three hours each time, to diligently study and prepare for the GED exams. His hard work and determination culminated in the completion of the Arizona OIC GED study courses on November 23rd, 2023. Subsequently, Aydan not only successfully passed the GED test with above-average scores but also earned his High School Equivalent Diploma.

The Arizona OIC team takes great pride in Aydan's remarkable achievement, acknowledging his resilience in overcoming challenges to reach his educational goals. Aydan's journey is particularly inspiring, considering that just a year ago, he was recovering from life-threatening gunshot wounds to the facial region. Despite this adversity, he has demonstrated incredible strength, redirecting positive energy with the support of his family and friends. With one chapter of his life now closed, Aydan is eagerly anticipating the opportunities that the next chapter will bring.





E D U C A T I O N

One of our most successful programs is our sponsored GED preparation course. **96% of the students who take the GED test have been successful due to this course.**

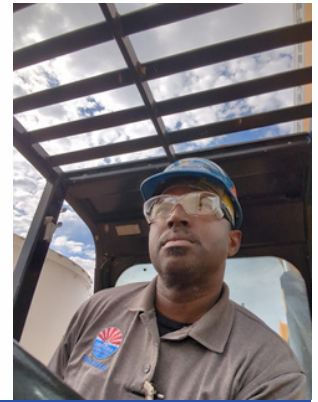
Full scholarships are available for dedicated students. Come into the office to fill out an application and register for this class.

A Flight to Remember

An unforgettable evening as Arizona OIC commemorates the 50th Anniversary of Ebony's House!



ALUMNI Spotlight



GREGG TURNER
APPRENTICESHIP INSTRUCTOR

Growing up in the heart of Phoenix, Gregg Turner has always been deeply connected to the city's vibrant spirit. From his early days at the Boys and Girls Club to a transformative experience in the Arizona OIC's summer job program during his adolescence, Gregg has charted a distinctive path that has greatly influenced his professional journey.

Building Educational Foundations:

At the Boys and Girls Club, Gregg discovered the impact of community engagement at a young age, fostering a sense of responsibility and kickstarting a journey that eventually led to meaningful contributions in community development.

Evolving Professional Journey - A Skilled Tradesman and Mentor:

In 1997, Gregg began his career as an electrician, showcasing a passion for precision and technical expertise. Through the years, his dedication and commitment expanded to include pipefitting skills in 2011, enhancing his versatile skill set. Currently, Gregg serves as a full-time instructor at the Arizona Pipe Trades Apprenticeship, passing on his knowledge to the next generation of skilled trades professionals.

As an active member of IBEW Local 640 and United Association Local 469, Gregg plays a crucial role in advancing workers' interests and strengthening the union. Beyond his current role, Gregg has also been an instructor at the Phoenix Electrical JATC, solidifying his commitment to excellence within the electrical industry.

Impactful Career and Ongoing Dedication:

Reflecting on his formative experiences with gratitude, Gregg recognizes the pivotal role they played in shaping his professional trajectory. With over two decades in the electrical and pipefitting industries, he remains dedicated to community service and youth empowerment while actively supporting his union memberships.

Beyond the Career:

Outside of work, Gregg is deeply involved in community organizations. He proudly serves as a board member of the Alumni Association of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Arizona and volunteers with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Arizona. Recently, he joined the Greater Phoenix Chapter of the Urban League and Maricopa NAACP, showcasing his commitment to social justice and positive change.

Recognizing OIC's Impact:

Gregg attributes a significant part of his journey to the Arizona OIC's summer job program, considering it a catalyst for his early experiences that guided his career choices. The OIC's commitment to empowering youth has left an enduring mark on Gregg's life, motivating him to continue making a difference in his community and beyond.

WE ARE HIRING

ESL BASIC EDUCATION INSTRUCTOR



AS AN ESL BASIC EDUCATION INSTRUCTOR YOU PLAY A CRUCIAL ROLE IN FACILITATING THE LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT AND BASIC EDUCATIONAL SKILLS OF NON-NATIVE ENGLISH SPEAKERS. YOUR PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY IS TO CREATE A SUPPORTIVE AND ENGAGING LEARNING ENVIRONMENT THAT FOSTERS LANGUAGE ACQUISITION, LITERACY, AND OVERALL ACADEMIC PROGRESS.

HOSPITALITY DIRECTOR

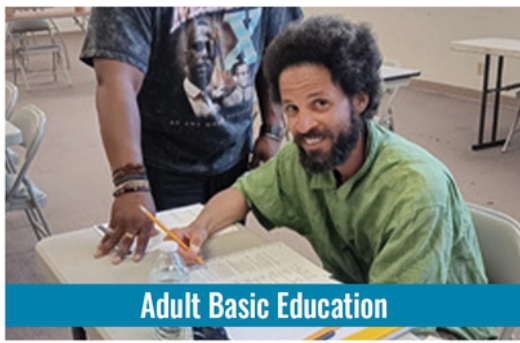


WE ARE SEEKING A HIGHLY SKILLED AND EXPERIENCED DIRECTOR TO OVERSEE OUR OPERATIONS IN THE HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY. AS THE DIRECTOR, YOU WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR MANAGING ALL ASPECTS OF OUR FOOD PREPARATION AND RESTAURANT OPERATIONS, ENSURING EXCEPTIONAL CUSTOMER SERVICE AND MAINTAINING HIGH STANDARDS OF FOOD SAFETY. THE IDEAL CANDIDATE WILL HAVE A STRONG BACKGROUND IN HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT AND POSSESS EXCELLENT LEADERSHIP SKILLS.

JOIN OUR TEAM
SEND YOUR RESUME TO:
JANET@AZOIC.ORG OR DALYN@AZOIC.ORG



G.E.D. Preparation Course



Adult Basic Education



Administration Office Skills



Vocational Counseling



Work Readiness Skills



Financial Literacy

Program Classes will be held at our "NEW" location, 701 South Central Avenue. Phoenix, Arizona 85004
 Free and open to all students 18 years of age or older with proof of residence. All students must present proof of lawful presence in the United States. Examples include AZ Driver's License, Arizona Identification Card, U.S. Passport or Permanent Resident Card





GAP ACADEMY



KIDS CAN CODE

OPEN TO GRADES 6TH-8TH

gapkidscancode@gmail.com




GAP ACADEMY FOR K-8 LEARNERS

The GAP (Greater Academic Performance) Academy creating young scholars one student at a time.



ARIZONA HOSPITALITY ACADEMY
 COURSES THAT HELP YOU PREPARE FOR FUTURE CLASSES

REGISTER TODAY
 CALL 602-254-5081 OR 602-513-8311
 8:00am - 4:00pm.

HAPPENING IN THE VALLEY OF THE SUN

Keep Your Baby Safe

Learn the benefits and importance of creating a safe sleep environment and child proofing your home to keep your baby safe. Participants can sign up for a free class and receive a safety kit to prevent home injuries.

Program Qualifications:

- Do not currently own a crib or play yard.
- Unable to purchase a crib or play yard.
- Be a first trimester of pregnancy (28-40 weeks).
- Your baby must be under 6 months and weigh under 30 lbs.
- Participate in a 3-hour date. Sleep class.

Classes are held at Phoenix Children's Hospital - Thomas Campus and Phoenix Children's - Janssine Children's Hospital. Thomas Campus and Phoenix Children's - Janssine Children's Hospital are located at 400 E. McDowell Rd. Phoenix, AZ 85004. For more information, visit www.phoenixchildrens.org.

BE A JOURNEY MAKER

Bus Driver

Transdev, Inc. Phoenix, AZ 85009

Job details

Salary
\$20 an hour

Pay Types
Paid weekly

Job Type
Full-time

JOIN US!

INSTRUCTOR MEET AND GREET
Join us for a free meet and greet on Thursday, February 29th at 5:30pm at the Central City Campus for a chance to meet the instructors and learn more about our programs!

WELDING 2:30-3:30PM	CNC MACHINING 2:30-3:30PM
AUTOMOTIVE/ COLLISION REPAIR 2:30-3:30PM	BEAUTY AND WELLNESS 4:30-5PM
HAIR CUTTING 2:30-3:30PM	MASSAGE THERAPY 3-3:30PM

COMMUNITY CENTER OPEN HOUSE & LATINO DIGITAL WORKFORCE SKILLS PRESENTATION

Are you interested in learning about digital literacy? Are you looking to enhance your digital skills? Do you feel confident in your digital skills for success in the workforce? Come and join us! Employer and CPLC program resource tables will be onsite.

When: Thursday, February 29th 6:00pm - 7:30pm
Where: 3216 N. Van Buren St. Phoenix, AZ 85008
Questions? Call us at 602.999.0064

Learn about the CPLC Community Center youth and adult programs. Tour the CPLC Community Center. Check out the Equinox Innovation Lab for high school students and young adults. Visit the Ancestor Team Lounge and learn about prevention programming.

Do you have questions about your immigration options?

Join Friendly House to receive personalized immigration assistance at no cost!

Thursday, March 28, 2024
4:00 - 6:30 pm
PHXWorks Room 2nd Floor
Burton Barr Central Library | 1221 N. Central Ave.
Registration is encouraged, but walk-in participants are also welcome in time permits. Please register online at 602-262-4636

Friendly House assists low-income individuals to obtain immigration benefits.

Spring into Giving

Family of God Ministry Presents

FREE EVENT FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!
Games & Prizes | Refresh & Concoction | Photo Booths | Free Food & Drinks | Make & Toy Giveaways | Egg Hunt with over 70,000 Candy & Prize Filled Drinks

El Reposo Park
502 E. Alta Vista Road, Phoenix, AZ 85042
SATURDAY, MARCH 30TH 11AM-3PM

Red Cross Blood Drive

10am-3:30pm
Wednesday, March 6
Burton Barr Central Library
1221 N. Central Ave.

Give the gift of blood! The American Red Cross mobile blood donation center will be visiting the library. Appointments are recommended. Go to redcrossblood.org and select the "Donating Blood" option to submit your appointment time. Walk-in donations are also welcome as available.

Bank of America "Better Money Habits" Virtual Class

Tuesday, March 19th
5 - 6 PM, In English on Zoom

After this lesson, participants should understand simple banking, budgeting and spending; appreciate the importance of an emergency fund; and know how to respond in case of fraud or identity theft.

- Emergency Funds
- How to Budget
- Banking Basics
- How to Manage Debt

Apply now for a no-cost pool fence through March 24, 2024! Open to eligible Maricopa County families.

POOL FENCE SAFETY PROGRAM

Apply now for a no-cost pool fence through March 24, 2024! Open to eligible Maricopa County families.

REQUIREMENTS

- Must have a child 6 years old or younger living in home.
- Home must be owner-occupied, no rentals.
- Family must reside within Maricopa County.
- Family must be income-qualified.
- Must have a pool.
- Must have a pool that is not currently being used.
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2024 Virtual Agricultural Seminar

March 29, 2024 | 9:30 am - 5:00 pm CT

Phases join us for this year's agricultural virtual seminar. We will focus on federal laws and regulations governing agricultural employment with participating federal agencies.

FREE TO ATTEND - Register for the event here.
Simultaneous Spanish translation will be offered at this event. To request an accommodation or for inquiries about accessibility, please contact William Sabik, Sabik.william@dol.gov, by March 23, 2024.

PHOENIX FAMILIES FIRST RESOURCE CENTER IS BACK AT CESAR CHAVEZ LIBRARY

JOIN US FOR ACTIVITIES FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN BIRTH TO 5 EVERY MONDAY

STARTING MARCH 4 FROM 9:30 TO 11:30 A.M.

FOR MORE INFO: 602-329-0870
OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE: PHOENIX.GOV/EDUCATION

aramark ARAMARK@ASU HIRING EVENT

Aramark@ASU is hiring for the upcoming school year! We are searching for team members to fill roles as cooks, food service workers, baristas, cashiers, catering attendants, supervisors and warehouse workers.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13TH & WEDNESDAY MARCH 20TH
9 - 11 AM

SCAN ME FOR MORE INFO!

Free Vaccines

Vaccines are for Adults & Kids!

The Phoenix Fire Department is here to help you stay healthy all year long. Vaccinations are for adults and kids alike. Vaccines offered include HEPA, B, TDAP, FCV, Z, H1N1, MMR, VZV, and much more.

Thursday, March 8th
9 - 11 AM

No appointment required, walk-in welcome in the classroom at NourishPHX | 501 S 9th Ave PHX AZ 85007

Free Dog & Cat Vaccinations

TUESDAY, MARCH 26TH
9 AM - 2 PM

SCHEDULED APPOINTMENTS ONLY

\$25 Microchip, \$25 SNAP Testing, \$12 Dewormer, \$10 Nail Trims

At NourishPHX
501 S 9th Ave, Phoenix AZ 85007

Spots fill up quickly! No walk-ins will be taken due to the volume of pets served on this day.

Computers 101 Class

Monday, March 4th | 10 - 11 AM

Get one-on-one help learning the basics of computers. Nothing complicated, just the fundamentals including:

- How to Connect to the Internet
- How to do a Google/Web Search
- How to sign in to your Email
- Using a Keyboard and Mouse
- Any general questions you have about computers!

All ages welcome!
In English (and Spanish upon request) at NourishPHX, 501 S 9th Ave Phoenix AZ 85007

FREE FINANCE CLASSES WITH HOLDEN F.

With new topics monthly, learn helpful financial tips and how to manage your money to get the most out of it.

NEXT CLASS: FRIDAY, MARCH 22ND
1:00 - 2:00 PM

NOURISHPHX | 501 S 9TH AVE, PHX AZ 85007

- Real World Finances
- Budgeting & Saving Money
- Bank Accounts & Credit Cards
- Eliminating Debt and more!

GRAND OPENING

Please join us to celebrate our grand opening with special guest Governor Katie Hobbs.

Enjoy tours of our new Community Resource Center along with comments from the Governor and SEMA leadership. Refreshments provided.

March 5, 2024
10:00 a.m.

4427 N. 27th Avenue
Phoenix, AZ 85017

Cancer Action Day Thursday, March 14th 10AM-2PM

Wesley Bolin Memorial Plaza
1700 W Washington St Phoenix, AZ

Email Cristianne Scherrer to confirm cristianne.scherrer@cancer.org

WE ARE HIRING

Family Coach/Case Manager
Peer Support Specialist

Join our team today!
***hushabehurnery.org/careers

SEED to SUPPER

Free seven-week beginner gardening class

February 8th - March 28th
Thursdays, 10 AM - 11:30 AM

Learn low-cost ways to plan your growing space, choose your crops, and care for your garden to harvest your own food!

Sign up at nourishphx.org/events

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Play & Learn 9:00-10:00 AM	Open Play 10:00-11:00 AM	Play & Learn 9:00-10:00 AM	Play & Learn 9:00-10:00 AM	Play & Learn 9:00-10:00 AM	Play & Learn 9:00-10:00 AM
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CPLC CENTRAL PARK REC CENTER SERVICE PROVIDER OPEN HOUSE

Friday, March 8th
10:00AM - 12:00PM
440 E. Tolson St.
Phoenix, AZ 85034

RSVP To Attend Lunch Provided

SMALL BUSINESS SEED SPOT

Bring plenty of business cards and/or "spice" to our event!

Connect with one of the largest networks in the nation.

Class not yet announced! Be the first!

Get on our preferred vendor list for community and cultural events!

SMALL BUSINESS WORKSHOP

Take the first steps to turning your passion into a business. You'll receive a comprehensive overview of what you need to start your business and how to get your business plan together.

MARCH 6TH
5:00 - 6:00 PM

VIRTUAL ZOOM SIGN UP FOR LINK!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
CLOSED	Computer Literacy 10-11 AM	Access AZU Virtual Class 10-11:30 AM	Health & Safety Workshop 9-11 AM	Gardening Class 10-11:30 AM	Free Financials 9-11 AM	CLOSED
CLOSED	Styllis Class 10 AM - 1:30 PM	Healthy Living 10-11 AM	Armark Hiring Event 9-11 AM	Gardening Class 10-11:30 AM	Armark Hiring Event 9-11 AM	CLOSED
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