

MAY 2023 MAKING A DIFFERENCE SINCE 1967

Meeting the needs of our community

OUR PROGRAMS

VIEWS FROM JACKSON STREET



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

To effect "Real change "expect resistance and disappointment.

Successful positive behavioral modification often is accompanied with pain.

Commitment to "helping others is a commitment of self to personal sacrifice for others gain"

Be encouraged God is Good!

THANK YOU COMMUNITY PARTNERS

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Special Thanks To:

Phoenix Mercury & Brittany Griner

BRIDGING The Gap with the OIC GED Course

EMPOWERMENT!





UNITY IN



ONE LIFE AT A TIME



THE COMMUNITY



ONE DAY AT A



DO SOMETHING TODAY THAT YOUR FUTURE SELF WILL THANK YOU FOR.

Our actions and decisions today will shape the way we will be living in the future.







GAP ACADEMY FOR K-8 LEARNERS

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



Instructional Coordinators
Claron Sells, M.Ed - ELPS, M.A. ECE
Floori Cotton, M. Ed.

EGISTER ONLINE: https://bit.ly/GAPAcadem







GAP ACADEMY IN ACTION!



Special Thanks to Former NFL Player of the Cleveland Browns, Mr. Ray Ellis. Your motivational words you shared with our students were truely appreciated!

GED PROGRAM

Full scholarships are available for dedicated students.

Please contact us for more information.







ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Arizona OIC would like to thank you for paying it forward and being an awesome asset for the community!



Opportunities Industrialization Center has been an integral part in developing my leadership and workforce skills. As a highschool student, I was able to gain viable employment in my community while being exposed to a myriad of professions. OIC Program Guidance Counselors instilled a strong work ethic and stressed the importance of being dependable, communicative, and financially responsible. At the young age of seventeen, I was equipped with the competency necessary to navigate towards my future college and career aspirations. I strongly believe "Success occurs when preparation meets opportunity!"

OIC has served as a leverage in my success as an elementary school educator in the South Phoenix Community. I have had the opportunity of teaching our future leaders in a K-8 setting, as well as collaborating with lots of amazing educators in the capacity of an Instructional Coach. I am currently an elementary school Assistant Principal who strives to ensure a safe, secure, and academically rigorous learning environment for all students. Throughout this wonderful journey which began at OIC, I am pleased to embark upon a new chapter in my professional career as the new Principal of John F. Kennedy Elementary School! I am so appreciative and thankful to Dr.Gene Blue, and to all who have aided in the embroidery of my success!

May Celebrations!

05/05/23



05/14/23



05/20/23



05/29/23







Sidewalk Saturdays

May 6th, 2023 at 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Discover a community of local artists on the sidewalks every







Learn jewelry making basics with local business owner and artist Elaine Mele of EBM Designs.

Registration Required. Class held in English AND Spanish at NourishPHX 501 S 9th Ave., Phoenix AZ 85007

Sign up at nourishphx.org/events!



Downtown Phoenix Farmers Market

May 6th, 2023 at 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

and visitors can shop community farmers and small businesses year-round. Open, rain or shine. Free admission



Entertainment - Ms. J Comedy GAMES Prizes FREE FOOD Healthcare Volunteers Onsite Testing Civeaways DJ MelyMel Be informed!



PASTOR VICTOR J. & FIRST LADY MICHELLE RUSHING







ARIZONA WORK

ONLINE

May 2, 16, 23, 30

MAY 2023

WORKSHOPS



ocial Security comprehensive look at Social Security enefits and the role they play in Contact Information: Jack Burns

john.p.burns@ssa.gov

SocialSecurity.gov

4. Top Ten Social Security Myths

Explores common misconceptions at Social Security benefits.

5. Things You Can Do Online

Secial Security Administration | Publication No. 05-10080 | October 25th How Will Social Security file There Through Your Life v. Journel Polyment and a prished will Security agreement

COMMUNITY INFORMATION



Bus Driver

Transdev. Inc. Phoenix, AZ 85009

Job details

Salary

\$20 an hour

Pay Types

Paid weekly

lob Type Full-time

Benefits

OPIOID USE & OVERDOSE



COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS

We need to hear from you!

- Hear from leaders and experts in opioid prevention, treatment, harm reduction and community safety
 Ask questions and provide input during Q&A sessions
 Interpretation will be available

April 20, 2023, 5:30 p.m. April 25, 2023, 5:30 p.m April 27, 2023, 5:30 p.m May 4, 2023, 5:30 p.m. May 8, 2023, 5:30 p.m Maryvale Community May 9, 2023, 5:30 p.m

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and community partners, visit Phoenix.gov/Health or email



Saturday June 17 2023 S-10PM EBSTLAKE PARI

LET'S TALK earn New Thing:

Just, Talk

Let us know you'll be there a nourishphx.org/events

FREE ADULT FINANCE CLASS

WITH JED BRODY

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

VERY 4TH FRIDAY OF THE MONTH JEXT CLASS: FRIDAY, MAY 26TH | 1-2 PM

OURISHPHX | 501 S 9TH AVE, PHX AZ 85007

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

Registration Required! Class held in English AND Spanish at NourishPHX

SIGN UP NOW AT NOURISHPHX.ORG/EVENTS

NOURISHPHX **MAY 2023**



ASU Researchers are looking for Black women to participate in a survey about their thoughts on weight lifting and resistance training exercises

- We are looking for women who do not participate in regular exercise to complete a 15-20 survey
- Participants will receive a \$15 Amazon gift card

- Participants will receive a 9.10 Alliazon gift care.

 Participation is voluntary

 Use the QRL code or the link below to see if you are eligible to participate: https://asu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_23jZhmWln6kJ1um

















FREE Behavioral Health Expo!



Community & Justice:

Bridging Mental Wellness Together

The Maricopa County Mental Health Task Force has partnered with Valleywise Behavioral Health, the Arizona Peer and Family Coalition and other Valley stakeholders to educate, inspire and empower you.

MARICOPA 10 am - 2 pm

Saturday, May 6, 2023 Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church

Scan for More Information

superiorcourt.maricopa.gov/expo

★ Refreshments ★ Prizes ★ Raffle ★ Win a TV ★







Are you a member or leader of a local faith based organization that would like us to share your upcoming news and events? Contact us today! Arizona OIC works very closely with many local faith organizations that help accomplish and support our mission to helping people help themselves.

We value our partnerships with organizations of many different backgrounds. Send us information by contacting us. gene.blue@azoic.org or call 602-254-5081