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Catholic Charities Community Services
4747 North 7th Avenue, Phoenix, 85013

Engaging and mobilizing faith communities to improve the quality of life for vulnerable and impoverished people through a statewide collaboration of faith-based, community and governmental organizations.

Minutes

I. Welcome, Invocation & Introductions

Chair Dr. Gary Kinnaman welcomed attendees. Susan Stacey provided a word of prayer.

(As a reminder, information regarding this Council may be found on the Council's web site, www.GodEnriches.org. This site name was chosen because it is also our State Motto. Meeting archives may be found on the web site at the bottom of the "About Us" page.)

Chair Gary gave attendees a sense of just how important our Guest Speaker, Jannah Scott, has been to Arizona; and specifically the Faith Council. He could not say enough about the impact she has had on him personally, and all of the faith and community leaders throughout the state. He then turned the meeting over to her.

II. Guest Speaker, Jannah Scott, Center for Faith-based and Neighborhood Partnerships, U.S. Department of Homeland Security

Jannah began her remarks with "Greetings" on behalf of President Obama and the Centers for Faith-based and Neighborhood Partnerships. These centers are proof positive that faith communities and government can work together.

Jannah spent the majority of her time walking attendees through the work of the President's Advisory Council on Faith-based and Neighborhood Partnerships' April 2013 Report of Recommendations to the President "Building Partnerships to Eradicate Modern-Day Slavery," the report can be viewed here.

http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/docs/advisory_council_humantrafficking_report.pdf. While the report is available now, it will be "publicly" release at a September 16th National Convening. Jannah highly encourage anyone and everyone who has something to say about this topic and this report, to personally contact the Advisory Council members (see page 7 of the report) no later than September 10th. It is not too late to inform this Council!!!

The report is part of a larger campaign by the Administration on this topic. The four elements of the Administration's strategy include:

- 1) Preventing trafficking by raising awareness among vulnerable populations, leading by example, and educating the public and first responders;
- 2) Prosecuting traffickers through strengthened investigations and enforcement tools;



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- 3) Protecting survivors through comprehensive social services, family reintegration, and immigration services; and
- 4) Partnering with civil society, state and local government, the private sector, and faith-based organizations to maximize resources and outcomes.

More information may be found at: www.whitehouse.gov/partnerships

Jannah also spoke about the Department of Homeland Security's "Blue Campaign," each of the Agencies with a Center for Faith-based and Neighborhood Partnerships has developed strategies regarding Human Trafficking. Lots of resources here: www.dhs.gov/bluecampaign. In particular, there is a brochure designed to help houses of worship take action on human trafficking. The brochure is here: http://www.dhs.gov/sites/default/files/publications/blue-campaign/Blue_Campaign_Tri_fold_for_Worshipping_Communities_new_logo.pdf

Another resource shared by Jannah is The President's Interfaith and Community Service Campus Challenge www.whitehouse.gov/interfaithservice; Ben Sanders also spoke about ASU's Campus Challenge efforts, an upcoming example is a discussion on September 25th regarding Mental Health at Barrett's Honor College.

There was much discussion about this topic and many comments were provided by attendees to Jannah, comments that she could take with her to the DHS Center and the other Centers in the federal agencies. In hindsight, I wish we had recorded the meeting and made the recording available to the entire Faith Council. The dialogue was extremely rich. Photo by Ben Sanders.





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III. Updates

- The next ArizonaSERVES Task Force meeting will be held on Friday, September 20, 2013. This meeting is open to the public; a meeting notice will be posted at www.ArizonaSERVES.gov under the “Task Force” tab.
- Chuck spoke of Community Forums occurring in Prescott (9/11), Phoenix (9/12) and Tucson (9/18) regarding Director Carter’s Safety Net Transformation Initiative and the Open Table. Here are the invites:
 - Prescott (9/11): <http://acfbci.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/08/CommunityForum-Prescott.pdf>
 - Phoenix (9/12): <http://acfbci.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/08/Community-Forum-Phoenix.pdf>
 - Tucson (9/18): <http://acfbci.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/08/CommunityForum-Tucson.pdf>
- Chair Gary spoke of the Ten City Covenant and Movement Day (www.movementday.com) events in NYC in October. A team of 15-20 folks are attending from Arizona to present at the Ten City event on the topic of the serving movements within Arizona.

IV. Closing Remarks and Adjourn

The next Council meeting is Thursday, September 27, 2013 at Catholic Charities, 4747 N. 7th Avenue, Phoenix.

Respectfully Submitted,
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