



September 25, 2014  
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Catholic Charities  
4747 N. 7<sup>th</sup> Ave, Phoenix

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

Richard Knopf, Vice-Chair welcomed attendees and Pastor Joe Tuttle opened the meeting with a prayer. Everyone briefly introduced themselves. Attendee listing and all meeting archives are found here: <http://acfbci.org/meeting-archives/>

#### II. Human and Sex Trafficking in Arizona

Kathleen Winn, Director of Community Outreach and Education - Arizona Attorney General's Office, presented on what Arizona is doing to end sex trafficking. She also shared what we can do and training opportunities available through the AG's office.

Some alarming data are:

- The average age of first victimization in Arizona is 14, but some are as young as 9 years old
- 99% of buyers are men
- Some men will request and pay more for a younger girl

Faith communities can make a positive impact by talking about the issues with their members. Training is also available. We could end sex slavery in the next 10 years with a cultural reset. We need to teach our boys that it is unacceptable to exploit others, be abusive and disrespect women. Everyone should put 1-888-3737-888 in their phone and call if they suspect a minor is being trafficked.

Kathleen finished her presentation with two PSAs for the Arizona's Not Buying It Campaign. One features Kurt and Brenda Warner and the other, prominent sports leaders. More information here: <https://www.azag.gov/trafficking> and here: <http://endsextrafficking.az.gov>

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#### III. Updates

- a. Brenda Gifford, Run Against Trafficking - R.A.T. Race ([www.RATraceaz.org](http://www.RATraceaz.org)), shared that they now have 36 teams and 20 nonprofits for the inaugural run on October 25, 2014 that will raise funds for organizations working to end sex trafficking in Arizona and Southeast Asia. Non-profit organizations are encouraged to apply to be a benefactor and use the race to encourage their supporters to help build their base of financial and volunteer support. If



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anyone is interested, a table at the event is \$500 or if your organization has a team of 10 you can get a table for free. Register here: <http://www.ratraceaz.org/registration/>

- b. April Jones, Community Engagement Director informed the group that the DES Office of Faith and Community has moved to the Governor's Office of Faith and Community Partnerships, per Executive Order 2014-06, dated August 29, 2014. This now allows the team to work with all State executive agencies. The Executive Order also creates a new Council on Faith and Community Partnerships that replaces/supersedes the ArizonaSERVES Task Force ([http://azgovernor.gov/dms/upload/EO\\_082914\\_2014-06.pdf](http://azgovernor.gov/dms/upload/EO_082914_2014-06.pdf)).
  - c. Terrilyn Miller with CityServe, shared about a new program called School Connect where schools are adopted by their local community. Statistics show that schools that have been "adopted" have better grades and graduation rates than schools that have not. In December there will be an invitation only meeting with 100 superintendents and community partners. The website will launch soon and will include the schools that have been adopted. Training will also be available. For more information contact Tracey Beal at [tbeal@pureheart.org](mailto:tbeal@pureheart.org)
  - d. Nancy Kiflemariam, City of Phoenix Human Services Division spoke about a Medicare Assistance outreach with the Area Agency on Aging and Department of Economic Security to ensure all those that are on Medicare and receiving all the benefits they are eligible for. The events will be on October 25<sup>th</sup> from 10-2 at the Maryvale Community Center and November 15<sup>th</sup> from 9-1 at the Hope VI Emmett McLoughlin Community Training and Education Center. Here is the flier: <http://acfbci.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/10/Medicare-Assistance-Event-Flyer-9.16.pdf>
- Victims of floods are still in need of help. To ensure there is a recovery process in the future, the City of Phoenix is looking for community volunteers to serve on Readiness Committees. Please contact Nancy [nancy.kiflemariam@phoenix.gov](mailto:nancy.kiflemariam@phoenix.gov) if you are interested or need more information.
- e. Joyce Lopez-Powell Valley of the Sun United Way ([www.vsuw.org](http://www.vsuw.org)) shared that there will be a Smoke Alarm Walk in the neighborhoods around 43<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and Van Buren in Phoenix. For more information contact Joyce at [jlopezpowell@vsuw.org](mailto:jlopezpowell@vsuw.org).
  - f. Kit Kloeckl, Executive Director, Aunt Rita's Foundation ([kit@auntritas.org](mailto:kit@auntritas.org)) invited everyone to participate in the AIDS Walk Arizona & 5K Run and pre-event interfaith service on October 26, 2014. Registration is \$30 but \$10 of that will be donated back to the church for every participant that walks/runs at the event <https://phoenix.aidswalkaz.org/>

- IV. Adjourned with a word of prayer by Chaplain Chris Melvin. The next Council meeting is on October 23, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. at Catholic Charities, 4747 N. 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Phoenix.

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