

December 7, 2017 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Catholic Charities Community Services 4747 North 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85013

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

<u>Recap</u>

- I. Welcome, Invocation & Introductions. Jane Wabnik opened the meeting with words of inspiration. Her comments, the meeting Agenda, the meeting Sign-In sheets, and all presentation materials may be found at: <u>http://godenriches.org/meeting-archives/</u>
- II. Group Removing an Obstacle. Jeff Bisgrove asked the group about free or low cost dental services in or near the Guadalupe area. We spoke of the Dental Mission of Mercy free dentistry event on December 8 and 9 at the State Fairgrounds (<u>www.azmom.org</u>). Another resource discussed was the dental clinic located at the Murphy Elementary Education and Health Center at 3140 W Buckeye Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85009; 602-353-5407.

## III. Connecting Faith and Finances for Good

Marlene Moreno-Hanan Thrivent Financial

Marlene spoke of Thrivent's mission to help nonprofits, donors, and families to "be wise about finances, and to live generously." Her presentation and video may be found here: <a href="http://godenriches.org/meeting-archives/">http://godenriches.org/meeting-archives/</a>.

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## IV. Bringing Hope & Support to Adoptive Families in Need

Carol Barger Adoptive Families Coalition

Carol spoke about the financial difficulties families face when providing therapeutic services for their adopted children. Her presentation and video may be found here: <a href="http://godenriches.org/meeting-archives/">http://godenriches.org/meeting-archives/</a>.

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- V. Updates
  - a. **"Helping Christian Boys Thrive"** in Phoenix; February 24, 2018. Look for a separate communication regarding this before January 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - b. **"Positive Peace"** in Goodyear; May 31, 2018. Look for a separate communication regarding this after January 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - c. Other
    - i. **Phoenix Job Corps** (<u>https://phoenix.jobcorps.gov/</u>). Job Corps is a no-cost education and career technical training program administered by the U.S. Department of Labor that helps young people ages 16 to 24 improve the quality of their lives through career technical and academic training. Contact James Estrada to learn more at <u>estrada.james@jobcorps.org</u>.
    - ii. **Phoenix Zoo.** Changes have been made to their EBT usage policy. Details here: <u>http://godenriches.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/EBT-PhxZoo.pdf</u>.
    - iii. Arizona Fatherhood Initiative. AFI iss looking for help to distribute and then collect a needs assessment that will help us determine the current needs of fathers and men in families in Maricopa County. Here is the explanation letter with contact information: <u>http://godenriches.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/AFI-providerletter-final.pdf</u>, and the assessment itself: <u>http://godenriches.org/wpcontent/uploads/2017/12/Fatherhood-Initiative-Needs-Assessment.pdf</u>.
    - iv. Arizona Trauma Informed Faith Community. Meeting in Phoenix on December 12<sup>th</sup>. Here are the details, with contact information: <u>http://godenriches.org/wp-</u> content/uploads/2017/12/AZTIFC.pdf.
    - v. Arizona Developmental Disabilities Planning Council. Low Cost/No Cost Medical Clinics with Disability Diagnostic Services – statewide; here is the listing: <u>http://godenriches.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/Low-Cost-No-Cost-Medical-Clinics-with-Disability-Diagnostic-Services.pdf</u>.
- VI. Closing Remarks and Adjourn

Next Meeting: January 25, 2018