picturing maricopa
A G L I M P S E  O F SERVING BASIC NEEDS
ON THE COVER AND ABOVE
These vibrant images by photographer Jose Sosa tell the story of a barbeque, held monthly to celebrate the birthdays of children living at La Mesita family homeless shelter in Mesa. La Mesita was one of 15 agencies and Sosa was one of 15 photographers linked in a community photography project called Picturing Maricopa. See more images inside that tell stories about serving basic needs currently in Maricopa County.

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above: “Untitled,” cover: “Cub Roar”

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Picturing the “Safety Net”
As children, when we hear the term “safety net,” we think of the netting stretched far beneath the trapeze artists as they fly through the air. We know the net is the only thing between a timing mistake and a fatal fall. We use the same term to describe the human services network that provides food, shelter, medical care and assistance to people in need. It saves them from human catastrophe.

The photographs included in this Piper Notebook are only a few of the images from the Picturing Maricopa project that the Virginia G. Piper Charitable Trust commissioned. While the goal of the project was to provide professional photographs nonprofits could use to tell their stories, these photos provide a concrete sense of part of our community safety net—the organizations that serve our community day after day as demands mount and budgets shrink.

The pictures also remind us that people in these photographs, many of whom are wage earners who cannot make ends meet or are recently unemployed or dislocated, are our neighbors. Young and old, hopeful and stoical, they face the full force of the economic pressures of life in the Valley in 2010. And the safety net is fraying.

Staggering Statistics
- In 2009, one in 16 homeowners in Arizona received a foreclosure notice.
- The last Maricopa County homeless count indicated an increase of 20 percent.
- Unemployment in Maricopa County stands at nearly 1 out of every 12 workers.
- Nearly 900,000 people in Arizona sought emergency food assistance in the past year.
- And 40,000 more children in Arizona qualify for free and reduced lunches today compared to two years ago.

The statistics are alarming, even staggering. The photographs remind us that these are not only statistics, numbers increasing by the month. These also are people depending on a fragile, tattered safety net to stop free fall.
“Joseph and Cujo”

Damon Sauer / Phoenix Rescue Mission, shelter and food services
Art Faces Necessity
We all know the adage “a picture is worth a thousand words.” Like other art, photographs provide experience. They place the viewer in a moment in time and convey the message of that moment.

But what happens when nonprofit organizations need quality photos to tell their stories yet do not have resources to acquire really good images to communicate with clients, community partners and potential donors?

Betting that nonprofit agencies would appreciate tapping into a source of professional photography, Piper Trust launched Picturing Maricopa, a 2009 project linking nonprofits with photographers. The project builds on a model from Northern Indiana Community Foundation.

15 Photographers/15 Nonprofits
An advisory committee of three art and photography curators selected 15 photojournalists and art and commercial photographers from a pool of 50 who applied for the project.

Curators linked each photographer with one of 15 agencies, and Piper Trust hired the photographers to take photos of the agencies. All 15 nonprofits are serving emergency and basic needs in the current recession when needs have skyrocketed and resources plummeted.

The resulting photographs are now available to each agency to use for publicity, annual reports and websites. They have full rights to use the photos for years to come.

Forty-two framed photographs comprise a traveling Picturing Maricopa exhibit. The show opened in October 2009 at Burton-Barr Central Library in downtown Phoenix and then moved on to the Mesa Arts Center in January. The free exhibition will hang at the Scottsdale Public Library, Drinkwater Boulevard, from March 5 to April 9, and at the Glendale Public Library, Brown Avenue, from April 12 to June 30.

The selection of photographs on the following pages represents each photographer and agency. These images convey a powerful message about meeting needs in the community during tough economic times. 🍀
“Mario”

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Jason Koster, photographer, 2009 / Tumbleweed Center for Youth Development
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“Conversation”

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"Paciente"
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Michael Mulno, photographer, 2009 / HomeBase Youth Services, meeting needs of at-risk and homeless youth
“Faces of Desert Mission”

Steve Craft, photographer, 2009 / Desert Mission Food Bank, food and nutritional services
“Untitled”

Betsy Schneider, photographer, 2009 / UMOM New Day Centers, emergency shelters
Picturing Maricopa: 15 Agencies/15 Photographers

Virginia G. Piper Charitable Trust introduced Picturing Maricopa, a community photography project, to offer the services of 15 talented photographers to 15 nonprofit organizations, which gain usage rights of the photographs. The project was juried, and photographers were selected by leading arts and photography curators in the Valley: Cassandra Coblentz, Associate Curator, Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art; Heather Lineberry, Senior Curator and Interim Director, ASU Museum of Art; and Rebecca Senf, Assistant Curator, Center for Creative Photography & Phoenix Art Museum.

To see the Picturing Maricopa traveling exhibit, go to www.pipertrust.org/events/picturing-2009.aspx

Adelante Healthcare
A federally qualified community health center providing high quality primary and preventive family healthcare services in rural and suburban Maricopa County. Clinic sites are in Surprise, Mesa, Sun City West, Buckeye, Glendale, Wickenburg and Gila Bend. A Mobile Health Program serves outlying rural communities.

Photographer Bradford Armstrong: “My goal was to photograph the project in a photojournalistic style. I wanted to capture real moments that revealed professionalism, quality care and above all the people who benefit from Adelante Healthcare’s services. I visited three facilities, the Buckeye Family Care Center, the Sun City Women’s Center and the Tidwell Family Care Center in Surprise. What I found was a committed team of extremely dedicated people working hard to serve humanity and their communities.”

André House of Arizona
A ministry to the homeless and poor in the Phoenix area that serves meals and provides transitional housing and support daily. Located in the heart of the Capital Mall District, André House was founded by two Holy Cross priests in 1984.

Photographer Steve Weiss: “I walked away from the project knowing whatever work I glimpsed in my few visits would continue daily and ceaselessly. The credit goes to André House that they can continue on in the face of that endless need, with good spirits and respect for the individual.”

CASS/Vista Colina
An emergency family shelter in North Phoenix that strives to assist homeless families by assessing their individual needs and connecting them with appropriate community services. Vista Colina is part of Central Arizona Shelter Services.

Photographer Mike Williams: “Homelessness is the antithesis of however one might choose to define the American Dream. Intrinsic to this dream are the trappings of contemporary American lifestyles. The objects, the physical stuff of our lives in the most basic sense, embody this American hunger.”

Crews’n Healthmobile
A 38-foot Mobile Medical Unit that brings free, comprehensive medical help directly to homeless youth on the street. Outfitted with three exam rooms and the latest technology, the Healthmobile is staffed by Phoenix Children’s Hospital medical personnel.

Photographer Troy Aossey: “I spend most of my time pursuing both personal and commercial photography. Much of my work has involved photographing senior citizens who tend not to act their age. With this series, I went about telling the story of the Crews’n Healthmobile and the young people they lend a hand to, by capturing their portraits along with a brief quotation from them, further defining who they are.”
Desert Mission Food Bank
Food bank services and nutritional programs to assist the most vulnerable neighbors of John C. Lincoln Hospitals in the Phoenix Sunnyslope neighborhood. Desert Mission provides food for more than 1,500 families each month.
www.jcl.com/content/foodbank

Photographer Steve Craft: “Photography is my way of capturing reality and then deciding how to present that reality. My goal is to produce images that are both memorable and visually captivating. I approached the Desert Mission Food Bank project with the hope of photographing people who had an uplifting spirit and presence to see through the turmoil and stress associated with their environment.”

HomeBase Youth Services
Resources to address the growing needs of at-risk and homeless youth age 21 and younger. Programs and services include street outreach and transitional and independent living programs. www.hbys.org

Photographer Michael Mulno: “The stories of youth who frequent HomeBase are both complicated and compelling, and through the assistance and essential resources that HomeBase offers on a daily basis, hopeful. My aim was to honor these youth with reverent observations and caring interpretations that would in some way attend to their present situations, both physical and emotional, while referring to their past and perhaps suggesting their future.

Mission of Mercy
A mobile medical unit “bringing the doctor to the people” at host sites throughout Maricopa County. Mission of Mercy provides free medical care and prescriptions to the uninsured, working poor and homeless. www.amissionofmercy.org/arizona

Photographer Deanna Dent: “To me, the words journalist and artist are interchangeable. As a photojournalist, I try to capture not only the visual beauty of a situation, but also the emotion that inevitably fills every situation. My work is always based on the assumption that at any given moment in life there is beauty—it is just a matter of seeing it.”

MOMobile/St. Joseph’s Hospital
The Maternity Outreach Mobile Unit (MOMobile), a fully equipped vehicle for maternity care. Its purpose is to provide early and continuous prenatal care to women in their communities.
www.stjosephsphx.org/Medical_Services/Womens_Services/187841

Photographer Desiree Edkins: “The ‘MOMobile,’ a division of St. Joseph’s Hospital, has been providing safe, prenatal care to women for the past 13 years for little or no cost to them. Patients are seen in one of two fully equipped exam rooms housed in a 50-foot trailer that is driven and maintained by the three women who attend to every detail of the operation. Their dedication to the MOMobile is remarkable and inspiring, allowing the human element to shine through.”

La Mesita/A New Leaf
A 30-unit family shelter in Mesa that provides temporary emergency housing, case management,
job development, licensed and ancillary services to help homeless families with young children become self-reliant. www.turnanewleaf.org

Photographer Jose Sosa: “My work is rooted in observations of the ordinary; however, the crisis of homelessness is far from ordinary. La Mesita is an emergency family shelter that helps families cope with the struggles of homelessness by providing a stable living environment until permanent housing of their own can be found. To me, the beauty of their work is in the normal everyday objects that the families leave around. They are markers of the success in their efforts to provide ‘normalcy’ and stability for these families during this tumultuous time.”

Phoenix Rescue Mission
A 24-hour walk-in center with showers and clean clothing, emergency shelter beds nightly, residential addiction recovery; a van sent out daily offering lunches, bottled drinks, Christian literature, blankets and a friendly word of encouragement to the homeless on the streets; and food boxes distributed to families. www.phoenixrescuemission.org

Photographer Damon Sauer: “I was privileged to work with the Phoenix Rescue Mission for this project. Meeting such wonderful people was a true honor. I became interested in the opportunity that portraiture offers to amplify a subject’s presence. The photographic portrait has the capacity to confront the viewer with a sense of shared experience and commonality. By looking into a subject’s eyes, we see ourselves—something earnest and human.”

St. Joseph the Worker
An agency located in downtown Phoenix to assist homeless, low-income and other disadvantaged individuals to find permanent, full-time employment. St. Joseph the Worker provides people with the tools necessary to conduct successful job searches. www.sjwjobs.org

Photographer Mark Peterman: “My experience photographing the Picturing Maricopa project was interesting. I met some amazing people who have overcome unemployment and homelessness. It was a great experience to hear their stories firsthand and hear the success they have achieved as well as their plans for the future—all with the help of St. Joseph the Worker.”

Society of St. Vincent de Paul
An international organization dedicated to serving the poor and providing others with the opportunity to serve. Phoenix programs include services for the homeless, medical and dental care for the working poor, charity dining rooms, thrift stores, a transitional housing shelter and general assistance for individuals in need. www.stvincentdepaul.net

Photographer Michael Lundgren: “St. Vincent de Paul is a truly remarkable organization. I could have photographed there for weeks.”

Tumbleweed Center for Youth Development
Direct service programs to provide a continuum of care for over 3000 homeless, abused, abandoned, neglected, and at-risk youth annually, ages 11-22 in Maricopa County. Tumbleweed works with youth and families in crisis. www.tumbleweed.org

Photographer Jason Koster: “Tumbleweed is an organization that helps homeless and at-risk youth. The reality in which these kids live is gut-wrenching. Their stories are heartbreaking. I’m sure for many of them the staff at Tumbleweed are the only people in their lives who have ever cared about them. The majority of my effort in this project went toward illustrating the dignity, guidance and encouragement Tumbleweed extends to these kids. Hearing of their success is nice until you see where they came from and realize just how amazing it actually is—and how much difference Tumbleweed has made to their lives.”

“Untitled”

Michael Lundgren, photographer, 2009 / Society of St. Vincent de Paul, assistance for people in need
UMOM New Day Centers
Emergency and transitional shelters to help homeless, at-risk families with children to become self-sufficient and independent. UMOM provides food and shelter, together with a continuum of services to support families. www.umom.org

Photographer Betsy Schneider: “I only photographed people who had consented, and I certainly understood those who did not want to have their image taken, to not become the poster children for a homeless shelter. What amazed me, however, was how many people were willing to be photographed and who had a sense of pride in who they were and where they were. There were many times where I had a hard time telling residents from employees. Virtually everyone, it seemed to me, was proud to be part of this organization, pretty remarkable.”

YWCA Older Adult Services
A program to benefit West Valley seniors and disabled adults with home-delivered and dining room meals, social activities, companionship and transportation provided by YWCA Maricopa County. www.ywca.org

Photographer Steve Gittins: “I am a creative, innovative person, eager to learn and expand my skills as an artist. My life experience informs my photography and contributes to my passion for knowledge and personal growth. Shared understanding allows me compassion toward others, which I believe is vital and helps guide me to capture the essence of living.” *
Arts and Culture
Total grants awarded in this area: $1,193,060

Actors Theatre of Phoenix
$15,000 / 12 months
www.actorstheatrephx.org
A Community Relief Grant for arts and culture organizations to provide general support.

Advocates for Latino Arts and Culture Consortium
$10,000 / 12 months
www.phxrevitalization.org
To develop an organizational and strategic plan for a new Latino cultural center.

Arizona Jewish Theatre Company, Inc.
$8,230 / 12 months
www.azjewishtheatre.org
To support upgrades of communications, ticketing and marketing technology.

Arizona Museum for Youth Friends, Inc.
$4,000 / 12 months
www.arizonamuseumforyouth.com
A Community Relief Grant for arts and culture organizations to provide general support.

Arizona Musicfest
$9,000 / 12 months
www.azmusicfest.org
A Community Relief Grant for arts and culture organizations to provide general support.

Arizona Opera
$62,000 / 12 months
www.azopera.org
A Community Relief Grant for arts and culture organizations to provide general support.

Arizona Science Center
$25,000 / 12 months
www.asscience.org
A Community Relief Grant for arts and culture organizations to provide general support.

Arizona Theatre Company
$81,000 / 12 months
www.arizonatheatre.org
A Community Relief Grant for arts and culture organizations to provide general support.

Audubon Arizona
$13,000 / 12 months
http://az.audubon.org
A Community Relief Grant for arts and culture organizations to provide general support.

Ballet Arizona
$61,000 / 12 months
www.balletaz.org
A Community Relief Grant for arts and culture organizations to provide general support.

Black Theatre Troupe, Inc.
$4,000 / 12 months
www.blacktheatretroupe.org
A Community Relief Grant for arts and culture organizations to provide general support.

Chandler Cultural Foundation
$11,000 / 12 months
www.chandlercenter.org
A Community Relief Grant for arts and culture organizations to provide general support.

Children’s Museum of Phoenix
$21,000 / 12 months
www.childrensmuseumofphoenix.org
A Community Relief Grant for arts and culture organizations to provide general support.

Childsplay, Inc.
$32,000 / 12 months
www.childsplayaz.org
A Community Relief Grant for arts and culture organizations to provide general support.

Desert Botanical Garden
$25,000 / 12 months
www.dbg.org
A Community Relief Grant for arts and culture organizations to provide general support.

East Valley Children’s Theatre
$1,000 / 12 months
www.evct.org
A Community Relief Grant for arts and culture organizations to provide general support.

Fountain Hills Community Theater
$5,000 / 12 months
www.fountainhillstheater.com
A Community Relief Grant for arts and culture organizations to provide general support.

FriendsofPublicRadioArizona
$64,000 / 12 months
www.fpraz.org
To support the Public Radio Partnership for an Arts Matching Gifts Program that gives nonprofit arts and cultural organizations an opportunity to promote their programs on KJZZ and KBAQ.

Greasepaint Youtheatre
$4,000 / 12 months
www.phoenixtheatre.com
A Community Relief Grant for arts and culture organizations to provide general support.

Greasepaint Youtheatre
$62,000 / 12 months
www.phoenixtheatre.com
To support marketing, technology and management systems to enhance performing arts services for children and youth.

Great Arizona Puppet Theater, Inc.
$20,000 / 12 months
www.azpuppets.org
To support the renovation of the theater’s historic building.
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<td>$130,000</td>
<td>12 months</td>
<td><a href="http://www.phxart.org">www.phxart.org</a></td>
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<td>12 months</td>
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<td>12 months</td>
<td>www_rosieshouse.org</td>
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<td>$8,830</td>
<td>12 months</td>
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<td>To support updated strategic marketing and promotional materials.</td>
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<td><a href="http://www.susshakespeare.org">www.susshakespeare.org</a></td>
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<td>$20,000</td>
<td>12 months</td>
<td><a href="http://www.phoenixsymphony.org">www.phoenixsymphony.org</a></td>
<td>To support planning to increase collaboration with Ballet Arizona.</td>
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<td>$11,000</td>
<td>12 months</td>
<td><a href="http://www.theaterworks.org">www.theaterworks.org</a></td>
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<td>$50,000</td>
<td>12 months</td>
<td><a href="http://www.thecrossroadsinc.com">www.thecrossroadsinc.com</a></td>
<td>To support a capital project to provide meeting space for women in recovery and their children.</td>
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<td>Grantmakers for Children, Youth &amp; Families, Inc</td>
<td>$10,000</td>
<td>6 months</td>
<td><a href="http://www.gcyf.org">www.gcyf.org</a></td>
<td>To enable BUILD to conduct an assessment of Arizona’s readiness to create a comprehensive early childhood system.</td>
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<td>Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest</td>
<td>$110,000</td>
<td>24 months</td>
<td><a href="http://www.lss-su.org">www.lss-su.org</a></td>
<td>To support the PASSAGE Transition Coalition to help youth successfully transition from foster care into adulthood.</td>
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<td>Raising Special Kids</td>
<td>$40,000</td>
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<td><a href="http://www.raisingspecialkids.org">www.raisingspecialkids.org</a></td>
<td>To develop and pilot new training workshops for parents of children with disabilities.</td>
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Southwest Autism Research & Resource Center  
$125,000 / 24 months  
www.autismcenter.org  
To support an innovative social venture to provide autistic youth with hands-on job training.

Summer Youth Program Fund  
$300,000 / 36 months  
www.azfoundation.org  
To support a funding collaborative to invest in summer programs for youth.

Valley of the Sun United Way  
$625,000 / 36 months  
www.vsuw.org  
To provide continued support for the Adopt-a-Pool-Fence program to provide pool fences for low-income families, of which $175,000 is a matching grant.

Education  
Total grants awarded in this area: $395,000

Arizona College Scholarship Foundation  
$200,000 / 7 months  
www.azcsf.org  
To support scholarships for the American Dream Fund.

Arizona State University Foundation  
$175,000 / 12 months  
www.asufoundation.org  
To build a communications platform to advance ideas surrounding a new model for Arizona’s economic future.

Recording for the Blind & Dyslexic  
$20,000 / 12 months  
www.rfbd.org  
To upgrade computer hardware and enhance recording facilities.

Healthcare and Medical Research  
Total grants awarded in this area: $2,750,000

American Red Cross  
$20,000 / 12 months  
www.redcross.org  
To support relief efforts in Haiti.

Arizona State University Foundation  
$2,500,000 / 60 months  
www.asufoundation.org  
To support a Piper Chair for Dr. Leland Hartwell’s continued work on the Partnership for Personalized Medicine.

Keogh Health Foundation  
$70,000 / 12 months  
www.keoghhealthfoundation.org  
To develop a sustainable volunteer base to expand healthcare coverage for uninsured children.

Science Foundation Arizona  
$100,000 / 12 months  
www.sfaz.org  
To support the Competitiveness Research Forum.

VisionQuest 20/20  
$60,000 / 12 months  
www.AFAKids.com  
To support website enhancements to make child vision screening tools more accessible to Valley schools.

Older Adults  
Total grants awarded in this area: $331,459

About Care, Inc.  
$44,000 / 24 months  
www.aboutcare.org  
To support community outreach to frail older adults and other homebound individuals.

Area Agency on Aging, Region One, Inc.  
$90,459 / 12 months  
www.aaapbx.org  
To support the Fall Prevention Coalition for Maricopa County that was transitioned from the Governor’s Advisory Council on Aging.

East Valley Adult Resources  
$60,000 / 12 months  
www.eseiniorsservices.org  
To support website, promotional and marketing materials to attract younger participants.

Experience Matters Consortium  
$75,000 / 24 months  
www.azfoundation.org  
To support a community-based effort linking older adults with purposeful activities in the nonprofit sector.

Mesa United Way  
$50,000 / 12 months  
www.mesaunitedway.org  
To support a program to place older adult volunteers in East Valley nonprofit agencies.

Sun Cities Area Transit System, Inc.  
$12,000 / 12 months  
www.scatdialaride.net  
To purchase hardware and software upgrades to improve reservation and dispatching for transit services to help older adults maintain independence.
Religious Organizations
Total grants awarded in this area: $390,000

Franciscan Renewal Center
$189,000 / 24 months
www.thecasa.org
To organize and direct a long-term, comprehensive fundraising plan.

Jewish Family and Children’s Service
$126,000 / 24 months
www.jfcsarizona.org
To develop and implement a public-private model for care management and in-home services for older adults.

Rehoboth Community Development Corporation
$75,000 / 24 months
www.rehobothphx-cdc.org
To support programming for at-risk minority youth in the West Valley.

Piper Fellows
Total grants awarded in this area: $350,000

Desert Botanical Garden
$40,000 / 12 months
www.dbg.org
To support Elaine McGinn’s sabbatical as a Piper Fellow and related staff development.

Foundation for Blind Children
$50,000 / 12 months
www.seeitourway.org
A Piper Fellows Organizational Enhancement Award to support team development and identify measurable outcomes.

Great Hearts Academies
$50,000 / 12 months
www.greatheartsaz.org
A Piper Fellows Organizational Enhancement Award to support the development of Teleos Preparatory Academy.

Maggie’s Place
$40,000 / 12 months
www.maggiesplace.org
To support Mary Peterson’s sabbatical as a Piper Fellow and related staff development.

Mountain Park Health Center Foundation
$50,000 / 12 months
www.mphc-azfoundation.org
A Piper Fellows Organizational Enhancement Award to build a training program for Mountain Park Health Center’s management team.

Southwest College of Naturopathic Medicine
$40,000 / 12 months
www.scnm.edu
To support Paul Mittman’s sabbatical as a Piper Fellow and related staff development.

St. Joseph the Worker
$40,000 / 12 months
www.sjewjobs.org
To support Amy Caffarello’s sabbatical as a Piper Fellow and related staff development.

The Beatitudes Campus
$40,000 / 12 months
www.beatitudescampus.org
To support Margaret Mullan’s sabbatical as a Piper Fellow and related staff development.

Other
Total grants awarded in this area: $155,445

Alliance of Arizona Nonprofits
$45,000 / 12 months
www.arizonanonprofits.org
To identify stimulus funds appropriate for nonprofits.

Arizona State University Foundation
$85,445 / 12 months
www.asufoundation.org
To mentor 20 additional nonprofits in fundraising using the ASU Lodestar Center for Philanthropy & Nonprofit Innovation, together with the consulting services of Kay Sprinkel Grace.

Arizona Town Hall
$25,000 / 12 months
www.aztownhall.org
To support the 95th Arizona Town Hall.
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