Project Access
Resource Centers
Education. Engagement. Empowerment.





ARIZONA
IMPACT REPORT

STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES

SERVING FAMILIES, CHILDREN, AND SENIORS SINCE 1999

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CREATING IMPACT TOGETHER

A MESSAGE FROM MELISSA AMEZQUITA



Dear Partners,

At Project Access, our work in Arizona is rooted in connecting residents to the resources, opportunities, and support they need to thrive. Thanks to our local partners, we've expanded access to critical programs across our communities.

As we continue to grow, there are key areas where additional partnership is needed to meet the evolving needs of families, youth, and seniors.

Current Areas of Need in Arizona:

- Food Access: Expanding real time food resources and nutrition support
- Financial Stability: Increasing access to financial education and benefits navigation
- Workforce Development: Strengthening job readiness and career pathways
- Youth Education: Enhancing after school programs and academic support
- Senior Well Being: Supporting aging residents with resources that promote independence and social connection
- Affordable Housing Stability: Expanding resident services that help families maintain stable housing and navigate financial challenges

These gaps represent opportunities to deepen our impact through Project Access Connect ensuring residents can access essential resources anytime, anywhere .

We invite partners to join us in strengthening Arizona communities and expanding access to opportunity for all.



Sincerely,

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EDUCATION. ENGAGEMENT. EMPOWERMENT.

WE BELIEVE ACCESS TO HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND ECONOMIC SERVICES FOR FAMILIES, CHILDREN, AND SENIORS CULTIVATES STRONG COMMUNITIES, POSITIVE CHANGES, AND HOPEFUL FUTURES.

WE SUPPORT THE FINANCIAL VIABILITY OF OUR COMMUNITIES

- ✓ SUPPORT & STABILIZE RESIDENTS
- ✓ REDUCE TURNOVER RATES
- ✓ IMPROVE OCCUPANCY RATES
- ✓ REDUCE PROPERTY DAMAGE & MAINTENANCE COST

BENEFITS OF OUR ON-SITE RESOURCE CENTERS

- ✓ FOSTERS TRUST BETWEEN OUR TEAM AND RESIDENTS
- ✓ ONE-STOP CENTER FOR RESOURCES, SUPPORT, AND PROGRAMS
- ✓ REDUCES BARRIERS LIKE TRANSPORTATION AND CHILDCARE
- ✓ REDIRECTS SOCIAL SERVICE REQUESTS FROM PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

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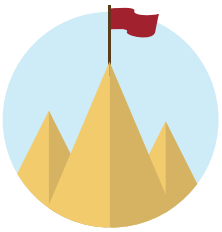
SERVING COMMUNITIES FOR OVER 25 YEARS

STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES

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Project Access is a nonprofit organization dedicated to transforming affordable housing communities into places of opportunity. Through over 100 on-site and virtual resource centers across 17 states, we provide residents with access to vital programs in health, education, employment, and economic stability. Serving more than 29,000 individuals annually, our mission is to ensure families, children, and seniors have access to the tools and support they need to thrive—on their own terms. It's about equity and empowerment, right where they live.

OUR MISSION



To be the leading provider of vital health, education, and employment services to families, children, and seniors living in affordable and workforce housing communities.

OUR VISION



Project Access envisions that all residents of affordable and workforce housing communities have the opportunity to achieve self-sufficiency and maximize their full potential.

KEY INITIATIVES



We believe access to health, education, and economic services for families, children, and seniors cultivates strong communities, positive changes, and hopeful futures. We focus on four key areas:

- EDUCATION FOR YOUTH & FAMILIES
- HEALTH & WELLNESS
- COMMUNITY BUILDING
- ECONOMIC STABILITY



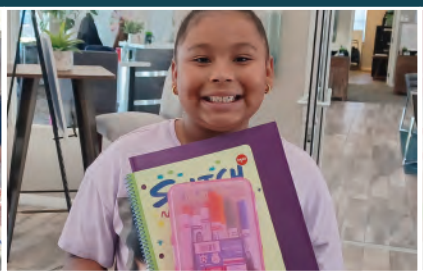






ARIZONA 2025 SUMMARY
WHERE MISSION MEETS MEASURABLE IMPACT








Housing alone is not enough. Since launching services in August 2016, Project Access has expanded its impact across Arizona, helping residents overcome barriers and connect to the resources and support systems needed for long term housing stability. Through our Resource Centers, we are strengthening communities by improving access to education, financial stability, health and wellness, and essential services.

In 2025, this commitment translated into meaningful impact across our 14 Arizona communities, reflecting the progress we've made and the lives we continue to transform.

DELIVERING QUALITY PROGRAMS

51,991
INSTANCES IN WHICH RESIDENTS CONNECTED WITH PROJECT ACCESS SERVICES

4,086
UNIQUE RESIDENTS ACCESSED PROJECT ACCESS SERVICES

2,382
HOUSEHOLDS DIRECTLY ENGAGED ACROSS ARIZONA COMMUNITIES

ARIZONA FOOTPRINT

14 RESOURCE CENTERS

SERVING ARIZONA COMMUNITIES, 7 IN MARICOPA COUNTY AND 7 IN PIMA COUNTY

AGAVE AT TWENTY TWO
8485 E. 22ND STREET
TUCSON, AZ 85710

BUTLER RIDGE
6767 W. BUTLER DRIVE
GLENDALE, AZ 85302

CATALINA RIDGE
7400 E GOLF LINKS ROAD
TUCSON, AZ 85730

CHANDLER RIDGE
102 W. PALOMINO DR.
CHANDLER, AZ 85225

COUNTRY CLUB VERANDAS
1415 N. COUNTRY CLUB DRIVE
MESA, AZ 85201

HAMPTON PARK
8600 E OLD SPANISH TRAIL
TUCSON, AZ 85710

LAKESIDE CASITA
8250 E. GOLF LINKS ROAD
TUCSON, AZ 85730

SARATOGA RIDGE
1450 E. BELL ROAD
PHOENIX, AZ 85022

SOLANO SPRINGS
6340 S SANTA CLARA AVENUE
TUCSON, AZ 85706

STILLWATER
7711 N 51ST AVENUE
GLENDALE, AZ 85301

TANQUE VERDE
7671 E TANQUE VERDE ROAD
TUCSON, AZ 85715

THE PALMS AT SOUTH MOUNTAIN
4424 E. BASELINE ROAD
PHOENIX, AZ 85042

THE PEAKS ON 4TH
102 S. 4TH AVENUE
AVONDALE, AZ 85323

VERDE PLAZA
2424 SOUTH COTTONWOOD LANE
TUCSON, AZ 85713





ENGAGEMENT & IMPACT

Resident satisfaction is a powerful indicator of our success. When residents feel supported and return to engage with our programs, it means we're meeting real needs. High satisfaction reflects not only the quality of our services, but also the trust we've built within our communities. It reinforces that Project Access is a place where residents feel supported, empowered, and equipped to take positive steps forward in their lives.

EDUCATION FOR YOUTH & FAMILIES



579 RESIDENTS

ENGAGED MORE THAN 16,900 TIMES IN THE AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM WHICH SUPPORTS ACADEMIC ENGAGEMENT, STUDY HABITS, SOCIAL SKILLS, AND FAMILY STABILITY.

HEALTH & WELLNESS



30,350 SNACKS, MEALS, AND GROCERIES DISTRIBUTED

SUPPORTED 765 HOUSEHOLDS - INCREASING ACCESS TO FOOD.
THIS SUPPORT CONTINUES TO BE ONE OF THE MOST IMMEDIATE AND PRACTICAL WAYS WE MEET RESIDENT NEED.

COMMUNITY BUILDING



3,180 RESIDENTS

ENGAGED MORE THAN 11,400 TIMES IN COMMUNITY-BUILDING ACTIVITIES INCLUDING ADULT SOCIAL EVENTS, FAMILY ENGAGEMENT EVENTS, AND SAFETY AWARENESS WORKSHOPS. THESE EFFORTS HELP REDUCE ISOLATION AND STRENGTHEN SOCIAL CONNECTION ACROSS COMMUNITIES.

ECONOMIC STABILITY



899 RESIDENTS

ENGAGED MORE THAN 3,100 TIMES IN SERVICES TO SUPPORT ECONOMIC STABILITY, CONNECTING MORE INDIVIDUALS TO ESSENTIAL PROGRAMS THAT DRIVE ECONOMIC STABILITY AND REDUCE THE RISK OF EVICTION.

OVERALL SATISFACTION



98% OF PARTICIPANTS — INCREASED THEIR KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, & RESOURCES.

+91 — NET PROMOTER SCORE (RANGES FROM -100 TO +100). THIS IS CONSIDERED WORLD-CLASS RESIDENT SATISFACTION. RESIDENT FEEDBACK REFLECTS STRONG TRUST, RELEVANCE, AND VALUE OF SERVICES.

100% — OF SURVEYED RESIDENTS SAID THEY PLAN TO PUT WHAT THEY'VE LEARNED INTO ACTION.

RESIDENT TESTIMONIALS

Resident voices play a vital role in showcasing the reach and depth of our impact. Through their stories, we gain meaningful insight into how our programs provide support, spark growth, and create lasting change. These testimonials uplift the experiences of those we serve and remind us why our mission matters; every story is a reflection of resilience, progress, and possibility.

STORIES FROM THE COMMUNITY

Helping Seniors Stay Stable and Independent



Robert "Bob" Thayer, 69, is a beloved resident at Verde Plaza who has become a familiar face at the Project Access Resource Center. After retiring and relocating from Seattle to Arizona, Bob embraced his new community, regularly participating in programs, sharing his knowledge with others, and brightening the day of residents of all ages. Affectionately known as "Bob the Builder" by many of the children in the After School Program, he has become an important part of the community.

Living on a fixed monthly income, Bob carefully budgeted to cover his essential expenses. When an unexpected increase in his housing costs created financial hardship, he found himself forced to choose between paying his bills and purchasing groceries.

While attending Project Access nutrition classes to learn healthy cooking techniques, Bob shared his situation with staff. Through Project Access, he was connected to the SCAN Senior Assistance Fund, which provided emergency grocery assistance during a critical time. Combined with the nutrition program, the support not only ensured Bob had access to healthy meals but also helped him rebuild a sustainable budget and begin setting aside savings for future emergencies.

Today, Bob continues to be an active participant at the Resource Center, welcoming new residents, volunteering his time, and sharing his positive spirit with both seniors and youth throughout the community.

Bob's story demonstrates how timely financial assistance, combined with education and ongoing support, can help older adults maintain their independence, reduce financial stress, and build greater long term stability.

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Nurturing a Love of Learning and Growth



MJ, 5, is a bright and curious resident at Palms at South Mountain whose passion for learning has grown through the Project Access After School Program. His mother enrolled him in the program to provide a safe, supportive environment where he could continue learning after school, build meaningful friendships, and develop both academically and socially.

From the beginning, MJ demonstrated exceptional academic potential and an eagerness to learn. Recognizing his abilities, Project Access staff provided individualized support to help him strengthen his skills, practice advanced coursework, and prepare for an advanced academic program. Staff also partnered closely with his mother, regularly communicating his progress and reinforcing his learning beyond the classroom.

As MJ continued participating in the After School Program, his growth extended far beyond academics. Through engaging educational activities, hands on learning experiences, and positive interactions with peers, he developed greater confidence, improved his social and emotional skills, and became more engaged in both the classroom and the community. The Resource Center quickly became a place where he enjoyed completing homework, exploring new interests, and discovering a love of learning.

Today, MJ continues to thrive academically while building the confidence and social skills that will support his success for years to come. His enthusiasm for learning, willingness to try new things, and positive attitude inspire both his peers and Project Access staff.

“My son comes to the After School Program, and he has grown tremendously both emotionally and educationally.”
- Tianna, MJ’s mother

MJ's story demonstrates how personalized academic support, strong family partnerships, and a nurturing environment can empower children to reach their full potential, building the confidence, skills, and curiosity they need to succeed both in school and in life.

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Building Stability and Opportunity for the Whole Family



When Kristina, 26, moved to Hampton Park with her significant other, Daniel, and their two daughters, she was looking for more than a place to live. As a new resident, she hoped to build connections within the community while finding resources to support her growing family.

After learning about Project Access from the property management team, Kristina quickly became involved in Resource Center programs. As her SNAP benefits were reduced, Project Access connected her to monthly food distributions through a partnership with the Community Food Bank, helping ease financial pressure on her household. Project Access also referred her to the Diaper Bank as she prepared to adopt a newborn baby girl and welcomed her daughters into the After School Program, where they received personalized reading and math support.

Determined to create a brighter future, Kristina attended a financial literacy workshop hosted by First Citizens Bank, where she received personalized guidance on building credit and taking steps toward her dream of homeownership. She also became an active participant in community events, building friendships with neighbors and even introducing her grandmother to Project Access programs, helping her develop new social connections.

Today, Kristina continues to take advantage of the many resources and opportunities available through Project Access while creating a stable, connected future for her family.

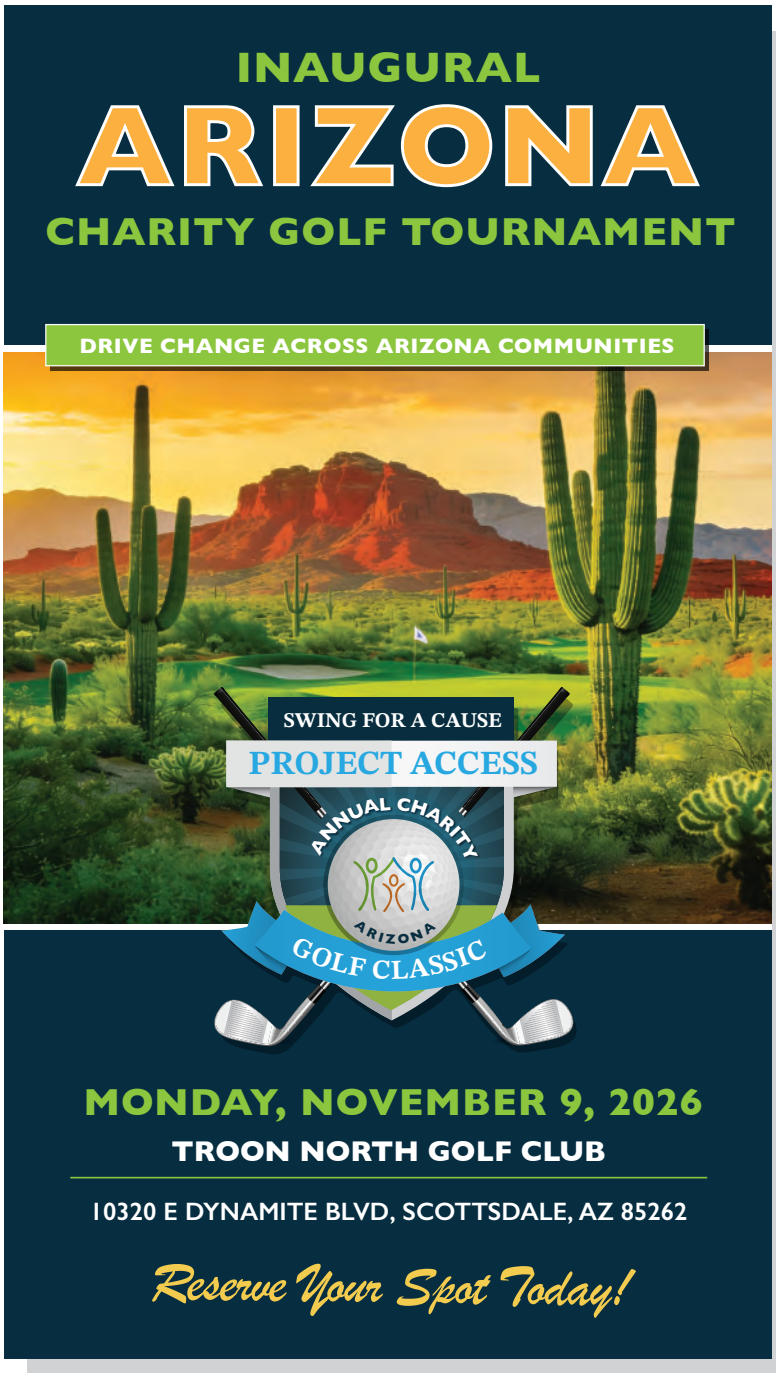
"I like how you have programs for kids and adults. It makes life easier by helping with food, resources like the Diaper Bank, and so many other things our family needs." - Kristina

Kristina's story demonstrates how connecting families to essential resources, financial education, and community support helps create greater stability today while empowering them to achieve their goals for tomorrow.

EMPOWERING OUR ARIZONA COMMUNITIES

Join us to uplift families, children, and seniors through our Arizona Resource Centers. Your involvement directly supports our program initiatives in Health & Wellness, Education for Youth & Families, Community Building, and Economic Stability. Together, we can make a positive impact! .

OPPORTUNITIES TO SUPPORT





ADOPT A RESOURCE CENTER

ANNUAL COMMITMENT, CRA-ALIGNED

Provide direct funding to one community while engaging your team through hands-on volunteer opportunities. Build meaningful connections with residents and see measurable impact through reporting and stories.

ADOPTIONS FROM $5,000+ PER YEAR



PROJECT ACCESS CONNECT APP

RESIDENT SERVICES MOBILE APP

The Project Access Connect app provides underserved communities with essential resources and support. Sponsoring it aligns your brand with a transformative, community-strengthening initiative.

SPONSORSHIPS START FROM $5,000+ PER YEAR

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

ARIZONA COMMUNITY AND CORPORATE PARTNERS

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MIDWEST FOOD BANK
TUCSON POLICE DEPARTMENT

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