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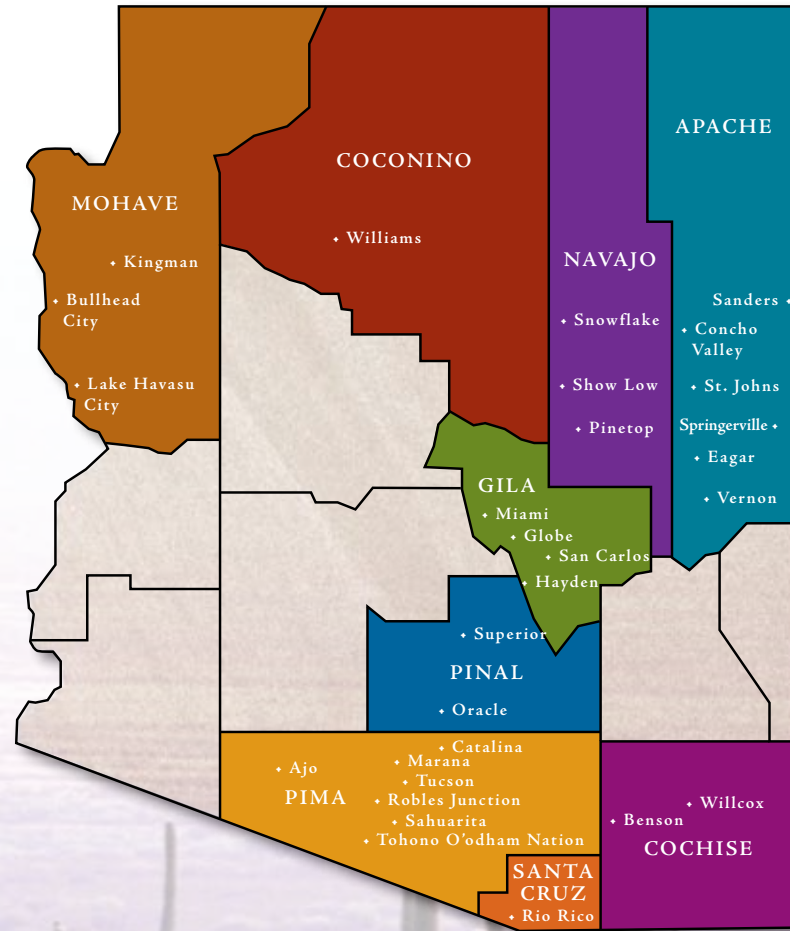




## COMMUNITIES WE SERVE

AZYP SERVES YOUTH, ADULTS, AND FAMILIES IN 29 COMMUNITIES IN 9 COUNTIES IN RURAL ARIZONA.

- Apache County**  
Concho Valley, Eagar, Springerville,  
St. Johns, Sanders, Vernon
- Cochise County**  
Wilcox, Benson
- Coconino County**  
Williams
- Gila County**  
Globe, Hayden, Miami,  
San Carlos Apache Nation
- Mohave County**  
Bullhead City, Kingman,  
Lake Havasu City
- Navajo County**  
Pinetop, Show Low, Snowflake
- Pima County**  
Ajo, Catalina, Marana, Robles Junction,  
Tohono O'odham, Tucson, Sahuarita
- Pinal County**  
Oracle, Superior
- Santa Cruz County**  
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## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT



DEAR FRIENDS AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS,

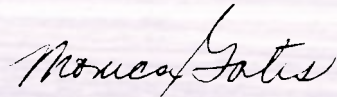
As we usher in the New Year, it is fitting to take a moment to reflect on and celebrate the many significant accomplishments realized by Arizona Youth Partnership in 2008.

This past year, our organization continued to expand and enhance our vision, reaching and positively influencing 28,875 children and families in 29 communities throughout the state. As demonstrated by measurable positive outcomes, our programs are helping to improve the quality of life for all we serve. Dr. Luan Wagner Burn and her dynamic staff, with direction from our remarkable Board of Directors, remain committed to raising public awareness of the benefits of teaching healthy lifestyle skills to children and adults alike.

Thank you for your time, talent and generosity over the past year. As we look ahead to an uncertain economic climate in 2009, please know that your continued commitment to Arizona Youth Partnership is crucial to our success. Recognizing the need for additional programs and resources throughout the state, now more than ever – we must stay focused on our mission, “In partnership with communities, develop resources to promote the positive growth of their children.”

With your support, we can continue to provide the resources essential for promoting healthy communities and ensuring a bright New Year for Arizona’s families.

My sincere appreciation for all you do,



*Monica Gates*  
President, Board of Directors

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## RESULTS

### AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

AzYP's after school programs in Ajo and Catalina provide academic, social, and recreational enrichment for youth in elementary and middle school. Youth are provided with homework and tutoring assistance as well as skill-building activities, arts and crafts, snacks, and life skills education. Over 90 youth participated in the After School Programs.

#### *Nicole\* – Taking pride in herself*

Nicole started in the After School program very isolated; she had no friends within the program, no extra-curricular activities, and showed very little self-esteem. Nicole would not look anyone in the eye, held her head down, and would speak only when spoken to. Throughout the school year the staff and one youth in particular, Paul, spent time with Nicole talking to her about self-esteem, being proud of herself, and taking care with her appearance. By the end of the school year, Nicole initiated conversation with youth and adults, looked people in the eye when speaking to them, and held her head up when she walked in a room. Nicole has moved on to high school, but continues to keep in touch with the After School staff – and Paul.

- 60% of participants in Ajo increased their grade point average
- In Catalina 48% of participants increased or maintained their grade point average

*Funded by Pima County Outside Agency and the SaddleBrooke Rotary Foundation.*

### COMMUNITY COALITIONS

AzYP's six community coalitions in Ajo, Bullhead City, Catalina, Globe/Hayden, Kingman, and Marana implemented strategies that will impact community attitudes, perceptions, norms, and beliefs around alcohol and other drugs to decrease laws, norms, and policies favorable to substance use and abuse. AzYP coalitions involve community leaders and key stakeholders from 12 sectors of the community to craft and implement environmental strategies to prevent, reduce, and treat substance abuse in the neighborhoods and regions in which they live.

#### *Jenny – Spreading the Word*

Jenny's 16-year old son died the night before his 17th birthday; the diagnosis: alcohol poisoning. Jason went to a friend's house to celebrate. The friend's parents provided alcohol in large quantities to the underage

youth. As the night went on, Jason became ill. The hosting parents were aware of this but did not attempt to contact Jason's mother, Jenny, or 911 as his condition worsened. It wasn't until Jason did not make curfew that Jenny drove over to the friend's house only to find her son near death. Jason could not be resuscitated and died in the hospital. Jenny now speaks to Kingman parents about social host liability, underage and retail access, and alcohol poisoning in the hope that no parent has to endure what she has.

#### Community Coalition Outcomes

- 7.6% increase in the perceived harm of ATOD among adults
- 5.8% increase of Adult Sense of community
- Laws & Norms Favor(ing) Drug Use in Mohave County 8th grade students have dropped from 48.4% to 38.6%
- Academic Failure in Mohave County for 8th grade students has dropped from 54.1% to 48.5%

*Funded by the Governor's Office for Children, Youth, and Families-Division of Substance Abuse Policy, U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services-Center for Substance Abuse Prevention, Community Partnership of Southern Arizona, and the Northern Arizona Regional Behavioral Health Authority.*

### HEALTHY MARRIAGES/STRONG FAMILIES

The Healthy Marriages/Strong Families program teaches participants to increase communication and conflict resolution skills, increase marital satisfaction and emotional intimacy; and increase family bonding using the *PAIRS For Life* curriculum. The program is for couples who have children enrolled in Head Start programs and who are in a committed relationship with their partner, fiancé(e), or spouse.

#### *Jose – Revitalizing marriage*

After attending the weekend retreats, one participant from the Sonoran Region shared how much better his relationship with his wife had become. He said, "I used to hate coming home to my wife. When I did come home it was really just to throw money at her and leave before we could get into an argument. Now, with the tools that we learned during the weekend, I can't wait to come home and be able to discuss issues with my wife. I never knew that we had such a strong marriage. All we needed were the tools. Thank you all for the work you do."

#### Healthy Marriage Outcomes

- 69% increase in Relationship Satisfaction
- 67% Increase in Conflict Resolution
- 64% increase in Communication
- 61% increase in Family Adaptability
- 57% increase in Family Cohesion
- 49% increase in Sense of Shared Roles
- 47% increase in Sense of Shared Goals

*Funded by the U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services-Administration for Children and Families.*

### THE T.E.A.M. PROJECT (TEENS EDUCATING AND MENTORING)

The T.E.A.M. Project is a collaborative project between Arizona Youth Partnership, and 5 school districts serving 8th Grade Youth in Apache, Pima and Pinal Counties. Two (2) goals guide the project, to decrease antisocial behavior among 8th grade youth and decrease alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use among 8th grade youth in Ajo, Catalina, Oracle, Marana and Springerville/Eagar. Eighth grade youth serve as mentors to their 5th grade buddies and meet on a weekly basis. Youth are taught Life Skills, mentoring, and the effects of alcohol, tobacco and drug use.

#### *Anna-Boosting Self-Esteem, one Buddy at a time.*

Anna was recruited in September 2007 to be a part of the T.E.A.M Project in Ajo. Anna was matched with her buddy Susan after getting trained in Botvin's Life Skills Training and the Youth 2 Youth Mentoring. Anna spent afternoons tutoring and playing games with Susan. At the end of the program she stated, "I felt important for once."

#### T.E.A.M. Project Outcomes

- 36% reported less fighting
- 25% reported less bullying
- 34% reported less anger
- 44% reported more caring

*Funded by the Governor's Office for Children, Youth, and Families-Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities.*





### LIFE SKILLS EDUCATION

The Life Skills Education program uses Botvin's LifeSkills Training to increase school attachment and to increase delay and refusal skills for youth 10-14 years of age by teaching life management skills that are essential for youth self-sufficiency. Research has shown that youth who participate in 20 or more hours of a program are less likely to engage in high risk behaviors such as alcohol and drug use, violence, skipping school, and early sexual activity.

#### *Jacob – Student of the Quarter*

Jacob showed signs of severe depression at the beginning of Life Skills classes. One of the assignments was on Self Image. On the worksheet he drew a picture of himself with an exaggerated frown and tears coming from his eyes. He described himself as being very sad and alone all the time. The assignment was submitted to the school's Principal and Counselor. Interaction with Jacob was made by school staff. Monitoring and observation during Life Skills classes was continued by staff. A few weeks passed and the Life Skills Educator has noticed Jacob had become engaged in Life Skills classes. He seems much more alert; takes part in class discussions. Jacob was later recognized as "Student of the Quarter" at an award ceremony in October 2008.

#### Life Skills Outcomes:

- 81% of participants stated they would say "no" if someone tried to get me to smoke a cigarette.
- 72% of participants stated they would say "no" if someone tried to get me to drink beer, wine or liquor.

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### TEEN PREGNANCY PREVENTION

Youth, 12-18 years of age, learn refusal, delay, and decision making skills to prevent early sexual activity. The short-term benefits are: increased ability to refuse/delay early sex, and increased parent-child communication around abstinence. Long-term benefits include reduced sexually transmitted diseases, pregnancy, and birth rates among teens. Over 10,000 youth and parents participated in the 21 communities of Ajo, Bullhead City, Concho, Eagar, Globe, Marana, Miami, Oracle, Pinetop, Rio Rico, Robles Junction, Sahaurita, Sanders, Show Low, Snowflake, Springerville, St. Johns, Tohono O'odham, Tucson, Superior, and Vernon.

#### *Clarise – New Decisions, New Choices*

Clarise went through the in-class abstinence education program in her high school health class. She had been dating her boyfriend for a few months, and they decided to have sex. The relationship ended a few weeks later, and Clarise was left feeling sad and used. After the program, she told her friend she wanted to renew her virginity, "I have had sex, and I am really sorry I did. Please help me with this abstinence pledge. The presenters last week in class really made me think about this, and I want to renew my virginity." Clarise has been abstinent ever since.

#### Teen Pregnancy Outcomes:

- 69% of participants made a commitment to be abstinent.
- 71% of youth agree that "Abstinence from sexual activity is the only certain way to avoid out-of-wedlock pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases"
- 53% of youth were sure they "could avoid getting into a situation that might lead to sex, like going into a bedroom with a date, drinking alcohol, doing drugs."

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### WAKE UP!™ ALCOHOL & DRUG PREVENTION EDUCATION PROGRAM

Wake Up!™ is a proven best practice prevention education program with the overall goal to change participants' belief systems about drugs and alcohol to reduce recidivism rates. Wake Up!™ is an 8-hour alcohol and drug educational prevention program that is implemented in four sessions. This four-session program targets 12 to 22 year-old drug and alcohol offenders referred by the courts. The youth participants receive a certificate of completion that is also sent to their Juvenile Court probation officer who referred them to the program.

#### *Kimberly – Turning her life around*

Kimberly was referred to the WakeUp!™ Program through Pima County Juvenile Court Probation. She had found herself running away from home and hanging out with people she hardly knew. Kimberly would drink and smoke marijuana while out with her "friends." Shortly before she began the WakeUp!™ Program she found herself with a group of guys she barely knew. She could not remember what happened and the next thing she is waking up in a park by herself at night. Kimberly was possibly slipped a date rape drug which caused her to black out. After going through the WakeUp!™ Program she stated "I was real fortunate that nothing really bad happened to me and now realize the danger I was putting myself in." Kimberly's last update was she was speaking to several college recruiters in hopes of receiving a full ride scholarship for softball.

#### Wake Up!™ Outcomes:

- 206 completed the program.
- 17% recidivism rate for youth with repeat offenses.

*Funded by Governor's Office for Children, Youth, and Families-Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention and agency program fees.*

### YOUTH EMPOWERED FOR SUCCESS (Y.E.S.)

The Youth Empowered for Success (YES) Project's main objective is to increase the total number of youth who feel connected to their school. YES teams engage students and staff in prevention-oriented initiatives to improve conditions on high school campuses to increase school connectedness.

#### *Justin - Working towards school pride*

Tohono O'odham High School has very poor attendance and little school pride among the students. During the school year, the Y.E.S. Team recruited over 20 members among students and staff to work on the issue of school pride. One young man, Justin attended weekly Y.E.S. meetings and worked on many projects throughout the year. He struggled with grades and was unsure that he would graduate. As Justin saw his classmates working to better conditions on campus and work toward graduation, he made the decision to complete summer school to graduate and receive his diploma. During the summer school session, the principal received a call from Justin's girlfriend, who had not graduated, saying that she wished to return to school and get her diploma to make Justin and her other friends and family proud of her!

*Funded by Community Partnership of Southern Arizona.*

\*All names have been changed.

## STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

### Revenues and Other Support

Grants and Contracts:	
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services	\$1,097,327
Community Partnership of Southern Arizona	197,792
State of Arizona	1,255,986
Other grants and contracts	102,078
Total grants and contracts	2,653,183
Contributions	144,765
Miscellaneous income	10,310
Total Revenues and Other Support	2,808,258

### Expenses

Program Expenses	2,277,700
General and Administrative	289,981
Total Expenses	2,567,681

Change in Net Assets	240,577
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Net Assets, Beginning of Year	469,194
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<b>Net Assets, End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 709,771</b>
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## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

### Assets

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 315,995
Accounts receivable	459,348
Prepaid expenses	4,429
Land, buildings, and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$96,292	95,130
Other assets	1,477
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 876,379</b>

### Liabilities

Accounts payable and accrued expenses	166,608
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>166,608</b>

### Net Assets

Unrestricted net assets	709,771
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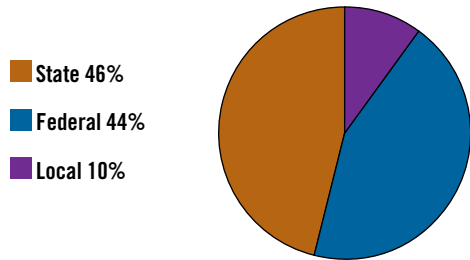
<b>Total Net Assets</b>	<b>709,771</b>
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<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	<b>\$876,379</b>
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## 2007-2008 FUNDING SOURCES



U.S. Dept. of Health & Human Services - Administration for Children and Families	\$1,150,000
Center for Substance Abuse Prevention	\$100,000
Arizona Department of Health Services	\$470,791
Governor's Office for Children, Youth, and Families	\$817,852
Governor's Office of Highway Safety	\$17,734
Pima County Outside Agency	\$36,000
SaddleBrooke Rotary Club Foundation	\$5,000
Resurrection Lutheran Church	\$3,846
Community Partnership of Southern Arizona	\$206,500
Northern Arizona Behavioral Health Authority	\$50,000
<b>Total FY 2007-2008 Funding</b>	<b>\$2,857,723</b>

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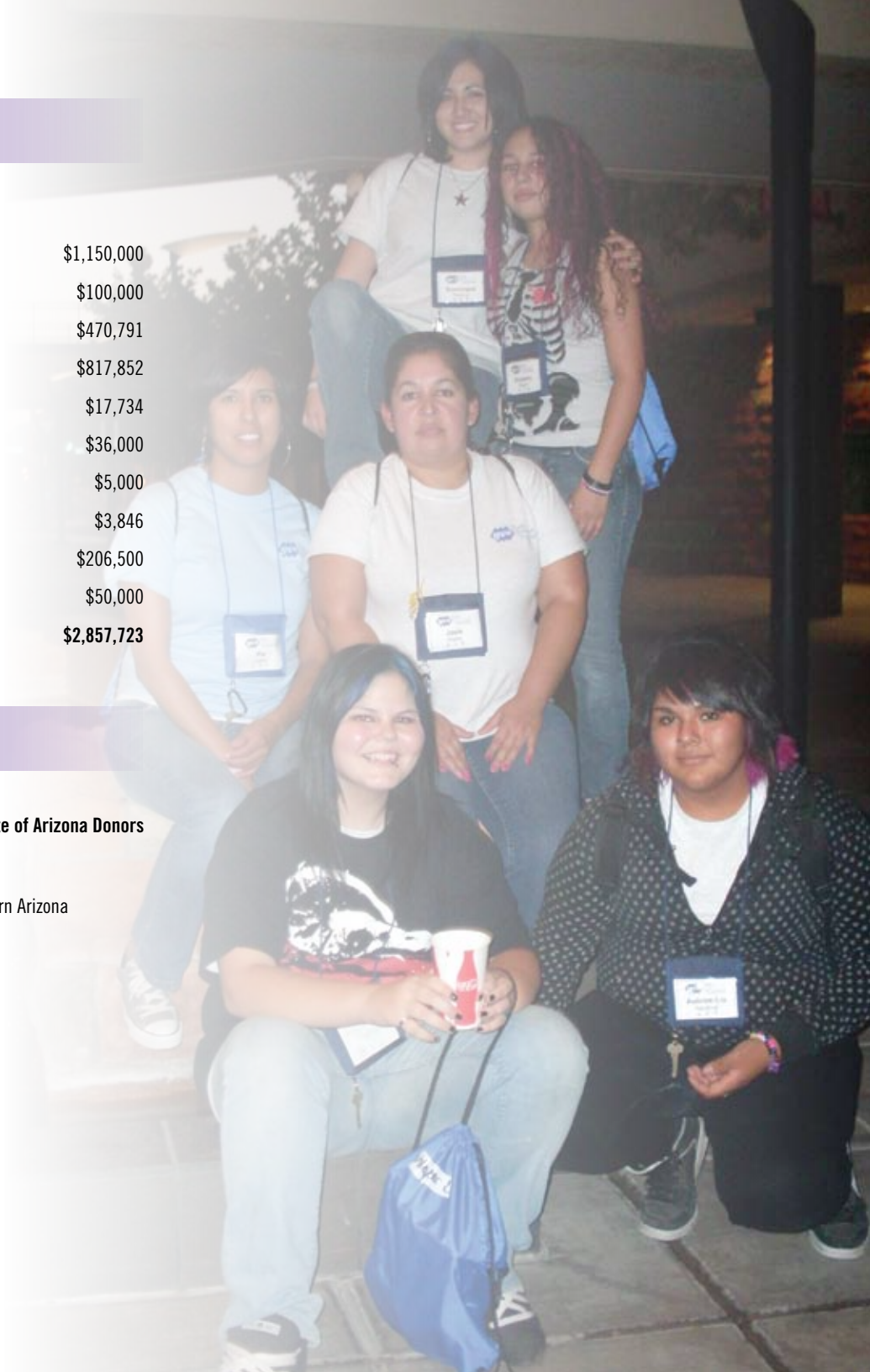
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