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Circles of Success

Communities of Strength

Community
Development
Initiative of
Arizona



CDI-AZ (Community Development Initiative of Arizona)

The goal of the Community Development Initiative of Arizona is for families and agencies to work hand in hand to develop and enhance self-reliant, self-sustaining communities.

CDI-AZ is fundamentally different from other models of “family involvement”, because it supports a true commitment to family-professional partnerships. This community development philosophy is family-led and agency supported *not* agency led and family supported. No one group can do this work successfully without the other.

Key Elements of the CDI-AZ:

- Community Development requires a patient, persistent, and deliberate approach to promoting change,
- Mutual learning, relationship building, and respect for community ownership of issues and actions,
- Developed at the local level; generates collaboration at the community, state, and federal levels,
- Family-Professional partnerships are essential to the implementation of the Community Development process, and the ultimate success of the initiative,
- Integration of the Community Development philosophy across and within state agencies facilitates effective partnerships, and relationships,
- Families move from recipients of service to agents of change, and
- This process empowers families, constituents, and agencies.

Governor Napolitano expressed her support of the Parent Led Initiative at the August 2004 Governor’s Children’s Cabinet meeting. The Parent Leaders recommended a process of bringing together families and constituents of Arizona’s child-serving agencies.

The Summit, *“Circles of Success, Communities of Strength”*, was held in April 2005. It was the kickoff event to promote ongoing collaborative learning, partnerships, and action. Participants developed a strategic plan to implement this initiative within their agency.

How can I get involved?

If you would like more information or are interested in partnering in this exciting initiative, contact one of the CDI-AZ Partners listed on this brochure .

