



Arizona Grandparent Ambassadors

AZGA Leaders Prepare For 2017 State Legislative Session

Arizona Grandparent Ambassadors are a statewide coalition of grandparents raising their grandchildren. We stepped up to keep our families together and strong. We are the reason our grandchildren are not in foster care, group homes, or other non-familial settings.

Our mission is to support, mobilize, educate, and advocate for Arizona's grandparents who are raising their grandchildren and to work with elected leaders to develop better laws and policies that enable us to care for and raise strong, resilient children .

AZ Grandparent Ambassadors Convene for Statewide Summit

More than 160 participants joined Arizona Grandparent Ambassadors for the 5th statewide Grandparent Summit in Phoenix on September 17th. The event brought together grandparents raising



grandchildren to network, share their experiences with policy makers and learn about potential policy changes specific to Kinship families. The event included a panel of public policymakers, including Senator David Bradley and Representatives Kate Brophy-McGee and Jeff Weninger. The three elected officials were joined by Christina Corieri, Senior Health Policy Adviser to Governor Ducey. Grandparents took the opportunity to ask questions and offer their own suggestions on how to build a stronger support system in Arizona for kinship families. Attendees also participated in workshops on how to better access mental health services for their grandkids and were provided with legal guidance on preparing estate documents to ensure their custodial grandchildren are protected. Additionally, they took time to write to Arizona Sen. John McCain, urging support for the Family First Prevention Act, a measure in Congress that would help keep children with families



AZGA Bill Signing Ceremony August 9th, 2016

AZGA was invited by Governor Ducey to participate in a special bill signing ceremony at the Capitol in August. This change in law will provide additional financial assistance to grandparents raising grandkids by removing the "Kids Cap" for TANF eligible grand families.

Election Day - Just Mere Weeks Away!



View candidates' verbatim responses to questions regarding children's welfare:
www.azchildren.org/take-action/2016-candidate-questionnaires

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