



Arizona Grandparent Ambassadors

AZGA Members Looking Forward to Day at the AZ Capitol

Arizona Grandparent Ambassadors (AZGA)

is a statewide coalition of aunts, uncles, fictive kin and grandparents who stepped up to care for children who for a variety of reasons could no longer remain in their own home. We are the reason children are not in foster care, group homes, or other non-familial settings.

Our mission is to support, mobilize, educate, and advocate for better laws and policies to help us care for and raise strong, resilient children.



AZGA Members: Raising Our Voices With AZ State Legislators

The 2018 Arizona Legislative Session has begun and for the next 100+ days lawmakers will introduce, debate and attempt to pass a number of bills and a budget that will definitely affect Arizona children and families.

On February 20th, 2018 Arizona Grandparent Ambassadors (AZGA) will gather for their Lobby Day at the AZ Capitol and we are inviting grandparents and other relative caregivers from across Arizona to join us!

We expect several bills to be introduced this legislative session that would affect our families. Sen. Brophy McGee, Sen. Bradley, Rep. Clodfelter, and Rep. Espinoza have plans to introduce bills, such as:

- ◇ Changes to Guardianship procedures;
- ◇ Doubling the Kinship Family Stipend benefit after 6 months;
- ◇ Granting a provisional foster care license to kinship families; and
- ◇ Expanding 'Child Only' TANF benefits to include informal families.

After a lobbying training and hearing from speakers, AZGA members will do small group visits to help educate lawmakers about our policy priorities and key pieces of legislation. Registration by Feb 6th is required to attend. Register at www.azga.org or at info@azga.org & include your *HOME* address.

Check Out our NEW & Improved Website!

www.azga.org

- ⇒ Register For Upcoming Events
- ⇒ Find More Resources & Info
- ⇒ Volunteer & Get Involved
- ⇒ Hear Caregivers' Stories
- ⇒ Follow Us on Facebook
- ⇒ Make a Donation

Register TODAY for AZGA 'Day at the Capitol'

**Tuesday, February 20th, 2018
from 9:30 am to 2 pm**

**Arizona State Capitol
1700 W. Washington, Phoenix, AZ 85007**

The Day at the Capitol is important for AZGA! Not only is it an opportunity to meet with Legislators, but to also network and learn from other kinship caregivers! Come prepared to listen, learn and share.

Registration is Required by Feb 6. Register online at www.azga.org/rsvp-to-attend or email us at info@azga.org



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