



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 .

Happening Now:

SB1108: removes the kidcap for an otherwise eligible child in an unlicensed unrelated home placed by DCS or children in unlicensed placements in custody of tribal court or tribal welfare agency

Governor's Budget includes a request to expand the Grandparent Stipend to other related adults.

AZ Grandparent Ambassadors announce special guest for "Grandfamily Day at the Capitol 2017"

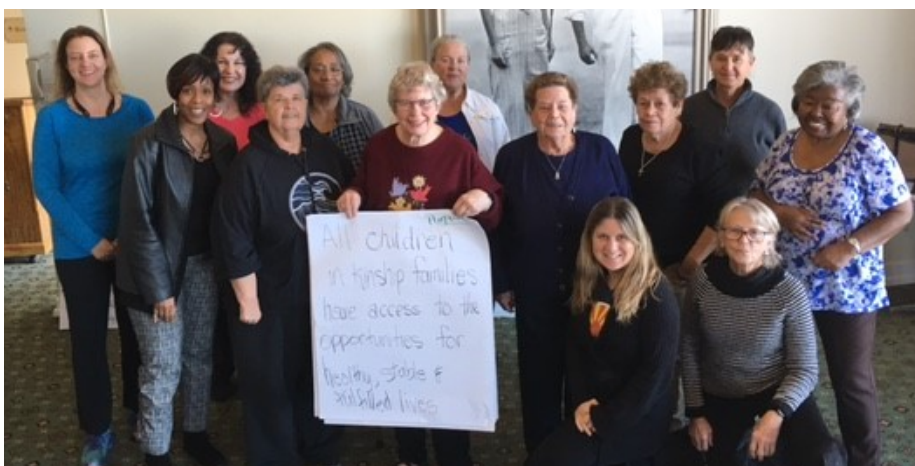
Arizona Grandparent Ambassadors are thrilled to announce that Governor Doug Ducey will be a speaker at our "Grandfamily Day at the Capitol" 2017. Grandparents and kinship care providers raising relatives are welcome to join us for this important day, however, seating is limited to 40 and a ticket is required. Tickets are free and can be reserved at: www.azga.org

In addition, you will also:

- Have the opportunity to meet with your lawmaker. If you are nervous, don't worry! An AZGA leader can join you with your meeting, upon request.
- Receive training on how to tell your story and effectively advocate for grandparents raising grandchildren and kinship care.
- Be acknowledged by lawmakers on the House or Senate floor
- Meet other grandparents raising grandchildren from around the state
- Receive an AZGA "kinship keeps kids in the family" T-shirt

An RSVP is REQUIRED. Tickets are free and can be reserved at www.azga.org. Lunch is included courtesy of the AZ AARP. Unfortunately, child care is not available for this event.

Make an impact and join us at the State Capitol on February 13, 2017!



Get Involved with AZGA

Maricopa Chair: Sherry Griffin (602) 456-0762, CentralAZGA@gmail.com

Next meeting: Feb 6, 6pm

Pima Chair: Ann Nichols (520) 312-8067, annwnichols@gmail.com

Next meeting: Feb 8, 9am

More Information About Arizona Grandparent Ambassadors: www.azga.org