

ARIZONA STATE COUNCIL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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Calendar Year End 2022

Protector of Life

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My Brothers,

I am very pleased to announce the Arizona Knights of Columbus has succeeded in the two State Membership challenges that Supreme has issued to every State Deputy. The first challenge was if each State Jurisdiction could meet **50%** of its current Membership Goal, then Supreme would reduce the Circle of Honor (COH) goal number **by 5%** of its current number. I am pleased to tell you, my brothers we were successful in this challenge. The State of Arizona ended the fiscal year of 2022 with a new membership increase of **57.72%**!

In the second challenge, Supreme had conducted Regional Membership Challenges for the fiscal quarter of October, November, and December. The State of Arizona was a member of the Patriotism Team which included the jurisdictions of New York, Wisconsin, Minnesota, British Columbia, Oregon, Mexico West, and West Virginia. We won the Overall Challenge with a total score of 1862 for the quarter. This will result in a reduction of the COH goal number by **1%**.

With these reductions to the State COH goal, our remaining annual COH goal starting this Friday will be **835**. This could not be accomplished without the efforts of all those Councils and individual members asking Catholic Men to join our ranks. Thank you!

However, our work is not done. We have 6 more months of the fraternal year to accomplish all our goals. Making STAR council should be every Grand Knights goal for his Council and it begins with Membership combined with good Programs. If you have not had a Membership Drive at your parish, NOW is the time to get one scheduled. All Membership drives need to be report to the State. Use the following link for both Membership Drives and scheduled CUF Degrees. This will notify the State of your great work and enter it into the State calendar, our goal is 104 Membership drives. https://kofc-az.org/events-calendar

Please remember these key points:

Member Engagement • What does the council do to enhance an individual's membership experience? Done well or poorly (not at all)? *Ultimate goal – all members have a positive experience*!

Member Experience • How do members view their membership? Positive or Negative? **Positive leads** to a member's continued and further involvement.

So, whether it's this month or the last week of June, we need every Active Council in the State of Arizona to recruit one (1) new member, attend the CUF Exemplification and be on the Council Roster before June 30, 2023.

Let's put our best foot forward and make it happen! Thank you for your continued support in working hard to make Arizona the best state for the Knights of Columbus.

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