

CURRENT PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS September 2021

Casa Grande Alliance - The Casa Grande Alliance is a collaboration among 30+ city and county government departments, mental health, treatment and recovery providers, schools, local businesses, churches, and other local organizations ready for and engaged in identifying needs and delivering effective community prevention strategy.

Casa Grande Middle School Community Garden – Since the beginning of the pandemic, we have nurtured the community garden back to health and have provided the harvested fresh vegetables to the youth and families we serve and to the local women's shelters in our area.

Casa Grande Youth Alliance: Consisting of a diverse body of students from middle and high school that engage in developing and sharpening leadership skills, to assess needs and develop projects to addres those needs through volunteer service to school and community. A goal for all Youth Alliance members is to earn the Presidential Volunteer Service Award.

College and Career Support: In partnership with Northern Arizona University- Civic Service Institute's statewide AmeriCorps program, the program focus is to increase the on-time high school graduation, community college, university and trade-school enrollment, scholarship searches, test preparation and career exploration.

Community Naloxone Distribution – In partnership with Sonoran Prevention Works and the Substance Abuse Coalition Leaders of Arizona, we serve as a community training and distribution point for naloxone.

Community Prevention and Professional Development Training: We offer a variety of presentations to youths, businesses, educational and social services. These presentations include, but not limited to: Adverse Childhood Experience, Opioid Misuse Prevention Training for Employers, Fentanyl and Methamphetamine Crisis Training, Naloxone and Overdose Training, Prisoner Reentry in the Community, Protective Factors Training, and other Parent trainings.

Middle School Family Support Programming – We are working in partnership with area public middle schools to coordinate youth, parent and family support programming guided by parent advisory committees. The programming engages students and adults during the after school and early evening hours. Our family support programming initiative aligns with the National Family Support Network.

Pinal Community Reentry Program – Community Coaches: A volunteer program that pairs a volunteer from the community with an individual returning from a Department of Corrections facility. The Community Coach acts as a mentor and helps set and accomplish goals, navigate local resources, and provide a safe, stable and nurturing environment.

Pinal Community Reentry Program – Independent Referral Program: This program is designed to help those individuals that do not qualify for the Community Coaches Program or do not wish to enroll in it. The Independent Referral Program helps those individuals that have been recently released for a DOC facility with support navigating the resources available to them in the community. CGA, Inc. staff will assist them in finding resources and supplying contact information for them to use. Individuals will be responsible for making calls and applying for programs with the support of CGA, Inc. staff.

Pinal County Drug Court Support - In partnership with Pinal County Superior Court and Adult Probation, we assist with the coordination of celebration of drug court involvement completion with participants.

Pinal County Veteran Court Support - in partnership with Pinal County Superior Court and Adult Probation, we provide meeting space for a volunteer mentoring group associated with Vet Court.

Pinal County Wellness Alliance - Committed to improving the quality of life for our communities, The Pinal County Wellness Alliance serves as a resource to better communicate, coordinate, and collaboratively work to address issues that bring the county's most vulnerable population into the social support and criminal justice systems. The Wellness Alliance also helps develop and strengthen individual and community resilience.

School Supply Kits: With the help of many local partner organizations and community, our goal this year is to provide over 2,000 school supply kits to students.

Strong Families Program for Families with Children 10-14): Developed by Iowa State University this evidence-based, 8-week course helps families build their communication skills, helps parents build upon their parenting skills and helps children transition into their teenage years and prepares them for the pressures they might face.

Triple P Parenting – in partnership with Prevent Child Abuse Arizona, we are certified to facilitate the Triple P Parenting program to small groups of elementary school-age parents and to parents of students with special needs. The Triple P – Positive Parenting Program is one of the most effective evidence-based parenting programs in the world, backed up by more than 35 years of ongoing research. Triple P gives parents simple and practical strategies to help them build strong, healthy relationships, confidently manage their children's behavior and prevent problems developing. Triple P is used in more 30 countries and has been shown to work across cultures, socio-economic groups and in many kinds of family structures.

Triple P Parenting Online – In partnership with Prevent Child Abuse Arizona, we assist and support individual parents with accessing and the Triple P Parenting Online curriculum and supporting parents through the completion of the online course.

The Casa Grande Alliance is always looking for volunteers. To learn more about CGA, Inc., you can visit them online at www.casagrandealliance.com, call (520) 836-5022, or stop by the office located at 280 W. McMurray Blvd.