

## Eastside Neighbors Volunteer Program

- Eastside Neighbors Volunteer Program officially began operations on June 3, 2004 following a news article released in the Arizona Daily Star.
  - Conception and process began in November of 2003 with a common dream and joint effort of concerned Neighborhood Associations and Faith based organizations to focus on the needs of *Senior Citizens* located on the Eastside, enabling them to live independently with safety and dignity.
  - Born of the Neighbors Care Alliance with Jim Murphy of Pima Council on Aging and nurtured from infancy by Leslie Hunten, Advisor, Eastside Neighbors Volunteer Program emerged.
  - The first officers were: Alex Dely, President and John Miller Vice-President.
  - The humble beginning was a dining room table, portable file cabinet, briefcase, cell phone, private vehicle and Central Coordinator, John Miller.
  - The initial constituents were:
    - Broadway NE NA
    - Kenyon/Millett NA
    - Terra del Sol NA
    - Twenty-Second Street Baptist
    - Fountain of Life Lutheran
    - Immanuel Presbyterian
    - Our Mother of Sorrows
    - Saguaro Christian Church
    - St. Matthew's Episcopal
    - New Spirit Lutheran (formerly Spanish Trail Lutheran )
- Since then additional support and encouragement comes from:
- South Harrison NA
  - Christ Community
  - East Tucson Baptist
  - Pantano Christian
- Most recent addition:
- Rosemont West NA
- Local Volunteers came from affiliated Neighborhood Associations and Faith Communities bringing lists of potential volunteers and clients. Additional Volunteers and Clients was the result of news releases in the local newspapers and neighborhood newsletters.
  - Services began following interviews of volunteers and clients. Initially there were 12 Volunteers and 11 Clients.
  - The program filed for incorporation with the State of Arizona in June of 2004.
  - Non-profit status, 501(c)(3), was submitted and approved retroactive to June of 2004.
  - At the close of 2004 the statistics increased to 34 Volunteers and 53 Clients.

- At the close of 2005 the statistics again increased to 62 Volunteers and 135 Clients.
- As of May, 2006, the statistics have risen to new heights and continues to increase. We now have 140 Volunteers and 179 Clients.
- The area of operation grew from serving 85710 zip code in 2004 and by the close of 2005 we service 85730 and a larger part of 85711.
- Future plans under consideration include an expansion to the Rita Ranch area, Vail and Corona de Tucson.
- An Inter-generational program is being considered for *Seniors* to volunteer time and effort in Pre-schools and Nurseries in our communities, building relationships and spanning the gap between generations. This will give *Senior Citizens* the opportunity to reach out and influence the young and the young to give purpose and meaning to the lives of seniors.

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- **Income and Expenses, 2004:**

United Way through the So. Arizona Compassion Initiative Fund:

\$9,000.00

Expenses for 2004: \$10,367.19

Over budget: \$1,367.19

Saguaro Christian Church helped us meet expenses until the new United Way Grant was available. ENVP reimbursed all outstanding debts to Saguaro Christian Church.

- **Income and Expenses for 2005:**

United Way Grant: \$17,634.00

Saguaro Christian Church Brady Outreach: 4,000.00

New Spirit Lutheran Church: 2,500.00

Private donations: 3,119.00

Total Income: \$27,253.00

Expenses: \$25,522.00

ENVP Balance as of Dec 2005 \$1,731.00

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- **Financial status as of May 2006:**

United Way Grant for 2006 (End of UW Grants to ENVP) \$9,900.00

Saguaro Christian, Brady Outreach 5,000.00

Saguaro Christian, Budget 3,000.00

Immanuel Presbyterian 500.00

Twenty-Second Street Baptist 600.00

New Spirit Lutheran 2,500.00

Total Income \$21,500.00

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2006 Proposed Budget: \$26,207.12

**We are presently short of Budget by: \$4,707.12**

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- **Proposed Budget for 2007:**

Considering the present operational budget and rate of increase in clients and services expected, the 2007 budget will be in excess of \$30,000. A formal budget has not been reached and adopted by the Board of Directors. The above figure is a general estimate based on present operations.