# 2013 ANNUAL REPORT





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# *Our Mission*Educate, Engage and Empower

By drawing on Arizona's diversity of citizens, the Town Hall processs promotes public consideration of critical issues facing Arizona, builds consensus and supports implementation of the resulting recommendations.

## Fulfilling our Mission in 2013

Thousands of Arizonans actively engaged in discussions about topics relevant to their communities at Town Hall programs:

- Two Town Halls
- Two Future Leader Town Halls with satellite locations throughout the state
- Over 25 outreach events

Town Hall gatherings are designed to empower participants to be constructive members of their communities who have the knowledge and ability to solve whatever problem comes their way.

#### **Town Halls**

The Arizona Town Hall educates Arizonans on important issues. This year the topic of "education" itself was the focus. Our spring Town Hall held in Tucson was *Is Higher Education Ready for Arizona's Future?* In the fall, *Strong Start - Early Education in Arizona* was held at the Grand Canyon.



"I truly enjoyed the entire Arizona Town Hall experience! From networking and engaging in meaningful discussions on early education to creating a final recommendation report to be proud of, it was all very insightful and truly inspiring!"

Melanie Martin
Early Childhood Specialist
Children's Museum of Phoenix

## Youth Speak Today to Impact Tomorrow

Hundreds of high school and college students from around Arizona experienced civic participation first hand, using Arizona Town Hall's model of civil discourse at Future Leaders Town Halls held around the state on the topics of *Higher Education* and *Early Education*.

"I feel that each student has a voice, and these voices need to be heard."

Kasey Busick (University of Arizona, Sierra Vista)



## **Community Outreach Programs**

After each Town Hall, we take the recommendations "on the road" around the state. Hundreds of Arizonans participate in these 60-90 minute mini-Town Hall presentations.

Program presenters, made up of individuals who participated in the Town Hall discussions, shared their thoughts on the recommendations. Audience members were then invited to give their thoughts on the priorities surrounding the topic. Consensus recommendations are generated at each program which continues to fuel the process.



### **Publications**

Arizona Town Hall background reports and recommendations reports were printed and widely distributed throughout Arizona. These reports are often used by teachers, legislators and others as resource materials.

Thanks to the extraordinary efforts by the University of Arizona for the Higher Education Town Hall, and Northern Arizona University and the Arizona K12 Center for the Early Education Town Hall, fact-based research informed the discussions and remains a valuable resource for others interested in the topics.

"I have used [Town Hall reports] in class and found them to be an excellent resource for students."

Bryan Bates Science Faculty, Coconino Community College

Visit our website's "Past Town Halls" page to download the recommendations report as well as the Background Reports from both the *Higher Education* and the *Early Education* Town Halls.

## Shaping the Community by Sharing Our Process

The Arizona Town Hall conducted multiple training events for organizations interested in learning the Town Hall process. In addition, the Town Hall was hired as a consultant by those who wanted to use its process to solve local community issues or to plan for the future. Among others, the Arizona Town Hall provided services for the City of Scottsdale, Carefree Kiwanis, and a statewide gathering on childhood nutrition.



# Impacting the State through Statewide Membership

Arizona Town Hall's five decades of work has guided our state's civic, political, business and community leadership in identifying and implementing policies that have helped to shape, grow and improve Arizona. We owe this success to our members.

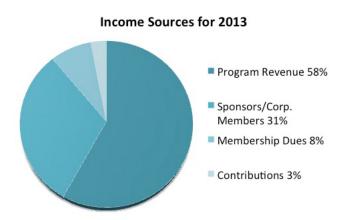
People are the key ingredient of the Arizona Town Hall: people with an open mind, knowledge of current issues facing our state and willingness to examine all sides of those issues.

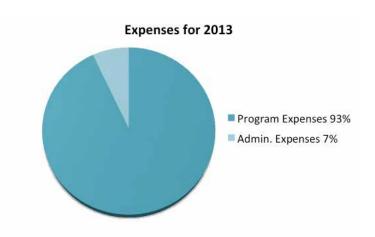
Find a listing of all Town Hall members in the Member Directory under our website's "About Us" tab.

We would like to give special recognition to our Life Members.

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