





# ANNUAL REPORT 2022

### **IMPACT**

In the year 2022, we celebrated the organization's 60th Anniversary.

We had one of our busiest years yet, continuing to highlight the critical importance of Arizona Town Hall's mission of educating, engaging, connecting, and empowering people to come together to solve pressing issues.

During 2022 Arizona Town Hall engaged nearly 4,000 people in the following ways:

- 26 interactive community and future leaders town halls on *Mental Health, Substance Use, and Homelessness*.
- 6 programs on *Creating Vibrant Communities*.
- 2 statewide town halls on *Creating Vibrant Communities* and *Mental Health, Substance Use, and Homelessness*.
- 7 training programs on leadership and facilitation techniques, including programs with global leaders.
- 2 Cross-Border Connecting virtual programs.
- 6 interactive consulting programs on topics that ranged from economic resiliency, workforce development, local government planning, and organizational strategic planning.

Arizona Town Hall was able to achieve this level of engagement in no small part thanks to high-level professional volunteers who tirelessly aid the organization's small paid staff. In 2022, over 80 unique volunteers clocked approximately over 2,300 hours.

These gatherings were designed to galvanize and empower participants to be constructive members of their communities, to engage with others to address pressing issues, and to implement changes not only locally but also on a statewide and regional basis.





2023 Annual Meeting Highlights, In Person at the Rio Salado Conference Center, Tempe, AZ and online through Zoom

Left: Shirley Agnos Arizona Town Hall Legacy Award recipient Linda Elliott-Nelson

Above: Richard Morrison and Daran Wastchak during discussions to determine the next Arizona Town Hall topic

Arizona Town Hall educates, engages, connects, and empowers people to resolve important issues through consensus, not division, using a process based on respectful dialogue that values diverse perspectives, builds relationships, and fosters leadership development.

On the cover, top to bottom: Participants at the Pima County (Tucson), Cochise County (Sierra Vista), Prescott, and ASU (Downtown Phoenix) community and future leaders town halls on "Mental Health, Substance Use, and Homelessness"

#### **COMMUNITY PROGRAMS**



Verde Valley community town hall on "Mental Health, Substance Use, and Homelessness," In person, Clarkdale, AZ and online through Zoom



Southeast Arizona community town hall on "Mental Health, Substance Use, and Homelessness," Thatcher, AZ

In 2022, Arizona Town Hall reinvigorated in-person programming and offered hybrid and virtual opportunities for engagement. We expanded the reach of the organization's mission with programs across all corners of the state and internationally.

The *Cross-Border Connecting* series deepened business and cultural connections with virtual offerings that covered the impact of agriculture on the border and binational workforce development.

Informed by the comprehensive background report, community and future leaders town halls on *Mental Health, Substance Use, and Homelessness* engaged diverse participants from Bullhead City, Casa Grande, Cave Creek/Scottsdale, Clarkdale, Flagstaff, Florence, Kingman, Payson, Phoenix, Prescott, Show Low, Sierra Vista, Thatcher, Tucson, Yuma, and many more areas of the state. The statewide town hall was held in person in Tempe, AZ and virtually November 14-16, 2022.

Programs on *Creating Vibrant Communities* connected people to needed resources, set priorities for continued success, and initiated action steps for impact.

All of these programs captured input from Arizona's many diverse communities and empowered participants to take action on their recommendations. Reports of recommendations from programs are widely distributed to local stakeholders, community groups, and elected leaders as valuable resource materials.



Mohave County community town hall on "Mental Health, Substance Use, and Homelessness," Kingman, AZ



Cross-Border Connecting: "Binational Workforce Development" Virtual Town Hall, Online through Zoom

#### MISSION-FOCUSED RESILIENCE

Consulting partnerships further our mission of educating, connecting, engaging, and empowering people to solve critical challenges facing their organizations. Those who know about Arizona Town Hall's facilitation expertise repeatedly called on us to connect stakeholders and plan for the future.

In 2022, consulting partners included the City of Apache Junction, Arizona Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Desert Southwest Region "Growing Our Own" Initiative, the Town of Fountain Hills, Yavapai County Workforce Development Board (NACOG), the Town of Oro Valley, Pinal Alliance for Economic Growth, Tempe Elementary School District, and Vitalyst Health Foundation.



Yavapai County Workforce Development Board's "Finding Quality Jobs" consulting program, online through Zoom

#### **CELEBRATING 60 YEARS OF CONSENSUS**

In 2022, Arizona Town Hall celebrated 60 years as one of Arizona's most longstanding and trusted non-partisan sources for Arizona policy solutions. Founded in 1962, the organization is recognized by national and international groups, its unique process creates connections and strengthens communities while providing forums for resolving contentious and complicated issues.

To celebrate this landmark, Arizona Town Hall launched the 60-by-60 Campaign to task its members to raise at least \$216,000 in new donations for sustaining the mission of Arizona Town Hall—promoting the consensus-based discourse that creates stronger communities. The first 60 to make this commitment join the 60 Cubed Society as a Founding Member.

#### SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR FOUNDING 60 CUBED SOCIETY MEMBERS

Barry Aarons
Jacky Alling
Steve Barclay
Evelyn Casuga
Arlan Colton
Linda Elliott-Nelson
Gregory Falls
Mike and Mary Grier

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Tara Jackson
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Mike Langley
Joseph La Rue
Elizabeth McNamee
Jan Miller
Pat Norris and Geoff Gates

Barbara and Hank Peck
Suzanne Pfister
Jeffrey Scudder
Daran Wastchak
Madeleine Wanslee and Brian
Mullen
The Wingardium Project

## **2022 INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTORS**

# **COMMUNICATORS - \$1,000 AND ABOVE**

Linda Elliott-Nelson Gregory Falls Mike & Kathy Haake Kathy Knecht Joseph La Rue Gordon Lewis Shelley Mellon Pat Norris & Geoff Gates
Barbara & Hank Peck
Suzanne Pfister
Adeline Rhodes
Scott Rhodes
Jeffrey Scudder
Daran Wastchak

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Mike & Mary Grier

Jan Miller Kevin Olson Lucia Spikes Devan Wastchak

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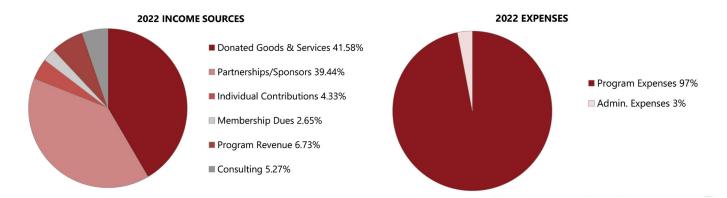
Rory Hays Tara Jackson April Jones Mike Langley Tomás León Elizabeth McNamee Madeleine Wanslee & Brian Mullen James Whitehill

#### **TOWN HALL CITIZENS - \$1-\$199.99**

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Juanita Duran
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Susan Goldsmith
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#### **2022 INCOME AND EXPENSES**



#### 2022 CORPORATE AND ORGANIZATIONAL PARTNERS

LIST INCLUDES SPECIFIC AND GENERAL FISCAL PARTNERSHIPS

#### **SPECIAL PARTNERSHIP**

#### The Diane & Bruce Halle Foundation

#### PREMIER PARTNERS - \$25,000 - \$50,000

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Arizona - Health Choice Molina Complete Care of Arizona Vitalyst Health Foundation

#### COLLABORATOR PARTNERS - \$10,000 - \$24,999

AZ Complete Health / Care1st Health Plan Arizona Public Service (APS) Nelson Family Charitable Fund

Salt River Project (SRP)
Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian
Community (SRPMIC)

#### **CIVIC LEADER PARTNERS - \$5,000 - \$9,999**

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Arizona The Gieszl Firm Jennings, Strouss, & Salmon Leadership Learning Systems. Inc. MHA Foundation Pima County

#### **ASSOCIATE PARTNER - \$2,500 - \$4,999**

**YWCA Metropolitan Phoenix** 

#### **SUPPORTER PARTNERS - \$1,000 - \$2,499**

Arizona Association for the Education of Young Children (AzAEYC)
Arizona Community Foundation of Sedona
BHHS Legacy Foundation
Catholic Charities Community Services
Cochise College

Mohave County Department of Public Health Mohave County Homeless Continuum of Care Mohave County Sheriff's Office Newton Family Foundation Verde Valley Regional Economic Organization (VVREO)

#### **ASSOCIATE PARTNERS - \$500 - \$999**

Town of Oro Valley Duncan Family Farms

# TOP 10 REASONS TO SUPPORT ARIZONA TOWN HALL

- 1. We have 60 years of proven success in creating consensus-based policy.
- 2. We educate, engage, connect, and empower individuals and communities.
- 3. We hone leadership skills for current and future leaders.
- 4. We build unity by embracing and celebrating diversity.
- 5. All voices are heard. All voices are equal.
- 6. We focus on creating solutions.
- 7. We offer opportunities for people to come together to discuss important issues in a positive and respectful way.
- 8. We provide comprehensive, neutral forums on Arizona's most complex and difficult issues.
- 9. Our discussions are relevant to all communities, organizations, and levels of government.
- 10. Our programs are unique experiences that inspire thousands of Arizonans into action.

"The most impactful solutions are inspired through healthy and collaborative discourse, and I have never left a Town Hall session without having been inspired, educated, and enlightened."

- Participant, Alliance of Arizona Nonprofits community town hall

Snapshots from the statewide town hall on "Mental Health, Substance Use, and Homelessness"

A hybrid event with both in-person and virtual participation, Tempe, AZ









Top to bottom: Award-winning artist Supaman; Suzanne Pfister, Mayor Corey Woods, and Mayor Craig McFarland during the "Health and Human Services and Arizona Mayors" panel presentation; participants engage in panel discussions; participants propose recommendations report amendments and edits during the statewide town hall plenary session in person and online.

# SPECIAL THANKS TO SPECIFIC AND GENERAL **2022 FISCAL PARTNERS**

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#### PREMIER PARTNERS





An Independent Licensee of the Blue Cross Blue Shield Association

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#### **COLLABORATOR PARTNERS**











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