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Mission

In 1990, the Arizona Department of Commerce established the Arizona Business Assistance Center (ABAC) to provide support and technical assistance to small businesses. The ABAC's mission is to serve as a liaison between the small business community of Arizona and public and private organizations by providing timely and accurate information and assistance to individuals and companies establishing, expanding or relocating businesses in Arizona. ABAC's small business advocate is responsible for maintaining a line of communication between the Governor and small businesses. The advocate works with chambers of commerce and other groups to develop policies and programs that address small business concerns.

Programs and services include: the Arizona Business Connection, a one-stop shop for entrepreneurs seeking information, referrals, assistance and advice; the Arizona Business Connection, publisher and distributor of the Small Business Book, a free publication providing detailed information on starting and operating a small business in Arizona; Arizona Minority/Woman Owned Business Enterprises, a program that helps entrepreneurs market programs and services to government agencies and corporations; and provides assistance in the certification process for minority- and woman-owned businesses.

Area Served

State of Arizona

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Mission

Established in 1979, the Business Development Finance Corporation focuses on financing expanding Arizona firms and other economic development projects. This office finances small businesses through SBA and local programs and provides financing and management services for community projects.

Area Served

State of Arizona

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Capitol Mall Association

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Mission

The Capitol Mall Association (CMA) sponsors, promotes and facilitates the revitalization of the, Capitol Mall Neighborhood (7th Avenue to 19th Avenue and Van Buren to Harrison) by restoring the area to clean, safe and secure conditions, thereby improving the living and working conditions of area residents and workers. CMA works towards their goals through programs and projects that promote the area as a valuable place to conduct business and by encouraging a mix of uses that support and /or provide for the residential and business interests. CMA also works to preserve and enhance the Woodland Historic District.

Area Served

City of Phoenix, Capitol Mall area

Catholic Charities of Phoenix

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Mission

Catholic Charities is a national organization originally founded in 1910. Catholic Charities' goal is to reduce poverty, support families, and empower communities in the United States. Catholic Charities' mission is:

- (1) To provide service for people in need;
- (2) To advocate for justice in social structures; and
- (3) To call the entire Church and other people of good will to do the same.

Area Served

City of Phoenix

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Chicanos Por La Causa, Inc.

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Mission

Chicanos Por La Causa, Inc. (CPLC) was founded in 1969 as a non-profit community development corporation (CDC). The organization's mission is to help individuals and families improve their quality of life and by providing them the opportunity for a better education, good employment and quality, affordable housing. CPLC provides social programs, employment and training, leadership development, and economic development projects and programs.

Area Served

State of Arizona, with 47 offices in 21 cities

City of Phoenix Community and Economic Development Department

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Mission

The City of Phoenix Community and Economic Development Department (CED) has developed several small business assistance programs designed to provide technical and financial assistance for the Phoenix business community. CED's activities include: assisting low-income individuals with starting or expanding a business; technical assistance; marketing; financing; bond packaging; needs assessment; and a business center that provides information and referrals. CED also offers a variety of seminars and training classes throughout the year, some focusing on woman and minority-owned businesses. The organization also oversees an enterprise community in Phoenix and funding for development and expansion of small- and medium-sized businesses. The CED encourages the redevelopment and development of commercial and industrial areas to create jobs for low-and moderate-income people.

Area Served

City of Phoenix

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City of Phoenix, Housing Department

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Mission

Established in 1939, the City of Phoenix Housing Department's mission is to provide and promote diversified living environments for low-income families, seniors, and persons with disabilities by operating and leasing assisted and affordable housing.

Other activities and programs include:

- (1) A scattered site home ownership program that targets very-low income families to provide homeownership opportunities to residents of: conventional and scattered site housing; participants in the Section 8 Housing Program; the Home Investment Partnership Program; and the Community Development Block Grant (DCBG) Housing Open Application Program;
- (2) The Industrial Development Authority Multi-Family Program, which provides lower interest financing for the construction or acquisition/rehabilitation of multi-family apartments;
- (3) The Industrial Development Authority Affordable Housing Growth Fund, which helps non-profit organizations build their capacity to create affordable housing; and
- (4) The Industrial Development Authority Recapture Fund, which is available to non-profit and for-profit entities who benefit the community by supplying affordable housing for low- and moderate-income households.

Area Served

The City of Phoenix, some programs cover Maricopa and Pinal Counties

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Mission

Established in 1990, Community Excellence Project, Inc. is a non-profit community development corporation founded to revitalize the South Phoenix Village area through crime prevention, human care services for youth and families, economic training, housing rehabilitation and affordable housing development.

Program/Services: Housing Rehabilitation; Affordable Housing; Small Business Assistance Center; Community/School Partnership; Career Development/College Preparation

Area Served

City of Phoenix, the area bounded by 24th Street to 32nd Street and Roeser Road to the river

Community Profile: Phoenix

Community Housing Resources of Arizona

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Mission

Established in 1987, Community Housing Resources of Arizona's (CHRA) mission is to promote fair and affordable housing opportunities for low-income families. By combining the expertise and resources of the financial and real estate industries, community organizations and government programs, CHRA provides homeownership opportunities for low-income and minority households. CHRA works in partnership with: the Federal Home Loan Bank on down payment and closing cost programs; Local Initiative Support Corporation on pre-purchase and default counseling programs; and Native American tribes, providing technical assistance on homeownership programs.

Area Served

Maricopa County, but some programs are statewide

Corporation for Supportive Housing

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Mission

Established in 1991, the Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSR) helps local non-profits expand the quantity and quality of permanent housing linked to services for the most persistently poor Americans- individuals with mental or medical problems who are either homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. CSR strengthens and nurtures a national network of local non-profit housing and service providers who develop and manage supportive housing in their communities. CSR forges local private-public financing partnerships to underwrite the development of community-based supportive housing, links disparate service systems, and advocates for increased supportive housing at both the national and local level. CSR works in alliance with the National Equity Fund to help finance supportive housing by syndicating low-income housing tax credits to corporations. CSR also piloted a managed health care program centered around supportive housing.

Area Served

State of Arizona

Community Profile: Phoenix

Downtown Phoenix Partnership

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Mission

Established in 1990, Downtown Phoenix Partnership (DPP) is non-profit organization dedicated to coordinating the revitalization of downtown Phoenix.

DPP provides services such as security, transportation and parking coordination, business development, public policy coordination, marketing, streetscape and urban design planning. The organization also works to assist surrounding neighborhoods to address issues and facilitate development activity. DPP works with the two neighborhoods near downtown to provide economic development assistance, a job linkage program and assistance in addressing issues that create health and safety problems in those neighborhoods.

Area Served

Downtown Phoenix and surrounding neighborhoods

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Mission

Established in 1990, Espiritu's mission is to build community spirit by developing leadership in families. Espiritu works towards its mission by providing values-based leadership development education. Espiritu is also developing a bio-energy center that will integrate ecology systems with energy efficient, low-cost, alternative building materials, to build a model house

Area Served

City of Phoenix

Community Profile: Phoenix

Greater Phoenix Urban League

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Mission

Established in 1945, the Greater Phoenix Urban League's mission is to assist African Americans, other minorities and the disadvantaged in the achievement of social and economic equality. The League implements its mission through advocacy, bridge building, program services and research. The Greater Phoenix Urban League's programs and services include: a job placement program for preparing resumes, completing applications, interviewing, test-taking techniques, counseling, job development and job referrals; a computer business education center; dropout prevention; a small business assistance center; a Head Start; PSAT/SAT tutoring; assistance with HUD 202 Section 8 program; a summer youth employment program; and a first time home buyer's program.

Area Served

Phoenix metropolitan area

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Mission

Established in 1986, Habitat for Humanity (Habitat) is an international, ecumenical, Christian organization that builds homes in partnership with low-income families. Owning one's own home is basic to the American dream and Habitat for Humanity is working to make that dream come true for all. Habitat seeks to eliminate poverty housing from the world and to make decent shelter a matter of conscience and action. By having needy and affluent people work together in equal partnership, Habitat builds new relationships and a sense of community as well as new housing.

Area Served

Phoenix Valley

Community Profile: Phoenix

Homeward Bound

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Mission

Established in 1990, Homeward Bound works to assist homeless families and domestic violence victims to function independently, improve their income and find decent, permanent affordable housing. Programs and services include: transitional housing; goal-driven case management; employment and job development services; and mental health counseling and support services.

Area Served

Phoenix metropolitan area

Housing Opportunity Center

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Mission

Established in 1993, the Housing Opportunity Center's mission is to develop affordable multi-family housing in the State of Arizona through acquisition, rehabilitation, construction or other means.

The Housing Opportunity Center develops new property through low-income housing tax credits. The organization has begun the rehabilitation of historic property into housing and has planned for the construction of new multi-family housing structures.

Area Served

State of Arizona with a focus on downtown Phoenix

Community Profile: Phoenix

Institute for Affordable Housing Education & Research

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Mission

The Institute for Affordable Housing Education & Research (The Institute) is a non-profit corporation that oversees the Affordable Housing Specialist (AHS) designation program. The program was developed in partnership with over 30 lenders and real estate professionals. The AHS program is an intensive two-day study program designed to provide important information on affordable housing development strategies to community development professionals. Currently under the umbrella of the Sacramento Home Loan Counseling Center, the Institute provides consistent, quality information and services to the affordable housing professional. Financial institutions are encouraged to send affordable housing lenders and community development lending professionals to the AHS designation program to further develop their CRA products and services and to work more effectively with low- and moderate-income, inner-city and non-English speaking potential home buyers. With the tools provided through the Institute, financial institutions can develop new avenues of service with qualified buyers.

Area Served

Available nationwide with a focus on the western United States, including California, Nevada, Arizona, Texas, Utah, Washington and Oregon

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Mission

LISC is a national organization that invests in the revitalization of urban and rural communities by channeling private resources from corporate and foundations to indigenous community organizations called community development corporations (CDCs) which are engaged in the development of affordable housing, vital community facilities, and commercial and industrial projects that create jobs. Since 1982, LISC Phoenix has assisted area CDCs in the construction of 540 affordable homes and 11,000 square feet of commercial and industrial space. A core LISC Phoenix program provides local CDCs with organizational capacity building, project financing and technical assistance. A multi-family development program utilizes a variety of financing, including low-income housing tax credits to support the development of nearly 400 affordable rental units with another 250 units in predevelopment. LISC Phoenix's Homestart Initiative works to develop single-family home ownership for low- and moderate-income families.

Area Served

City of Phoenix metropolitan area and Maricopa county

Community Profile: Phoenix

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Mission

Established by the Ford Foundation and six corporations in 1997, Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) was founded to serve as a financial intermediary providing financial and technical assistance to non-profit community development corporations (CDCs) who work to revitalize distressed neighborhoods across the United States. LISC is the nation's largest non-profit community development support organization, working with local programs in over 100 cities and urban counties across the country. LISC also works in neglected rural communities supporting CDCs in 39 states and Puerto Rico.

Area Served

Rural areas of the Western United States

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Mission

The mission of Maxus Community Development, Inc. is to provide housing to low-income individuals. The organization develops and builds single- and multi-family housing.

Area Served

State of Arizona

Community Profile: Phoenix

Mercy Housing Southwest

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Mission

Established in 1983, the Mercy Housing Arizona's (MHA) mission is to create and strengthen healthy communities through the provision of quality, affordable, service-enriched housing for low-income individuals and families. MHA develops and acquires affordable housing units for program participants.

Area Served

Maricopa County: Phoenix, Tolleson, El Mirage, Mesa and Guadalupe
Pinal County: Florence

Phoenix Community Alliance

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Mission

Established in 1983, the Phoenix Community Alliance's mission is to act as a catalyst in partnerships with government, educational, cultural, religious and neighborhood organizations to revitalize Phoenix's Central City area. PCA advocates to insure that critical Central City needs are fulfilled and dedicates its efforts to the development of quality housing that includes a full range of residential alternatives. PCA supports the development of hotel and retail facilities and works toward the continued success of Phoenix Civic Plaza. PCA supports an integrated package of freeway and transit programs that are combined with sufficient circulation and support facilities for all modes of transportation. The organization pursues opportunities to develop and enhance educational resources, and facilitates public and private development projects and investment opportunities consistent with Arizona's Capitol Mall development plan. PCA focuses attention toward attracting even greater economic investment along Central Avenue, Phoenix's main thoroughfare.

Area Served

Central Phoenix

Community Profile: Phoenix

Phoenix Neighborhood Housing Services, Incorporated

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Mission

Neighborhood Housing Services of Phoenix is a non-profit corporation dedicated to the revitalization of Phoenix neighborhoods and provides a full range of services and programs to encourage, create and support home ownership. Neighborhood Housing Services of Phoenix provides home buyer education and counseling, new home construction, acquisition and rehabilitation of residential property and loan programs.

Area Served

City of Phoenix, Central City neighborhoods and Maricopa County for selected loan programs

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Mission

Established in 1993, Safe Haven, Inc. is a non-profit community development corporation was founded to conserve and create affordable housing, promote home ownership for low- and moderate-income people, and engage in the revitalization of distressed neighborhoods. Safe Haven, Inc. has rehabilitated 73 apartment units and completed major rehabilitation of 77 single-family homes sold to first-time homebuyers. As the fiscal agent for a Project Intervention Grant from the Governor's Office of Family and Community Programs, Safe Haven, Inc. has helped the local school district with after school and summer school programs, organized periodic clean-ups and neighborhood beautification projects and performed minor rehabilitation on a total of 35 homes in the area. The organization is also facilitator and fiscal agent of the Garcia/Kuban Business Partnership and also assists other community organizations.

Area Served

Murphy School District, 19th to 39th Avenues and Van Buren south to Durango

Community Profile: Phoenix

Southwestern Business Financing Corporation

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Mission

Established in 1980, the Southwestern Business Financing Corporation (SBFC) is a certified development company that makes 504 loans in metropolitan Phoenix area. SBFC runs the Arizona Business Connection a program for entrepreneurs seeking information, referrals, assistance and advice. The Arizona Business Connection publishes and distributes the Small Business Book, a free publication providing information on starting and operating a small business in Arizona. SBFC's Arizona Minority/Women Owned Business Enterprises program helps entrepreneurs market programs and services to government agencies and corporations and conducts workshops and provides assistance in the certification process for minority and women-owned businesses. The organization provides a small business advocate who is responsible for maintaining communication between the Governor and small businesses in Arizona. The advocate works with chambers of commerce and other groups to develop policies and programs that address small business concerns.

Area Served

State of Arizona

Sunnyslope Village Revitalization, Inc.

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Mission

Established in 1993, the Sunnyslope Village Revitalization, Inc. (SVR) is a local non-profit community development corporation dedicated to building a better Sunnyslope through affordable housing, economic development and neighborhood revitalization in its north Phoenix community.

SVR's programs and services include an affordable housing program that offers homeownership opportunities for low- and moderate-income families and the acquisition and demolition of vacant and blighted structures; community organizing; and the Village Center Revitalization Plan which concentrates on the issues of land use; urban design; circulation elements and public services and facilities.

Area Served

The area bounded by Dunlap Avenue, 7th Street, Arizona Canal and Central Avenue

Community Profile: Phoenix

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Mission

The mission of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development (RD) is to enhance the ability of rural communities to develop, to grow and to improve quality of life by targeting financial and technical resources in areas of greatest need through activities of greatest potential.

In addition to other services, RD provides:

- (1) Water and waste loans and grants to communities of 10,000 persons or less;
- (2) Community facility-type loans to communities of 50,000 persons or less;
- (3) Business-and industry-guaranteed loans to communities of 50,000 people or less; and
- (4) Rural housing loans and grants to communities of 20,000 people or less.

Area Served

State of Arizona

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Indian Community Development Block Grants

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Mission

The primary objective of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Indian Community Development Block Grant Program is to provide community development, housing and economic opportunities for low- and moderate-income persons on reservations. Single purpose grants are administered through the Office of Native American Programs to tribal governments on an annual competitive basis. Grant projects eligible for funding include: (1) infrastructure projects such as water, sewer, electric line extensions, bridges and roads; (2) community buildings such as clinics and recreational facilities; (3) economic development projects such as shopping centers, restaurants, RV parks, convenience stores and agriculture; (4) land for new housing, housing rehabilitation and interim housing repairs; and (5) new housing for tribes without Native American housing authorities, carried out through a tribal sub-recipient.

Area Served

All federally recognized Indian tribes

Community Profile: Phoenix

U.S. Small Business Administration - Arizona District Office

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Mission

Founded in 1953, the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) is an independent, federal government agency formed to help new businesses get started and established businesses grow. The SBA also acts as an advocate for small business owners. The SBA provides this assistance through financial services, business development, and governmental contract programs. This office sponsors the Maricopa Community Colleges Small Business Development Center, a program to assist entrepreneurs with business planning, marketing strategies, financial management, inventory management and other business related issues.

Area Served

City of Phoenix, Maricopa and Pinal Counties

Urban Coalition West

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Mission

Established in 1986, Urban Coalition West's (UCW) mission is three-fold: (1) to engage in activities directed to the solution of affordable housing and economic development problems existing in neighborhoods; (2) create opportunities for home ownership for low- and moderate-income persons and families; and (3) engage in the production of affordable single-family homes. UCW's target area is a 28-block community on the edge of downtown Phoenix. Census records indicate that the area suffers from extreme poverty. One fifth of the single-family homes are owner occupied and many are in need of repair. There is a park, an elementary school and a Headstart facility, but no shopping or health facilities

UCW provides pre- and post- purchase housing counseling services to low- and moderate-income families in our target area in conjunction with the Local Initiative Support Corporation's Homestart Program and any other low- and moderate-income individuals and families in Phoenix. UCW rehabilitates owner occupied single-family homes under contracts where the City of Phoenix pays for repairs.

Area Served

City of Phoenix, downtown area