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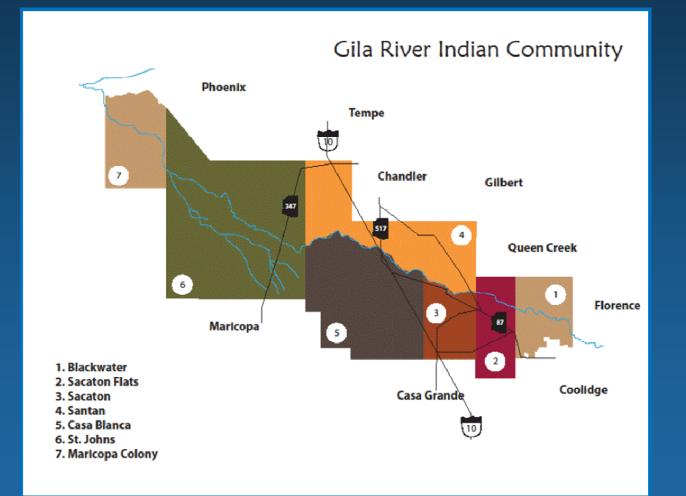


The Community We Serve

- The Gila River Indian Community is the largest American Indian Community in the Phoenix metropolitan area. The Community is home to two tribes - the Akimel O'odham (Pima) and the Pee-Posh (Maricopa).
- The Community is divided into 7 districts and covers approximately 372,000 acres. Geographically located in southern Arizona between Phoenix and Tucson, each of the districts operate a district service center which provides community resources to district residents with an approximate population of 20,000 members.



Our Service Area





Gila River Health Care Life Center Thoak Thak Ké

Houses several diabetes prevention and management services including:

Diabetes Education
Diabetes Case Management
Exercise/Training Support
Diabetes Prevention for adults, youth & families



Diabetes Prevention Program

Grant funded since 2005
One of three DPP grants funded in AZ
Two DPP sites at Hu Hu Kam Memorial Hospital & Komatke Health Center



Our DPP Team



1 Data/Administrative Support Staff
3 Lifestyle Coaches
1 Lead Lifestyle Coach
Program Manager



DPP Grant Goals

- Ensure an adequate staffing plan for the project
- Recruit and screen enough individuals to meet target of 48 participants
- Successfully maintain the Intensive Activities
- Successfully retain participants in the Intensive Activities (After-core)
- Implement a data collection plan
- Provide and evaluate Community Based activities



DPP Participant Goals



 Increase physical activity (to 150 minutes per week)
 7% weight loss
 Lower A1c levels



Our Health, Our Future, Our DPP

Making positive impacts in the Community
In-house provider referral program
Community-based Activities
Collaboration with tribal health programs
Enhanced Data Collection System



In-house Provider Referral Program

 Receive an average of 31 referrals each month
 Clinical screening program with GRHC Provider





Community-based Activities

Implemented Community-wide fun/run walks & monthly fitness activities

- Just Move It!
- American Heart Month –
 Strong Heart, Strong Mind, Strong Body
- Diabetes Health Fairs

 Fosters collaboration with Tribal Health Programs



Community-based Activities















Enhanced Data Collection System

Developing a data collection system to meet the overall needs of the Life Center Department

- Simplify data collection for DPP Team Members
- New system to enhance tracking



Arizona DPP Grantees



- Tuba City Regional Health Care Corp., Tuba City, AZ
- Native Americans for Community Action,
 - Flagstaff, AZ
- Gila River Health Care, Sacaton, AZ









Technical Assistance

Meeting Topics

- Cross Training/Staff Development
- Nutrition Updates
- Fitness Industries
- Behavior Modification
- Adventure Learning
- Recruitment, Retention & After-core
- Program Sharing



Future Regional Plans

Technical Assistance
Alternate meeting sites
Quarterly Meetings
Implement DPP Toolkit





DPP Success Story

"Ronald has a keen sense of knowledge when it comes to exercise and wellness. When he joined the program he knew he had to make changes. One of the most important changes he made was to balance his eating with his physical activity. "You can't eat a lot and not expect to gain weight. You have to exercise and burn it off". Ronald is very thankful for all the time and effort that DPP has put forth into the community. He has noticed, at community gatherings, the foods are becoming healthier. There are more options of fruit and salads and Ron believes that the more knowledge you have about your body, the easier it would be to understand the importance of healthy foods."

~Ronald Jordan, Gila River Indian Community Member



Any questions?

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