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**1. Employment Opportunities**

Director of Finance, National Congress of American Indians  
[http://www.ncai.org/Employment.16.0.html?&user\\_job\\_pi1\[showUid\]=274](http://www.ncai.org/Employment.16.0.html?&user_job_pi1[showUid]=274)

1st Annual Bilingual & Multicultural Job Fair 4/8  
[WWW.BILINGUALEMPLYMENTSERVICES.COM](http://WWW.BILINGUALEMPLYMENTSERVICES.COM)

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2. Free Federal and State Income Tax Preparation

The Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) is a refundable federal income tax credit eligible to low-income working individuals and families, created to partially balance out the weight of social security taxes and to provide an additional reason for individuals to seek and maintain employment. A taxpayer must meet certain requirements and file a tax return to qualify for the this credit, even

if his or her income is below that which mandates filing a tax return. Depending on income, EITC can be worth as much as several thousand dollars, and can boost a family's income by nearly 35 percent. EITC provides more immediate financial assistance to working individuals and families in need than any other effort.

Arizonans are encouraged to take advantage of the special tax credits that may be available to them – even if they don't earn enough money to typically require filing a return. Each tax season, Arizona families miss out on millions of dollars in tax refunds because they are unaware of the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) and Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) programs.

VITA programs around the state offer free tax preparation services to individuals and families with low or limited income, individuals with disabilities, senior citizens and military personnel and their families. VITA centers are always looking for additional volunteers.

What Do I need to take to a VITA site?

- √ Picture ID for taxpayer and spouse
- √ Social Security cards or ITIN cards/numbers for all household members
- √ Proof of income, including W-2's and 1099 forms
- √ Name, address and tax ID# of child care provider
- √ Amount of money paid to childcare provider last year
- √ Account and routing numbers for direct deposit
- √ Copy of last year's tax return
- √ If filing jointly, both adults must be present to sign the return.

To find a VITA site, visit the Community Information and Referral (CIR) web site at www.cir.org and click on Income Tax Assistance. Or call CIR at 602-263-8856.

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3. Where's my tax refund?

**Federal Tax Refund Status**

<https://sa1.www4.irs.gov/irfof/lang/en/irfofgetstatus.jsp>

**State of Arizona Tax Refund Status**

[www.aztaxes.gov](http://www.aztaxes.gov)  
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4. Home Based Business Expo - April 4th

Home-Based Businesses are on the rise! To learn more about how to make your Home-Business a Success or, to explore new Products, Services and Opportunities of having a Home-Based Business

H.O.P.E "Helping Other People Excel" Home-Based Business Expo
Saturday, April 4, 2009
9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Where: Fiesta Fountains
1316 South Longmore. Mesa, Arizona 85202

The event will host approximately 100 Vendors with information on various Home-Based Businesses and will include many informative Guest Speakers:

- Dr. Matt - "Purpose Driven Wealth"
- Lynn Bunch - "Embrace Your Truth"
- Sean Downing - "ABC's - Always Be Closing"

Cost: a can of food for the United Food Bank

For more information, please call Kim Carter 480.650.6110 or email info@HopeExpo.com
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**5. 2009 Women's Education Day: Navigating Business A Woman's Guide – April 8<sup>th</sup>**

Wednesday, April 8th, 2009  
07:30 AM - 06:00 PM

Desert Willows Conference Center, Phoenix  
4340 E. Cotton Center Blvd

Phoenix, AZ 85040

Are you facing business challenges as never before? We're here to help! Learn how to apply an internal mentorship program to improve accountability. Learn whether it's more profitable for you to out source staff. Learn about internet tools and improve marketing for increasing your revenue. And finally, learn how to Whale Hunt and Land the BIG Account for your company!

Pricing & Sponsorship Opportunities Include:

\$99 - Full Day

\$60 - Lunch Only

\$35 - Happy Hour Reception Only

\$100 - Marketplace Table SOLD OUT

(no event/meal registration included)

\$1000 - Table of 8 (includes VIP Reception for 2)

For more information or to register, please visit:

[http://www.nawbophx.org/eoffice/taf/\\_nawbo.taf?\\_menu=event&\\_submenu=showdetail&\\_etyp=&ecid=1224170738&vurl=nawbo](http://www.nawbophx.org/eoffice/taf/_nawbo.taf?_menu=event&_submenu=showdetail&_etyp=&ecid=1224170738&vurl=nawbo)

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6. Tides Foundation's Indigenous People's Fund: Grant Applications From Organizations Benefiting Women and Girls – Deadline: April 8, 2009

Range of Awards: from \$15,000 to \$40,000 each

Eligibility: nonprofit organizations. United States-based organizations must include the organization's IRS determination letter. Non-U.S. organizations must provide government-issued documentation certifying that the organization is a non-governmental organization.

Purpose: to preserve and enhance the rights, health, safety, and education of women and girls in native communities.

<http://www.tidesfoundation.org/grants-impact/open-rfps/ipf/index.html>

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**7. Professional Women's Roundtable - April 7th**

Date: Tuesday, April 7, 2009

Location: Chamber Boardroom, 201 N. Central Ave, 27th Floor, Phoenix 85004

Time: 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Presentation: Thinking and Communicating Strategically with Donna Davis, CEO, Arizona Small Business Association (ASBA)

Donna Davis is a successful entrepreneur, community partner and political leaders. She has recently taken the position as CEO of the Arizona Small Business Administration. In her role as former President and CEO of DIR Group, Inc., a multimillion-dollar family of companies, she assisted in production of both inaugurals for former Governor Janet Napolitano, location production for the movie Jerry Maguire, and the Super Bowl XXX Halftime show. She has also been the recipient of numerous renowned state and national awards, including the Greater Phoenix Chamber of Commerce Athena Award in 2004.

Join us for an exciting and interactive roundtable to discuss new ways to think and communicate more strategically both in your business and personal life.

Register today! [www.phoenixchamber.com](http://www.phoenixchamber.com)

For questions, please email Lauren Miller at [lmiller@phoenixchamber.com](mailto:lmiller@phoenixchamber.com) or call 602.495.2194

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8. ACA Membership Luncheon - April 8th

Meeting Arizona's Infrastructure Challenges

Wednesday, April 8, 2009

3003 North Central Ave., Basement Auditorium

Click link for Map: <http://www.azca.com/html/pdf/ACA%20Map.pdf>

Guest Speaker, Gary Yaquinto President of the Arizona Investment Council will present a report on Preparing for an Arizona of 10 Million People: Meeting the Infrastructure Challenges of Growth.

11:00 a.m. Registration

11:30 a.m. Lunch & Introductions

12:00 p.m. Presentation

Cost:
\$30 for Individual seats per person
\$60 for Individual Non-Members seats per person
RSVP Deadline: Friday, April 3, 2009

To register, please visit <http://www.azca.com/html/pdf/2009%20ACA%20Apr%20Luncheon.pdf>

For more information, please call 602.246.8627 or email azca@azca.com

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**9. Doing Business with Government Entities – April 8<sup>th</sup>**

“Things to know about the purchasing process”  
Wednesday, April 8, 2009  
6:00 PM to 8:00 PM.

Phoenix City Hall - Assembly Rooms A, B, C  
200 W. Washington St.

Topics Include:

- How to become a registered vendor with the government and be added to a bidders list
- How procurement processes differ from one government entity to another
- Review current and upcoming services and commodities as bid/proposal opportunities
- Learn the requirements for submitting a responsive bid/proposal
- Learn how to be successful when submitting an Invitation for Bid (IFB) or a Request for Proposal/Qualification (RFP/RFQ)

Friendly experts from:

- City of Phoenix, Finance/Purchasing
- State of Arizona ADOT, Department of Administration
- Luke Air Force Base, Business Operations
- Maricopa County Materials Management
- City of Tempe, Financial Services
- Small Business Administration, 8(a) Program

See all these representatives in one night! Limited space available, so reserve your space early!

To reserve a space, obtain more information or arrange disability accommodations, call 602-262-7795 or 602-534-1557/TTY.

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10. Fair Housing Workshop – April 15th

Are you a property owner, landlord, or member of an HOA community Group? If you deal with any* property, this workshop is for you.

Join us and our Guest Speaker, AZ Attorney General Terry Goddard, discuss these topics:

- Housing for older persons
- Assistive Animals
- Race and Ethnicity
- reasonable accommodations
- modifications

Wednesday, April 15th, 2009
9:00AM - Noon

Location: Disability Empowerment Center 5025 E. Washington St, Phoenix 85034

Cost (includes breakfast and program DVD): \$20.00/individual

To register, go to: www.Regonline.com/FHEEvent or for questions, please call Monica Schulik at 602-248-7787 or email monicaschulik@aaronline.com.

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**11. Phoenix Pride Celebration - April 18<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup>**

April 18-19, 2009  
Saturday: NOON - 9:00PM  
Sunday: NOON - 9:00PM  
Parade: Saturday @ 11:00AM

Steele Indian School Park  
302 E Indian School Rd  
Phoenix, AZ 85012

Festival Stage: Bands & headline entertainment. Starts 4:00 pm Saturday & Sunday.  
Lakeside Community Stage: Local speakers, entertainers & youth performers. Starts 2:00 pm each day.  
Pride Dance Pavilion: High energy dance music all the time. Starts 1:00pm each day.  
Bistro Stage: Jazz & acoustic music. Starts 2:00 pm each day.  
Pride Fiesta Saloon: Mixture of Country Western dance music and Latin Dance music starts at 2:00 pm each day. Band and other entertainers start approx. 2:00 pm.

PLEASE NOTE: No chairs of any kind will be allowed into the Pride Celebration. But blankets are welcome! An interpreter for hearing impaired guests will be available at the Festival Stage and there will be roaming interpreters also available around the park.

TICKET INFORMATION:  
Weekend Pass: \$25  
Single Day Pass: \$15  
Children 12 and under receive free admission all weekend.

For more information please call 602.277.7433 or visit <http://www.phoenixpride.org/parade.cfm>

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12. 5th Annual DBE Conference - April 21st - 22nd

Welcome and Awards Reception
Tuesday, April 21, 2009 - 6PM to 8PM

Conference and Networking Event
Wednesday, April 22, 2009 - 7AM to 5PM

Location: Desert Willow Conference Center
4340 East Cotton Center Blvd. Phoenix, AZ 85040

For more information, please contact Kathi Donato from Donato Consulting Inc. at 520-731-8154 or email adotevent@yahoo.com

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**13. Many Faces of Hate Film Series - April 22nd**

The Anti-Defamation League & Scottsdale Community College presents

“The Shadow of Hate” (to be followed by public discussion)  
Spanning three centuries, this resource explores the origins of racism in the U.S. & our country's ongoing struggle to live up to its ideals of liberty, equality and justice for all. Through documentary footage and eyewitness reports, we are given a powerful perspective on historical events from the ordinary people who lived through them.

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Wednesday, April 22nd  
Scottsdale Community College - Turquoise Room  
9000 E. Chaparral – Park in lot B

ADMISSION IS FREE! No RSVP necessary

For information please call 602-274-0991

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14. AZ Affirmative Action Association Annual Conference - April 28th

Tuesday, April 28, 2009
7:30 - 4:00

Black Canyon Conference Center - 9440 N.25th Ave., Phoenix, AZ

Topics for discussion:

- Pitfalls of the Applicant-Hire Tracking Process, Part I
- Pitfalls of the Applicant-Hire Tracking Process, Part II
- Considerations Before Handing Out the Pink Slips
- What's the Buzz -- ?

COST (Includes Lunch & All Materials): \$125 Members, \$175 Nonmembers

For further information or to receive a registration form, email azquada@aol.com or call

15. 13th Annual Seminario Y Exposición De Negocios En Español - April 28th

CPLC and Prestamos are excited to provide small business owners and entrepreneurs such an extraordinary event. This is a great opportunity to meet and network with hundreds of other business owners and emerging entrepreneurs. This year's event will also feature a business luncheon.

Tuesday, April 28th, 2009
12:00 to 5:00

Phoenix Convention Center
100 N. 3rd Street, Phoenix, AZ

The event offers Spanish-speaking entrepreneurs the opportunity to receive information on products and services available to their businesses and ensure entrepreneurial success. As a business owner, you are entitled to a booth at a minimal cost.

Expo cost: \$250.00 (Includes 1 - 10X10 booth for promotion and giveaways, and Company name in event program book)
Lunch cost per ticket: \$50

The luncheon will feature guest speaker Derrick Hall, President of the Arizona Diamondbacks. This special event will provide you with the opportunity to network as well as learn more about the Latino small business community and what CPLC and Prestamos do to support their endeavors.

To reserve a booth or request additional information, please visit www.seminarios.cplc.org or call 602.257.6157.

16. Conflict Management Workshop - May 8th

"Dealing with Difficult People"

Friday, May 8th, 2009
9:00AM - 4:00PM

Is a demanding client eating into your productivity? Is someone in your office stirring up trouble? Is a difficult co-worker causing stress? Are obnoxious neighbors threatening the quality of your neighborhood? Is a family feud draining the fun of family gatherings? Is a boss or subordinate giving you anxiety?

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This one-day course will help you better manage difficult people, such as employees, volunteers, clients, coworkers and family. This course provides an overview of the theory and practice of negotiation in difficult situations, communicating with stubborn people and handling highly-emotional individuals. The course is open to the general public.

To register please visit <http://www.interactionmanagementassociates.com/Register.html>

For more information, call 480.699.0892 or email info@IMAmmediation.com

17. Christopher Reeve Foundation: Quality of Life Grants – Deadline: September 02, 2009

Amount of funding: up to \$25,000

Eligibility: nonprofit organizations that have IRS 501(c)(3) status, but may also be awarded to community parks, schools, veterans hospitals, tribal entities, etc.

Purpose: Grants are given to programs or projects that improve the daily lives of people living with paralysis, particularly spinal cord injuries.

Contact: Donna L. Valente at 800-539-7309 or 973-467-8270 ext. 7211.

http://www.christopherreeve.org/site/c.ddJFKRNoFiG/b.4425937/k.A6D3/Program_Overview.htm

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18. Women Helping Others Foundation: Grassroots Charities Serving Women and Children – Deadline: September 8, 2009

Grants range: \$6,000 - \$30,000

Eligibility: 501(c)(3) charities that have been incorporated for at least three years and that have total organizational budgets of \$3 million or less. Preference will be given to organizations that are not dependent on government grants and those with greater organizational program costs than personnel costs. Organizations that have previously received a WHO Foundation grant should wait three years before applying again.

Purpose: to support community-focused charities that serve the overlooked needs of women, children, and families in the United States and Puerto Rico.

Contact: 1-800-946-4663 or [who@beauticontrol.com](mailto:who@beauticontrol.com)

[http://www.whofoundation.org/WHO\\_AppForm.htm](http://www.whofoundation.org/WHO_AppForm.htm)

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19. Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Local Funding Partnerships Special Solicitation - Peaceful Pathways: Reducing Exposure to Violence – Application Deadline: December 31, 2009

Total award: up to \$1 million

Number of awards: up to 8 matching grants o

Range of awards: \$50,000 - \$200,000 each

Purpose: to fund projects to reduce violence in specific communities such as those defined by race, ethnicity, tribe, gender, sexual identity or rural/frontier location.

Contact: Leticia Peguero at lpeguero@localfundingpartnerships.org or (609) 275-4128

<http://www.localfundingpartnerships.org>

<http://www.rwjf.org/applications/solicited/cfp.jsp?ID=20781>

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