



**SOUTHERN
ARIZONA
SENIOR
PRIDE**

2022
Impact
REPORT

***Support Senior Pride
on Arizona Gives Day!
April 4, 2023***

DEAR FRIENDS OF SOUTHERN ARIZONA SENIOR PRIDE

Last year was a year of growth for Senior Pride! Thank you for being a part of this growth and helping us move our vision into reality. Senior Pride has hired our first executive director Scott McDonald. The entire board is thrilled to have his leadership and is fully dedicated to supporting him and the organization. Last year as program participation and offerings increased Senior Pride was able to provide over 2,000 individual interactions of support to the older LGBTQI+ community.

Your partnership with the Senior Pride mission to **celebrate, support, and unite LGBTQI+ older adults** empowers us to build sustainable programming and services. I cannot wait to see what next year brings!



Robert Bell,
Southern Arizona
Senior Pride Board Chair



FOUNDATION SUPPORT

A special thank you to our partners for helping to make Senior Pride a place to celebrate, support, and unite LGBTQI+ older adults. Together we work to end isolation.

Catchafire

Community Foundation for Southern Arizona

The David and Lura Lovell Foundation

Helping Others Thrive Together

LGBTQ+ Alliance Fund

Long Realty Cares Foundation

Kellenberger Tollefson Center for LGBTQ Philanthropy

Wild Geese Foundation

The Stonewall Foundation

Your partnership allowed Southern Arizona Senior Pride to achieve so much!

Average Monthly Program Participation **INCREASED** by **50%** and now serves **167** individuals. Throughout 2022, Senior Pride had over **2,000** interactions with LGBTQI+ older adults.



COMMUNITY CARES PROGRAM

Trained volunteers provided regular, friendly visits to community members who are homebound, isolated, and/or living with a disability.

- **17 volunteers**
- **901 individual visits**
- **20 recipients**
- **947 volunteer hours**



“Not being able to drive any longer truly isolated me. My visitor keeps me company, appreciates my colorful stories and cheers me up.”



CULTURAL EVENTS AND WORKSHOPS

Brought people together for identity-affirming cultural events, lifelong learning, and personal exploration through:

- Monthly Book Club
- Monthly Gayme Day
- Walk & Roll
- Meditation Group
- Museum Tours
- Special Event: Showing of the film ‘Cured’
- Annual Holiday Party emceed by Susan Claassen & Fred Rodriguez



ADVANCE MEDICAL CARE PLANNING

“Honoring a Life” workshops educated 66 individuals about powers of attorney and living wills while providing necessary legal documents.



Erin Russ, Advance Medical Care Planning Program Coordinator



CONNECT NOW!

Provided computer tablets and wifi hotspots to individuals in need who would otherwise be unable to connect with family and friends.



SOCIAL GATHERINGS

Social Gatherings built community and reduced isolation safely throughout the year. Activities included monthly gatherings in Himmel Park, hosting a Volunteer Picnic and the annual Holiday Party.



SUPPORT GROUPS

Support Groups provided a safe and supportive space for participants to share their experiences of grief and loss.

- LGBTQI+ Women’s Grief Group
- LGBTQI+ Men’s Loss Support Group
- Two additional groups coming in 2023!

Trained volunteers provided friendly visits to community members who are homebound, isolated, and/or living with a disability. Last year volunteer support increased by **51%**. **63** individuals lent their expertise to the board of directors, fundraising campaigns, and program execution to better serve the older LGBTQI+ community. In 2022, Senior Pride volunteers provided **5,866** hours of support valued at **\$175,686.70** (\$29.95/hr independent sector rate).



“We are richer when all voices are heard, all cultures are respected and enjoyed, and all of us contribute to the well-being of each other individually and collectively.”

Read our full statement at:
www.soazseniorpride.org/diversity

PRIDE IS AGELESS. CELEBRATE!

Snapshots from local events:



FINANCES & PHILANTHROPY

Senior Pride extends our sincere gratitude to the generous partners who help ensure our mission is made possible. Senior Pride remains dedicated to being responsible stewards of the gifts we receive.

CONTRIBUTIONS

Contributions **\$113,529**

Grants **\$122,010**

Sponsorships **\$5,550**

INFORMATION HUB

Senior Pride is an Information Hub! Check out our website for resources, events, articles, and support groups.

- **52 editions** of the weekly e-news*
- **6 issues** of the Senior Forum newsletter (600 hard copies distributed per issue)
- **9** weekly Facebook posts, **1,184 likes**

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WAYS TO GIVE IN 2023:

Support Senior pride on Arizona Gives Day!

AZ Gives Day is a special day that invites the community to collectively come together to make a big impact. And thanks to the generosity of Senior Pride donors all gifts up to \$2,500 will be matched, making your support go even further. **Use the enclosed remit envelope or donate online at www.soazseniorpride.org**

Become a Sustaining Donor

The dependability of monthly donors means you will make a long-term impact.

The Senior Pride Fund held at the Community Foundation for Southern Arizona

Perfect for gifts of stock, IRA distributions, appreciated securities, gifts of real estate, and more.

The Joyce Bolinger and Lavina Tomer Legacy Society

Include Senior pride in your will or trust and make Senior Pride a part of your legacy.

Contact Senior Pride's executive director to learn more about these gift options:



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