



[Shawna]

As a result of Valley of the Sun United Way's work to increase the financial stability of individuals and families, Shawna received job training assistance and other support services. She and her family are now thriving. Visit [vsuw.org/success](http://vsuw.org/success) to read Shawna's story.

Since 1925, Valley of the Sun United Way has been responding to critical health and human service needs throughout Maricopa County. With the support of donors and volunteers like you, we develop and invest in strategies with a proven track record of helping individuals, families, and the community at large.

Join us in helping more children succeed, more families become self-sufficient and more people improve their lives.

#### Need help?

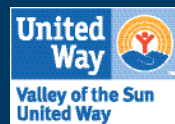
If you or anyone you know is experiencing difficult times, visit [vsuw.org](http://vsuw.org) to find help and resources. For Community Information and Referral, call 602-263-8856 or 1-800-352-3792 for outside Maricopa County.

#### Planned Giving.

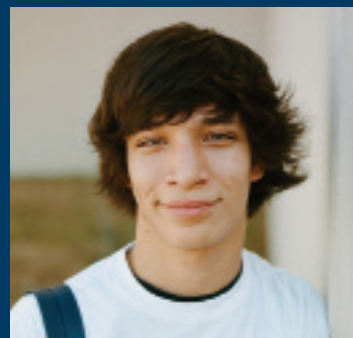
Please remember Valley of the Sun United Way in your will or estate plan. To learn more and to make your intentions known to us, call 602-631-4831 or visit [vsuw.org/planned\\_giving](http://vsuw.org/planned_giving).

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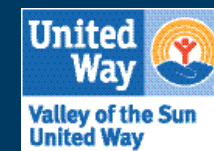
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Change  
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LIVE UNITED™



Help your entire  
community with  
a single gift.

We are all connected. When you touch someone's life through your support of Valley of the Sun United Way, you create a ripple effect that strengthens our whole community. Your donation may help a child do better at school. Or give a struggling family a stable financial future. Or help individuals with their most basic needs so they don't have to worry where they will sleep or get their next meal. Join our work. Make an impact that reaches all.

# GIVE. ADVOCATE. VOLUNTEER.

## One gift will touch someone's life. Together, our gifts transform a community.

LIVE UNITED is an invitation to become part of the change we want to see in our community. It is knowing that together, UNITED, we can accomplish more than any single group or individual can on their own. When you give to Valley of the Sun United Way, we invest your dollars to:

### Ensure Children and Youth Succeed

Give more children a chance for a brighter future.



[Barbara]

We know that parents want their kids to be safe, healthy, educated and successful. We also know that a child's success today is an investment in our community's future. That's why Valley of the Sun United Way develops and invests in programs that support children from the time they are born through the time they graduate high school.

In 2010, contributions from donors like you helped Valley of the Sun United Way:

- Provide more than 300,000 hours of youth mentoring
- Give developmental assessments to nearly 3,300 preschool children
- Provide nearly 156,000 youth access to quality after-school programs

### Increase Financial Stability

Help more families break the cycle of poverty.



[J.D.]

When given the opportunity, people want to provide for their families and secure their financial future. With Valley of the Sun United Way, you can help low-income Arizonans gain the knowledge and tools to build their savings and break the cycle of poverty for themselves and their family.

In 2010, thousands of individual contributions helped:

- Connect over 35,000 individuals to new benefits they may not have otherwise received
- Provide more than 3,800 people access to job training programs
- Find jobs for nearly 3,300 people
- Provide financial education to more than 1,300 adults

A contribution to Financial Stability/Helping the Working Poor may be eligible for a tax credit. Consult your tax advisor.

### End Hunger and Homelessness

Help individuals get back on their feet.



[Gabriel]

We know that people don't want to be homeless or have to rely on food boxes. However, each day thousands of people in Maricopa County lack the basic needs that many of us take for granted, including a place to call home or enough food to eat.

Thanks to our donors, in 2010 we were able to:

- Provide more than 710,000 nights of emergency and transitional shelter
- Support the distribution of over 93 million pounds of food and over 230,000 meals to vulnerable seniors
- Connect nearly 2,900 individuals and families experiencing homelessness to resources through monthly Project Connect events

## One gift can do so much. Make yours today.

When you support the work of Valley of the Sun United Way at any level, you ensure that your dollars touch lives and help achieve long-term community solutions. **See what a UNITED Community can do.** Visit [vsuw.org](http://vsuw.org) to learn more about our work and read more success stories. Follow us on:



Valley of the Sun United Way is working to strengthen the network of support for youth in our community, like Kevin. Access to a quality youth development program kept Kevin in school and put him on the path to college. Read his story at [vsuw.org/success](http://vsuw.org/success).

[Kevin]

