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# Arizona Hands & Voices

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## Who We Are

Hands & Voices is a nationwide non-profit organization dedicated to supporting families and their children who are deaf or hard of hearing, as well as the professionals who serve them. We are a parent-driven, parent/professional collaborative group that is unbiased towards communication modes and methods. Our diverse membership includes those who are deaf, hard of hearing, and hearing impaired and their families who communicate orally, with signs, cue, and/or combined methods. We exist to help our children reach their highest potential.

## Fall Expo September 13

### Save the Date!

September 13 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at the Arizona State University Memorial Union, there will be an opportunity for parents, service providers, manufacturers, state agencies and organizations to get together to socialize and learn. In addition to exhibits, there will be presentations of interest to both parents and professionals. Breakfast and lunch will be provided, and childcare will be of-

fered. Registration materials will be available online, and will be mailed out by the end of July. Funds from entrance fees and raffles will be used to establish a scholarship fund for children's camps and parent participation in national meetings.

For more information contact Helen at [hcartwright@azhv.org](mailto:hcartwright@azhv.org).

## St Luke's Health Initiative Grant

AZHV has received a generous grant of \$10,000 from St. Luke's Health Initiative (SLHI). These funds will be used to:

- Improve and broaden our outreach
- Provide more social and education

opportunities for people to gain information and learn from each other

- Improve access to these opportunities and information

One of the biggest projects this grant



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will help with is in providing services and materials to our Spanish speaking families.

Our sincere thanks the SLHI for providing the means to expand our services!

# AZHV on Community View

*“ACDHH works to improve the quality of life for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Residents in Arizona”*

In July, AZHV Board Member Keith Garrett appeared on Arizona’s own Community View. Keith spoke with Arizona Commission for the Deaf and the Hard of Hearing’s Executive Director, Sherri

Collins; they discussed the mission of Hands & Voices, the support AZHV can provide to families, and some of the activities AZHV has hosted.

Community View is the nation's longest-

running weekly television show geared specifically for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing communities. The purpose of the show is to educate, entertain and inform people with hearing loss on a variety of topics.

## AZHV Board Meeting August 9



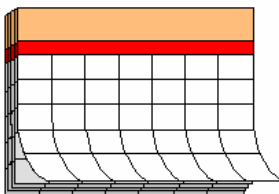
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A Board Meeting will be held on August 9 at Banner Desert Hospital’s Education Center in Mesa. The meeting is scheduled from 9:00 to 3:00. All are welcome to attend. Topics of discussion will include the national conference, the Fall Expo, events for the remainder of the year, Guide by Your Side, and grant monies received..

## Sertoma Donation

The East Valley Sertoma Club has donated \$1000 to Arizona Hands & Voices. Sertoma’s primary service project is assisting the more than 50 million people with speech, hearing and language disorders. Sertoma also sponsors community projects to promote freedom and democracy, to assist youth and to benefit a variety of other local community needs, as identified by the individual clubs.

## Upcoming Community Events



### Raising Special Kids

IEP/504	8/14
Self Advocacy/Youth	8/20
High School Transition	8/6
Preschool Transition	10/1
Parent/Professional Collaboration	8/16

### Enhancing Arizona’s Parent Networks

Participation in the Special Ed Process/Flagstaff 8/14

### Other

Deaf Awareness Week	9/20
Arizona Hands & Voices Fall Expo	9-13

# Family/Professional Registration Form

Thank you for your interest in Arizona Hands and Voices. With your annual membership, you will receive discounted prices to workshops and the quarterly national Hands & Voices newsletter "The Communicator." Scholarships for membership are available to families in need of assistance.

**Name**

**Address**

**Phone Number**

**E-Mail**

**Names/Ages of Children**

**School District or School Child Attends**

**Please circle one**

Parent

Professional

Student

Other

Please let us know what kind of information or services you are interested in receiving.

Please let us know if and how you would be willing to help with Hands & Voices (meeting planning, newsletter submissions, in-kind donations, etc).

## **Annual Membership**

\$25 Family

\$25 Student

\$40 Professional

Scholarship

Mail your completed membership registration and check to:

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