



FIRST THINGS FIRST

Regional Partnership Councils

March 2009 Report

Regional Partnership Council Appointments: A total of 309 Regional Council seats are filled. There were four resignations in February. Three individuals are being recommended to the Board for appointment for the Yuma, Colorado River Indian Tribes, and LaPaz/Mohave Regional Councils.

Regional Funding Plans: The Central Maricopa Regional Council is presenting their coordination strategy that required further development to the Board for approval. The Central and Southeast Maricopa Regional Partnership Councils will work in partnership to develop and maintain a family support network to assist families with access to services and to increase collaboration among the various community organizations and agencies providing family support programs. The Board approved this strategy for the Southeast Maricopa Regional Council at its February 18, 2009 meeting. A summary sheet and revised strategy are included in the board book. Staff recommends that the Board approve the revised strategy.

Award Presentations: Award presentations have taken place for the following Regional Councils: Yuma, Cocopah Tribe, LaPaz/Mohave, Colorado River Indian Tribes, Gila, Pinal, Graham/Greenlee, Cochise, Santa Cruz, Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community, Gila River Indian Community, Coconino, Navajo Apache, Navajo Nation, and the Maricopa and Phoenix regions. The events have been well attended and have included local elected officials. The majority of the events have had media coverage and we continue to work with the media in those regions that were not covered. The events provided an opportunity to share with the community and elected officials how First Things First will benefit the children and families in their community and the importance of protecting this investment. Below is the schedule for the remaining events. Staff is working on scheduling the event for the Hualapai Tribe.

March 16 th	North/Central/South Pima	9:00 am	Pima Community College-Desert Vista Campus 5901 S. Calle Santa Cruz Tucson, AZ 85709
March 19 th	White Mountain Apache Tribe	1:00pm	Whiteriver USD Day Care 422 S. 2 nd Avenue Event will be held in the Day Care gym
April 2 nd	Tohono O'odham Nation	Noon	TBA Sells, AZ
April 7 th	San Carlos Apache Tribe	9am	San Carlos Apache Tribal Council Hall San Carlos Avenue San Carlos, AZ 85550
April 30 th	Pascua Yaqui Tribe	TBA	TBA Tucson, AZ.