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- Agenda Item:** Regional Director's Report
- Attachment:** GRIC Regional Directors Report - Attachment
- Background:** Monthly Directors Report provides the Regional Director an opportunity to inform the Regional Council on current and upcoming activities happening within the region and throughout the State.
- Recommendations:** The Regional Director provides this as informational purposes only.



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Regional Director's Report Gila River Regional Partnership Council

Regional July-September

The GRIC 2014 Needs and Assets Report - University of Arizona (U of A) has submitted the final draft of the GRIC Regional Needs and Asset Report. Regional and Evaluation Staff are proofing the final version currently. The final document will be submitted Tribal Council in late **October** and to the Regional Council for final approval sometime in **November** or **December**.

GRIC Home Visitation Family Support System Coordination met August 28, 2014

- **Diaper Drive Update-** Elisia Manual provided us with an update on the diaper drive: 1800 diapers so far (1200 adult sizes, 600 infant toddler sizes), video was released about the diaper drive recently. Coalition agreed that the diaper drive would be extended until September 30th, 2014.
- **Resource Guide Update-** Elisia Manual provided an update on the resource guide: she is still in process of collecting data; she has found a program to help create the guide.
- **Vision/ Mission statement-** Lindsey provided an example of the Pinal Family Coalitions vision and mission and topics to think about to help create a statement for the Gila River Family Coalition. The coalition agreed they would like to have a combined vision and mission statement.
- **Topics for Future Meetings-** coalition agreed they would like to have a guest at each meeting either to provide information on community resources or small trainings. Coalition put a short list of topics/ resources to be presented at future meetings:
 - FACE program (October)
 - Tribal Social Services (December)
 - WIC
 - Genesis
 - Injury Prevention

State

First Things First 2014 Summit

- The First Things First Early Childhood Summit held August 18-19, 2014. Brought together professionals, stakeholders and supporters of early childhood education and health to share innovative strategies, research and best practices that help kids be ready for school and set for life.

School Readiness Indicators Tribal Resolution Update

- School Readiness Indicators Resolution was approved by Gila River Tribal Council October 1, 2014