



Top Ten 2008 Highlights

1. **STAND & SERVE Central Corridor Initiative (SSCCI):**

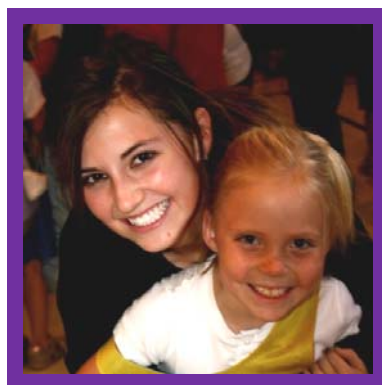
Peer Solutions is pleased to announce the implementation of the STAND & SERVE Central Corridor Initiative along the new light rail. The Governor's Office, Department of Economic Security and Education, METRO light rail, STAND & SERVE members and their families, school and community partners and many more have agreed to partner to cultivate a safe, respectful, healthy and united community along the new METRO light rail by forming a new SSCCI Coalition. Meetings are held at the Phoenix Library from 4-5PM the last Thursday of the month in Meeting Room A. *Thank you Magellan, BHHS Legacy & ADHS.*

2. **Awards:**

- ⌘ In April 33 STAND & SERVE members that have been in the club for three or more years were awarded Certificates from the Governor of Arizona for mentoring efforts.
- ⌘ All three City of Tempe 2008 Diversity Award winners were STAND & SERVE members. Jessica, Deanna and Liz were chosen for promoting identity respect as well as teaching younger students about diversity appreciation and much more. For the past 7 years, S&S members have been recognized for this award.
- ⌘ STAND & SERVE was the only program in the country to receive the 2007 National Sexual Violence Prevention award from National Sexual Violence Resource Center. STAND & SERVE was recognized at the National Conference in September 2007.
- ⌘ S&S was highlighted by America's Promise to Youth for their contributions to Tempe's receiving the 2005 & 2006 & 2007 100 Best Communities for Young People Award by Americas Promise to Youth. *Thank You Lynette Stonefeld!*

3. **Arizona Capitol:**

- ⌘ STAND & SERVE members continue to work with our friends at the Arizona Capitol to promote primary prevention. (Stopping the problem before it happens).
- ⌘ On April 3, 2008 a National Day to End Sexual Violence, 45+ S&S, Community, Board, Staff and Family Members hosted a Labyrinth with outreach materials and activities and at the end of the day talked with legislators and others about solutions.
- ⌘ In January of 2008, Peer Solutions presented Primary Prevention 101 at the Arizona Child Abuse Conference with Representative Kyrsten Sinema. Gang violence was highlighted.
- ⌘ In October of 2008, Peer Solutions hosted a Day to End family Violence to bring together school, family and community partners to cultivate primary prevention efforts at the Arizona State Capitol with the support of several legislators and staff members. Over 20 Community organizations, 100 S&S Members and over 100 Community, Board, Staff and Family Members came together to host outreach tables and primary child abuse prevention activities including a Labyrinth. After lunch we talked with legislators & others about primary prevention.



4. **School, Family & Community Celebrations:**

- ⦿ S&S hosted our annual school, family and community potluck and first ever variety show in December 2008.
- ⦿ Our end of the school year celebration is May 10th, 2008 at ASU. Bowling, Billiards, Pizza, Cupcakes, Mothers/Care-givers present making and more are offered.
- ⦿ Family nights were held in Phoenix and Tempe to educate family not only about what their child will be participating in this upcoming school year but also to teach them about primary prevention and cultivate their interest in owning the problem and the solutions. We had great attendance and were able to give away a \$250 gift card at each event. We will soon be hosting quarterly family & community nights and link them to the STAND & SERVE Central Corridor Initiative Primary Prevention Efforts.

5. **Service Projects:** STAND & SERVE members have participated in a wide variety of community service projects this past year including: Thanksgiving Breakfast Giveaway, Angel Society Drive, Tempe Tardeada, Joshua's Hope Foundation, Unity and Domestic Violence Walks, Special Olympics, Shopping for Fire and Crime Free Prevention with Tempe Police and Fire Departments, Backpack Buddies, Supplies for Students, Holiday Fantasia, Tumbleweed Events, No Parent Left Behind and more.

6. **Public Service Announcement:** S&S members Justin & Kim presented a Teen Dating Violence Prevention Public Service Announcement for Maricopa Association of Governments in February of 2008. It was well received by all and they are Rawk Stars!



7. **Town Halls:** Tempe and Phoenix Town Halls were conducted in Spanish and English in April of 2008 to promote preventing underage drinking before the problem begins. Efforts were linked to Child Abuse and Sexual Violence Prevention Month. 173 school, staff, family and community and STAND & SERVE members participated.

8. **National Model:** STAND & SERVE has been showcased at regional trainings for all states and territories. Peer Solutions has also worked directly with providers in Arizona, California, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, Missouri, Virginia, Washington & Wyoming. Peer Solutions collaborates with several national organizations including the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention. We are currently assisting with the development of national primary sexual violence prevention program and evaluation guidelines.

9. **STAND & SERVE Weekly Clubs:**

Peer Solutions facilitates weekly S&S meetings & activities with:

- ⦿ 5 high Schools (Desert Vista, Marcos de Niza, McClintock & Tempe HS's in Tempe and North HS in Phoenix)

- ⌘ 6 elementary/middle schools (Connolly, Fees, Gililand, McKemy in Tempe and Excelencia and Machan in Phoenix) and
- ⌘ 2 community centers (Westside and Escalante Community Centers) across the Central Corridor (Tempe and Phoenix).
- ⌘ As of Nov. 1, we have begun plans to start a STAND & SERVE club at ASU linking all three campuses

10. **STAND & SERVE Central Corridor Initiative:** Peer Solutions is pleased to announce the

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We are all Peers, We are all the Solution.

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