

ACYR HIGHLIGHTS

October 2010

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Congratulations, Julian!

Julian Sosa's charcoal drawing, "Where's It Going", was on display at Arizona State University's downtown campus over the summer months. When Doreen Zannis, president of **Support Our Schools AZ** viewed the art exhibit, Julian's piece not only resonated with her personally, but captured her organization's mission statement ("Empowering the Community to Make Public Education Arizona's Top Priority"). Mrs. Zannis came to the school on October 5th to meet Julian and purchase his artwork.



Business Partners

Special acknowledgement to two superb business partners for their commitment to providing valuable work experience to participants in the 2010 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Summer Employment Program. **TJ Maxx at Estrella Falls** in Goodyear worked with six participants over the summer and offered employment to all six once they completed the program. **Marshalls** at the Colonnade, Desert Ridge, and Avondale provided experiences for sixteen youth during the summer program. Thank you, TJ Maxx and Marshalls! We look forward to continue working together to meet your workforce needs.

YouthBuild Achievements

YouthBuild Phoenix, funded by the City of Phoenix Community Economic Development Department, has had a busy month. Nineteen YouthBuilders received college credit from GateWay Community College for finishing the Leadership for Citizenship course and six earned their GED. Congratulations to **Nathan Baker, Josh Herlehy, Aires Holmes, Colby Johnson, Emmanuel Nogueta, and Roberta Chavez!**

Adult Education News

The Adult Education program welcomes two AmeriCorps volunteers, **Jennifer Myers** and **Mallory Quigg**. They are currently tutoring students at the West Valley Career Center and ACYR main office classes.

ACYR Adult Education instructors have published a number of lessons on the Arizona Association for Lifelong Learning website. Check out: [Amistad Lesson](#) [The Holocaust Early Autumn](#)

How You Can Help

Your contribution will make a difference in the lives of young people, their families, and our community. Your monetary donation is eligible for the [Arizona School Tax Credit and the Arizona Tax Credit for the Working Poor](#). Donations must be made by December 31. [Click here for a donation form.](#)

If you are thinking of doing your holiday shopping online, you can help ACYR by registering with OneCause and designating ACYR as your benefiting organization. [More information here.](#)

[Find out about more ways you can help.](#)

Training Opportunities! Apply Now!

YouthBuild – Information sessions at ACYR, 648 N. 5th Avenue, Phoenix.

November 10, 15, & 16 at 4:00 p.m.

November 17 & 18 at 6:00 p.m.

GED Prep and Phlebotomy Training

Classes begin December 6, 2010!

Information sessions will be held in November. Please contact **Susan Wurth** at 602 252 6721 x 282 for dates and times.

Distribution Logistics Training – Information session on **November 2, 3:00 p.m.**, Room 130, SouthWest Skill Center 3000 North Dysart Road, Avondale.

Free Workshops at ACYR, 648 N. 5th Avenue, Phoenix

October 29, 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. – Healthy Relationships

November 18, 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. – Money Smarts

December 7, 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. – SAT/ACT Preparation

January 25, 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. – How to Locate Jobs

ACYR in the Community

As part of their commitment to community service, YouthBuilders partnered with **Voto Latino** in their *United We Win* campaign and helped to register 50 voters at the October First Friday event. Also on First Friday, YouthBuild education instructor **Omri Miles'** group, **iSix:5**, put on a great rap performance at the Roosevelt Community Church.

Harley Armstrong, YouthBuild Field Coordinator, volunteered at the Amazon.com hiring event with the Phoenix Workforce Connection. During the two day hiring event 2,451 people attended and 800 people were offered employment.

Kattie Orian and **Courtnee Kinser** are leading the way for ACYR's Annual **Holiday Food Drive**. Last year, we were able to provide food boxes for **69** ACYR families. Our goal this year is to provide holiday meals in November and December for **100** families. [Click here](#) for information on how you can help, or contact Kattie at katherineo@azcallateen.k12.az.us or 602.252.6721, ext. 220.