



Executive Director's Report Regional Council

January 29, 2014





Solar Ready II Grant



- **US Dept of Energy Grant**
- **Goals**
 - Reducing non-hardware costs of solar
 - Expanding local solar adoption
- **Solar Stakeholder Group first meeting February 4, 2:00 p.m.**





2014 Desert Peaks Awards

- **Call for Nominations has been issued for the Desert Peaks Awards.**
 - Desert Peaks Awards recognize regional excellence in six categories: Public Partnership, Public Private Partnership; Professional Service; Regional Partnership; Economic Development Champion; and Regional Excellence.
 - Nomination forms are available for download: www.azmag.gov/Projects/Project.asp?CMSID=1083 or available in hard copy by contacting Kelly Taft or Valerie Day.
- **Deadline for entries is Friday, March 14th.**
- **The Desert Peaks awards will follow the MAG Annual Meeting on June 25 at 5 p.m.**
 - Please note this will represent a time change from the normal schedule.





Phoenix Mayor Greg Stanton Honored



- Mayor Greg Stanton was honored on January 23, by the Latino Leaders Network (LLN) at a Washington, D.C., event for his commitment to advancing diversity and issues important to the Latino community.
- For more information visit:
<http://phoenix.gov/news/012314stantonaward.html>





2014 Best Intergenerational Community Award

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- *Generations United* notified MAG that the Blue Ribbon Review Panel choose our region as a winner in their 2014 Best Intergenerational Community Award Competition.
- Mayor Stanton signed the application on behalf of the region.
- Our region will receive the award at an event in Washington, DC in March.
- The application was supported by Arizona Museum of Youth, Benevilla, Duet, Experience Matters, Golden Gate Community Center and Oakwood Creative Care, ASU, A.T. Stills University, local high schools & Rio Salado Community College, Arizona Community Foundation and Virginia G. Piper Charitable Trust. The Cities of Glendale, Phoenix, Scottsdale, Surprise and Tempe contributed greatly.
- The award includes national promotion through a press release, publication with profiles of the communities being recognized, an invitation for our Congressional delegation to attend the awards ceremony, a logo and email signature, and a flag or road sign.