



Maricopa Association of Governments
Transportation Ambassador Program Regional Meeting
Building Connections
Monday, June 13, 2011

Venue: Burton Barr Central Library, 1221 N. Central Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85004

Event Schedule:

10:00–10:30 a.m. **Registration**

10:30–11:00 a.m. **Welcome**—Mayor Thomas Schoaf, City of Litchfield Park; *Chair, Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) Regional Council*
Pulliam Auditorium, First Floor

Presentation of Regional Coordination in Excellence Awards

Councilmember Joanne Osborne, City of Goodyear; *Vice Chair, MAG Continuum of Care Regional Committee on Homelessness*

11:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. **Resilience: Professional and Personal Morning Plenary**
Pulliam Auditorium

- Dedicating our time, talent and resources to serving others is rewarding, but how do we stay motivated? This session will focus on how to keep the energy flowing in order to be effective while remaining fulfilled professionally and personally.

12:00–1:30 p.m. **National Promising Practices**
Pulliam Auditorium

Moderator: Dave Cyra, *United We Ride Ambassador, Region IX*

Presenter: Mary Leary, PhD, *Senior Director, Easter Seals Project ACTION*

- Senior Director Mary Leary will share national best practices being implemented through Easter Seals Project ACTION, including assisting communities in expanding accessible transportation and mobility options for persons with disabilities and older adults.



Dr. Mary Leary joined the Easter Seals, Inc., Office of Public Affairs in November 2007, working with the National Center on Senior Transportation and other transportation technical assistance activities. With more than 10 years in the human services field, she has worked with the United We Ride Human Services Transportation Coordination initiative since its inception. Dr. Leary has engaged in projects that include an open-government initiative, development of a person-directed mobility management strategic plan, and co-chairing the Consolidated Access Workgroup expanding the focus on transportation and health outcomes.

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1:30–2:30 p.m.

Local Best Practices Afternoon Workshops

Norwest Bank Lecture
Room, Fourth Floor

• **Implementing Best Practices for Nonprofit and Community Involvement**

Learn how a local nonprofit has creatively expanded its services by proactively responding to the emerging needs of the community.

- Michelle Dionisio, *Director, Benevilla*
- Dave Cyra, *United We Ride Ambassador, Region IX*

Meeting Room B,
First Floor

• **Integrating Neighborhoods and Transportation**

Hear success stories on how connecting neighborhoods to transit opportunities can make a difference in the lives of Valley residents.

- Teresa Brice, *Director, Local Initiative Support Corporation*
- Shannon L. Scutari, Esq., *Director, State Rail and Sustainability Services, Arizona Department of Transportation*

Meeting Room A,
First Floor

• **Managing Volunteer Programs**

The community is not only a source of needs, it is a resource as well. Learn how clients can become volunteers who help support your programs.

- Emily Taylor, *Program Coordinator, Senior Companion Program—Maricopa County*
- Dr. Mary Leary, *Senior Director, Easter Seals Project ACTION*

Pulliam Auditorium

• **Working in Collaboration With Municipalities**

How forming collaborative partnerships can result in better coordination and seamless service.

- Jim Wright, *Operations Deputy Director, Valley Metro*
- Sheila Barberini, *Mobility Manager, Valley Metro*

Central Gallery,
First Floor

• **Experiencing Transit**

This mobile workshop offers participants hands-on travel training while riding the bus and light rail.

- Mark Melnychenko, *Principal Planner, City of Phoenix*

2:30–3:30 p.m.

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Small Group Discussion

Engage in a group discussion to identify resources within our community to meet the needs of human services transportation.



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