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April 12, 2010

TO: Members of the MAG Regional Community Partners Board of Directors

FROM: Councilwoman Peggy Neely, City of Phoenix, Chair

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA FOR THE MAG REGIONAL COMMUNITY PARTNERS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Monday, April 19, 2010 - Noon
MAG Office, Suite 200 - Cholla Room
302 North 1st Avenue, Phoenix

A meeting of the MAG Regional Community Partners Board of Directors has been scheduled for the time and place noted above. Members of the Board may attend either in person, by telephone conference, or by video conference. If you have any questions, please contact me at (602) 261-8626 or Dennis Smith, MAG Executive Director, at (602) 254-6300.

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TENTATIVE AGENDA

COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED

1. Call to Order

2. Call to the Audience

An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address the MAG Regional Community Partners Board of Directors on items not scheduled on the agenda that fall under the jurisdiction of MAG, or on items on the agenda for discussion but not for action. Members of the public will be requested not to exceed a three minute time period for their comments. A total of 15 minutes will be provided for the Call to the Audience agenda item, unless the Board of Directors requests an exception to this limit. Please note that those wishing to comment on action agenda items will be given an opportunity at the time the item is heard.

2. Information and discussion.

**ITEMS TO BE HEARD
BY THE REGIONAL COMMUNITY PARTNERS BOARD**

3. Accept Funding from the Governor's Office for Children, Youth, and Families for Domestic Violence Planning

A Domestic Violence STOP grant for Human Services is anticipated to be awarded by the Governor's Office to Regional Community Partners (RCP) for work on the MAG Protocol Evaluation Project. This project work includes an evaluation and recommendations on the protocols used to arrest and prosecute domestic violence offenders. This item is to approve the acceptance of funding, contingent upon confirmation of the grant award from the Governor's Office for Children, Youth, and Families for Domestic Violence Planning, in the amount of \$249,568. Please refer to the enclosed material.

4. Adjournment

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April 12, 2010

TO: Members of MAG Regional Community Partners Board of Directors

FROM: Amy St. Peter, Human Services Manager

SUBJECT: ACCEPT FUNDING FROM THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH,
AND FAMILIES FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PLANNING

The MAG FY 2010 Unified Planning Work Program and Annual Budget (UPWP) was approved on May 27, 2009. A DV STOP grant for Human Services is anticipated to be awarded to Regional Community Partners (RCP) for work on the MAG Protocol Evaluation Project (PEP). This project work includes an evaluation and recommendations on the protocols used to arrest and prosecute domestic violence offenders. This item is to approve the acceptance of a grant award of \$249,568 from the Governor's Office for Children, Youth, and Families for Domestic Violence Planning, contingent upon confirmation of the award.

The MAG Protocol Evaluation Project (PEP) will increase safety for victims and accountability for offenders by addressing any gaps in the system. As the process is streamlined, cost savings will accrue and these funds can be used to serve more victims. The project will highlight the most promising practices used both regionally and nationally. The elements that make these practices effective will be identified and used to construct a framework that can be implemented in any city or town. Training will be developed on the framework of promising practices and solutions to address any barriers found to effective implementation of the grant. Videos will be available to professionals and the public to expand coverage and awareness.

The strength of the project is found in the expertise of the partners committed to the project's success. A total of 14 partners including MAG have formally agreed to support PEP. Many more partners will be invited to ensure broad implementation and accurate geographic and cultural representation. The initial partners include the following: Arizona Coalition Against Domestic Violence; Arizona Criminal Justice Commission; City of Phoenix Family Advocacy Center, City of Phoenix Police Department, and the City of Phoenix Prosecutor's Office; City of Mesa Prosecutor's Office; City of Scottsdale Prosecutor's Office Victim Services Program; Town of El Mirage; Town of Buckeye; Southwest Family Advocacy Center; City of Avondale; Tolleson Police Department; and Sojourner Center. MAG is indebted to these partners and to the Governor's Office for their support of this endeavor.

If you have any questions regarding this amendment, please contact me at the MAG office at (602) 254-6300.