



Community Information & Referral

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PHOENIX - Community Information & Referral (CIR) has received a \$10,000 grant that will help defray costs associated with the call center 24-hr. Help Hotline operational costs. The Helpline (602-263-8856 or outside Maricopa County at 1-800-352-3782) serves callers seeking domestic violence and homeless emergency shelter, emergency food resources, and other crisis services.

Since 1964, CIR has provided Arizonans with information about and referrals to a wide array of health and human services.

Roberto Armijo, CIR's President and CEO, said the grant from the Nina Mason Pulliam Charitable Trust will support the Hotline's operational costs at a time when the need for the hotline is greatest and support needed for it at an all time high.

Currently, 15 Hotline staff and 5 community volunteers man the Hotline.

Volunteer recruitment and training is ongoing. For more information, call 602-263-8845 ext. 140 or visit www.cir.org.