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The CAA Approach

COMMUNICATE | INFLUENCE | DEMAND | INFORM | IMPROVE

Children’s Action Alliance, an independent voice for Arizona children at the state capitol and in the community, works to improve children’s health, education and security through information and action.

**WE COMMUNICATE** the needs of children. Through research, publications, media campaigns and advocacy, Children’s Action Alliance ensures that children’s needs are known and acted upon.

**WE INFLUENCE** policies and decisions, making our children’s best interests our state’s priority.

**WE DEMAND** progress from our leaders and elected officials. There is no excuse for Arizona to be ranked among the lowest in the nation in conditions for children.

**WE INFORM** the public about the voting records of Arizona politicians, holding them accountable for their campaign promises to our kids.

**WE IMPROVE** children’s lives by combining policy expertise with the power of strategic communications and advocacy to achieve real results.
379,000 children live in poverty – that’s more kids than the entire population of Flagstaff, Tempe, and Yuma combined.

15,500 abused and neglected children live in foster care – that’s enough kids to completely fill up the Veteran’s Memorial Coliseum.

49,100 third grade students scored below proficient on third grade reading – nearly half of all third graders.

Arizona’s lowest income families paid $12.50 in state and local taxes for every $100 they earned, compared to $5.70 or less paid by the highest income families.

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Our Kids Need
Children’s Action Alliance
and You
1. Improved stability for children being raised by grandparents and other relatives by expanding monthly stipend for financial support.

2. Kept the public spotlight on the teacher shortage crisis and Arizona's lowest ranking in teacher salaries, leading to new state funds for a small increase in teacher pay.

3. Created more opportunities for poor moms to move out of poverty by removing obstacles to caring for their children and reentering the workforce.

4. Knocked down barriers to make it easier for teens who live in foster care to transition into adulthood with greater access to driver's permits and licenses and more consistent health care coverage.

5. Sustained affordable health coverage for 2 million children, seniors, parents, and people with disabilities through AHCCCS Medicaid and KidsCare.

5 Things We Did Together in 2017
Children’s Action Alliance launched the Arizona Center for Economic Progress in 2017 to empower all Arizonans with better jobs and economic opportunities:

1. Quality public schools in every neighborhood;
2. Affordable and accessible post-secondary education and job training opportunities;
3. Eliminate barriers to joining the workforce;
4. Robust infrastructure and sustainable communities that support our growing population.

To learn more about the AZ Center and our campaign to clean-up Arizona’s tax code, The Fair Share Campaign, visit our website at azeconcenter.org

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- Register to vote and vote for kids in every election.
- Stay informed through CAA action alerts and state legislative news.
- Celebrate our youth at the Through the Eyes of a Child Celebration in the fall.
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