



ICAN: Positive Programs for Youth - January News from the Lon E. Hoeye Youth Center



ICAN Mission Moment



ICAN recently partnered with **Cowtown**, a local skateshop, on a program called **Skate Angel**. Customers at Cowtown donated

funds to provide skateboards for youth in our community that would not be able to afford a skateboard during the holiday season. Cowtown staff were able to take those funds and build and design custom skateboards for youth in need. ICAN was given 15 of these skateboards that we gave to our ICAN youth - they were so excited to have these custom skateboards.

Save the Date! Building Bright Futures Breakfast

Mark you calendar for ICAN's 3rd Annual Building Bright Futures Breakfast. To learn about how you can get involved, contact Courtney Taylor at (480) 874-7575

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Dangers of Vaping



The Chandler Coalition on Youth Substance Abuse (CCYSA) recently produced a very informative video about the dangers of vaping - both as criminal behavior and the health risks of vaping. The information includes a link to a test about vaping, which is a great tool for parents and education professionals in working with youth. [Click here](#) to view the material.

It's Not Too Late for a Tax Credit



You can still earn a dollar-for-dollar credit on your state taxes through the **Qualified Charitable Organization Tax Credit Program**. The deadline is tax day - April 15. Donate up to **\$800 per couple and \$400 per individual**. It's win-win giving! [Click here](#) for information on ways to donate and receive your state tax credit.

Listen for Good

ICAN staff is continuing their training through the Listen for Good program from a grant from **Fund for Shared Insight** received in the fall. Through this program, ICAN is going on a multi-step process to design new survey instruments, collect client feedback, interpret the data, respond to the feedback and "close the Loop" with clients. This process of systematically gathering and responding to feedback from our clients is critical to achieving our goal of "improving our families' experience with ICAN." Step 2 of this process was recently completed, when ICAN administered a survey to parents who have youth in the program. Over the 2-week period of survey distribution, we were able to collect 86 surveys, which is a great representation of parents. This information will now be used to analyze the strengths and areas of improvement of the program and create an action plan based on the findings.

Thank You Thunderbirds Charities



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supports ICAN with a grant for our **Youth**

Development program. This program teaches social-emotional skills, peer pressure resistance, risk avoidance, and resiliency. The goal of YDP is an increased capacity to form

and maintain healthy relationships; increased ability to resist negative influences; increased respect for self and others; avoidance of underage drinking, drugs and violence; increased involvement in the community; and development of a stronger sense of self.

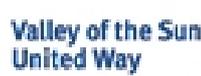


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ICAN is a free youth center in the East Valley that offers programming for youth, teens, families and the community. ICAN's nationally-recognized prevention programming teaches disadvantaged youth real-life skills including goal setting, positive decision making and how to avoid the risky behaviors that are prevalent in the community ICAN serves.

For more information about ICAN, call 480.821.4207 or visit www.icanaz.org.

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