

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN THE
PIMA COUNTY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT
AND
[COMMUNITY PARTNER]
RELATED TO
THE CYCLE BREAKER PROGRAM**

This Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) is entered into as of the last date of execution by and between [Community Partner (“xxxx”)], and Pima County (“County”), a political subdivision of the State of Arizona, as represented by the Pima County School Superintendent, Dustin Williams (“Superintendent”), a locally elected government official.

This Memorandum of Understanding is not intended to be a legally enforceable contract. It is, rather, a statement of the parties’ mutual understanding and agreement regarding the Cycle Breaker Program. Either/any party may withdraw from participation in this Memorandum of Understanding at any time.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, County may enter into an agreement for the procurement of materials, services, professional services from a nonprofit corporation pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-2632 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, in 2019, 12% of individuals aged 16-24 in Pima County were not working or attending school. This amounts to nearly 20,000 youth. Additionally, some of these youth are involved with the court system or were recently incarcerated; and

WHEREAS, the Pima County School Superintendent’s Cycle Breaker Program (“Cycle Breaker”) is designed to address the needs of this vulnerable population; and

WHEREAS, The Pima County School Superintendent’s Cycle Breaker Program assists Pima County youth and adults by reengaging them with job placements, wrap-around services, and support in helping them achieve an educational degree or certification. Cycle Breaker is designed to educate, employ, and support youth in a variety of fields, to help them achieve a career with livable wages and set them on a path to further education and training; and

WHEREAS, individuals who commit to the program receive assistance and counseling to address the root causes of their issues in areas such as housing, transportation, food, childcare, tuition, job skills, employment, and other needed benefits; and

WHEREAS, County and [Community Partner] wish to formalize existing and new partnerships to provide youth ages 16-25, including those recently incarcerated or otherwise involved with the court system, with needed job placements, wrap-around services, and support to help them achieve an educational degree or certification; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants contained herein,

[Community Partner] and County agree as follows:

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding is to clarify, memorialize, and formalize existing and new partnerships between County and [Community Partner] to provide needed wrap-around services (in some cases, employment) targeted towards opportunity, to youth and justice system-involved youth aged 16-25.

2. SCOPE

2.1. County will provide Case Management services for youth enrolled in Cycle Breaker.

2.2. County will provide additional direct and indirect basic services for youth enrolled in Cycle Breaker, including:

- Counseling and Trauma-Informed Care services
- Housing/Food assistance
- Healthcare
- Job Placement
- Childcare
- GED/ High School Diploma Educational Assistance
- Tuition- primarily for trade certificates at Pima County Community College
- Support for student transportation (e.g. Ride sharing, bus passes)
- Stipends for internships
- Workforce materials (e.g. specialized/trade-specific clothing, tools, etc.)
- Trade/Governmental fees (e.g. certificates, program costs, licenses)
- Administrative support.

2.3. [Community Partner] will provide appropriate additional direct basic services to youth enrolled in Cycle Breaker including:

- Counseling and/or Trauma-Informed Care services
- Job Placement
- Housing/Food assistance
- Educational Assistance with GED/ HS diploma
- Tuition- primarily for trade certificates at PCC Workforce Materials- clothes, tools, etc.

3. AMENDMENTS

3.1. The Parties agree to make such amendments as necessary to implement the intent of this Memorandum of Understanding.

3.2. No amendment to this Memorandum of Understanding shall be effective unless it is in writing and signed by authorized representatives of both parties.

4. ENTIRE AGREEMENT

This Memorandum of Understanding constitutes the entire agreement between the parties. There are no understandings, agreements, or representations, oral or written, not specified herein regarding this Memorandum of Understanding.

5. EXECUTION

This Memorandum of Understanding may be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, and all of which shall constitute but one and the same agreement. PCSS/County shall provide each party with a set of all executed counterparts. By signature of their authorized representatives below, the parties to this agreement acknowledge that they have read this Memorandum of Understanding, understand it, and agree to be bound.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the Parties have affixed their signatures to this Memorandum of Understanding on the date written below.

PIMA COUNTY

[Community Partner]

Pima County School Superintendent

[Authorized Representative]

Date

Printed Name

Representative Title

Date