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Thanks to the incredible generosity of so many, we were thrilled to be able to equip over 1,100 students from the San Carlos Apache Tribe with a backpack and school supplies prior to the beginning of another school year. **We would like to make a special request:** If everyone receiving this News would send us just one brand-new backpack as they go on sale at a store near you, we'd have enough sturdy ones with strong zippers for the next school year. What an incredible gift that would be!



Once our own distributions were finished, the San Carlos School District sent representatives to our offices to collect the huge amount of supplies and backpacks that remained. One of the young men on the maintenance team had grown up on our "church bus." We're looking forward to welcoming his children soon! One of the educators who arrived shared that a colleague also with her had a blood clot. We were honored to pray over her during that visit. Please pray for the students, staff, and others as education is provided and promoted. Again, we want to thank those who helped make our part in this provision possible!



Prior to the completion of the 2024-2025 School Year, we were able to contact representatives from the schools to find out exactly what was needed in the students' backpacks. Another connection has unfolded, allowing us to partner with the San Carlos Schools in an even greater way. Many of the students arrive with no access to running water at their home. Clothing, showers, and other necessities are simply unavailable. Others come to school traumatized by the experiences of the night before. The schools are equipped with Care Centers. Certified staff oversee these Centers, providing what is desperately needed. How can we help? They need shampoo, laundry soap, children's clothing in great condition as well as shoes. Lots of shoes...preferably new. We realize we have a Critical Care List already published and in need of groups to willingly contribute the food, diapers and more on that list one month each year. Perhaps this project speaks to your heart. Of primary importance is prayer. Again, please pray for the students and staff of the San Carlos Apache Tribe.



We were excited to celebrate the one-year anniversary of service within this ministry of Audreanna (Audrey) Carlyle. Her parents have served with ARM for over five years! As a High School Senior, she does a lot of "juggling." She'll no doubt take some time away from our Children's Ministries to participate in school sports, but on the afternoons she's serving with us, her example is priceless!



We also wanted to share the arrival of Aiden Victor to the ARM Team! Also, a Senior this year, Aiden fills a great need as a young man serving Christ within our Children's and Youth Ministries! Funding to support these two in their part-time positions comes from ARM's General Fund.

'God's ARMs Around the Reservation since 2002'



These are extra-ordinary times... even for this ministry! Years ago, after watching many Short-term Missionaries arrive on their Reservation to serve, Vincent and Vermaleen Stevens asked God if perhaps **they** could travel in short-term ministry as well. Vermaleen was thinking it would be somewhere in the U.S., while Vincent envisioned a trip to South America. God had other plans! A gentleman who serves with an established ministry called 'Frontiers' joined us in a short-term ministry trip this past February. He asked if the Stevens family might be interested in traveling as missionaries to the Middle East! As this is written, their bags are packed, and they'll head out in a matter of days. They've gathered prayer warriors, learned much about the culture, received their vaccines and are eager to serve in this new adventure! Please join us in thanking God for such a wonderful opportunity for this Apache family! Not only are Vincent and Vermaleen going, but also their young daughter! Our team concluded our recent CPR training by praying over these travelers. Please pray that eternity will be enlarged for many in this foreign field because of their faithfulness.



It's been another busy season for the ARM Team! After a very hectic spring with several teams of Short-Term Missionaries, our summer has been almost entirely dependent upon our Team's ARMs. A friend from Indiana arrived for a few days, as well as others from Arizona to help Prospero work on completing the Safe House. With finishing touches requiring fewer hands, this has been a big blessing! Friends from Grace Church and Nuevo Uncion, Mesa, AZ arrived for a few days to help with the framing at the Morgan family's parsonage. In addition to these construction laborers, friends from the Tribe's "Tribal Assistance for Needy Families" crew helped with the foundation of this new home, some planning to return soon to help hoist the trusses, along with members of the Morgan family's church. As the heat has continued, we looked ahead to our Backpack Week, knowing having a few extra ARMs would be a great answer to prayer. During a Zoom meeting with First Christian Church, Yuma, AZ, we voiced our need. They came through once again, sending four church members to help with handing out the backpacks from our RV, and other tasks. Teens of First Christian Church, Yuma plan to return for their annual trek over Labor Day, helping with a huge Family Fun Day. As always, we thank God for those He sends to help us and are praying for many more to grasp how much they are needed. We're excited to watch as teams ask to be added to our calendar in 2026!



It's been a busy, exciting season for the Girls' Basketball team! They were able to head to the Phoenix area for a tournament and then to Colorado! They're hoping to make a trip to a tournament in California soon. Please pray for these young ladies, their coaches and family as these memorable events unfold!

The 2025 Christmas Stocking Wish List of Arizona Reservation Ministries



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Each Stocking needs: individually wrapped toothbrush, toothpaste, flashlight with batteries, individually wrapped candies, socks, coloring books & crayons/sketchbook & pencils, card games, Beanie Babies/small stuffed animals, hairbrush/comb.

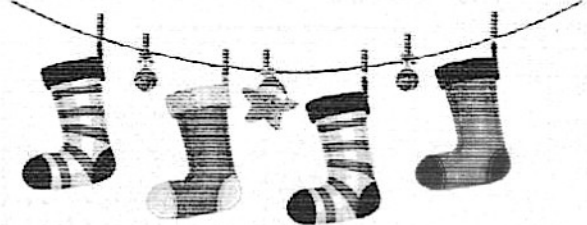
ALSO... Sensory/fidget toys (squishies, stress balls, etc.)

Younger Girls:

Dolls: Barbie dolls, classic baby dolls, etc.
Hair & Beauty: barrettes, hair ties, costume jewelry, play make-up, lip gloss, etc., **Creative toys:** simple girl Lego kits, simple craft kits, art supplies **Outdoor toys:** Jump ropes, sidewalk chalk, yo-yo's, bubbles, etc.

Younger Boys: Action

Figures/ Figurines: (Superheroes, wrestlers, Transformers, etc., Paw Patrol, Ninja Turtles, animals, dinosaurs, etc.)
Sports: table-top basketball/bowling, Nerf-style footballs, yo-yo's, etc.
Vehicles: Hot Wheels, small trains, planes, etc.
Creative Toys: Simple Lego kits, tool sets, craft kits, art supplies, etc.



Older boys: Sports:

Deflated basketballs with small hand-held air-pump & needle, baseballs, sturdy hacky sacks, Nerf balls, etc. **Toys:** finger skateboards*without demonic images, Advanced Lego kits, travel (Grab & Go) or mini board games, etc.
Puzzles: Word puzzle books, jigsaw puzzles, Rubik's Cubes, brain teasers, etc. **Media:** Ear buds, portable phone chargers, Devotionals, journals for prayer time, etc.
Hygiene: men's' body sprays.

Older Girls: Hair & Beauty:

lip gloss, nail polish, make-up, hair accessories, bracelets, necklaces, etc. **Crafts:** detailed coloring books & colored pencils, craft kits, (drawing, beading, etc.) **Media:** ear buds, portable phone chargers, Devotionals, journals for prayer time, Christian teen fiction **Sports:** deflated basketballs, volleyballs, etc. **small ball pump with needle.** **Puzzles:** Word puzzle books, jigsaw puzzles, Rubik's Cubes, brain teasers, etc.

For the babies & toddlers:

Baby brush/comb, Baby wipes, "sippy" cups, socks, bibs, and Preschool toys: (Please check for choking hazard): blocks, cars, learning toys, rattles, rubber ducks, plush baby dolls, Bible-themed board books.



The Deadline for all donations is November 14th.

Thank you!



We will also need: a 45" x 60" two-ply, fringe-tied fleece blanket for each child/teen who receives a stocking. For many of the kids, this will be their favorite gift! No owl or snake prints, please.



ALL items need to be small enough to fit within a Christmas stocking. Items in bold print are our most urgent needs. Thanks to the generosity of many, in 2024, we were able to distribute over 1,000 fleece blankets and 500 stockings! To save postage, consider sending us Dollar Tree or Walmart Gift Cards or ordering on Amazon.com.

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