

Jewish Family & Children's Service

Of Southern Arizona

**Press Release
For Immediate Release**

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JFCS HOSTS ANNUAL MEETING

You are invited to attend the 2007 Annual Meeting for Jewish Family & Children's Service of Southern Arizona (JFCS). Please join us as we celebrate another year of successful commitment to the community with **Mayor Bob Walkup** as our featured speaker. We will host our annual meeting on Monday, January 22, 2006 from 11:30am to 1:30pm at the Arizona Inn located at 2200 East Elm Street.

In addition to Mr. Walkup's speech, JFCS will celebrate the past year by honoring those individuals who have made it possible for us to provide continued quality social services to Tucson. We will honor longtime staff members such as Penny Gassan, who is recognized for her 15 years of dedicated service to JFCS and is currently the Administrative Director of In-Home Services, as well as numerous other JFCS staff members who have worked tirelessly on the behalf of those in need.

"I am honored to be of service at JFCS. This has been an exciting journey", Ms. Gassan said of her years of service at JFCS.

Additionally, JFCS will honor dedicated board members who have completed their tenure as well as Major Supporters from within the community. Outgoing board members Doris Coris, Gretchen Kalwick, Robyn Kessler, Steve Nunez, and Irene Stern-Friedman will be honored for their years of service while we welcome new members Jeff Goldberg, Nancy Robertson, and Tandy Kippur. We truly appreciate their commitment to our agency and to the community as a whole. Additionally, we will celebrate those individuals who have agreed to participate in new positions on the JFCS Board including: Bruce Beyer as Chairman; Jill Rich as Chair Elect; Larry Leiken as Vice Chairman; and Dr. Ronald H. Kolker as the Immediate Past Chair. Please join us as we honor those who have served and those who continue to serve the community through JFCS.

If you would like to attend this event, please RSVP by January 17, 2007 by calling 795-0300 x 238. Price per person is \$40.

Since 1941, JFCS has provided a variety of social services to the community; serving people of all races, religions and ethnic origins. JFCS programs include Counseling & Support Services, Services for Older and Disabled Persons, Home Services, Refugee Services, and Community and Volunteer Services. JFCS operates Tucson Loan Chest and provides continuing education classes for people working in human services.

For more information, please call Staci Smith at 795-0300, ext 283.

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If you would like to assist JFCS in providing holiday gifts for the children of our community,
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