



Brain Injury Alliance of Arizona

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MISSION STATEMENT

The Brain Injury Alliance of Arizona (BIAAZ) is a statewide non-profit 501c3 organization dedicated to creating a better future for Arizonans through brain injury prevention, advocacy, and education. BIAAZ serves as the primary resource in Arizona to support brain injury survivors and caregivers on their journey to recovery through community connections, empowerment activities, and information referrals.

GOALS 2018

- Educate 1,000 college students about brain injury
- Increase resources and support for the families of pediatric brain injury survivors
- Support veterans with brain injury and their families

YEAR ESTABLISHED/HISTORY

1983

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteers allow the Brain Injury Alliance of Arizona to live its mission and serve over 6,000 survivors of brain injury a year. We have a variety of volunteer opportunities year-round that are project-based or long-term.

Administrative Assistance:

Volunteers are needed to work in our Phoenix office.

Helmet Drive: Help us live our mission to prevent brain injury by holding a helmet drive at your church, work, or school.

Special Events: We always appreciate volunteers who can help with our donor and community events—from planning, to outreach, to on-site support.

Board-Level: Volunteers who have an interest in longer-term involvement may participate on key committees and may also engage as a leadership volunteer.

SERVICE AREA

We offer statewide neuro-resources, support groups, empowerment activities, and referrals for family members as well as survivors of brain injuries such as stroke, traumatic brain injury, concussion, brain tumors, and aneurysms. We provide a multitude of resources for every stage of a survivor's recovery- from the newly-injured, to those who have been on their journey from brain injury for some time. We specialize in living life well after brain injury.

FUNDRAISING EVENTS

Crowns for Camo: Wild Nights, Wild Lights: Support our heroes as they transition to the classroom and beyond as we raise funds for veteran support services on campus. November 9, 2018 from 5:30-8:30pm at the Phoenix Zoo. Tickets are available at biaazcrowns.eventbrite.com.

Run, Walk, & Roll Phoenix: Join us for our inaugural, fully-accessible event at Kiwanis Park in Tempe on April 14, 2018. The event features a 10k, 5k, and one-mile fun run/walk. Early bird registration is \$30 per person; sponsors are needed. Register at Biaazwalkandroll.org or contact Operations@biaaz.org.

Tucson Bowl for Brains: Spare some time to strike up support for brain injury programs in Southern Arizona. The event will take place March 16, 2018 from 6:30-8:30pm at Lucky Strike in Tucson. Register at Bowlforbrains.org or contact Carrie@biaaz.org.

GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

College Campus Pop-Up Support: Our day-long education and information events on college campuses throughout Arizona allow college students fun and interactive ways to learn about brain injury prevention and resources available on campus and in the community.

Domestic Violence & Homeless Shelter Brain Injury Education: Make a difference in the life of a survivor of brain injury living in a shelter by funding one of our educational sessions where we bring art therapy, music therapy, yoga, and brain injury information to residents of area shelters.

Living Life Fully after Brain Injury Workshops: Help survivors of brain injury adapt to their new normal by sponsoring our free and open-to-the-public sessions.

The Butters Fund: The Butters Fund keeps new survivors of brain injury who are going through medical treatment or rehabilitation together with their companion animals/ pets.

Veterans Support Groups: Help us establish and maintain brain injury support groups specifically for veterans and their families.

A charitable dollar goes far with BIAAZ:

\$25,000: Fund a year of Living Life Fully after Brain Injury workshops

\$5,000: Fund a year of brain injury education for active duty military and veterans at community events

\$2,500: Fund six brain injury education sessions at addiction treatment centers

\$1,500: Fund a support group for caregivers or survivors of brain injury for six months

\$600: Fund a day-long Campus Pop-Up Support event at a college of your choice

\$300: Send a survivor to our fully-accessible Camp Can Do

Arizona Community Foundation: Support the Brain Injury Alliance of Arizona by making a tax-deductible gift to our operating fund through the Arizona Community Foundation.

Leadership Giving: Gifts over \$1,000 are recognized in our Leadership Giving Circle.

Contact Carrie Collins-Fadell at Carrie@biaaz.org or 602-508-8024 for more information on giving and underwriting opportunities.

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COMMUNITY ACHIEVEMENTS

- Served as a resource for 3,000 families
- Over 350 survivors of brain injury and their family care partners attended our annual education conference, Rays of Hope, in Phoenix
- 50 adult survivors of brain injury enjoyed recreational and social opportunities at our fully-accessible Camp Can Do in Payson, Arizona in 2017
- Provided 400 hours of on-site resource counseling at Barrow Concussion Clinic and Dignity Health In-Patient Neuro-Rehabilitation
- Presented to 185 first-responders about TBI and PTSD
- Educated 492 professionals on living life with brain injury and community resources