



Brain Injury Alliance

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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 MET IN 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: Volunteer in our Phoenix office.

Helmet Drive: Help us live out 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.

Leadership/Board-Level: Those who want to invest their time, leadership skills, and financial support, can inquire about a board, advisory council, or committee seat.

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! We raise funds for veteran support services on campus, as they transition to the classroom and beyond. **November 9, 2018 from 5:30-8:30pm at the Phoenix Zoo.** Tickets are available at biaazcrowns.eventbrite.com.

Run, Walk, & Roll Phoenix: Our inaugural, fully-accessible event at Kiwanis Park in Tempe on April 14, 2018, exceeded expectations. The event featured a 10k, 5k, and one-mile fun run/walk. To sign up for 2019's event—Register at Biaazwalkandroll.org & join us on March 30, 2019.

Tucson Bowl for Brains: Spare some time to strike up support for brain injury programs in Southern Arizona. Join us on March 1, 2019 at Lucky Strike. Register at Bowlforbrains.org or contact Carrie@biaaz.org.

GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

College Campus Pop-Up Support: 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 campus and community resources.

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 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

Look at what one donation can fund:

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

\$5,000: A year of brain injury education for active duty military and veterans

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

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

\$600: 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 with a tax-deductible gift to our operating fund through the Arizona Community Foundation.

Leadership Giving: Gifts over \$1,000 are recognized in *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 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 events at fully-accessible Payson "Camp Can Do"
- Provided 400 hours of on-site resource counseling at Barrow Concussion Clinic and Dignity Health In-Patient Neuro-Rehabilitation
- Presented to 185 first-responders on TBI and PTSD
- Educated 492 professionals on living life with brain injury
- Expanded our programs to include pet care fund
- Added more statewide support