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## HEALING HEARTS PET THERAPY AT FLORENCE CRITTENTON

**LAURA\*** was 16 years old when she came to Florence Crittenton. She suffered trauma as a little girl. As a result of her abuse,



Laura developed several behavioral health issues. She had a history of self harm and substance abuse. With good reason, Laura struggled to trust others and she dealt with anger management issues. As a part of her treatment plan at Florence Crittenton, Laura was introduced to Callie, a therapy dog from Gabriel's Angels. Laura and Callie instantly connected and through their canine companionship, Laura began to heal. Laura became more aware of her emotions and avoided angry outbursts so as not to upset Callie. Through this sweet Golden Retriever and her loving owner as well as the Florence Crittenton staff, Laura started to see a positive change in herself. Her counselor at Florence Crittenton shared that one time Laura curled up next to Callie on the floor

where they both fell asleep. Laura felt safe. She felt unconditional love.

Growing bodies of scientific research over the past three decades have proven that pet therapy can significantly reduce anxiety and depression in people with a range of physical, mental, and behavioral health problems. Because of the overwhelming benefits, Florence Crittenton partnered with Gabriel's Angels over twelve years ago. Gabriel's Angels has served over 13,000 at-risk children in Arizona through the application of pet therapy. With over 150 volunteer teams, the organization strives to improve the overall sense of well-being and happiness for children and to build critical interpersonal skills such as self-esteem, trust, and respect.

*"The girls learn how to care for another living being and begin to acquire new skills all of which improve their self-esteem. The transformation is amazing."*

\*Name has been changed. Not actual image of client and pet therapist.

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### DEAR FRIEND,

This year marks 117 years of Florence Crittenton providing programs and services to girls and young women in Arizona. As the second oldest nonprofit social service agency in the State, Florence Crittenton is excited and proud as we begin a new chapter.

At our 2013 Teaming Up for Girls luncheon in March, Florence Crittenton celebrated our past CEO, Linda Volhein, as our Visionary Award Recipient. Prior to her retirement, Linda appointed me as the

Chief Operating Officer with the intent of creating a succession plan for the agency. Now, I am grateful for the opportunity to carry her torch as the new CEO and to continue the wonderful work Linda led for so many years.

Working with our executive team, Board of Directors, and various stakeholders, Florence Crittenton is establishing a new strategic plan for the organization, which will take us through 2018. The agency is committed to continuing holistic care for our girls, providing a safe home, counseling, education, medical and dental care, spiritual opportunities and basic life necessities, such as food and clothing. In addition, we will carry on the vision of our Girls Leadership Academy of Arizona, the state's first and only all-girl public high school providing a college preparatory curriculum. Florence Crittenton has been conducting research to determine the community needs to ensure our

programs and services are relevant and truly meeting the needs of all girls in Arizona today. As the community's needs grow and evolve, so shall Florence Crittenton just as we have over the past 117 years.

The agency believes strongly in the mission, vision and core values created by my predecessor and the board leadership many years ago. We are working hard to ensure the agency fulfills our mission and vision while working and living the core values for the next 100 years. The Florence Crittenton staff will continue to empower every girl to reach her full potential!

We believe in community and collaboration. I invite you to visit Florence Crittenton. Please contact our office at (602) 274-7318 so we can arrange a tour!

Sincerely,

Kellie M. Warren, Psy. D.

**ABOUT US...** Since 1896, Florence Crittenton has served Arizona girls and young women. Our mission is to give every girl whose life we touch safety, hope and opportunity. We provide programs and services that offer shelter, education, counseling and social support to nearly 1,200 girls, ages 10 to 21.

# NEWS & INFO

*Healing Hearts (continued from page 1)*



Every week, these four legged therapists and their caring owners visit our campus. Pet therapy enhances the therapeutic experience for the girls. “Animals are nonjudgmental. It typically takes two to three sessions for the client to open up. However, when I have a session with a therapy animal, the client instantly connects and quickly builds rapport with the animal allowing the barriers between the therapist and client to be quickly eliminated,” explained Meka Horton, LMSW, a therapist at Florence Crittenton.

Not only has it demonstrated healing faculties, but studies also confirm that pet therapy can improve self-esteem and

enhance an individual’s social and emotional well-being. Horton shared, “When the girls interact with the animals, they begin to look outside themselves and develop empathy. The girls learn how to care for another living being and begin to acquire new skills all of which improve their self-esteem. The transformation is amazing.”

Because of the generous support from organizations like Gabriel’s Angels, the girls at Florence Crittenton are able to overcome their past and become empowered to embrace their future. Thank you, Gabriel’s Angels, for making such a profound impact in the lives of our girls!

## FLORENCE CRITTENTON’S MISSION, VISION, AND CORE VALUES

**Mission:** Florence Crittenton’s mission is to provide safety, hope and opportunity to every girl whose life we touch

**Vision:** Florence Crittenton is the national leader in changing the future for girls. We do this by...

- Being the foremost expert in gender specific services
- Growing to serve all girls in need
- Achieving excellence in all we do

**Core Values:**

- We treat every girl as if she were our own daughter
- We keep our promises to our girls, each other and the community
- We do whatever it takes to fulfill our mission and vision



## DID YOU KNOW?

**Did you know** the first Crittenton Home was the famous “Florence Night Mission” located on New York’s Bleecker Street? Established in 1883, just one year after the death of Florence, Charles Crittenton opened the mission as a safe place for the ‘outcast women on notorious Bleecker Street’.

**Did you know** Florence Crittenton’s Diamondbacks Residential Education and More Program (D.R.E.A.M Program) has helped nearly 600 girls and young women improve their academic skills and educational goals since its inception? Many were also able to take part in internships that provided valuable work experience.

**Did you know** since reopening Girls Ranch in Scottsdale, the facility has consistently been home to 15 young girls (including their children) and served as an emergency shelter for girls placed in our care by Child Protective Services?

**Did you know** 97% of families responding to our Client Satisfaction Survey report that the program had a positive impact on the lives of the girls?

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## KEMPER AND ETHEL MARLEY FOUNDATION

Florence Crittenton is extremely grateful for the \$75,000 grant from the Kemper and Ethel Marley Foundation, an Arizona charitable organization whose philanthropic mission is to support those who live and work in Arizona. Their generous grant will support Florence Crittenton's Therapeutic Group Home Program, which provides skill development, education, and mental and physical health treatment in a caring home-like environment to over 200 girls annually.

## BOARD OF VISITORS MATCHING CHALLENGE COMPLETED!



The Board of Visitors, Arizona's oldest charitable organization, selected Florence Crittenton to receive a \$1 million grant toward our endowment contingent on Florence Crittenton completing the challenge to raise an additional \$500,000 by the end of 2011. Thanks to our generous donors, we surpassed the goal! We are so thankful to the Board of Visitors for their support in helping us build an endowment for the girls and young women who need our services.



## VIVA LAS VEGAS!

A HUGE thank you to the Valley of the Sun Active 20-30 Club for their generous gift of \$20,000 raised from the 2013 Viva Las Vegas fundraiser! We are so honored to be selected as a beneficiary of their event and grateful for our continued partnership. Not only are the women of the 20-30 Club amazing fundraisers, they are also so generous of their time and plan a "hands on" activity with our girls every month. Thank you 20-30 Club for all you do!

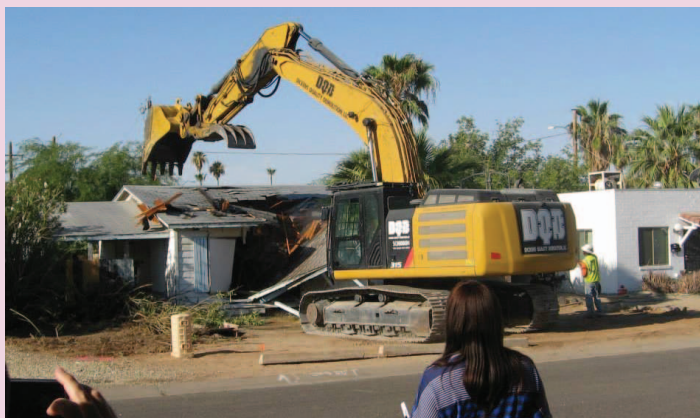
## THE ARIZONA CARDINALS KICK FOR KIDS!

Florence Crittenton is honored to be named as this year's recipient of Arizona Cardinals Kick for Kids! After each field goal made, Cigna and Lovitt & Touché will make a donation to Florence Crittenton on behalf of Kick for Kids! We are so excited and genuinely grateful!



## COMMUNITY DAY

This past June Florence Crittenton hosted Community Day to celebrate the future of expanding services to the community. The event concluded with the demolition of



property recently acquired, which will soon be replaced by a new facility. Thank you to APS, the Associated Minority Contractors of America - Arizona Chapter, Cesar Correa Trucking, Dickens Quality Demolition, J. L. McDaniel Enterprises, M&P Contracting, MRM Construction Services, Sentinel Fence and Contracting, Sunstate Equipment Company, and Vulcan Materials Company for making this possible!

**BY SUPPORTING FLORENCE CRITTENTON** and our programs, you can empower girls to reach their full potential. Please use the enclosed reply envelope to continue your critical support or visit [www.flocrit.org](http://www.flocrit.org) to donate online.

# GIRLS LEADERSHIP ACADEMY OF ARIZONA



## InvenTeam Trip to MIT

During the 2012-2013 academic year, GLAAZ was selected as one of only 16 schools in the United States (and only school in Arizona!) to receive the prestigious Lemelson-MIT Program InvenTeam grant. The grant enabled a team of inventive young women to create a drowning prevention T-Shirt for toddlers - "the WataWescue." Through this program, our InvenTeam students were invited to present their invention at Massachusetts Institute of Technology's 7th annual EurekaFest, a multi-day science symposium designed to celebrate young inventors. The students worked tirelessly all

year with community supporters and ASU to ultimately create a working prototype of their drowning prevention device, the WataWescue, in anticipation of their presentation at EurekaFest.

On June 17th, the InvenTeam students and chaperones took the redeye from Phoenix to Boston so they could arrive bright and early to take advantage of the historic city. The group toured the city and walked the Freedom Trail, tried the infamous "Mike's Pastry," explored the USS Constitution and Quincy Market, enjoyed a riverboat tour of the Charles River, and visited Wellesley College and Harvard College. When the EurekaFest conference began, the students had the

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opportunity to meet high school students from across the nation. The students found EurekaFest an incredible opportunity to expand their minds as they learned about the engineering process and current research at MIT. The trip culminated with the WataWescue presentation at the EurekaFest Showcase where the students explained their engineering process and the technical components of their invention to hundreds of high school students, university students, professors and community members in attendance. The GLAAZ students even had the opportunity to be interviewed by Time Magazine and Lemelson-MIT Program Media group. Mrs. Jess Horton, Science/AVID instructor and InvenTeam mentor said, "It has been a true privilege to work with this group of intelligent, creative young women! What an honor to watch them celebrate their accomplishment in Boston this summer - this experience changed everyone involved in an incredible way!"

A special thank you to the Dorrance Family Foundation for providing the financial support to make this trip possible. Because of the incredible support from staff, parents, community, chaperones, and ASU, the GLAAZ InvenTeam was successful!

*The Girls Leadership Academy of Arizona (GLAAZ), a Florence Crittenton initiative, is the first and only public single gender school in Arizona, providing traditionally underrepresented young women an opportunity to achieve high school and college academic success simultaneously.*

# CRITTENTON SOCIETY



**FOUNDED BY** a handful of compassionate and dedicated leaders in 2001, the Crittenton Society has made a profound and lasting impact on Florence Crittenton and the girls we serve.

Committed to generosity, each Crittenton Society donor is determined to positively impact the most critical needs of the girls helped at Florence Crittenton. Members contribute \$1,000 to \$25,000 or more annually and help inspire others to give generously, as well. Gifts to Crittenton Society support programs that: provide a quality and stable life, promote self-sufficiency, provide educational instruction and assistance with the

emotional tools needed to deal with issues of abuse and neglect.

## WHY IS YOUR GIFT IMPORTANT?

Arizona's Children's Action Alliance and the 2013 Annie E. Casey Foundation's KIDS COUNT Data Book now ranks Arizona 47th in the nation for the overall well-being of children. Child Protective Services reports a 30% increase in confirmed cases of child abuse.

State budget shortfalls are being bridged with temporary revenue increases and/or funding shifts, but approximately one-quarter of the total shortfall has been made up with \$3.4 billion permanent



*Crittenton Society members Rebecca Ailes-Fine, Oonagh Boppart, and Theresa Dwyer-Federhar with Mayor Greg Stanton at a Crittenton Society Event*

service cuts – cuts that have affected Florence Crittenton.

Now more than ever, the girls who come to us in need of care and compassion require your friendship and kindness. For some of these girls, Florence Crittenton becomes the only supportive family they have ever known.

## FLORENCE CRITTENTON WISHES TO EXPRESS OUR SINCEREST GRATITUDE TO THE FOLLOWING CRITTENTON SOCIETY MEMBERS FOR THEIR GENEROUS SUPPORT.

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*\*Denotes lifetime membership*

# IN HER WORDS

**BEFORE THEY LEAVE**, our clients are encouraged to write reflections about their time at Florence Crittenton. Here are the words of Christina\* as she ruminates on her stay.

## **Farewell FloCrit**

*“So this is it, my last night here, where to start... this place has somehow become my home. A home where I have a roof over my head, a cottage I can call home, peers I can call my family, as well as staff, a mom, which is Mrs.*

*Tanya and most of all a father figure, I can call Mr. Moody. The attachments I have made will never be forgotten. I will always think back to this place and the people*

*that helped me through my downs and errors but still kept their beliefs and high expectations of me. I do not regret my actions for they brought me to a place where I learned values and great wisdom that most people long for. I have made*

*“Thank you all for your support and belief that I can reach what I am and that the potential I have is too valuable to be wasted.”*

*great connections and met a lot of very supportive people and I will one day share with others the kind of support they have given to me and the discipline they have taught me. I am very grateful for these people for they have made a great impact on my life and one day I will share with others and even to my own kids in the future. Thank you all for your support and belief that I can reach what I am and*

*that the potential I have is too valuable to be wasted. I will always keep in mind what you guys taught me as well as always keep in mind that life is what I make of it.”*

*\* Name has been changed. Not actual image.*



## **DO GOOD, FEEL GOOD, AND REDUCE YOUR ARIZONA STATE TAX LIABILITY!**

It's not too early to take advantage of tax credit donations at no personal cost to you!

**School Tax Credit** - Make a gift to Girls Leadership Academy of Arizona and you can receive a tax credit of up to \$200 (\$400 if married filing jointly) on your Arizona state taxes. You may even qualify for a federal tax deduction.

**Charitable Tax Credit** - Through Arizona's Working Poor tax credit, your donation to Florence Crittenton can earn you a tax credit of up to \$200 (\$400 if married filing jointly) on your Arizona state taxes.

To learn how you can donate to Florence Crittenton, please call (602) 288-4581 or visit [www.flocrit.org](http://www.flocrit.org).

# EVENTS & FUNDRAISERS



*Florence Crittenton CEO, Dr. Kellie Warren*



*2012 Event Co-Chairs, Cathy & Mo Stein*



*Visionary Award Recipient, Linda Volhein*



*Valerie Bisbee checks out the silent auction*

**THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING SPONSORS** whose generous support made the 11th Annual Teaming Up For Girls Luncheon a huge success! The luncheon raised over \$410,000 to support Florence Crittenton's programs!



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*Joelle Hadley, the Mistress of Ceremonies, welcomes guests*

### GIRLS TABLE SPONSORS

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### VOLUNTEER SUPPORT

Historical Cowgirls Foundation  
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*2014 TUGF Co-Chairs Tracey and Larry Lytle with Laura Ling and Jason Schechterle*

### 2013 TEAMING UP FOR GIRLS COMMITTEE

Event Honorary Co-Chairs: Debbie & Len Gaby  
Past Co-Chairs: Amy & Derrick Hall  
Past Co-Chairs: Cathy & Mo Stein



*Event Honorary Co-Chairs Debbie & Len Gaby with Linda Volhein, Laura Ling and Jason Schechterle*

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## save the date!

Join us and our chairs,  
Tracey and Larry Lytle, for the



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**keynote speaker:**  
Kidnapping survivor,  
activist, and journalist,  
Elizabeth Smart

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Volunteer your time, talents and energies as a committee member. Help secure silent auction and raffle items, design and create event décor, sell individual seat tickets and table sponsorships, and market the event. Have fun, meet new people and support a great cause!

Please contact Megan Kase at [mkase@flocrit.org](mailto:mkase@flocrit.org) or (602) 288-4555 for more information.

# VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**FLORENCE CRITTENTON** offers many rewarding and exciting volunteer opportunities and each one allows you to play an essential and personal role in improving the life of our girls. Here are a few of our favorite photos from recent volunteer events:

## REBUILDING TOGETHER & NATIONAL CHARITY LEAGUE AHWATUKEE FOOTHILLS PAINT-A-THON

With the generous donations of paint and supplies from Rebuilding Together, the moms and daughters (and some dads, too!) of the National Charity League Ahwatukee Foothills chapter spent a Sunday morning painting the exterior of the apartments of our Transitional Living clients. Thanks to these volunteers, the apartments look brand new and offer a comfortable place to call home for the young women who would otherwise be at risk for homelessness.



## GENERATION UNITED FIELD DAY

Our clients had a blast when the volunteers from Generation United coordinated a Field Day at Florence Crittenton. With activities such as cornhole and water balloon toss, our girls had a fun-filled afternoon. Thank you, Generation United, for creating such a memorable day!



## FLO'S ON 7TH

Volunteers at Flo's on 7th are vital to the inner workings of our store. Our volunteers assist in the day-to-day operation of this upscale resale shop. All proceeds from Flo's on 7th benefit the girls of Florence Crittenton.

Volunteering at Flo's works well for large groups and is the perfect team building activity. Come join our team!

Visit [www.floson7th.com](http://www.floson7th.com) for more information.



A CRITTENTON STORE

# TEEN OPPORTUNITIES



## FLORENCE CRITTENTON AUXILIARY

The women of the Florence Crittenton Auxiliary always organize fun events such as birthday parties, a spa day, holiday celebrations and more. In addition to hosting parties for the girls, the Auxiliary also provides guidance for the clients and offers helpful advice regarding money management and child care through their home services program. The Auxiliary also offers education scholarships and self-sufficiency grants for clients in the Therapeutic Group Home and Transitional Living programs. This year the Auxiliary awarded the inaugural education scholarship to a student at the Girls Leadership Academy of Arizona. The Auxiliary has created so many meaningful memories and opportunities for the girls served at Florence Crittenton!



## ZUMBA

At the end of a long week of class and activities, sometimes you just need to dance it out! Thanks to our volunteer instructors, Thursday nights are Zumba nights at Florence Crittenton. Hands down the most well

attended activity, our girls love the Zumba workout!



## INSPIRE

INSPIRE volunteers are successful and dynamic women who share their personal experiences of overcoming obstacles, developing self-esteem, and achieving goals and dreams with Florence Crittenton clients. Once a month,

three INSPIRE members share their stories before an intimate group of about 15 girls with a facilitator to guide the discussion. INSPIRE members chronicle their lives of hardship and adversity, such as: parental conflict, academic challenges, falling in with the wrong crowd, teenage pregnancy, abandonment, depression, and low self-esteem. Inspire volunteers share their message of hope, resilience, and self-efficacy to our clients.

**THANK YOU** to all of our volunteers for giving your time and enriching the lives of the girls and young women served at Florence Crittenton. If you are interested in volunteering at Florence Crittenton, please consider our mentor and tutor positions. Contact Barbara Castillo, volunteer services manager, at (602) 288-4567 or visit [www.flocrit.org](http://www.flocrit.org) to learn more.



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# HEELS FOR HEALING



**ON SEPTEMBER 28TH**, Flo's on 7th hosted its fifth annual *Heels for Healing* fundraiser where shoppers found fantastic, designer shoes and handbags at a fraction of the original cost.



*Heels for Healing Co-Chair, Debbie Gaby, with her donations of shoes and handbags*

The upscale resale store offered a huge selection of donated designer, vintage, casual and dressy shoes and handbags for one day only. This year's event marked the introduction of the Diva Dash, a series of high-heel relay games for participants to strut their stuff to kick off the fun day of shopping. Heels for Healing, chaired by Debbie Gaby, not only raises significant funds but also raises awareness about Florence Crittenton's life-changing programs for girls and young women in our community. Thank you to all of our Diva Dash participants, volunteers, and of course, shoppers for making Heels for Healing a huge success!

## WE WISH TO THANK THE FOLLOWING SPONSORS FOR THEIR SUPPORT OF HEELS FOR HEALING:

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