



## Caring for Our HIV Community

Join the Greater Phoenix Ryan White HIV Services Planning Council

### The application process

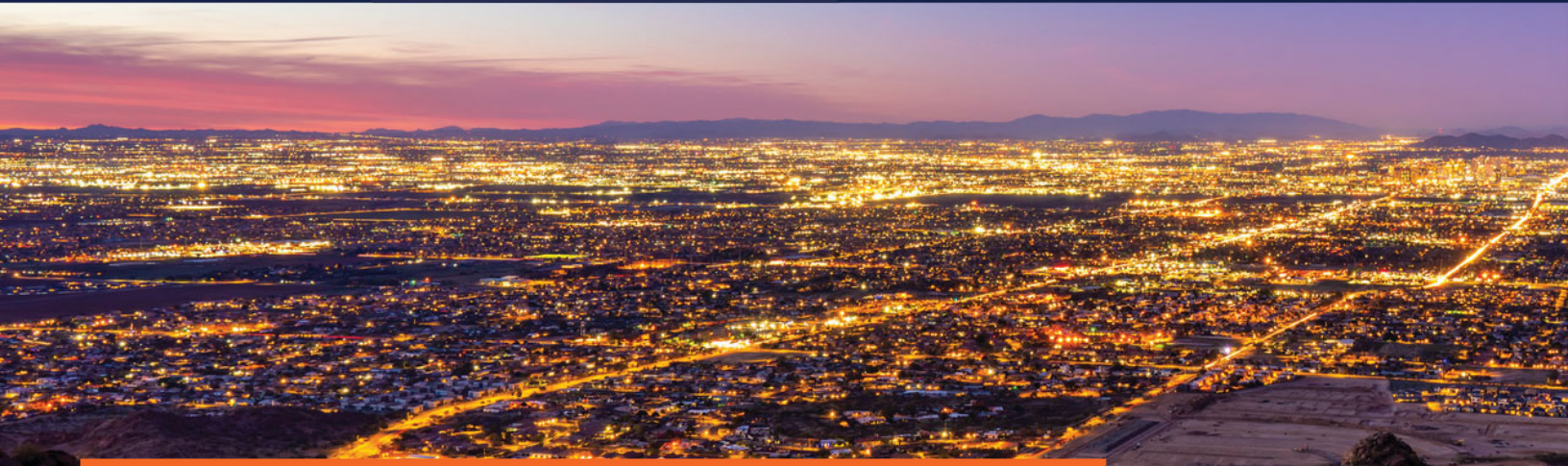
The application process generally takes two to three months. To apply for appointment to the Council, you must:

1. Complete a [new membership application](#).
2. Agree to a personal and criminal background check.

Our Membership Committee meets regularly to review the composition of the Council and determine the current membership needs. We strive to ensure that the Council is as diverse as our HIV population. Council membership must also meet Federal and County mandates.

If you have any concerns regarding your appointment to the Council, please talk to the Planning Council Support staff when you apply. Your discussion and disclosures will be kept confidential.





# Would you like to serve the HIV community?

Please join us by participating in the Greater Phoenix Ryan White HIV Services Planning Council. The Planning Council is a community group appointed by the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors to plan the organization and delivery of HIV services funded by Part A of the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Modernization Act\*. There are two ways to participate:

- Attend a meeting.
- Make the commitment to join the Planning Council.

## Would you like to attend a meeting?

Please attend! Most meetings are conducted, as follows:

- An agenda of the topics for discussion is provided to all attendees.
- Public introductions are made.
- Agenda items are discussed.
- Planning Council members vote on issues.
- Brief summaries of current events occur with the public allowed to comment.

To receive email reminders of the meeting schedule and other important Planning Council information, please contact Planning Council Support staff at the phone number or email address listed.

## About the Greater Phoenix Ryan White HIV Services Planning Council

The council consists of 25 to 40 caring and dedicated volunteer members who have been carefully selected to reflect the diversity of our community. Members represent the general public, people living with HIV, service providers, and other health and social service organizations.

Planning Council members work together to identify the care needs of people living with HIV. The Council then determines the services of the highest priority and the funding dedicated to each service. Council members also evaluate the cost effectiveness and the quality of the services provided.

## \*About the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Modernization Act

The Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Modernization Act is a federal law that provides funds to help pay for medical and support services for people living with HIV who cannot pay for the care they need. A hallmark of this program is that each Eligible Metropolitan Area (EMA) that receives Ryan White funding must establish a community group, comprised of people infected and affected by HIV, to determine how to best provide services in their area. In the Phoenix EMA, this group is the Ryan White Planning Council.

