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## Arizona Department of Housing 2023 Information Bulletin

**REGARDING PROGRAMS: Special Needs**

**REGARDING FUNDING SOURCES: HUD Continuum of Care (CoC)**

**INFORMATION BULLETIN No. 05-23**

**ISSUED: January 30, 2023**

**RE: AZ Balance of State Continuum of Care Governance Advisory Board  
Membership Application**

*Note: The AZBOSCOG includes all Arizona counties except Maricopa and Pima.*

The Governance Advisory Board (GAB) for the AZ Balance of State Continuum of Care (AZBOSCOG) is seeking committed and knowledgeable candidates interested in serving on the GAB. The GAB is governing/advisory entity and provides leadership and strategic guidance for the AZBOSCOG. The Governance Advisory Board is responsible for HUD HEARTH Act required Continuum of Care duties including setting continuum and project performance standards, promoting service coordination, oversight of key HUD-required systems (ex: Homeless Management Information System and Coordinated Entry), recruiting and overseeing GAB membership, and overseeing the annual process for submission of the AZBOSCOG request for HUD McKinney-Vento Continuum of Care funding (the NOFO) which provides approximately \$5 million for housing and services throughout the Balance of State counties.

Key membership duties include; 1) attendance at regular meetings; 2) participation in any special meetings to fulfill duties; 3) participation on GAB working groups and/or committees; 4) participation at a two-day annual planning retreat; and 5) participation in annual HUD McKinney-Vento Continuum of Care application process (i.e., reviewing project documents and applications). There is no compensation for GAB participation, but travel and accommodations related to meeting attendance and GAB duties may be reimbursed. The [Governance Advisory Board Job Description](https://housing.az.gov/documents-links/forms/special-needs-continuum) can be found at: <https://housing.az.gov/documents-links/forms/special-needs-continuum>

The AZBOSCOG seeks representation of numerous stakeholders involved in addressing homelessness in the AZBOSCOG geographic area including housing and service providers, law enforcement, behavioral health providers, tribal communities, government officials, health care providers, affordable housing providers, business leaders and faith and community leaders and individuals who have experienced homelessness among others. The AZBOSCOG and the Arizona Department of Housing comply with all non-discrimination and equal opportunity laws and encourage participation regardless of age, race, ethnicity, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or disability.

To this end, and to ensure that the GAB reflects the diversity of Arizona and the AZBOSCOC's population that is experiencing homelessness, the GAB is currently seeking new members for its current openings:

- Who are members/representatives from tribal communities within the AZBOSCOC geographic area?
- Individuals who have lived experience related to homelessness.

The [AZBOSCOC Application for Membership \(January 2023\) Form](#) can be found at: <https://housing.az.gov/documents-links/forms/special-needs-continuum>. If you are interested in GAB membership, please submit a short cover letter describing your qualifications and interest with the application form by Friday, February 11, 2023, by **5:00 pm**.

Please submit documents to:

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