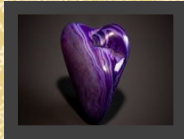


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One of the many ways BDA, Inc., supports our programs



Susan's House A Meaningful Tribute To a Fallen Sister of Domestic Violence.

NATN Board Member, Jay Deutsch, Co-Founder and CEO of BDA, Inc. has a profound and personal connection to our mission. In 2011, his company experienced the tragic consequences of domestic violence through the loss of one of his own, a caring and compassionate employee named Susan. Struck with the profound shock and sadness of this senseless tragedy, his company founded the BDA Cares Foundation and pledged to make domestic violence awareness and prevention one of its primary initiatives. Today, Susan's Rock remains the guiding force behind his foundation. A single, purple polished rock symbolizing domestic violence awareness and a generational history of rock collecting within Susan's family, created the impetus for Susan's Rock. Jay's unwavering commitment to this important cause continues to impact the lives of domestic violence victims in our community and across the nation. With the incredible support of BDA, Inc. and the BDA Cares Foundation, NATN was honored to add Susan's House, to the NATN-SEEDs Transitional housing program. To learn more about the BDA Cares Foundation, please visit bdacares.org.

A Letter from the Director

It is truly refreshing at each and every meeting to be a part of our NATN TEAM. The Legal Advocacy project has often outgrown the large conference room at The Diane Halle Center for Family Justice in downtown Phoenix. To hear that the attorneys are "working at capacity" and the advocates maintain referral lists awaiting openings is truly amazing – all within a year. When I meet with the NATN staff, not a meeting goes by in which I don't remind them that "I have NEVER been surrounded by more motivated, dedicated and competent staff." In my 22 years of experience in counseling, social work and administration, I can sincerely say that the work they do is un-paralleled. The same can be said of our Board of Directors, that so quietly in the shadows continues to help make the NATN vision a reality. In the third quarter of 2012, NATN marked yet two more milestone achievements. With the assistance of Marilyn Seymann, NATN was able to purchase its first home, thus opening a world of collaborative possibilities. Second, with the help of Jay Deutsch "Susan's House", our fourth SEEDs home was officially opened. As we move into the last quarter of 2012, we remain humble, grateful and hopeful. We wish we could share the daily successes as we watch the women, their children and their families, heal and grow beyond their wildest expectations. Experiences such as these give us the strength to continue in our steadfast mission. - Robert Dapcich

**OCTOBER IS DOMESTIC
VIOLENCE AWARENESS
MONTH**

*What are YOU doing
to make a Difference?*

**SECRET
MILLIONAIRE**

*We will keep
you posted on
the new date
and time for
the NATN
Episode.*

Judy B. *A Life Transformed*

I arrived at the NATN-SEED's house broken and empty in April of 2009, desperate to stay clean and sober. Since that day in April, I was given the gift of sobriety and support, the likes of which I had never experienced before. I went from being a resident at the Mesa House, to House Manager and receiving on-the-job-training at Cup O'Karma: Community Café for a Cause. As a result of my addiction, I had not been fit to work a job for 5 years prior. What a blessing this program has been.

From that time on, I have stayed with NATN-SEEDs and advanced to House Manager of the Diane House, Co-manager of Cup O' Karma: Community Café for a Cause and Senior Support Administrator for NATN. I have maintained my sobriety and have been able to share my experience and hope with others.

I have been given a life I never dreamed possible all thanks to the NATN-SEED's Transitional Housing program and the residents and staff whose hearts and souls surround me with love.

With thanks, Judy B.

Support of the NATN-SEEDs program offers hope and new beginnings to women just like Judy.

Recovery and Success are possible given the right conditions and the right resources.

Your support helps NATN provide both.



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Cup O' Karma Happenings

- Coming Soon — **Maricopa Workforce Connections Newest ACCESS point at Cup O'Karma: Community Café for a Cause**, located at 1710 W. Southern Ave., Mesa, AZ 85202. Gain access to local employment resources and job opportunities hot off the press!
- **Cup O'Karma ACCESS Point Hours are:** Mon. 10am-1pm Wed. 10am-1pm and Sat. 10am-1pm.
- **Children's Storytime – last Sat. of the month featuring our beloved**



- NATN said goodbye to an incredible employee, **Gwyn Passey**, a true pioneer that helped shape the NATN-SEEDs and Cup O'Karma programs. Thank you Gwyn for your passion, inspiration and love. xoxo

Birdies for Bucks

NATN is proud to be participating in the 2013 Waste Management Phoenix Open, Birdies For Charity Competition program. How it works is simple. Every pledge made through the Birdies program will go directly to supporting NATN programs and services. Birdies for Charity will then donate an additional 10% of all total pledges to



our agency. For the last several years, the number of birdies made has averaged between 1300 to 1800 birdies. So, if 1500 birdies are made and you pledge 1 cent, your total pledge would be \$15.00. Make a difference today by helping NATN reach its agency goal of ...

500 Pledges @ \$0.01=\$7,500

For more details and to access the National Advocacy and Training Network (#117) pledge form, please go to

www.birdiesforcharityaz.com



Thank you Zonta International for your many talents and long term support of our NATN programs

Mentoring

Be a Mentor...Be the Difference



Calling All Mentors!

NATN is pleased to announce its 2012 SEEDs In Bloom Mentoring Training will be held on **Saturday, October 20, 2012** from 10:00am to 5:00pm at the Diane Halle Center for Family Justice, 2120 N. Central Ave., Ste. # 130A, Phoenix, AZ 85004.

Looking for a meaningful volunteer opportunity? Well look no further. Come learn what mentoring is all about and how you can make a powerful difference to one NATN-SEEDs woman. To RSVP to this event, contact, Judy Register, Mentor Coordinator at judyregister@me.com or by calling 602-670-7507. Seating is limited. A \$10 donation is requested to cover the cost of lunch. For lunch, please indicate if you prefer vegetarian or non-vegetarian. Payment by cash or check will be accepted on the day of the event. See you then.

LOVE a good cup of coffee?

NEED an ideal place to host your next corporate meeting, book club or private event?

CONTACT us at Cup O' Karma: Community Café for a Cause 480-480-890-0579

NATIONAL ADVOCACY AND TRAINING NETWORK

Our mission is to address the health, safety, economic and social justice issues related to domestic violence, sexual assault, and substance abuse through education, public awareness, and direct services. NATN is an Arizona based 501 (c) (3) charitable organization, Tax ID # 30-0026454. In order to achieve our mission, we operate three main programs:

SEEDs Transitional Housing Services

Cup O'Karma: Community Café for a Cause

Training and Technical Assistance Services

Workplace Violence is Preventable

Contact NATN at 602-516-1357 to schedule a corporate training presentation on this and other available trainings.



"Example is not the main thing in influencing others, it is the only thing." – Albert Schweitzer



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