# **UPDATES**



What is ARIZONA@WORK doing for our community?

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# HIGH QUALITY ON-LINE **WORKSHOPS**, LIVE Q&A **SESSIONS & VIRTUAL JOB FAIRS**

by Shanen L. Aranmór, COVID-19 Historian

The global pandemic has changed many things in our modern world but ARIZONA@WORK-Yuma County hasn't slowed down one bit. In fact, folks working with job-seekers, employers, youth and veterans have picked up the pace to help meet the needs of many Yuma County residents who are ready to return to work stronger.

ARIZONA@WORK-Yuma County hosted their first Live Q&A event on June 3 to provide information regarding local career centers. This session reached 2,389 people! A Live Q&A event held on July 2, entitled Virtual Etiquette, proved to be an excellent resource for job-seekers and reached 1,351 highly engaged people, with significantly more comments and questions. Virtual Etiquette was offered to other state agencies who requested it be hosted again- and soon!

Yuma answered the call: the next Facebook Live Virtual Etiquette event will be held on August 5th at **3:30pm** AZ.

Also, keep a look out for our next virtual hiring event with ACE Hardware to be held August 19th at 10:30 am & 3:30 pm. To register, visit https://events.ypic.com/



#### <u>upcom</u>ing events

- AUGUST 5th: VIRTUAL ETIQUETTE (Facebook Live, 3:30pm)
- AUGUST 19th: ACE HARDWARE Virtual Hiring Event

"DID YOU KNOW? THE ONE STOP CAREER CENTER IS OPEN TO ASSIST THE PUBLIC! (IN FACT, WE NEVER CLOSED.)"

#### STAFF & JOB SEEKERS FOLLOW SAFETY PROTOCOLS TO RETURN TO WORK STRONGER

ARIZONA@WORK One Stop Manager, Veronica Zuniga, is happy to report that while business has changed, it continues on at 3826 W 16th Street.

Job seekers and staff alike are wearing masks, sanitizing hands & surfaces and maintaining social distancing when virtual meetings are not feasible. However, internships, on-the-job-training (OJT) and work experiences carry on. Employers are hiring and One Stop is there to match employers with local, motivated employees.

Additionally, case managers at the One Stop Career Center have expanded their virtual services, including orientations, eligibility interviews, workshops, follow-up appointments and even free on-line adult education courses. If you want to return to work stronger, be sure to visit https://arizonaatwork.com/locations/yumacounty/adult-job-seekers or stop by the office. You can also e-mail questions to:

YumaOneStop@ypic.com







### **ADAPT & OVERCOME LOCALLY**

Just a few months ago it would have seemed like a scene from a science-fiction movie... people propped in front of a laptop, tablet or even cell phone to visit a job fair. The concept of electronically facing prospective employers and even being escorted into a virtual "room" for a job interview might have seemed far-fetched. For ARIZONA@WORK- Yuma County, local employers and folks seeking employment during the global pandemic, this has become a \*real\* virtual reality. So far, Goodwill, National General Insurance and ACE Hardware have hired Yumans using this cutting edge practice.

## FAST FACTS

number of people who registered (through the YPIC website) to attend the 1st virtual job fair

number of people who attended the 1st Virtual Etiquette event on July 2 via Facebook