

The Arizona We Want

Aligning Action with Community Priorities

WESTERN ARIZONA COUNTIES

Through close listening to communities and leaders across the state, Center for the Future of Arizona (CFA) created <u>The Arizona We Want</u>, a shared vision of success around what matters most to Arizonans that expresses their highest aspirations and hopes for the future.

Our 2020 Gallup Arizona Survey captured a realistic and contemporary picture of what Arizonans think about life in our communities and what they want for our state over the next decade. It revealed that Arizonans agree on much more than we disagree—including seven Shared Public Values and over 40 actions to move Arizona forward.

The following findings show the most important issues to Arizonans in Western Arizona Counties and opportunities for action.



Priorities Identified in the Gallup Arizona Survey

Responses to the survey question, "What three issues are most important for Arizona's future?" illuminate priorities for Arizonans.

The top four issues that Arizonans in Western Arizona Counties identified as most important are:









How Do We Take Action on Priorities?

For each priority, the first question might be, "How can the community work together to address these concerns?" The following charts show key insights related to the stated priority issues. Use the data below, from the 2020 Gallup Arizona Survey, to guide discussions on addressing the priorities in your communities.

Affordable Healthcare

	How important is it that Arizona makes the following healthcare changes over the next 10 years?	Total Important
Ensure that any Arizonan can get quality healthcare without risk of financial harm		88%
Expand public reporting on quality of hospital and healthcare facilities		87%
Improve state-level management of public health emergencies		86%

More Quality Jobs

The following shows satisfaction in one's primary job. How might w improve the satisfaction with these key factors of a quality job?	e Total Satisfied
Work benefits (health insurance, retirement benefits, etc)	
Opportunities to grow my career in Arizona	
Opportunities to advance my education or training in Arizona	

Affordable Housing

	Have there been times in the past 12 months when you did not have enough money to:	Total Important
Pay for healthcare for you or your family		32%
Buy food for you and your family		25%
Pay for housing for you or your family		17%

Quality K-12 Education

How important is it that Arizona makes the following changes to public education over the next 10 years?	Total Important
Make sure all Arizona public schools have enough highly qualified teachers and principals	
Structure the school day and year to improve learning and better match the needs of working parents	
Give Arizona schools the flexibility to tailor learning to each child	

Let's Work Together to Build the Arizona We Want

Achieving The Arizona We Want is up to all of us. Ways to start:

- · Share CFA's research on the priorities of Arizonans
- · Partner with CFA to advance The Arizona We Want in your community
- · Collaborate with others through local, regional or state initiatives to inform policymaking and investments



