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### **APSES, SunCor Partner for Day of Community Service, Holiday Fun**

*(Phoenix, Ariz.)* More than 30 employees from SunCor and APS Energy Services, along with a few of their family members and friends, spent the better part of the day Saturday volunteering to provide a day of community service and holiday cheer for 45 youngsters affiliated with Boys Hope Girls Hope of Arizona (BHGH). "I was impressed on how well behaved and artistic the kids were from the Boys Hope Girls Hope Project. It was nice to see how volunteer dollars actually affect the lives of young people in a positive way," said Debra Rivera, Accountant II, APS Energy Services.

For the first time in its 11-year relationship with the local non-profit organization, SunCor partnered with another Pinnacle West subsidiary to provide a happy holiday event for young people in Phoenix. Boys Hope Girls Hope helps academically capable and motivated children in need of a safe environment to meet their full potential. It provides value-centered, family-like homes, opportunities and education for young people between junior high and college age.

Saturday started with all the PNW employee volunteers and the BHGH young people helping assemble medical and dental kits at John C. Lincoln Hospital.

The group also created hand-made ornaments for the medical center's Christmas tree, painted cans for an area food bank, decorated daily planners for all the kids and also found a little time to play some basketball.

"It's always a good feeling to be able help others," said Cathy McComb, Contract Administrator, APS Energy Services. "Besides helping the Boys Hope Girls Hope organization, there was a strong sense of team building, which I feel has contributed to a portion of the success my group has achieved this year."

Following their two-hour community service project at the hospital, the PNW volunteers moved the holiday event to the respective boys and girls residential facilities. They spent rest of the afternoon hosting a pizza party and sharing presents and retail gift cards with the youngsters.

"Boys Hope Girls Hope is a great organization and we believe that it's important to give something back to the community every year," said Theresa Holder, Assistant Project Manager, SunCor. "We also wanted to show the kids they can do things that help other people. So, the idea of conducting a community service project with the kids within our own community service project for the kids was an idea that everyone enjoyed."

Added McComb, "I would definitely participate again. It was fun to have the opportunity to meet and network with others within our corporate family."

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