



[National Council of Jewish Women](#) and the Arizona Section take an active role in letting our elected officials know which side of an issue we take. This involves both legislative visits and a concerted effort to manage active email and telephone campaigns. The S.P.A. (State Policy Advocate) keeps the membership (and friends of the Section) informed of upcoming legislation at the Federal

and State level, expecting our members to share this knowledge and then acting on this information accordingly. The AZ Section is represented on coalitions and task forces to create awareness for our members and the community, as well. The Advocacy and/or the Social Action committees are always open to new members and innovative ideas to accomplish our resolutions.

Education and Awareness

Arizona Section takes great pride in the services we provide to our members and our community at our monthly general meetings as well as an annual awareness forum we offer stimulating discussions that focus on current issues. In recent years, we have addressed teen dating abuse, domestic violence, sex trafficking, healthcare, violence reduction, gun safety and judicial nominations. We also invite public officials, candidates and local activists to discuss their positions on issues of concern.

Interest Groups

Our members enjoy mental stimulation in social settings as well as educational situations. To that end, we have a variety of interest groups to help foster brain longevity. We knit blankets for the Linus Project, read and discuss books, view movies and share opinions about them. We meet weekly to play mah-jongg and canasta and facilitate writing groups. And if none of these is your cup of tea, contact our membership team membership@ncjwaz.org and we will help get one started.

Get Connected, Stay Involved!

Our NCJW members know the joy of giving back to others. We have ongoing volunteer activities at the Pueblo Norte Senior Residential Community, like reading the newspaper with those who can no longer read themselves, playing bingo and other games, or serving ice cream at their socials. We also join in community-wide social service activities -- our members volunteer at the annual Central Arizona Dental Society Mission of Mercy Clinic for those in need of charitable dental care and at the Maricopa County StandDown for homeless veterans. We also collect eyeglasses for the Lion's Club, clip coupons for families in need, gather toiletries for victims of domestic violence or sex trafficking and collect new or gently used books for underserved populations.