



Stronger As One Coalition Charter

Established October 2018

Our Common Purpose

We are community leaders concerned about mental health and wellbeing. Inspired by the October 2018 *Stronger As One Symposium*, we come together to promote a culture of knowledge, compassion, and action related to mental health and wellbeing. We address our agenda urgently, driven by the awareness that current rates of death by suicide and other pressing mental health data in Coconino County exceed both state and national rates.

Our Collaborative Work

Together, we aim to:

- Expand opportunities for Mental Health First Aid training;
- Promote youth leadership in mental health and wellbeing initiatives;
- Promote knowledge of mental health resources and their availability;
- Support the wellbeing of professionals serving others in crisis;
- Promote messages of belonging, kindness, and hope.

Our Values

We are driven by our common interest in the wellbeing of Coconino County residents, with special focus on the mental wellbeing of teens and young adults residing in the County.

Our commitment is to engage honestly, respectfully, and with trust for each other and our service organizations so that our collaborative work may help all Coconino County residents experience optimal mental health and wellbeing. We also realize that, through our work, we can create Best Practice's which can scale for other counties in northern Arizona.

Operating Framework

Our strength is in our common purpose and how our collaborative work and values complement the missions and efforts of our respective organizations. With this recognition, we commit to efforts that bring synergy across the service ecosystem for the collective benefit of all. This will not be accomplished by traditional or rigid separate governance, bylaws, or organizational structure. Instead, we aim to achieve our collaborative work through the formation of a **Stronger As One Coalition**, guided by principles with participation encouraged from a wide range of educational, service provider, government, philanthropic, and community programs and perspectives. A founding Executive Leadership Council (ELC), comprised of the following organizations, guides Coalition planning and development.

- City of Flagstaff and Chief of Police
- Coconino Community College
- Coconino County and Sheriff
- Flagstaff Unified School District
- Northern Arizona University
- Northern Arizona Healthcare Foundation
- The NARBHA Institute

Anyone committed to advancing this charter is encouraged to join the Stronger As One Coalition.