



DESERT WOMEN FOR EQUALITY
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Re: Community Building—Desert Woman for Equality and Golden Rainbow Senior Center

To Whom It May Concern:

Desert Women for Equality (“DWE”) has been associated with the Golden Rainbow Senior Center (“GRSC”) for the last two years. During this time it has been wonderful to observe the Center’s growth on many levels. The Center is providing a much valued service to the LGBT elder community which historically has been an underserved population. The GRSC has offered programs not only to lessen isolation and depression, but has also implemented many health and wellness programs as well. Their mental health program Project Restart and their Living a Healthy Life with Chronic Conditions are just some of the innovative programs the Center has implemented.

The Golden Rainbow has reached out to the women’s groups in the community in various manners. These include opportunities for social interaction and building of healthy personal relationships.. The Center has provided free meeting space for DWE and has been a site for its mammogram clinics. DWE will probably have another clinic at GRSC in 2010—we know that our program is always welcome at the Center.

We are grateful for everything that GRSC has done for us. It takes a village to make things happen and GRSC is a major contributor to our LGBT elder village. On a personal note, I am very proud to be on GRSC’s Advisory Council.

Sincerely,

Barbara Barrett.

President, Desert Woman for Equality
