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Wingspan Hires New Executive Director

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Carol Grimsby is the newly appointed Executive Director of Wingspan, Southern Arizona's Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) Community Center.



Carol Grimsby, Wingspan Executive Director

NOTE: A community "meet and greet" with Carol will be scheduled in the next few weeks.

"This is a milestone in Wingspan's development," said Kara Jones, Wingspan's Board President. For three years, Wingspan's Board has been operated by program staff and volunteers without an Executive Director. Now, after a national search, Grimsby, who has 20 years of corporate and non-profit management experience, has been named by the Wingspan Board to the position.

Grimsby is the former Executive Director of a group that advocates for neglected and abused children, the Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) in Kansas City, Mo. She led the agency as it implemented its long term strategic plan.

In Missouri, she was active in community groups such as Women with One Voice, a non-profit dedicated to raising funds for organizations providing services for women, where she chaired the Board; and, the Human Rights Campaign (serving as political Co-chair and Faith and Diversity Chair).

A graduate of the University of Missouri (Kansas City), Grimsby owned and managed a catering company for many years and also served as the Foundation Director of the Neosho Hospital Foundation in Chanute, KS.

"Carol's leadership skills, experience in program management, administration and development matches the demands needed to move Wingspan to its next level. The staff, board, and volunteers look forward to working with her," said Jones.

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