Are you frustrated that...

- We have long commutes between our jobs and homes.
- Our children may need to take a bus to school simply because it is too hazardous to cross busy city streets.
- We have few shops and services near our homes without jumping into the car and battling traffic.
- We have fewer and fewer choices of where we want to live at a price we can afford.
- We want to preserve our natural landscape and precious resources, yet still have thriving economies and growth.

**Sustainable communities** are places that are convenient, diverse, thriving, safe and healthy, for the environment as well as for the people who live there. They create more choices for residents, workers, children, families, single people and older adults – choices of where to live, where to work, where to play, and how to get there.

This is about our future. About the big picture in how we choose to grow.

This is about our home. Every decision we make is an opportunity to make it better.

We have put together a 30-minute interactive PowerPoint presentation and brochure showing what different communities in the greater Phoenix area are doing to make sustainable communities. We invite citizens, community organizations, business leaders and public officials to consider strategies of making sustainable communities happen that can:

- lower public costs
- promote healthy life styles
- provide affordability for more people
- preserve land and natural resources
- replace “drive time” with “family time”

If you are interested in having this interactive presentation made to your organization, business or neighborhood, contact our speaker’s bureau made up of volunteers throughout the Valley. The speaker’s bureau is administered by the ASU Stardust Center: www.stardust.asu.edu

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