

Arizona Crime Prevention Association



2012 Annual Report

Arizona Crime Prevention Association
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Crime Prevention Defined

The Arizona Crime Prevention Association supports the following definition of Crime Prevention:

Crime Prevention is the anticipation, recognition and appraisal of a crime risk and the steps taken to eliminate or reduce the risk.

Principles of Crime Prevention:

The National Crime Prevention Council has identified the following principles of Crime Prevention:

Crime Prevention is:

- everyone's business
- more than security
- a responsibility of all levels of government
- linked with solving social problems
- cost effective

Crime Prevention requires:

- a central position in law enforcement
- cooperation of all elements of the community
- education
- tailoring to local needs and conditions
- continual testing and improvement

Crime Prevention improves:

- the quality of life for the community and its residents

Mission Statement of the ACPA, Inc.

The mission of the ACPA is to focus attention on local, state and regional issues related to crime prevention and provide a forum for the exchange, coordination and teaching of ideas, concepts and programs pertaining to the reduction of crime.

Description of Programs and Services

The Arizona Crime Prevention Association (ACPA) has been providing crime prevention services to Arizona since 1977 and officially became a Corporation in 1993. The majority of the Board of Directors is made up of individuals working in law enforcement as well as some successful, local business and community members. All members of the Board serve voluntarily and no paid staff exists.

The purpose of the Arizona Crime Prevention Association is:

- To provide a forum for the exchange, coordination, and teaching of ideas, concepts and programs pertaining to the reduction of crime. This is done by offering a variety of specialized training and education sessions, meetings, conferences and webinars for the citizen's of Arizona as well as specialized training for law enforcement.
- To focus attention on local, regional, state and national goals and issues relating to crime prevention. This is done through the development and delivery of specialized public programs and focused public advertisement. This includes the production and delivery of educational television commercials distributed and aired statewide as well as interviews for newspaper and radio stations on current crimes and prevention methodology.
- To encourage extensive citizen and community involvement in the reduction of crime and criminal activity. Our organization does this through the hosting of various Citizen and Business Safety Forums. Offered annually in partnership with law enforcement throughout the state, these educational sessions provide an opportunity for individuals to gain knowledge about particular crime trends, programs, services and products. These sessions also gives individuals the opportunity to network with local police representatives.
- To develop strategies which promote crime prevention planning and implementation for Arizona citizens. Currently the ACPA, Inc. is developing a national database for distribution of police information to the general public. Through this program, the website will allow law enforcement to easily distribute police related information, crime alerts and prevention materials directly to focused business and community members via email, text and/or facsimile transmittal.

The organization provides the following programs and services:

- 1.) Specialized training: The ACPA, Inc. recruits, develops and delivers training on a variety of crime related issues to sworn and civilian members of law enforcement, corporate loss prevention staff, civic organizations, government and citizenry of the state.
- 2.) Child Identification Clinics: In partnership with law enforcement throughout the state and the Center for Missing and Exploited Children, the ACPA, Inc. provides parents a laminated child identification card, as well as a cd of information specific to their child to include digital fingerprints, photos, video and audio files. These digital files can be easily emailed to law enforcement by the parents should it be necessary.
- 3.) Public Secured Shred: In partnership with law enforcement and various mobile shred companies, the ACPA, Inc. hosts public, secured shredding. This opportunity allows citizen's the ability to shred personal documents which reduces the chances of becoming a victim on identity theft.
- 4.) Crime Prevention Advertisement Campaigns: In partnership with law enforcement agencies throughout the state as well as various city cable and public television networks, the ACPA, Inc. produces and provides a variety of education and public safety prevention videos. These videos distributed through various police agencies assist in delivering message to the general public about such current crime issues as the dangers of public posting on the internet, leaving items in your vehicle, copying of videos and music and keeping children safe.
- 5.) Development of a new national program known as BOLOCop, which will allow police agencies to prepare and send crime alerts nationwide to focused business and community members.

ACPA Membership

The ACPA had 64 members in 2012 consisting of 17 law enforcement agencies and 10 businesses. Membership types included:

- Lifetime- 18
- Bruce Wall
- Mark Ruffennach
- Janet Clayton
- Kelly Brauer
- Scott Reed
- Kathy Groenewold
- Denise Traves
- Sheriff Joe Arpaio
- Denny Dobbins
- Kelly Scrivens
- Bruce Elmlad
- Linda Morris
- Kathy Groenewold
- Ann Bowers

- Brian Kornegay
- Fred Goldman
- Jim Toth
- Jeff Landtiser

ACPA Board of Directors for 2011 – 2012 (Executive Board serves two year terms)

President	Vickie Owen, Gilbert Police Department
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2012 ACPA Board Meetings

The Arizona Crime Prevention Association held eight board meetings throughout the year. Each board meeting was advertised through the ACPA website. The meeting minutes were posted in the "Members" section.

January 17th – Glendale Public Safety Building
 February 21st – Gilbert Police Department
 April 17th – 60 E. Rio Salado Parkway
 May 15th – Viad Building
 August 15th – Verde Canyon
 September 18th – Viad Building
 November 15th – Black Mountain Precinct
 December 4th – Southeast Regional Library

2012 ACPA Sponsored Trainings and Events

- Free Child Identification Card Clinic – March 3rd
 - ACPA partnership with ABC Channel 15, Chandler Regional Medical Center, Gilbert Mercy Center, Arizona Mason's, And Appointment-Plus to provide Child I.D. kits to Arizona families. A total of 102 children were provided with kits that included a CD with photo, digital fingerprints, video and voice recording and child safety tips.
- “Red Flags of Investment Fraud” – March 6th
 - The ACPA partnered with FINRA, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, the Arizona Corporation Commission, the Scottsdale Police Department and the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission Office of Investor Education and Advocacy to provide training to 300 residents of Arizona. The attendees were provided with valuable information on how to recognize the common practices of cons and how to check if securities investment advisors are licensed and if the products they are offering are registered.
- ABC Channel 15 television consumer Phone Bank/Panel Discussion on I.D. Theft/Investment and Financial Fraud – March 22nd
 - Board Members of the ACPA participated with Channel 15 to provide viewers with information on the prevention of Identity Theft, Investment and Financial Fraud and allowed callers to call in who had specific questions to get them answered. Over 100 callers called in with questions.
- “Learn to Spot and Avoid Fraud” (Sun City) – April 12th
 - The ACPA partnered with FINRA, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, the Arizona Corporation Commission and the Arizona Attorney General's Office to provide training to 350 residents of Sun City. The attendees were provided with valuable information on how to recognize the common practices of cons and how to check if securities investment advisors are licensed and if the products they are offering are registered.
- 2012 Citizen's Safety Forum and Expo. (Sun City) – May 4th
 - The ACPA in partnership with Arizona Attorney General Tom Horne and Maricopa County Attorney Bill Montgomery. The free forum offered classes on Investment Fraud, Identity Theft, Consumer Scams and Home Security. Approximately 150 people attended the training
- 2012 Citizen's Safety Forum and Expo. (Anthem) – May 12th
 - The ACPA in partnership with Arizona Attorney General Tom Horne and Maricopa County Attorney Bill Montgomery. The free forum offered classes on Investment Fraud, Identity Theft, Consumer Scams and Home Security. Approximately 250 people attended the training.
- 2012 Citizen's Safety Forum and Expo. (East Valley) – May 19th
 - The ACPA in partnership with Arizona Attorney General Tom Horne and Maricopa County Attorney Bill Montgomery. The free forum offered classes on

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- Free Child Identification Card Clinic – June 23rd
 - ACPA partnership with ABC Channel 15, Dignity Healthcare - Mercy Gilbert Medical Center, Arizona Mason's and Appointment-Plus to provide free Child I.D. kits to Arizona families. A total of 71 children attended and kits were provided to their parents that included a CD with a photo, digital fingerprints, video and voice recording and child safety tips.
- Diversity and Inclusion Training – August 9th
 - ACPA provided this free Diversity and Inclusion training to both the law enforcement community and the citizens of Arizona. Guest speakers included: Mr. Rana Singh Sodhi whose brother was murdered out of hate as a member of the Sikh community in the wake of September 11th, 2001; Calvin Terrell, founder of Social Centric who has mastered the art of effective diversity training who clients include Harpo Communications which was Oprah's company; Don Logan, the target and victim of a mail bomb in February, 2004. At the time of the attack, Don was the Director of the Office of Diversity & Dialogue for the City of Scottsdale. Don currently provides diversity awareness training and is author of "Targeted Delivery"; Doug Lynch, specializes in tactical communication and is currently an advisor to the Verbal Defense and Influence Group, a member of the Vistelar Group. The training received statewide attention and was featured in the East Valley Tribune. Article found on page 14 of this report.
- Anthem Autumnfest (Child Safety I.D. kits provided) – October 27th & 28th
 - The ACPA in partnership with the Phoenix Police Department, Arizona Mason's, Anthem Neighborhood Watch and the Gilbert Police Department provided kits to 100 children and their families. The parents received a CD with their child's photo, digital fingerprints, video, voice recording and child safety tips.
- Drug Prevention: Current trends of substance abuse, synthetic drugs and more – November 15th
 - The ACPA partnered with Community Bridges to provide this highly requested training. Stephanie Siete who is one of Arizona's most respected and knowledgeable speakers on current drug trends and abuse provided ACPA members with information on current drug trends. Ms. Siete is the Director of Public Relations for Community Bridges and a Certified Health Education Specialist.

Joint Child Safety Collaborations – The ACPA has two EZ Child I.D. systems for use by ACPA members free of charge. In 2012, there were ____ events sponsored by local police departments:

Mesa Police Department – Take 25 Child I.D. Event on 05/12/2012 – 107 kids

Gilbert Police Department – Child I.D. Event on 07/10/2012 – 36 kids

Gilbert Police Department – Child I.D. Event on 08/02/2012 – 32 kids

Chandler Police Department – Child I.D. Event on 08/25/2012 – 17 kids
 Chandler Police Department – Child I.D. Event on 10/02/2012 – 30 kids
 Phoenix Police Department – Child I.D. Event on 11/11/2012 – 12 kids
 Gilbert Police Department – Adult I.D. Event (Medical) on 12/11/2012 – 15 Seniors

Supporting Organizations for 2012:

- Maricopa County Attorney's Office
- Arizona Attorney General's Office
- FINRA, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority
- Arizona Corporation Commission
- U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission
- AARP
- Dignity Healthcare
- First Impressions Security Doors
- LifeLock
- FaxNet1
- Costco
- Village Inn
- Arizona Elks Club
- Crescent Crown Distributing
- Corporate Security Specialists, Inc.
- Grace Bible Church
- Boulder Creek High School
- ABC Channel 15
- AAA Landlord Services, Inc.
- CrimShield
- Arizona Automobile Theft Authority
- Mercy Gilbert Medical Center
- Chandler Regional Medical Center
- Target
- Arizona Mason's
- Appointments Plus
- The Stevens Company
- Arizona Mason's
- Apointment-Plus

ACPA Trainers - 2012

The Arizona Crime Prevention Association would like to thank all those individuals who have helped instruct our members and citizens in our communities. We appreciate your dedication to keeping us informed and improving the quality of life throughout the State of Arizona.

Tom Horne
 Bill Montgomery
 Christine Keiffer
 Anthony Cavallaro
 Susan Arthur
 Lori Schock
 Kathy Floyd
 Robert Eckert
 Terri Alexon
 Julie Coleman
 Vickie Owen
 Kory Sneed
 Guy Milanovits

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 U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission
 Arizona Corporation Commission
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Calvin Terrell
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Author of "Targeted Delivery"
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Community Bridges

ACPA Featured Events - 2012

- Statewide Shred-A-Thon in partnership with Maricopa County Attorney's Office :

The Maricopa County Attorney's Office (MCAO) teamed with the Arizona Crime Prevention Association (ACPA), 12 News and Shred-It Arizona to create the First Annual Statewide Shred-A-Thon on Monday, April 23rd. Shredding equipment and volunteers were available at locations in Phoenix, Gilbert, Tucson and Flagstaff.

There were two locations in Maricopa County, one in Phoenix at International Paper 301 South 30th Street and the other at Earnhardt Dodge in Gilbert. Together these two locations welcomed more than 2,800 cars along with an estimated 6,900 boxes of personal documents and old tax returns. By the time the last document went through the giant shredders, more than 128 tons of materials had been dropped off for destruction.

In Flagstaff, Shred-It trucks and volunteers were set up at the Target store near the NAU campus where more than 5.75 tons of paper was shredded. With 12 News broadcasting throughout the day and extensive coverage from the Arizona Daily Sun, volunteers from the NAU student body, the MCAO and the ACPA worked together in the cool pines to welcome hundreds of people with boxes.


Tucson joined the statewide event also shredding more than three tons of paper.

"Identity thieves don't stay within geographic boundaries and so neither did we," said Crystal Reidy, MCAO Community Affairs Officer. "Efforts like this one are important safeguards for everyone, in Maricopa County and throughout the state." (printed in MCAO May 2012 Newsletter)

- March 6th and April 12th, ACPA partnered with FINRA to train law enforcement and citizens in recognizing the “red flags” to investment fraud. A total of 40 law enforcement employees and 680 citizens received the training. FINRA, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority continues to be a partner with Law Enforcement and their associations to prevent investment fraud through education and investigations. Upon contact by a victim of investment fraud, they will investigate and bundle the results for local law enforcement and state agencies such as the Arizona Corporation Commission and on a national level the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. FINRA’s goal is to protect the 90 million investors.

Learn to Spot and Avoid Fraud

Tuesday, March 6, 2011



Join us for this FREE event.

WHAT	Spot the Red Flags of Fraud Seminar (includes dinner)
WHEN	Tuesday, March 6, 2011, 5:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.
WHERE	Fiesta Resort and Conference Center 2100 South Priest Drive, Tempe, AZ 85282

FEATURING SPECIAL GUESTS

Anthony Cavallaro, Vice President, FINRA Office of Fraud Detection and Market Intelligence

Robert Eckert, Chief Investigator, Arizona Corporation Commission

Guy Milanovits, Financial Crimes Detective, Scottsdale Arizona Police Department

David Mitchell, State Director, AARP Arizona

Kory Sneed, Vice President, Arizona Crime Prevention Association


Interact with financial experts and learn how to:

- ▶ Protect yourself in these uncertain economic times
- ▶ Recognize red flags around financial scams
- ▶ Learn about the resources available to you at no charge
- ▶ Outsmart investment fraud

WAYS TO REGISTER FOR THIS FREE EVENT:

- ▶ Go to www.SaveAndInvest.org/events/tempe
- ▶ Call Toll-Free (866) 862-0110.

Registration will be limited to the first 200 registrants.
Please bring this invitation for a special gift.



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Washington, DC 20006-1506
www.saveandinvest.org

AARP

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There is no charge for the program or dinner. This is an educational program—no sales presentations will be permitted during the program or on the premises. Your privacy is important to us. FINRA does not sell lists or share your information with any other organization or third party.

- The Arizona Crime Prevention Association partnered with the International Association of Crime Prevention Practitioners to host a 3-Day Training class where attendees upon successful completion of the course and test were able to achieve their designation as an International Crime Prevention Specialist.



THE CRIME PREVENTION PEOPLE™

INTERNATIONAL CRIME PREVENTION SPECIALIST TRAINING & TESTING

March 20-22, 2012 – Scottsdale, Arizona
Scottsdale Police Department's District One Substation,
7601 E. McKellips, Scottsdale, AZ 85257



The International Society of Crime Prevention Practitioners (ISCPP) in cooperation with the Arizona Crime Prevention Association (ACPA) will present a three-day International Crime Prevention Specialist (ICPS) Training that will culminate with the ISCPP's ICPS Test.

Who: Anyone interested in learning more about crime prevention. This includes crime prevention officers, crime prevention specialists, unit supervisors, volunteers, loss prevention managers, and security professionals.

Cost: The cost is \$275 per person. **SPECIAL RATE of \$250 for ACPA Members.** Registrants will receive a copy of the ICPS Crime Prevention Curriculum, training & test fees, and a one-year membership to the ISCPP.

What: The three-day Training will give attendees a solid foundation of crime prevention knowledge, a 500+ page crime prevention curriculum to use as a resource after the Training, and excellent preparation for the ICPS Test. It won't make you an instant crime prevention expert – that takes years of study and fieldwork – but it will give you the basics and the resources so you can continue to learn and improve!

This three-day training will cover the following 15 core subjects:

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| ★ History of Crime Prevention | ★ Three Lines of Defense | ★ Armed Robbery |
| ★ Check Fraud | ★ Child Safety | ★ Credit Card Fraud |
| ★ CPTED | ★ Crimes Against the Elderly | ★ Domestic Violence |
| ★ Identity Theft | ★ Lighting for Security | ★ Neighborhood Watch |
| ★ Public Speaking | ★ Security Surveys | ★ Sexual Assault Prevention |

In addition, each student will select 5 of the 13 electives (see page two for the complete list of electives) for a custom test.

Instructors:

All instructors have attained the ICPS Designation and are or have been practicing crime prevention specialists with exceptional presentation skills. There may also be instructors who have an expertise in a particular crime prevention topic.

- Child I.D. Clinic in partnership with Mercy Gilbert Medical Center and ABC 15. Dignity Healthcare purchased a second EZ Child I.D. system for sole use by the Arizona Crime Prevention Association members. The EZ Child I.D. system is a self-contained child i.d. system that can be used in any location as long as there is power for the equipment. This system cost Dignity Healthcare \$3,338.00 and on behalf of the Arizona Crime Prevention Association, we thank you for your generosity and your dedication to child safety.

*This program is sponsored by the Arizona Crime Prevention Association, Inc.;
Mercy Gilbert Medical Center and ABC 15*

FREE Child Identification Card Clinic

Saturday, June 23, 2012
9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Ages 3 and older (and parent)

Mercy Gilbert Medical Center
Conference Room 3
(enter through main lobby)
3555 S. Val Vista Dr.
Gilbert, AZ 85297

Each child will receive:

- Laminated photo identification card
- CD with photo, digital fingerprints, video, voice recording, and child safety tips



Registration is required. Appointment times can be made by visiting www.acpa.net

Should it be needed, this information provides the necessary information for Police Departments and the National Center For Missing and Exploited Children.



- The Arizona Crime Prevention Association in partnership with the National Crime Prevention Council provided a Free 3-Day Training on crime prevention September 25th – September 27th, 2012

TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR NEW LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND PRACTITIONERS COMING TO ARIZONA!



SKILL-BASED TRAINING CONDUCTED BY THE NATIONAL CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL AND HOSTED BY THE ARIZONA CRIME PREVENTION ASSOCIATION

The National Crime Prevention Council (NCPC), in partnership with the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), will provide training and technical assistance to **newly hired law enforcement officers and crime prevention practitioners**. Our goal is to provide officers and practitioners with skill-based training, tools, and resources to assist you in executing your jobs effectively, which, in turn, keeps your communities safe. The officers and practitioners for the Arizona course will receive a three-day 24-hour Basic Crime Prevention Course with topics such as:

Emerging Crime Trends	Frauds and Scams	Cyber Safety
Business Crime Prevention	Neighborhood Watch	CPTED
Crime Prevention Resources	Senior Safety	Gangs

NCPC now has a certification for National Crime Prevention Specialist. It is the **ONLY** national certification in the country in crime prevention. This course and any previous training courses and education will go towards your points. To get an application, download it from www.ncpc.org or email ncpa@ncpc.org.

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REGISTER TODAY for the 24- hour Basic Crime Prevention Skill-building Course!

Officers taking this course will receive 24 technical continuing education hours through the Arizona Peace Officer Standards and Training Board!

ONLINE REGISTRATION

WWW.NCPC.ORG/TRAINING

OR FAX REGISTRATION FORM TO

202-296-1356

FOR MORE INFORMATION TO REGISTER:

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TRAINING DATES:

September 25-27, 2012

TRAINING FEE:

FREE

TRAINING LOCATION:

Tom Hontz Training Facility

City of Scottsdale

911 N. Stadem, Tempe, AZ 85281

* *Travel, lodging, and food costs are the responsibility of the participant*

* *A list of hotels is available*

THE NATIONAL CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL

The National Crime Prevention Council (NCPC), founded in 1982, is the nation's nonprofit leader in crime prevention. For 30 years, our recognizable icon McGruff the Crime Dog® has delivered easy-to-use crime prevention tips that empower citizens to individually and collectively keep themselves, their families, and their communities safe from crime. Together with a vast network of local and state law enforcement agencies, local community groups, foundations, and corporate partners, NCPC makes an impact on personal safety and crime every day. For more information on how NCPC can help you "Take a Bite Out of Crime®," visit www.ncpc.org.

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Wisc. shootings remind Gilbert Sikh of brothers killed in hate crimes

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Rana Singh Sodhi of Gilbert, whose brother, Balbir Singh Sodhi, a Sikh, who was shot and killed during a hate crime outside his gasoline station in east Mesa four days after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, will speak at the Arizona Crime Prevention Association's Diversity and Inclusion conference on Thursday in Mesa.

Wisc. shootings remind Gilbert Sikh of brothers killed in hate crimes By Mike Sakal, Tribune

Two months ago, when Rana Singh Sodhi was selected to be among a group of speakers at the Arizona Crime Prevention Association's Diversity and Inclusion conference scheduled for Thursday in Mesa, little did he know the added importance his speech will have.

For a little more than the last decade, Singh Sodhi of the Sikh community has been educating others about his religion that emphasizes God, peace, understanding, pride and respect. He speaks out against hate and violence.

It is something he and his family know all too well – and something that came back to him quickly Sunday following the shooting spree inside a Sikh temple in Oak Creek, Wis., that left six dead and three wounded.

It reminded him of an incident that received international attention: the day Sing Sodhi lost his brother, Balbir Singh Sodhi, 49, to a hate crime in Mesa. Four days after the 9/11 terrorist attacks, a man saw his brother donned in a turbin, mistook him for a Muslim and fatally shot him as he was planting flowers outside his Chevron station at East University Drive and 80th Street in east Mesa.

Sunday's Wisconsin shootings also reminded him of another incident that occurred 10 months after he lost brother Balbir: Another brother, Sukhpal Singh Sodhi, 47, was found shot to death inside his cab in San Francisco. Police believe that Sukhpal was in the wrong place at the wrong time when he was discovered about 4 a.m. that day, but Rana believes that Sukhpal, too, was killed because someone mistook him for a Muslim.

The deaths of his two brothers are a painful memory the Sing Sodhi now shares with the family members and friends of the six Sikhs killed in Sunday's shooting spree by a military veteran authorities say was sporting a Sept. 11, 2001 commemoration tattoo on one arm, and who is believed to have mistook the Sikh community for Muslims. In what is being labeled as a domestic act of terrorism, the suspected gunman also injured three others, including the first officer responding to the scene before another officer shot and killed him.

"It breaks my heart," said Singh Sodhi, 45, of Sunday's tragedy. "Why would someone have to die? Because they are wearing a turbin? Because their skin is brown?"

On Monday, among a small crowd of late lunch diners eating tandoori chicken and homemade garlic bread inside the Guru Palace Indian restaurant he owns in Mesa, Singh Sodhi said, "It's shocking. It brings back memories of what you've been through. You see the pain of the families of the loved ones knowing those killed were somebody's son, somebody's husband. When someone dies from natural causes, it is painful enough, but when someone is shot and killed by hate, it becomes more painful."

Phoenix police have increased patrols around the three Sikh temples in the Valley, all in Phoenix, and temple members are planning to implement more security measures in their places of worship, Singh Sodhi said.

Singh Sodhi and his wife, Sukhi, of Gilbert, were home on Sunday when they heard the news about the tragedy in Oak Creek. In fact, Rana said two of his friends attend the temple where the shootings happened, but after calling them on the phone, he learned they were not at the temple that day. Since Sunday, he has been fielding numerous phone calls from the national and international media seeking interviews for his insights about the shootings, including the Al-Jazeera station in London and CNN.

At 9 a.m. Thursday, Singh Sodhi will speak during the Diversity and Inclusion conference at the Mesa Public Safety Training Facility, 3260 N. 40th St., Mesa. Other speakers include Don Logan, the former director of diversity and dialogue for the city of Scottsdale, who was victim of a mail bomb attack, and Calvin Terrell, the founder of Social Centric, an organization that provides diversity training to companies and educates students against hate speech and prejudice.

On Sept. 15, 2001, Singh Sodhi was working at his gas station in Phoenix when he received the news from authorities that his older brother, Balbir Singh Sodhi was shot outside his gas station.

"In the last 10 years, I have tried to educate people against hate and violence," added, Singh Sodhi, who always wears a turban in public. "We don't want this to happen anywhere. It's important to continue doing that to protect innocent people. We always attend the Sept. 11 memorial events, not to just remember my brother, but all of the victims who died in the terrorist attacks. I remember my brother always as very loving and a giving person. I was encouraged to follow his teachings. When Balbir was killed, small children came to his gas station and cried and said that he gave them free candy."

Sukhi Singh Sodhi said of Sunday's tragedy and remembering her slain brother-in-laws, "It's painful, very painful. It's senseless, without any reason. After 10 years, it makes us remember everything. You miss your family members all the time, every moment."

The man who shot and killed Balbir Singh Sodhi is serving a life sentence in prison; the murder of Sukhpal Singh Sodhi remains unsolved.

"Because the man who shot my brother is serving a life sentence in prison, it gives me peace, it gives me comfort," Singh Sodhi said. "My religion teaches me to live your life in pride, with justice and protect the innocent. If someone does something wrong, we must step forward and do something about it to plan for better measures for our children."

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2012 Financial Report

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Cash Flow - Last year 1/1/2012 through 12/31/2012

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Category	1/1/2012- 12/31/2012
INFLOWS	
Bank Error	5.00
Corporate Donation	
Catholic Healthcare	3,338.00
Charitable Recycling Program	130.00
FINRA Partnership	15,000.00
Good Search	24.95
TOTAL Corporate Donation	18,492.95
Interest Inc	2.46
Membership Dues	3,660.12
Reimburable Expense	193.27
TOTAL INFLOWS	22,353.80
OUTFLOWS	
Accidental - Reimbursed later	194.36
Board meeting Expense	
Monthly meeting	630.97
Subcommittee meeting	363.48
Transportation	268.10
TOTAL Board meeting Expense	1,262.55
Business Expense	411.75
ACPA shirts	184.03
Certification or Speaker search	1,049.99
Members On-Line	23.94
TOTAL Business Expense	1,669.71
Child ID System	6,558.00
DNA Supplies	294.32
Paper, Laminate, DVD covers, etc.	283.39
TOTAL Child ID System	7,135.71
Corporate document filing	10.00
Donation Out - Expense	27.95
Internet Business Expense	120.00
Office Expenses (Business)	474.03
Postage	89.10
Training Expense	
Food for Training	1,874.41
Instructors Meals or Entertainment	412.14
Speakers Fee	1,350.00
Supplies for Training	40.54
TOTAL Training Expense	3,677.09
Training Refund	60.00
Website - ACPA	49.17
Website - BOLOCOP	
Website Name Registration	140.04
TOTAL Website - BOLOCOP	140.04
TOTAL OUTFLOWS	14,909.71
OVERALL TOTAL	7,444.09

On Behalf of the Arizona Crime Prevention Association, Thank you for another great year!

