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ICS to Celebrate Year of Changes at Annual Open Houses

Interfaith Community Services is topping off an extraordinary year by inviting the public to one or both of two annual Holiday Open Houses. The events will feature food, music and fellowship to celebrate the community's support, as well as an opportunity to learn more about the great things that have been happening.

Guests will have a chance to tour new facilities at both places. ICS's Eastside office will host an open house from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 11 at 8701 E. Old Spanish Trail, on the campus of New Spirit Lutheran Church. This year saw the opening of a new reception area on the Eastside as well as a new partnership with the food pantry run by the church, allowing for more people to be served.

The main ICS office on the Northwest Side will put on a larger event the following day, from 2 to 5:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12 at 2820 W. Ina Road, on the campus of Christ the King Episcopal Church. There, guests will be treated to tours of the new Dorothy D. Vanek Welcome Center and office wing.

Both locations will offer refreshments, musical entertainment – and a tribute to departing CEO Bonnie Kampa, who is retiring from ICS after shepherding the agency through 13 years of unprecedented growth, including three separate capital building campaigns that expanded the organization's service and mission of helping those most in need in our community. Guitarist Dustin Jones will perform at the Eastside Open House. The Northwest side event will feature music by harpist Patricia Harris and the Tucson Symphony Orchestra Brass Quintet, as well as a holiday craft bazaar filled with unique stocking stuffer ideas. Guests at both events also will have the opportunity to meet and talk with incoming Chief Executive Officer Daniel Stoltzfus.

About ICS: ICS provides food, job assistance and emergency financial assistance to Pima County residents in need and mobilizes volunteers to provide seniors and disabled individuals with Mobile Meals, transportation, home repairs, calls and visits, and health and safety referrals. ICS offers compassionate support by connecting nearly 700 volunteers and 77 faith community partners with our community's most vulnerable residents. From nutritious food to health evaluations to a ride to the doctor's office, ICS helps more than 36,500 people a year. ICS has received Charity Navigator's highest rating of four stars five years in a row for its fiscal responsibility and best practices.

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