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INTERFAITH COMMUNITY SERVICES ANNOUNCES NEW BOARD OFFICERS, MEMBERS

Local social services agency Interfaith Community Services (ICS) is pleased to announce **Barry Robinson** as newly-elected chairman of its 2015-2016 volunteer board of directors. He previously served as ICS board vice chair of faith community partners.

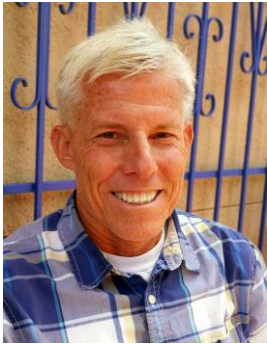


Barry Robinson retired as vice president of public affairs from the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, one of 12 regional banks in the Federal Reserve System, after nearly 36 years in corporate public affairs. He is a graduate of Phillips University and the Stonier Graduate School of Banking at Rutgers University. Robinson's extensive involvement in nonprofit organizations includes serving on the Christian Church Foundation, on the board of Phillips University and as volunteer director of a free medical clinic in New Mexico. He and his wife Patti have been volunteer drivers for ICS since moving to Tucson in 2008.

Dr. Patricia Harrison-Monroe and **Jim Pirzynski** have also joined the ICS board as new voting members.



Patricia Harrison-Monroe, PhD, is clinical associate professor of psychiatry, director of the Early Psychosis Intervention Center (EPICenter) and director of community outreach and clinical development for the Department of Psychiatry at the University of Arizona, College of Medicine. Dr. Harrison-Monroe received her BA from the John Jay College of Criminal Justice and her MS and PhD from Columbia University in New York. She previously led as chief of behavioral services at the University of Arizona Medical Center, director of behavioral health of the Pima County Juvenile Detention Center, assistant commissioner of the New York City Department of Mental Health, and director of mental health for the New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation. Dr. Harrison-Monroe has been honored as one of the 25 most influential African-Americans in Arizona.



Jim Pirzynski retired from Raytheon in 2012, where he spent 24 years in various human resources positions, including director of compensation and benefits as well as talent acquisition and college relations. He holds a master's degree from the University of Illinois. As a volunteer in the ICS Job Resource Center, Pirzynski helps unemployed and underemployed individuals with their job searches. He serves on the board for RISE International, a Chicago-based nonprofit, which builds schools in rural areas of Angola.

Other ICS 2015-2016 board officers are: vice chairman **Scott Summerford**, vice president with Wells Fargo Wealth Management; vice chair of faith community partners **Mike Lange**, retired attorney; treasurer **Rhonda Fure**, senior manager at BeachFleishman PC; and secretary **Jeffrey Sklar**, attorney and partner with Lewis Rocca Rothgerber LLP.

About Interfaith Community Services:

Marking 30 years of service to the Pima County community, Interfaith Community Services helps individuals and families in financial hardship meet basic needs and gain self-sufficiency through the ICS Food Bank, emergency financial assistance, case management and job search assistance programs, and enables seniors and disabled adults to stay independent at home with Mobile Meals, transportation, home repairs, wellness checks and health and safety referrals. ICS carries out its mission with the support of more than 750 volunteers, 83 faith community partners and the community at large. The organization also offers a variety of educational and outreach programs on topics including whole health and mental health, family communications and financial and computer literacy. ICS has earned Charity Navigator's highest rating of four stars for five consecutive years for its fiscal and operational effectiveness. For more information, go to www.icstucson.org or call 297-6049.

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