



**2021 CONFERENCE**  
**OCTOBER 28 - 29**  
**PHOENIX CONVENTION CENTER**

**Event MC:**  
*Edith Baltierrez, Assistant Director of Neighborhood & Family Services, City of Avondale*

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28**

**Registration and Continental Breakfast**  
 8:00 AM | South Lobby

**Networking with a Mentor**  
 8:30 AM | Main Room - 160

**Keynote Speaker - Resiliency Rx: Stress-Proof Your Brain & Body**  
 9:30 AM | Main Room - 160

*Speaker: Jenny Evans, CEO, Powerhouse Performance*

**Concurrent Sessions**  
 11:15 AM | Room 150 - 157

**Lunch**  
 12:15 PM

**Boundaries: Building Fences Not Walls To Prevent Burnout**  
 1:00 PM | Main Room - 160

*Speaker: Marney Babbitt-Pierce, Certified Dare to Lead™ Facilitator*

**Concurrent Sessions**  
 2:15 PM | Room 150 - 157

**Be Yourself, Everyone Else is Taken**  
 3:30 PM Main Room - 160

*Speaker: Carol Stewart, Associate Vice President, Tech Parks Arizona, University of Arizona; and President, Campus Research Corporation*

**Reception**  
 4:30 PM - 6:30 PM | South Lobby

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29**

**Registration**  
 8:00 AM | South Lobby

**Office Yoga and Meditation – Sponsored by HPACT**  
 8:30 AM | Main Room – 160

**Change & Transition**  
 9:30 AM | Main Room - 160

*Moderator: Donna Rossi, Public Affairs Deputy, City of Phoenix*  
*Speakers: Gina Montes, Deputy City Manager, City of Phoenix*  
*Ginger Spencer, Deputy City Manager, City of Phoenix*

**Concurrent Sessions**  
 11:15 AM | Room 150 - 157

**Lunch**  
 12:15 PM | Main Room - 160

**Business Meeting**  
 1:00 PM | Main Room - 160

**Concurrent Sessions**  
 2:15 PM | Room 150 - 157

**The “Big Bang” of Change Has Banged Us Up**  
 3:30 PM | Main Room - 160

*Moderator: Dawn Prince, Assistant Town Manager, Town of Gilbert*  
*Speakers: Evelyn Racette, Instructor and MPA Coordinator, Grand Canyon University*  
*Karen Osburn, City Manager, City of Sedona*

**CONCURRENT SESSIONS**

**Owning Your Potential**  
 Room 150

*Speakers: Nina Vetter, City Manager, Gresham, Oregon and Vice Chair Colorado Women Leading Government*  
*Alisha Janes, Assistant Town Manager, Winter Park, Colorado and Chair of Colorado Women Leading Government*

**Your Career Journey: Planning, Executing, and Achieving**  
 Room 151

*Speaker: Beth Chepelsky, Organizational Development Specialist, City of Chandler*

**Top Five Things to Do to Avoid Being Sued by Your Employees**  
 Room 152

*Speakers: Laura Ingegneri, Founder & Managing Director, HR ExecPro*  
*Melanie V. Pate, Partner, Lewis Roca*

**Imposter Syndrome and the Insidious Nature of Doubt**  
 Room 153

*Speaker: Nicole Lance, CEO, Lance Strategies*

**Are You Busy or Productive?**  
 Room 154

*Speaker: Sara Mayer, CEO, Sara Mayer Consulting*

**Build It and They Will Come...and Stay: Creating a Workplace Culture for Innovation, Productivity, and Sustainability**  
 Room 155

*Speaker: Dr. Maria Church, CEO, Dr. Maria Church International*

**Into and Through Middle Management**  
 Room 156

*Moderator: Donna Rossi, Public Affairs Deputy, City of Phoenix*  
*Speakers: Samantha Tavares, Special Projects Administrator, City of Phoenix*  
*Jennifer Calles, Water Services Deputy Director, City of Phoenix*  
*Mary Ling, Water Services Deputy Director, City of Phoenix*

**Networking Room**  
 Room 157

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