



**The Coconino Coalition for Children and Youth exists to provide leadership in developing community-wide strategies that enhance the well-being of children and youth in Coconino County.**

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### CCC&Y 2018 Candidate Questionnaire

Candidate Name:

Office:

William "Bill" Pierce

State Mine Inspector

1. What do you think the two most pressing issues are for youth and their families? Not applicable for the position I am running for.
2. What do you believe the role of elected officials is in their communities when it comes to serving and advocating for children and youth? Advocating for clean air and water, which will help improve the families' and children's quality of life by working to maintain clean air and water (a big help to the welfare of families and children).
3. Within the duties of your elected office, how can you support the children and families of our community? If elected, how will this be expressed in your agenda? Safety of the mining operations, which impacts not only the miner's family, but improve the air and water quality in their community. Also extend more effort to locating and securing abandoned mines, thereby protecting the general public from these dangers, since the number of deaths include young children.
4. How would you, as an elected official, support an equitable school system for ALL students, cradle to career? As 90% of human brain development happens by age 5, please additionally share your thoughts on early childhood education and its role in the educational system. Not applicable to the position as it has no input into the school systems.
5. As childhood abuse, neglect and foster care continue to be major issues in Arizona, what prevention and trauma response strategies do you support for

our child welfare system, the Department of Child Safety and/or our local communities? How would you propose using local, state and federal funds to improve outcomes for youth experiencing foster care or additionally, work toward prevention of child abuse in our communities? I do not make or vote for laws so have no real input into this issue.

6. Lastly, please feel free to share any further information with voters. The office I am running for is strictly an enforcement position. It is not a policy-making position. I will, however, advocate and work for environmental issues that can affect the health and welfare of all the citizens of Arizona.