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## **Community Relations Project**

Poverty's Pets, Columbus House in Phoenix, Arizona gets landscaping upgrade for dog rescue!



October 7, 2017 Phoenix, Arizona – Volunteers spread 45 tons of rock donated by Gila River Sand and Gravel. The rock donation will provide a more suitable and stable yard environment for both the dogs and the hundreds of volunteers that visit. Poverty's Pets is a non-profit organization specializing in the rescue of abandoned, neglected, and abused animals in low-income and underserved communities in Central Phoenix. The Columbus House is a safe and caring refuge until the animals are found a suitable home.

The Columbus House collaborates with local schools to educate and demonstrate proper care of the animals. Teaching the students to engage and interact appropriately, is a treat for both the students and animals.

The Columbus House also serves as a house of therapy for veterans that take part of the VA Hospital sponsored PTSD program who visit and play with the dogs.

Since their establishment in 2008, over 500 animals have been adopted and vet care provided to over 800 animals/pets a year.

Special thank you to all the company volunteers who were there at 6am to get the project rolling: Gila River Sand and Gravel, Amec Foster Wheeler, CalPortland, Vulcan, Drake, Fisher Industries, Arizona Materials, Rock Solid, Arizona Rock Products, Boy Scout Troop #823, Millennium High School – NHS group and Phoenix Community Toolbank for the tool rental.