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## Growth Partners Arizona is excited to announce **Andre T. Whittington will serve as Executive Director**

Tucson, AZ – Growth Partners Arizona (GPAz), an Arizona nonprofit organization providing Arizona small businesses and nonprofits with access to capital and technical assistance, has welcomed Andre T. Whittington to serve as Executive Director.

Andre is an experienced leader and has worked with large and small businesses across the United States. Over the last three years he has assisted small business owners in experiencing over \$3M in revenue growth. Notably, Andre managed his own consulting firm, partnering with Isom Global Strategies to serve as a Small Business Coach with the SBA in Phoenix, AZ and Albuquerque, NM. In his most recent role, he assisted in building regional and national small business development programs as the Associate Director at Our Village United, Inc.

"The mission of Growth Partners Arizona aligns with my personal values and my desire to do the work required to ensure small businesses and nonprofit organizations receive the resources they require to scale effectively," shares Andre. "I am looking forward to working with the board, our partners, the community, and team as we grow the organization and drive economic mobility for underserved communities across Arizona."

Evelyn Casuga, chair of the GPAz board of directors, adds that, "Growth Partners Arizona has always been dedicated to supporting our communities, and we are thrilled to welcome Andre to the team as we continue to grow our impact and support small businesses and nonprofits across Arizona."

**About Growth Partners Arizona:** Growth Partners Arizona, a supporting organization of Arizona Capital Source, is a Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) offering innovative, mission-driven loan solutions and technical assistance to economically disadvantaged businesses and nonprofits throughout Arizona. Learn more at <a href="https://www.growthpartnersaz.org">www.growthpartnersaz.org</a>.

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