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Arizona Treasurer Kimberly Yee Celebrates Financial Literacy Task Force's Second Year Anniversary

PHOENIX, AZ – On June 13th, 2019, Treasurer Kimberly Yee appointed Arizona's first-ever statewide Task Force on Financial Literacy, to advance awareness of basic money management skills to all Arizonans. This 17-member Task Force has taken steps to bring resources to students, seniors, military veterans and vulnerable populations.

"We have accomplished a lot in a short time to improve financial education in Arizona. I thank the Task Force members for volunteering their time and expertise over these past two years," Arizona Treasurer Kimberly Yee said. "Together, we have advanced new laws, created resources and promoted awareness about the importance of financial literacy throughout our great state. Our work has empowered Arizonans with basic money management skills that will set them up for success and financial freedom. As citizens are responsible with their money, it helps to create a positive economic environment in the state."

The members of the Financial Literacy Task Force have led initiatives to: require Arizona high schools to teach financial education before graduation ([Laws 2019, Chapter 84](#)); establish the Treasurer's Financial Literacy Fund and require the Treasurer to promote financial literacy to Arizona residents ([Laws 2020, Chapter 76](#)); allow families in the TANF program to use financial education to help meet their work requirements ([Laws 2020, Chapter 23](#)); and advance opportunities for families to access 529 Education Savings Plans ([Laws 2020, Chapter 88](#)). As a member of the Arizona Legislature, Treasurer Yee passed laws requiring the state's K-12 academic standards to include financial literacy and established a seal of financial literacy on diplomas that may be earned by graduating high school seniors. The Task Force is a core component in Treasurer Yee's longstanding mission to increase financial literacy in Arizona.

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