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Tucson Industrial Development Authority honors Mayor Rothschild



*Mayor Jonathan Rothschild (front row, center) was honored by the current and former board members of the Tucson Industrial Development Authority for his help to provide access to housing for area residents.**

The Tucson Industrial Development Authority recently honored Tucson Mayor Jonathan Rothschild for his efforts to create and sustain affordable housing in the region.

Programs he has helped grow - including the Tucson Pathway to Purchase Program, the Pima Tucson Homebuyer's Solution Program and the Tucson IDA Mortgage Credit Certificate Programs – have had an impact of nearly \$1 billion on local affordable housing, said Tucson IDA President Larry Lucero.

Rothschild, who is stepping down after eight years as mayor, said there is still work to be done to provide residents with affordable housing throughout Pima County.



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"There are a lot of good programs but people don't know about them, including the very people we're trying to reach. There's a lot more we can do."

Lucero presented Rothschild with a Hemis Kachina, which, to the Hopi, represents abundance.

Lucero said the gift was appropriate "given the almost \$1 billion impact you have helped have on affordable housing in Southern Arizona."

Rothschild also received a letter of thanks from Carol Ditmore, director of the Arizona Department of Housing. "We have appreciated your strong support of our shared mission," the letter said.

The **Tucson Industrial Development Authority** (TIDA) is a nonprofit corporation designated as a political subdivision of the State of Arizona, authorized to provide lower-cost financing for qualified projects through the issuance of revenue bonds. TIDA provides loans to small businesses such as Johnny Gibson's Downtown Market, and nonprofit organizations such as Arizona Theatre Company. Its financing of community development projects, when appropriate and when traditional sources of funding may be unavailable, has benefited the Fox Tucson Theatre and United Way of Tucson and Southern Arizona, among other projects.

***Complete photo IDs**

Seated, from left: Tucson IDA President Larry Lucero, Mayor Johnathan Rothschild, Tucson IDA board member Neal Eckel.

Standing, from left: Jaime Gutierrez, former Tucson IDA board member; Marilyn Robinson, former board member; Sandra Barton, board member; Charles Lotzar, Tucson IDA general counsel; Mimi Petro, board member; Ann Morales, former TIDA general counsel; Karen Valdez, Tucson IDA program manager; Meredith Aronson, board member; Evelia Martinez, former board member; Maggie Amado-Tellez, former board member