

MEDIA ADVISORY

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Phoenix man to provide safety lesson to children in need

WHAT: Phoenix resident and **Operation Lifesaver** volunteer **Martin Rivera** will offer children in need a lesson on being safe around train tracks this Friday evening at the **St. Vincent de Paul** Family Dining Room in Phoenix.

Rivera, a longtime St. Vincent de Paul volunteer, has spent many hours with children in schools across the Valley teaching them – in both English and Spanish – the proper ways to stay safe around train tracks, including those of the new METRO light rail.

WHEN: **Friday, May 22, 2009**
5:00 p.m.

WHERE: **Society of St. Vincent de Paul**
420 W. Watkins Road, Phoenix

WHO: The **Society of St. Vincent de Paul** is a non-profit organization dedicated to serving the poor and providing others with the opportunity to serve. Programs include services for the homeless, medical and dental care for the working poor, five charity dining rooms, eight Valley thrift stores, a transitional housing shelter and general assistance for individuals in need.

Operation Lifesaver is a non-profit, international continuing public education program first established in 1972 to end collisions, deaths and injuries at places where roadways cross train tracks, and on railroad rights-of-way. Operation Lifesaver programs are sponsored cooperatively by federal, state, and local government agencies; highway safety organizations and the nation's railroads.

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MEDIA NOTE: Interview and photo opportunities are available. For more information, contact Ryan Narramore at 602-850-6755 or rnarramore@svdp-phx-az.org.

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