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On Sunday, November 3, from 2 to 4 p.m. The Arizona YWCA Metropolitan Phoenix will host its 1st Annual Designer Divas fundraiser to benefit its Own It Financial Literacy Program at The Ritz Carlton in Phoenix - 2401 E Camelback Rd Phoenix, AZ 85016

The YW is proud to be the leading agency in Maricopa County providing financial literacy to people from all walks of life, many of whom are among the working poor, struggling to pay their bills and feed their families, even while working 40 hours or more a week.

The Own It Financial Literacy Program provides them with the knowledge and tools they need to better their financial circumstances. The curriculum covers topics like budgeting, credit, and finding money to save. Classes are offered at no cost and are taught by YW volunteers, all of whom are financial professionals in the community. One student says, ""I have always wanted someone to help me with budgeting and answer all the questions I have about money spending. This class is giving me so much more than I expected. Thank you for taking the time in making a difference in my life."

Support Arizona YWCA Metropolitan Phoenix's Own It Financial Literacy Program by spending the afternoon sipping high tea and shopping for your next holiday gift from Silpada Jewelry. During the event, Graduate Gemologist Bev Strom will present "Native Arizona Gems", giving attendees a look into four of Arizona's most beautiful gems: turquoise, garnet, peridot and amethyst. Invite your friends and spend a girl's day out shopping for a cause!

Tickets are \$50 and include entry, high tea and hors'd'oeuvres.

To register visit www.ywcaaz.org or call Kristen Coco at 602-258-0990.

