


## Serenity Tender Care Services Project Narrative

Serenity Tender Care Services is located in the Ocotillo District at 5101 N 55<sup>th</sup> Ave, Glendale, AZ 85301. A Variance (VAR) is required to erect a 26' x 42' shade canopy in the southeast corner of our property.

Serenity Tender Care Services provides a variety of interventions designed to maximize the functioning of persons with developmental disabilities including behavioral management, independent living skills, personal care assistance and short-term respite care and supervision. At the Glendale location, day programs offer activities including arts and crafts and outdoor recreation. However, Arizona summers reduce the ability of clients to take advantage of outdoor activities beneficial to their health and well-being. Serenity Tender Care has received a grant to erect a shade structure on the property that will maximize year-round use of outdoor space.

The current requirements set forth in the City of Glendale Unified Development Code (UDC) stipulate that the shade canopy must maintain a setback of 15' from both the side and rear property lines. Commercial building codes do not allow the canopy to encroach within 10' of the building. With these limitations, our special clients would be constricted to a space of 650 square feet. Reducing the setbacks to 5' allows us to create a space almost double in size.

The neighboring property to the east has a carport located adjacent to the property wall without any setback, and the property to the north has a shade structure just like the one we are proposing also on the property line. We ask for the 5' setbacks from both side and rear property lines to allow us to utilize our space at its fullest potential in line with the rights enjoyed by our neighbors.

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