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PHOENIX OB-GYN AND NATIONAL AUTHOR DR. DESHAWN TAYLOR BRINGS *BEYOND CHOICE* BOOK TOUR TO FLAGSTAFF

Arizona List hosts free public event at Murdoch Community Center on June 13 — a timely conversation on reproductive justice, healing, and collective power

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz., June 10, 2026 — Arizona List, in partnership with Dr. DeShawn Taylor, MD, MSc, FACOG, will host a free public book signing and community conversation on **Saturday, June 13, 2026, at 2:30 PM** at the Murdoch Community Center, 203 E. Brannen Ave., Flagstaff, AZ 86001. The event features Dr. Taylor's latest book, *Beyond Choice: An Essential Workbook for Personal and Community Transformation Through Reproductive Justice*, currently on national tour.

The Flagstaff event marks a homecoming of sorts for Dr. Taylor, a Phoenix-based OB-GYN who has been at the frontlines of reproductive healthcare in Arizona for years. As the state continues to navigate the post-Dobbs landscape and the landmark passage of Proposition 139, Dr. Taylor's work offers something rare: a framework that moves beyond political rhetoric and into the lived experience of communities most affected.

Beyond Choice challenges the long-standing framework of reproductive "choice" and replaces it with a justice-centered vision that centers bodily autonomy as a universal value, addresses systemic barriers, and calls individuals and communities to collective action. Structured as an interactive workbook, the book equips readers — advocates, clinicians, faith communities, and everyday citizens — with tools for both personal reflection and community transformation.

"The conversation has always been bigger than 'choice.' This book is for every advocate, clinician, and community member who is ready to do the deeper work — together."

—DeShawn Taylor, MD, MSc, FACOG

Arizona is ground zero for this conversation. Since the 2022 overturning of *Roe v. Wade*, the state has been a flashpoint navigating a series of legislative battles, court rulings, and a historic constitutional amendment. Dr. Taylor's presence in Flagstaff, a community at the intersection of rural healthcare access challenges, Indigenous health equity, and university-led civic engagement, is both strategically meaningful and deeply personal.

ABOUT DR. DESHAWN TAYLOR

DeShawn Taylor, MD, MSc, FACOG, is a board-certified OB-GYN practicing in Phoenix, Arizona, and one of the country's most compelling voices at the intersection of medicine, faith, and reproductive justice. As a Black woman physician, committed Christian, and nonprofit founder, she occupies a rare position in the national conversation bringing clinical credibility, lived experience, and a justice-first framework that challenges assumptions across the political spectrum.

She is the founder of a Phoenix-based reproductive justice nonprofit and the author of two books: *Undue Burden*, which was presented at Grand Rounds at the University of Washington and queried for film rights by UTA and Woodside Motion Studio, and *Beyond Choice*, currently

on national tour. Her commentary has appeared on ABC, CNN, The Guardian, The 19th News, Women's Journal, and CEO Weekly. She speaks before universities, medical institutions, faith communities, and policy forums nationwide.

EVENT DETAILS

What: Beyond Choice — Book Signing and Community Conversation with Dr. DeShawn Taylor

When: Saturday, June 13, 2026 | 2:30 PM MST

Where: Murdoch Community Center | 203 E. Brannen Ave., Flagstaff, AZ 86001

Cost: Free and open to the public

Host: Arizona List

RSVP: arizonalist.org/beyondchoiceflagstaff

ABOUT ARIZONA LIST

Arizona List is Arizona's premier organization dedicated to electing pro-choice Democratic women to state and local office. With the motto Women Run. Women Win. Women Lead., Arizona List works to build a pipeline of women candidates committed to reproductive rights, healthcare access, and equity for all Arizonans.

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