



# State of Arizona Department of Homeland Security



**Tribal Consultation Report  
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The Arizona Department of Homeland Security (AZDOHS) was established in 2006 by the Arizona State Legislature to support the mission of providing strategic direction and access to federal homeland security grant program resources that will further enable the stakeholders' collective goals to prevent, protect, mitigate, respond to and recover from terrorist attacks and other critical hazards that affect the safety, well-being and economic security of Arizona.

AZDOHS and all of the State's homeland security stakeholders are striving to achieve our goals of:

- Preventing terrorist attacks in Arizona
- Enhancing Border Security
- Heightening cybersecurity efforts
- Reducing Arizona's vulnerability to all critical hazards
- Enhancing the capacity and expertise to plan for, mitigate, respond to and recover from all critical hazards that affect the safety, well-being and economic security of Arizona
- Building the resiliency of Arizona

AZDOHS administers and manages federal homeland security grants related to terrorism prevention, border security and protecting Arizona from all hazards.

GOAL	OBJECTIVE	ACTIVITY AND PERFORMANCE MEASURES
Encourage Tribal representation on the five Regional Advisory Councils (RAC).	<i>Inform Tribal communities within the designated homeland regions of vacancies on a RAC.</i>	At the end of FY 2018, all Regional Advisory Councils (RACs) had Tribal representatives. RAC members serve a 3-year term and help to determine funding priorities for the grant programs administered through the AZDOHS. As vacancies occur, AZDOHS's Border and Tribal Liaison works with AZDOHS Strategic Planners to recommend and reach out to prospective Tribal representatives.
Work cooperatively with Arizona Tribes to decrease the vulnerability of the State	<i>Ensure Tribal Leaders and Public Safety personnel are aware of Homeland Security funding opportunities available to Tribes.</i>	<b>December 2017</b> – Notification of the Annual Hazard Mitigation Workshop hosted by FEMA. This was an opportunity for Federal, State, Territorial, and Tribal officials to come together to advance mitigation opportunities, promote floodplain management, add value to existing partnerships, forge new relationships, and enhance HMA credibility, all of which are critical to reducing risks from natural hazards nationwide.
		<b>April 2018</b> – Announcement of the COPS Grant opportunities.
		<b>May 2018</b> – U.S. Economic Development Administration grant opportunities to address economic challenges in areas receiving a major disaster designation as a result of Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, Maria and wildfires and other 2017 natural disasters.
		Announcement of the 2018 Homeland Security Grant Program and the Tribal Homeland Security Grant Program.
		<b>June 2018</b> – Notification of the Office of Justice Programs (OJP) Office of Victims of Crime (OVC) and the FY 2018 tribal set-aside to enhance

		<p>tribal victim services.</p> <p>Announcement of the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Post-Fire for states, territories and federally recognized tribes that have a Fire Management Assistance declaration.</p> <p>Department of Justice – School Violence Prevention Program and Tribal Victims Services Set-aside grants.</p>
<p>Provide notification of training programs to Tribal officials and Tribal staff whenever possible.</p>	<p><i>Ensure Tribal personnel are aware of Homeland Security related training opportunities.</i></p>	<p><b>August 2017</b> – Tribal communities received notification of the training opportunities available for liquor law and fake ID recognition for sworn officers, alcohol awareness training for youth and social host ordinance assistance for community organizations.</p> <p><b>September 2017</b> – Information regarding Forensic Experimental Trauma Interview training opportunity was forwarded to Tribal partners. This training opportunity introduced a new interviewing technique.</p> <p>In addition, training opportunity information regarding Fentanyl Life Cycle was distributed. This training workshop was focused on the law enforcement and the first responder community and the threat of opioids and other drugs being smuggled into the U.S. Other training opportunities included: Indian Country Strangulation and Suffocation Seminar (examining the medical, legal, law enforcement and advocacy perspective), Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response Standards, and Amber Alert.</p> <p><b>October 2017</b> – Indian Country Law Enforcement Training Conference; Traffic Incident Management Awareness Training; FY 18 Criminal Jurisdiction in Indian Country, Response to and Investigation of Domestic Violence, Dating Violence and Stalking; and the 2018 Tribal Nations Training Week announcements were shared with the Tribal communities.</p> <p><b>December 2017</b> – National Incident-Based Reporting System Training announcement.</p> <p><b>January 2018</b> – Emergency Operations for Tribal Governments, Emergency Management Framework, Resiliency Training, From Trauma to Transcendence, Tribal Mitigation Plan Review, Project Safe Neighborhoods – training course offerings forwarded to Tribal communities.</p> <p><b>February 2018</b> – Notification of upcoming training opportunities included courses on Cellebrite Certified Operator, Forensic Interviewing of Child and Adolescent Victims and Witnesses in Indian Country, and information on Gun Purchases, Tribal Convictions and the National Instant Criminal Background Check System.</p> <p><b>March 2018</b> – Information regarding the following training opportunities was forwarded to the Tribal partners: Building Whole Community Engagement through LEPC, Indian Country and Rural Law Enforcement Undercover Workshop, Law Enforcement’s Role in Cyber Incident Response</p> <p><b>April 2018</b> – 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Sex Trafficking training, 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Arizona Tribal Haz-Mat Summit, 30<sup>th</sup> Annual ANOA Training Conference</p>

		<p><b>May</b> – WALETA Dispatch Academy – Basic overview of Public Safety Dispatching, Blue Lake Rancheria Resiliency Training</p> <p><b>June 2018</b> – Emergency Management Institute’s Professional Program, National Emergency Management Advanced Academy.</p> <p>Smugglers, Inc. – Comprehensive course about specific components involved in counter-smuggling/interdiction enforcement missions.</p>
<p><b>Share appropriate technical information and data with Tribes</b></p>	<p><i>Ensure Tribal Public Safety agencies are aware of Homeland Security matters to include grant program requirements, updates, and changes.</i></p>	<p><b>April 2018</b> – Tribal communities notified of 2018 Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment/Stakeholder Preparedness Review Methodology Workshop. THIRA/SPR is a requirement for the Tribal Homeland Security Grant Program.</p> <p><b>February 2017</b> – Informed Tribal stakeholders of FEMA-hosted webinars and listening sessions for the policy update of its <i>Tribal Multi-Hazard Mitigation Planning Guidance</i>. This session not only informed stakeholders of new information related to hazard mitigation planning, but also served as an opportunity to provide feedback to FEMA from a Tribal perspective.</p>
<p><b>Foster coordination and collaboration among the Tribes and local and state jurisdictions to increase emergency preparedness and response capabilities.</b></p>	<p><i>Provide liaison services (direct and electronic outreach) and facilitate Tribal outreach efforts by other State agencies conducting Homeland Security related business.</i></p>	<p>Throughout the lifespan of the Homeland Security Grant Programs administered by AZDOHS, the Tribal Liaison and other AZDOHS personnel provide direct technical assistance to Tribal grant subrecipients regarding the management, implementation, and reimbursement of Federal grant funds. This technical assistance is provided as needed or as requested by Tribal stakeholders and is available during AZDOHS-hosted seminars and site monitoring visits or remotely through phone or email correspondence. The technical assistance that AZDOHS provides aims to educate stakeholders of effective grant management methods and build stronger ties with Tribal partners.</p> <p><b>July 2017</b> – AZDOHS notified Tribal partners of a FEMA listening session regarding its Housing Assistance Initiative aimed at identifying and implementing innovative solutions to improve the way FEMA manages, provides and maintains sheltering and house for disaster survivors.</p> <p>Tribal communities were also informed of the 2017 Pre-Disaster Mitigation and Flood Mitigation Assistance Grant Programs.</p> <p><b>August 2017</b> – Information regarding the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Four Corners Indian Conference and the topics to be presented. Other awareness items included the 2017 Infrastructure in Indian Country report, notification from the Department of Justice of the expansion of the Tribal Access Program, the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Tribal Emergency Management Conference and announcement of the new Arizona HIDTA Training Coordinator.</p> <p><b>September 2017</b> – Announcements forwarded to the Tribal Communities regarding the Bureau of Indian Affairs receiving a request to supply a response roster to Hurricane Irma; Integrity, Action and Justice Strengthening Law Enforcement Response to Domestic and Sexual Violence National Demonstration Initiative and the upcoming ICIN Award Ceremony.</p> <p><b>November 2017</b> – Informed Tribal partners of the Arizona FirstNet Regional Forums that provided education, information and networking</p>

		for public safety, first responders, administrators and IT support personnel.
		<b>April 2018</b> – Attended the Tribal Healthcare Coalition Conference to network with State and Tribal Emergency Managers and Health personnel. This workshop provided collaboration among all attendees regarding issues affecting Tribal communities.

**Agency Challenge:**

In the past, the AZDOHS provided Tribal seminars addressing current topics that impact and overlap with homeland security priorities; however, the Department faces challenges with providing such programming on a consistent basis with the most up-to-date information that can be offered to its Tribal partners. Since the Tribal Homeland Security Grant Program was implemented, more Tribes have opted to apply directly to FEMA under that program. AZDOHS would like to provide Tribal agencies with seminars on a regular basis, but it would require additional support to do so as well as interest from the Tribal communities. In lieu of AZDOHS conducting seminars, it may be more conducive to achieve more effective collaboration by attending Tribal seminars, conferences or other events.

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