



# 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 2019, most 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>November 2018</b> – Tribal communities informed of the State Homeland Security Grant Program, Grant Information Seminars. These seminars outline the application process for the upcoming grant cycle.
Provide notification of training programs to Tribal officials and Tribal staff whenever	<i>Ensure Tribal personnel are aware of Homeland Security related training opportunities.</i>	<b>July 2018</b> – Tribal communities received notification of the training opportunities available via the National Native American Law Enforcement Association Collaborative Training Event. Event to take place in August 2018.

<p>possible.</p>		<p><b>September 2018</b> – Information regarding a training opportunity for Community Based Response to All Hazards Threats in Tribal Communities was shared. This course was a management level course that provided tribal nations with the knowledge, skills and abilities necessary to effectively detect, respond to, manage and mitigate all hazard threats using a whole community approach.</p> <p><b>September 2018</b> – New Tribal Mitigation Plan Review Guide webinars were offered within the FEMA Region IX. These webinars provided guidance regarding the new requirements for a tribal hazard mitigation plan.</p> <p><b>December 2018</b> – Heritage Emergency and Response Training – HEART (Heritage Emergency and Response Training) This year’s HEART program built upon the program launched last year and further refined through regional programs in Puerto Rico and the US Virgin Islands.</p> <p><b>February 2019</b> – Hazard Mitigation Workshop – This training opportunity was held in Emmitsburg, MD and was available to tribal communities to enhance hazard mitigation planning.</p> <p><b>February 2019</b> – <b>Information</b> regarding Fundamentals of Grant Management training was shared with the tribal communities. This training is essential to the effective management of the Tribal Homeland Security Grant Program.</p> <p><b>March 2019</b> – 2019 NNALEA Collaborative Training Event - Information on this annual training event was forwarded to the tribal communities. Training on a variety of topics specific to tribal communities is offered.</p> <p><b>April 2019</b> – Resiliency Training and Innovation Center (RTIC) – This entity offered a variety of training opportunities (i.e., ICI Basic Core, CERT TtT Instructor course, Emergency Management Operations for Tribal Governments, etc.) available to tribal communities during the months of April through June.</p> <p><b>May 2019</b> – Free AMBER Alert Training opportunity was emailed to tribal communities.</p> <p><b>June 2019</b> – Updated information regarding the 2019 NNALEA Collaborative Training Event was forwarded to the tribal communities. This annual training event is a great opportunity to attend training as well as network with local, tribal, state and federal partners.</p>
<p>Share appropriate technical information and data with Tribes</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>July 2018</b> – Tribal communities notified of 2018 Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment/Stakeholder Preparedness Review Workshop. THIRA/SPR is a requirement for the Tribal Homeland Security Grant Program.</p> <p><b>September 2018</b> – Informed Tribal stakeholders of FEMA-hosted webinars and listening sessions for the 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>October 2018</b> – FEMA IPAWS test of the Emergency Alert System and Wireless Emergency Alerts. FEMA, in coordination with Federal</p>

		<p>Communications Commission, conducted a nationwide Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS) test of the Emergency Alert System (EAS) and the Wireless Emergency Alerts (WEA) on October 3, 2018. Information regarding this test was forwarded to the tribal communities.</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><b>July 2018 – June 2019</b> – National Native American Law Enforcement Association newsletters were forwarded to the tribal communities. These newsletters contain articles on current events as well as provide information on training opportunities.</p>

**Agency Challenge:**

Since the Tribal Homeland Security Grant Program was implemented, more Tribes have opted to apply directly to FEMA under that program. We continue to look for opportunities to enhance tribal partnerships via outreach as well as attending Tribal seminars, conferences or other events.

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