

DLLC Tribal Consultation Report for July 1, 2019, to June 30, 2020

Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control Mission Statement: "To protect public safety and support economic growth through the responsible sale and consumption of liquor, and to efficiently license qualified applicants."

Agency Overview

The Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control (Department) regulates liquor based upon the 3-tier system: production, distribution, and retail sale of alcoholic beverages. Civilian and sworn staff process and monitor more than 15,000 liquor licenses. Enforcement efforts focus on: (a) eliminating the over-service of alcohol; (b) reducing acts of violence from alcohol consumption; and (c) eradicating liquor sales to underage persons.

Tribal Government Consultation Policy

The Department has jurisdiction over the manufacture, sale, and purchase of alcohol on tribal lands wherein such facilities, such as casinos, are licensed to sell spirituous liquor by the State. The Department also regulates the wholesalers that supply alcohol to State licensed tribal facilities. The illegal use and abuse of alcohol is a statewide concern; thus, we encourage cooperation between the Department and Tribal Nations to address those concerns.

Tribal Liaison

Pursuant to A.R.S. 41-2051.C The Department has a Tribal Consultation Policy and has a dedicated tribal liaison. The tribal liaison is responsible for communicating with the 22 Tribal Nations in order to enhance the lines of communication between the Department and the Tribes. In addition, the tribal liaison will coordinate all collaborative initiatives to address the illegal use and potential abuse of alcohol.

DLLC-Tribal Objectives, Goals and Related Activities

Objective	Goal	Activity and Performance Measure
Conduct liquor law training for tribal staff at the request of a tribe.	Provide training and expertise to tribal officers and civilian staff on Title 4 law and fake identifications.	8/21/19, 2/12/20 & 8/26/20. Provided Liquor Law training at the Northern Arizona Regional Training Academy (NARTA) attended by (6) tribal officers. 1/23/20, conducted Title 4 liquor law and fake ID training to 27 people from 6 tribes at the Arizona Tribal Regulators Association meeting. 12/16/19, Conducted 4 teen alcohol awareness classes at Colorado Union School attended by tribal students from the Colorado River Indian Tribe. 11/19/19, conducted Title 4 liquor law and fake ID training to 33 tribal officers and casino staff of the Cocopah Tribe.
Share at a tribes request appropriate technical data and information related to liquor law enforcement.	Provide expertise and guidance on Arizona liquor laws and regulations to any tribe that requests such information.	No requests from any tribal entity.
Conduct liquor law enforcement on tribal land when asked to do so by Tribal officials.	Provide assistance/support for all requests received from tribes.	Assisted Gila River PD on 12/31/2019 with a "RAVE" concert that resulted in 8 arrests for underage consumption, & fake charges.
Participate in Tribal community outreach and education activities.	Attend or present at <i>all</i> tribal community events at which DLLC is invited.	Attended the 2020 (01/15/2020) Tribal Legislative Day at the State Capitol and had an educational booth.

Challenge facing the Department of Liquor:

As with all State agencies, The Department (DLLC) faced significant challenges to its mission due to the impacts of the COVID-19 situation. In-person training and education is a core service provided by DLLC to tribal entities. However, in March 2020, DLLC had to stop all in-person training/educational interactions, both for tribal and other. DLLC is hopeful that a resumption of in-person training can occur over the next year.

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