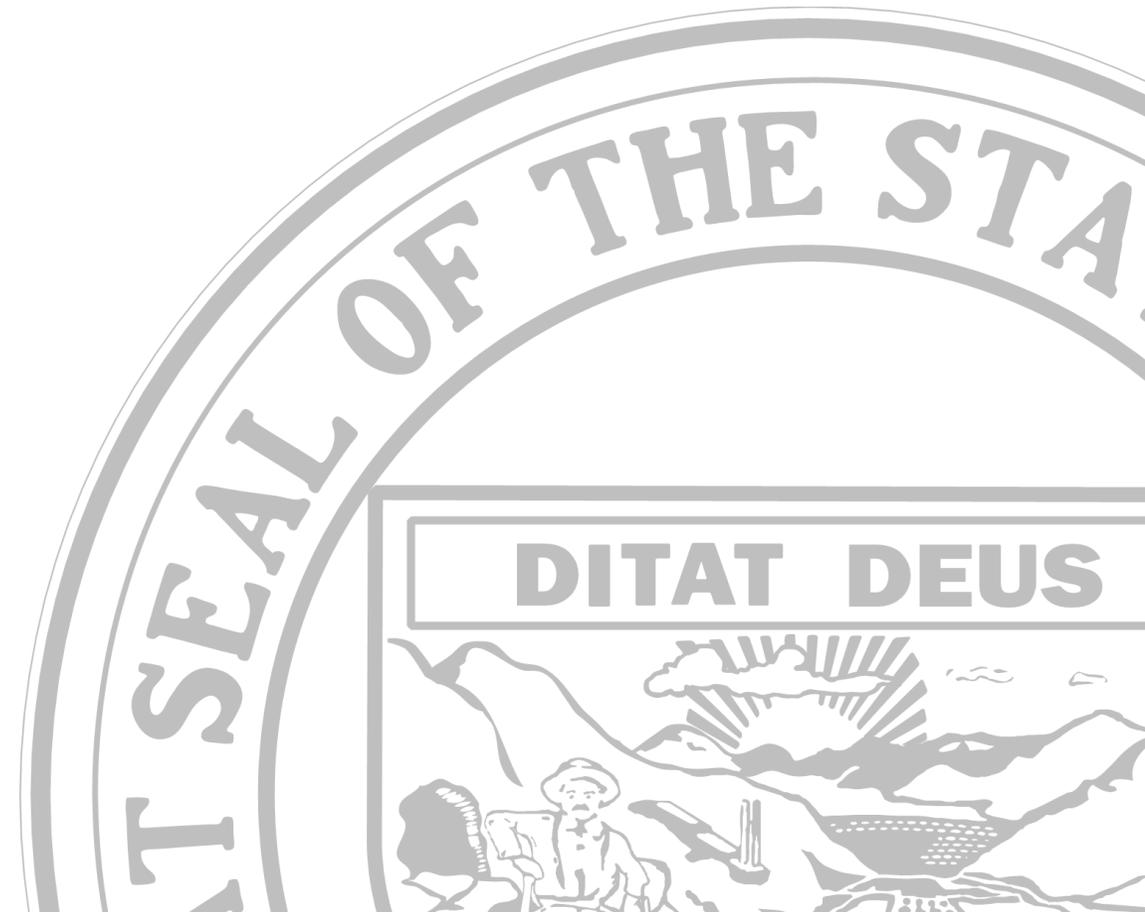


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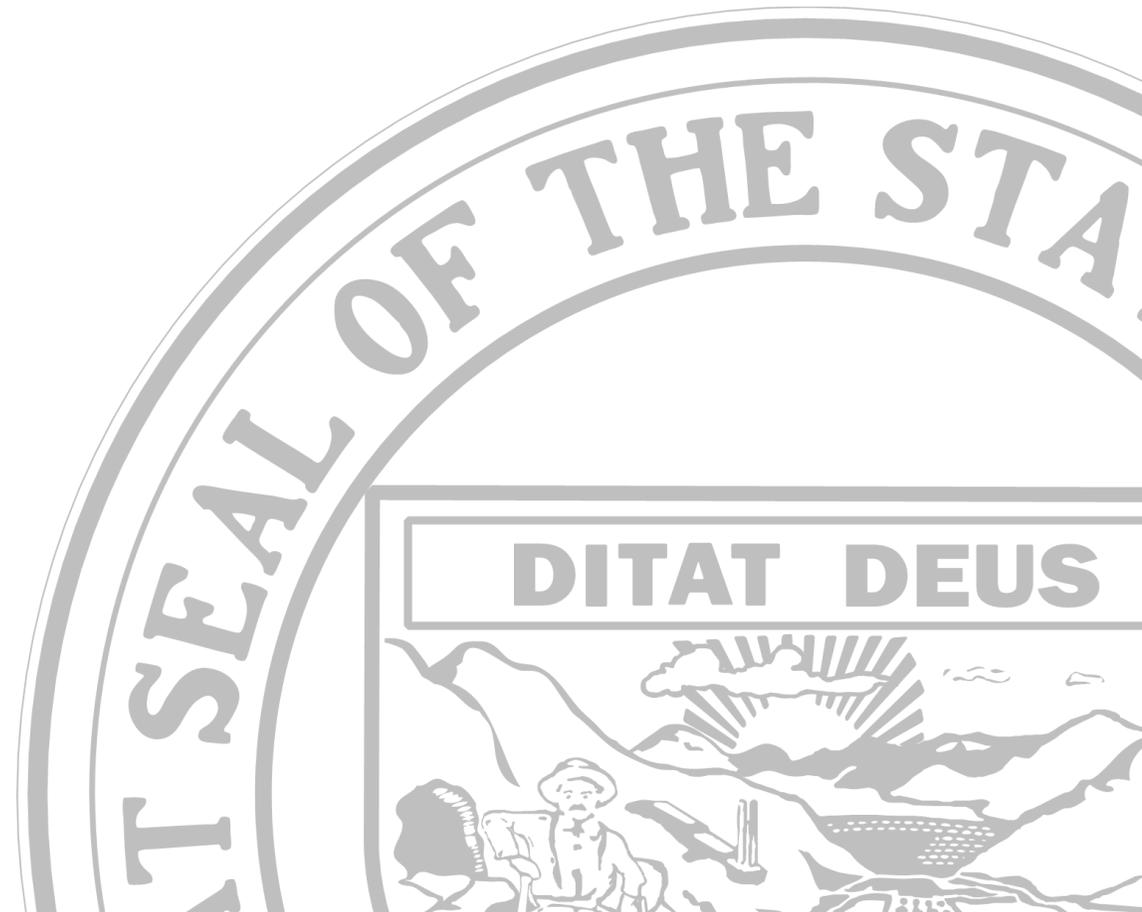
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21 TRIBAL NATIONS

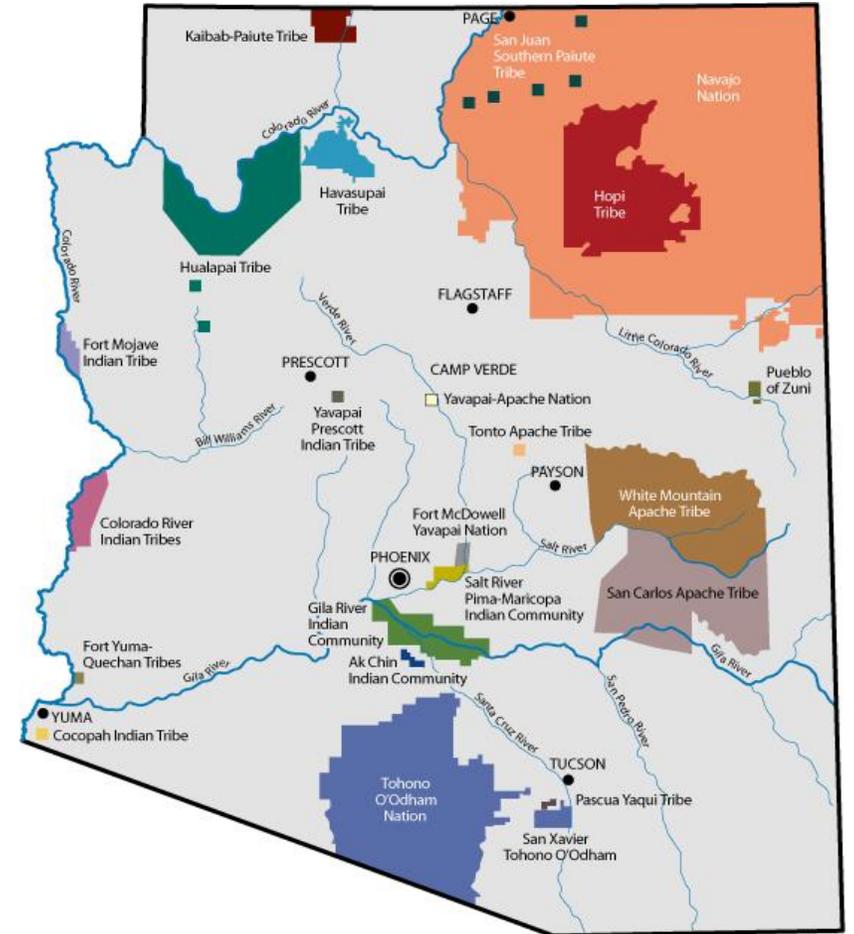
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## TRIBES IN ARIZONA

### Total Tribal Population

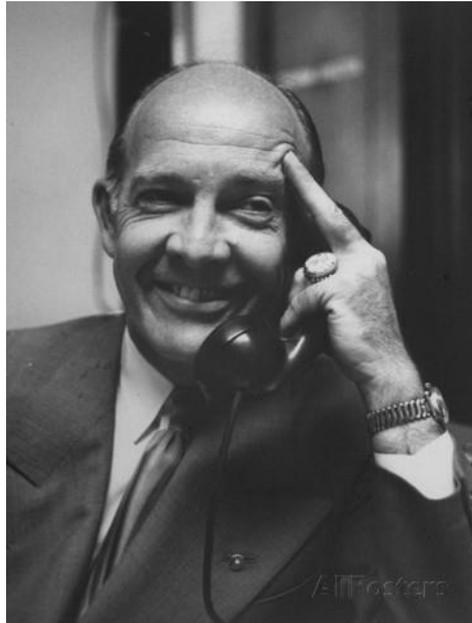
- Tribal Enrollment: 460,000 (approx. - )
- Represents 5.5% of the Arizona general population
- 28% of Arizona's Land Base



# 22 Federally Recognized Tribes in Arizona



*Serving Tribal Nations in Arizona Since 1952...*



Governor Howard Pyle

- Governor Howard Pyle convened a Tribal Leaders' meeting on September 24, 1951
  - Discussed the need for a Forum to convene Tribes and Governor to address tribal concerns
- Responding to threat of Termination Policy
  - After World War II
  - Federal Government no longer wanted to honor the Treaty obligations between the Government and Tribes



❖ HEALTH

❖ RESEARCH

❖ ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

# ITCA PROGRAM DEPARTMENTS



- WIC - Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children
- Area Agency on Aging
- Environmental Quality Programs
  - Waste Management
  - Air Quality Monitoring
  - Pesticides Monitoring - UST
- Tribal Water Systems
- Tribal Leaders Water Policy Council
- Health & Human Services Programs
- Health Systems Policy
- Tribal Epidemiology Center

*“To provide its member Tribes with a united voice and the means for united action on matters that affect them collectively or individually” – ITCA Constitution*



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ITCA/ITAA IS...

**POLICY IN ACTION**



# TRIBAL LEADERS' COLLECTIVE VOICE: TAKING ACTION TOGETHER

# STATE, LOCAL & NATIONAL TRIBAL AFFAIRS

National/Federal Relations



Inter Tribal Relations



State Relations



Arizona Indian Gaming Benefits to Arizona since 2002:

- 15 Gaming Tribes
- Over 15,000 Direct Jobs
- Over \$1 Billion for Arizona





### U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Programs: Funding Tribal Environmental Protection Programs

### Position Statement

The 21 Member Tribes of the Inter Tribal Association of Arizona (ITAA) strongly oppose any and all policies or funding decisions that have the effect of reduced federal funding for tribal environmental programs through the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The human health and economic well-being of low-income rural tribal communities throughout the nation are directly dependent on the services that are funded by the EPA tribal programs.

### Key Points

The need for properly functioning ecosystems is fundamental to the health, safety, welfare, economic viability and self-determination goals of our Member Tribes



Tribal communities throughout Indian country are disproportionately impacted by pollution and the degradation of natural resources

Congress has expressly authorized the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to treat tribal governments in the same manner as states, giving tribes a major role in the administration of federal environmental programs



Congress has amended many of the federal environmental laws to acknowledge the right of tribal governments to receive federal grants and contracts for pollution control

Through the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the United States has made measured progress towards fulfilling its treaty and trust responsibilities for protecting tribal lands and associated resources



Any reduction or elimination of federal funding for tribal environmental programs will have a disproportionate and catastrophic impact on our Member Tribes and tribal communities across the United States

### Background

Sustainable economic development and public health of tribal communities rely on the protection and sustainability of their natural resources and environment. Tribal environmental programs critically depend on funding through the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for the implementation of several federal environmental statutes.

**1** Safe Drinking Water Act: Section 1442 and SRF Tribal Set-Aside Program

**2** Clean Water Act: SRF Tribal Set-Aside Program

**3** 40 CFR Part 35 (B)-Environmental Program Grants for Tribes (STAG)

EDUCATION  
+  
ADVOCACY  
+  
DATA  
GOOD POLICY

We take an integrative approach to addressing value-based, purposeful needs within our communities through advocacy and leadership....



*THANK YOU!*

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2021 Three-Year Plan Priorities & the RFGA Process  
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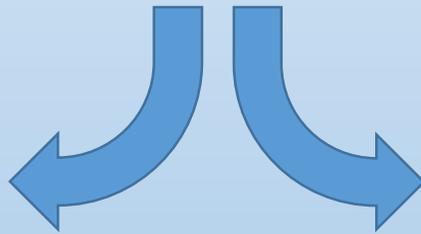


# Three-Year Plan Priorities

AJJC Implementation Plan



State's Three-Year Plan Priorities



Title II Program Areas

JJ Commission Activities

# Priorities Derived from IP

**Goal 1: Prevent juvenile justice system involvement by engaging youth, parents and communities with services that increase protective factors and reduce delinquent behaviors**

*Priorities:*

- a) Delinquency Prevention*
- b) Alternatives to Detention*



## Goal 2

**Ensure youth have access to behavioral health services pre- and post-justice system involvement**

*Priorities:*

*Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services*



# Goal 3

**Reduce recidivism by ensuring youth and families receive adequate support through effective post-placement and reentry services**

*Priorities:*

- a) Reentry Services*
- b) Systems Improvement*



# Goal 4

**Maintain compliance with the four core requirements of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act**

*Priority:*

*Compliance Monitoring*



# Goal 5

**Establish strong partnerships with tribal communities to address the needs of at-risk and justice-involved Native American youth**

*Priority:*

*Native American Community Programs*



# 3-Year Plan Priorities and the RFGA

- ✓ Priorities feed into Title II Request for Grant Application (RFGA) solicitation
- ✓ GOYFF determines which priorities will be used as RFGA purpose areas
- ✓ RFGA will include updated performance measures included in the federal Title II grant solicitation (release date TBA)
- ✓ Each purpose area is assigned specific performance measures that programs must report as outcomes
- ✓ If more than one purpose area is included in the RFGA, the applicant will select which purpose area they are applying for

# The RFGA and You

- ✓ AJJC members are encouraged to participate in the application review process
- ✓ Review timeline mid-August through mid-September
- ✓ Number of reviewers needed depends on number of applications received
- ✓ Training is provided



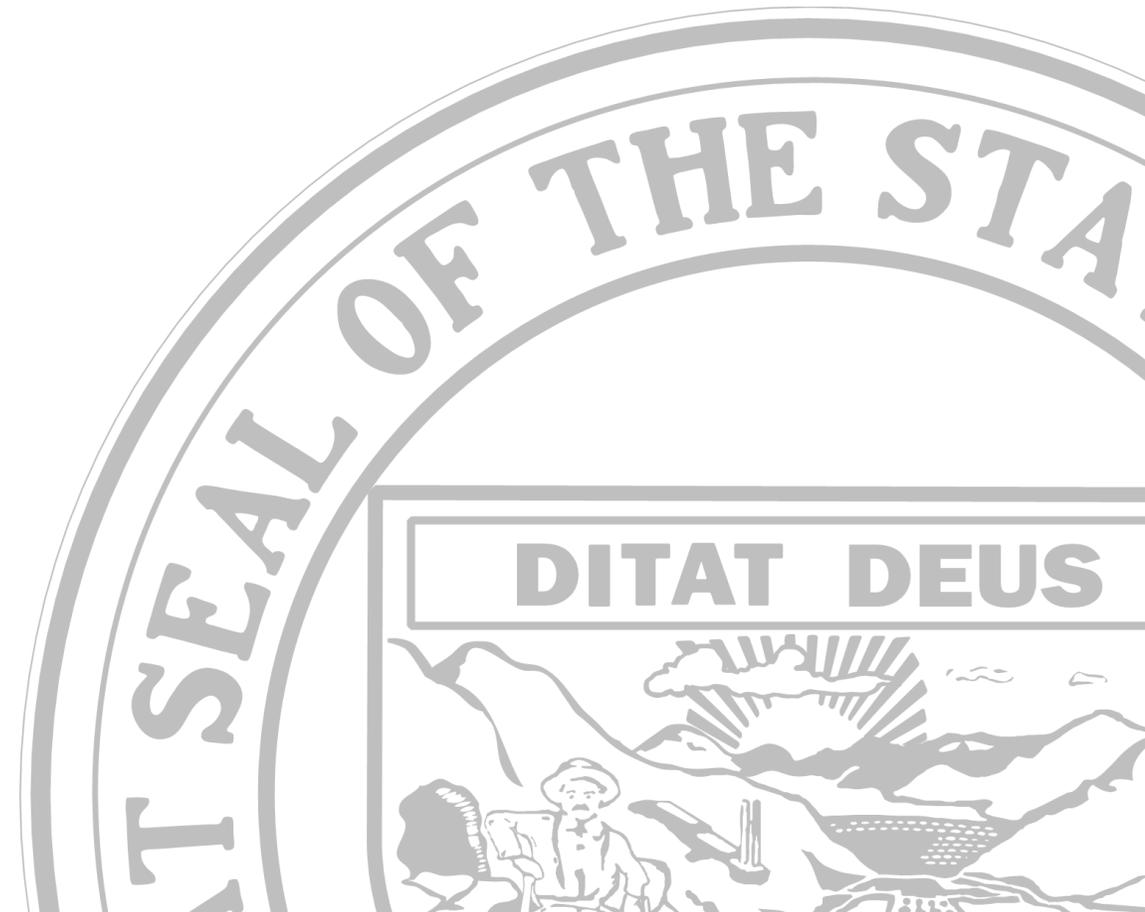
# Questions?



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AJJC Youth Survey

*Steve Selover, GOYFF*



# AJJC Youth Survey

AZ Department of Juvenile Corrections conducts a survey with youth who exit the Adobe Mountain facility.

Continuous improvement team has offered technical assistance for developing a new survey that captures youth input from different JJ system points

Several other states use survey instruments to collect youth input  
JJ-involved youth input is required under the JJDP Act



# Determining the Who

Youth discharged from probation

Detained youth (i.e. during school session or prior to release)

Parents of youth serving probation

Different surveys for different contact points (i.e., diversion, detention, adjudication..)

Other ideas..



# Examples from Other States

- What services offered, if any, were the most/least helpful?
- What improvements would you make to the services provided to you?
- Did your experience (in probation, diversion, etc) change the way you see the world? If so, in what way?
- Did you feel included in the decision-making process?

## Examples (cont.)

- Did you help develop your (your child's) case plan?
- Did you clearly understand what was expected of you (your child)?
- Would you be interested in helping other youth who are currently involved in the system?
- If you have any advice for a youth (parent) entering the court-system, what would you tell them?
- Did you help develop your (your child's) case plan?
- Did you clearly understand what was expected of you (your child)?

# Next Steps...

- a) Convene a small workgroup over the summer: ADJC, youth (AJJC members and external), contact point representatives
- b) Determine purpose, scope, timeline
- c) Problem-solve potential challenges
- d) Present to GOYFF and AJJC
- e) Present to system stakeholders



Questions?  
Ideas?

