

RESOLUTION NO. 2023 -_____

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA
ADOPTING A PIMA COUNTY LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM FOR 2024

IT IS RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA,
AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1

Those persons authorized by Pima County to lobby on its behalf and registered as lobbyists with the Secretary of State of the State of Arizona pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes §41-1231 et seq. (the "County Lobbyists") are hereby authorized and directed, subject to the continuing supervision of the Pima County Administrator and this Board, to represent and pursue the legislative interests of Pima County by supporting legislation that embodies any of the following basic principles:

- A. Empowers Pima County with sufficient flexibility to address an expanding and changing variety of local needs and conditions.
- B. Establishes appropriate means to adequately compensate Pima County for the costs of complying with state mandated requirements.
- C. Provides Pima County with the means to cope with inflationary cost increases, population growth and escalating service requirements.
- D. Enables Pima County to provide public services in a more responsive, efficient and cost-effective manner.
- E. Defines appropriate fiscal and administrative responsibilities within various Federal/County, State/County and City/County joint programs.

Conversely, legislation that is inconsistent with any of these basic principles should be opposed or appropriate amendments pursued.

Section 2

In addition to those basic principles set forth in Section 1, the County Lobbyists are authorized and directed to pursue the following specific objectives:

A. Protect the County Taxpayer

- 1. Oppose any State Cost Transfer that would transfer cost to the County.
- 2. Create reasonable boundaries around public record requests while maintaining a high level of transparency and accountability.

3. Change the requirements for the annual renewal of the advertising and printing contract to mirror standard practices required for all contracts.
4. Modernize process of bid notices and vendor registration by transitioning from posting in a printed newspaper to electronic notification.
5. Modernize process of surplus property sales by transitioning from posting in a printed newspaper to electronic notification/County website.
6. Prohibits the financing of companion animals.

B. Invest in Pima County's Infrastructure

A critical focus of our advocacy must be on the State and Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) to ensure funds are made available to Pima County for both new roads and maintenance of the existing transportation infrastructure.

C. Maximize or Strengthen Critical Programs

1. Provide adequate funding for the Arizona Department of Forestry and Fire Management.
2. Fund the Affordable Housing Trust Fund.
3. Protect the public health authority.
4. Enable pharmacists to prescribe Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) for HIV Prevention.
5. Protect and expand availability and distribution of Naloxone.
6. Appropriate State General Funding to maintain Department of Economic Security (DES) Childcare Subsidy Reimbursement Rates at the cost of providing quality childcare.

D. Fortify Public Safety

1. Establish a capital post-conviction pay cap for attorneys.
2. Support severe orders of protection ("red flag laws").

E. Federal Advocacy

County federal lobbyists shall advocate for the County's access to federal dollars and to make and enforce rules and regulations to support critical infrastructure and local programs.

F. Support the County Supervisors Association Adopted Legislative Agenda

Continue to support the County Supervisors Association Adopted Legislative Agenda.

G. Monitor Legislative Efforts of Countywide Elected Officials and Other Associations.

Direct County Staff to work with Countywide Elected Officials, Arizona Association of Counties, and other statewide organizations to monitor legislation proposed and endorsed by these partners and to report to the Board of Supervisors on any action recommended by the County Administrator or County Lobbyists.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the Board of Supervisors, Pima County, Arizona this _____ day of _____, 2023.

Chair, Pima County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Clerk of the Board



Deputy County Attorney