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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA ITEM REPORT (BOSAIR)

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Award Type: Agenda Item

Is a Board Meeting Date Requested? Yes

Requested Board Meeting Date: 03/24/2026

Project Title / Description: Pima County Resolution to approve acceptance of the Gila River Indian Community State Shared Revenue Program Funds on behalf of the non-profit organization.

Agenda Item Report

Introduction / Background: As a result of Prop 202, A.R.S. 5-601-02 12% Gaming Distribution, the Gila River Indian Community (Committee) provides grants to cities towns, and counties for services benefiting the general public.

Discussion: The Committee published a Request for Proposal from Arizona cities, town, counties, and non-profit organizations for the Gila River Indian Community 2026 State Shared Revenue Program on January 1, 2026. Proposals are due March 31, 2026, and require acknowledgement of submission by an Authorized Municipality Representative at the time of application. All non-profit organization applying for the 2026 State-Shared Revenue Program must enter an agreement with the municipality to act as a fiscal agent to accept the funds from the Committee on behalf of the non-profit organization. In addition, the County must negotiate and execute a Grant-in-Aid Agreement for the purpose of passing through funding to awardees.

Conclusion: If awarded by the Committee, the funds will allow Arizona Fire Service Mechanics Association to fund their Emergency Vehicle Technician Training program.

Recommendation: The recommended resolution acknowledges Arizona Fire Service Mechanics Association application submission and directs County staff to work with the Committee to accept funds on behalf of all awardees and authorizes the Board of Supervisors Chair to execute all documents related to the pass-through of funding.

Fiscal Impact: The total potential impact in Pima County is \$25,000.00 and is dependent on the named awardee.

Support of Prosperity Initiative: N/A

Provide information that explains how this activity supports the selected Prosperity Initiative

12% Gaming grants provide funds to local non-profit organizations that contribute to public safety, education, health care, child advocacy, economic development, and cultural and environment development and protection.

Board of Supervisor District:

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Department:

Grants Management & Innovation

Name:

Jeannette Montañó

Telephone:

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Department Director Signature: *Donna Knight for Ken Walker* Date: 3/5/2016

Deputy County Administrator Signature: *[Signature]* Date: 3-6-2016

County Administrator Signature: *[Signature]* Date: 3/1/2016

RESOLUTION 2026 - _____

PIMA COUNTY RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ACCEPTANCE OF GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY STATE-SHARED REVENUE PROGRAM FUNDS AND PASS-THROUGH TO THE ENTITY IN PIMA COUNTY SELECTED BY THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY.

The Board of Supervisors of Pima County, Arizona finds:

1. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 5-601.02, the Gila River Indian Community and the State of Arizona have entered into a compact requiring a certain portion of funds generated from gaming operations of the Nation be distributed to governments or 501(c)(3) organizations or entities for services benefitting the general public, including public safety, promotion of commerce and economic development ("State-Shared Revenue Program").
2. On January 1, 2026, the Gila River Indian Community published a Request for Proposal from Arizona cities, towns, counties, and non-profit organizations for the Gila River Indian Community 2026 State-Shared Revenue Program. Proposals are due March 31, 2026.
3. All non-profit organizations applying for the 2026 State-Shared Revenue Program must enter an agreement with a city, town, or county to act as a fiscal agent to accept the funds from the Gila River Indian Community on behalf of the non-profit organization. In addition, the County and Gila River Indian Community must negotiate and execute a Grant-in-Aid Agreement for the purpose of passing through funding to named awardees.
4. Final approval of the grant award is contingent upon the Pima County Board of Supervisors agreeing to accept the Gila River Indian Community Committee ("Committee") grant award and to pass the grant funds through the non-profit agency for the purpose described in the submitted grant application.
5. It is in the best interests of the residents of Pima County to accept all State-Shared Revenue Program funds for the County and for non-profit organizations selected by the Committee who wants County to serve as their fiscal agent to pass-through those funds for the purposes established by the Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that:

- A. Staff are directed to work with the Gila River Indian Community Review Committee to prepare the agreements for the distribution of State-Shared Revenue Program funds to the grantees selected by the Committee, who requested County to serve as fiscal agent by the County deadline of March 31, 2026.
- B. The Chair of the Board of Supervisors is authorized to execute all necessary agreements and other documents, if any, with the Committee to accept and pass-through State-Shared Revenue program funds to grantees.

Passed and adopted, this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Jennifer Allen, Chair
Pima County Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM



Clerk of the Board

Kyle Johnson,
Deputy County Attorney



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Cover Sheet

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Municipality Information	
1. Date of Application: 3/4/2026	
2. Name of City, Town or County: Pima County	
3. Mayor (City or Town) or Board of Supervisor's Chairman (County): Jennifer Allen	
4. Mailing Address: 33 N. Stone Avenue	
5. City: Tucson	State: Arizona Zip Code: 85701
6. Acknowledgement of Submission by Authorized Municipality Representative: Typed Name/Title: Jennifer Allen, Chair Email Address: Jen.allen@pima.gov Signature:	
Applicant Information	
7. Department/Organization Name: Arizona Fire Services Mechanics Association	
8. Select Organization Type: 501c3 Non-Profit <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If Non-profit please attach IRS Determination Letter	
9. Application Contact Person: Philip Cantua Title: President	
10. Phone Number: 520-627-1878	
11. Mailing Address: 4428 E El Sol Circle	
12. City: Tucson	State: Arizona Zip Code: 85711
13. Email Address: pcantua@grfdaz.gov Website Address: azfiremechanics.com	
Project Information	
14. Project Title: Emergency Vehicle Technician Training	
15. Purpose of Grant: Purpose is to hire quality trainers, educators to teach emergency vehicle repair and maintenance, and to continue providing certification testing.	
16. Priority Funding Area	Public Safety
17. Annual amount requested	\$25,000.00
18. Number of years that funding is requested	1
19. Total amount requested (annual amount x number of years)	\$25,000.00
20. Has your organization received past funding from GRIC? If yes, list each year and amount	No
21. Geographic area served	State of Arizona

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Narrative

Please structure your proposal to provide the following information in the order indicated. Provide the narrative in paragraph form in the text field provided. Please be thorough but strive for brevity.

1. Briefly describe your organization's history, mission and goals.

Since 1975, the Arizona Fire Service Mechanics Association has provided Emergency Vehicle Technicians with training and certification testing opportunities to ensure the performance and safety of every fire and medical apparatus in their departments or districts.

Our mission is to strive for the best mechanical ability in repairing and maintaining fire apparatus, Law enforcement vehicles, ambulances, wildland firefighting vehicles and airport rescue and fire fighting vehicles, to gain superior knowledge through training and job experience, and to uphold the idea that emergency vehicles must be the safest vehicles on the road.

Our goal has always been to provide continued education and certification opportunities for Arizona's Emergency Vehicle Technicians.

2. To determine eligibility for this grant please select your organization type from the drop-down below.

Non-Profit

- If **Municipality**, please go to number 3 below.
- If **Non-Municipal** or **Non-profit**, please describe below how the services provided by your organization align with a government service of the supporting municipality. Explain how this project will support or compliment that service and describe the municipality's role in the project if applicable (beyond serving as a pass-through).

The training and certification opportunities provided by our association help in maintaining a safe and reliable fleet of emergency vehicles, able to respond to emergency situations safely and efficiently and to perform reliably not only in Pima County but statewide. Certified technicians employed by Cities, towns, counties, departments and districts improve ISO (Insurance Service Office) ratings as the technicians are considered qualified to repair and maintain emergency vehicles potentially lowering community insurance rates.



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3. Describe the proposed project, objectives, and your plan to implement.

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4. Describe how the proposed project satisfies one or more of the priority funding areas identified by the Gila River Indian Community.

The Arizona Fire Mechanics Association provides continued education and certification testing to emergency vehicle technicians throughout the State of Arizona. We do this by hiring vehicle manufacturer trainers, college instructors, fire department trainers and various vendor training departments.

Our association also has on staff an Emergency Vehicle Technician Certification Commission authorized proctor to administer the certification tests.

5. Identify the needs/problems to be addressed, the target population and number of people to be served by the project.

Currently, our only income is derived from membership dues and merchandise sales. The biggest problem encountered is the increase in trainer and merchandise fees which limits the amount and quality of training available to us.

Our target population are emergency vehicle repair technicians throughout the State of Arizona and the association serves the citizens of Arizona by providing technician training for safe, well maintained and reliable vehicles for emergency response.

6. Define the project as a new or continuing program. Has GRIC previously funded this project?

Our association has continued to train technicians since its inception in 1975.

GRIC has not funded our association.

7. Provide a brief timeline including start and finish dates. Indicate if the timeline is flexible.

Our fiscal year is January 1 to December 31 with quarterly training in January, April, July and October.

Our timeline is flexible.



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8. Identify other organizations, partners or funders participating in the project and their roles.

None at this time.

9. Would you be able to implement the proposed plan if your organization received partial funding for this project?

Yes

10. Describe your plan for project financial sustainability beyond the grant period. If this is a program/project previously funded by the Gila River Indian Community, describe efforts made towards the previously described sustainability plan.

Upon the end of the grant period we would continue operating with the funds generated from membership dues and merchandise sales until such time as a new funding source can be obtained.

11. Describe your plan to document progress and results.

Documentation would include attendance records, membership dues collected and tracking the Emergency Vehicle Technician Certification Commission indicators for number of certified technicians within the State of Arizona.

12. Indicate any application to and/or awards made by a tribe other than the Gila River Indian Community for state shared revenues for this and any other project for the past five (5) years.

None applied for.



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Project Budget

Budget Period: [Click here to enter text.](#)

For each budget item listed, please provide a narrative description on the following Project Budget Detail page.

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4	Column 5
Proposed Budget Expense (list each budget item)	Amount requested from GRIC	Amount requested or secured from other sources	In Kind or matching contributions	Total Budget
1. Trainers	\$12000.00	\$0	\$0	\$12000
2. Meals and refreshments	\$4500	\$0	\$0	\$4500
3. Venue cost	\$1500	\$0	\$0	\$1500
4. Merchandise	\$6000	\$0	\$0	\$6000
5. Awards	\$1000	\$0	\$0	\$1000
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11. Click here to enter text.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
12. Click here to enter text.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
13. Click here to enter text.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
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Total Budget	\$25000	\$0	\$0	\$25000



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Project Budget Detail

Please provide a narrative description for each of the project budget items listed on the previous page. Include the dollar figure and how it was attained.

1. Our association hires manufacturer trainers, vendor trainers, and educators to teach the technicians. We are requesting \$12,000 to cover their fees for training. The expenses incurred in year 2025 for instructor fees was \$10,410. The additional \$1590 is for anticipated fee increases.
2. We provide food and drink to the attendees, instructors and venue personell. \$4185.00 was incurred in year 2025. We are requesting \$4200.00 to cover this expense.
3. Some venues require a fee to use their facility. \$1500 was incurred in year 2025. \$1500 is requested to cover this expense.
4. We use merchandise as a way to generate funds. \$5640 was incurred in year 2025. We are requesting \$6000.00 to cover this expense. The increase of \$360.00 is for anticipated price increases
5. Our association nominates an EVT of the Year for the State of Arizona. The awardee receives a plaque and monetary compensation. \$830.00 was spent last year for this award. We are requesting \$1000.00 to cover this expense.
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INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
DISTRICT DIRECTOR
P. O. BOX 2508
CINCINNATI, OH 45201

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: **MAR 28 1997**

ARIZONA FIRE SERVICE MECHANICS
ASSOCIATION INC
1 W SEQUOIA DR
PHOENIX, AZ 85027-4750

Employer Identification Number:
86-0838240
DLN:
17053015053007
Contact Person:
D. A. DOWNING
Contact Telephone Number:
(513) 241-5199
Accounting Period Ending:
December 31
Form 990 Required:
yes
Addendum Applies:
yes

Dear Applicant:

Based on information supplied, and assuming your operations will be as stated in your application for recognition of exemption, we have determined you are exempt from federal income tax under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in section 501(c) (3).

We have further determined that you are not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code, because you are an organization described in section 509(a) (2).

If your sources of support, or your purposes, character, or method of operation change, please let us know so we can consider the effect of the change on your exempt status and foundation status. In the case of an amendment to your organizational document or bylaws, please send us a copy of the amended document or bylaws. Also, you should inform us of all changes in your name or address.

As of January 1, 1984, you are liable for taxes under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act (social security taxes) on remuneration of \$100 or more you pay to each of your employees during a calendar year. You are not liable for the tax imposed under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA).

Since you are not a private foundation, you are not subject to the excise taxes under Chapter 42 of the Code. However, you are not automatically exempt from other federal excise taxes. If you have any questions about excise, employment, or other federal taxes, please let us know.

Donors may deduct contributions to you as provided in section 170 of the Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts to you or for your use are deductible for federal estate and gift tax purposes if they meet the applicable provisions of Code sections 2055, 2106, and 2522.

Contribution deductions are allowable to donors only to the extent that their contributions are gifts, with no consideration received. Ticket purchases and similar payments in conjunction with fundraising events may not necessarily qualify as deductible contributions, depending on the circumstances. See Revenue Ruling 67-246, published in Cumulative Bulletin 1967-2,

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on page 104, which sets forth guidelines regarding the deductibility, as charitable contributions, of payments made by taxpayers for admission to or other participation in fundraising activities for charity.

In the heading of this letter we have indicated whether you must file Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax. If Yes is indicated, you are required to file Form 990 only if your gross receipts each year are normally more than \$25,000. However, if you receive a Form 990 package in the mail, please file the return even if you do not exceed the gross receipts test. If you are not required to file, simply attach the label provided, check the box in the heading to indicate that your annual gross receipts are normally \$25,000 or less, and sign the return.

If a return is required, it must be filed by the 15th day of the fifth month after the end of your annual accounting period. A penalty of \$10 a day is charged when a return is filed late, unless there is reasonable cause for the delay. However, the maximum penalty charged cannot exceed \$5,000 or 5 percent of your gross receipts for the year, whichever is less. This penalty may also be charged if a return is not complete, so please be sure your return is complete before you file it.

You are not required to file federal income tax returns unless you are subject to the tax on unrelated business income under section 511 of the Code. If you are subject to this tax, you must file an income tax return on Form 990-T, Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return. In this letter we are not determining whether any of your present or proposed activities are unrelated trade or business as defined in section 513 of the Code.

You need an employer identification number even if you have no employees. If an employer identification number was not entered on your application, a number will be assigned to you and you will be advised of it. Please use that number on all returns you file and in all correspondence with the Internal Revenue Service.

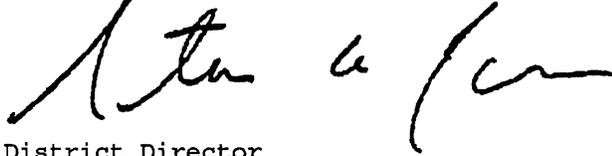
If we have indicated in the heading of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

Because this letter could help resolve any questions about your exempt status and foundation status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

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If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John A. [unclear]".

District Director

Addendum

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The effective date of this determination letter is March 7, 1996.



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Municipality Information	
1. Date of Application: 3/4/2026	
2. Name of City, Town or County: Pima	
3. Mayor (City or Town) or Board of Supervisor's Chairman (County): Rex Scott	
4. Mailing Address: 130 W Congress (3 rd floor)	
5. City: Tucson	State: Arizona Zip Code: 85701
6. Acknowledgement of Submission by Authorized Municipality Representative: Typed Name/Title: Click here to enter text. Email Address: Click here to enter text. Signature:	
Applicant Information	
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19. Total amount requested (annual amount x number of years)	\$25,000
20. Has your organization received past funding from GRIC? If yes, list each year and amount	No
21. Geographic area served	State of Arizona

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