# Arizona Department of Homeland Security

# Central Regional Advisory Council

# MEETING MINUTES

### August 21, 2025

A regular meeting of the Arizona Department of Homeland Security (AZDOHS) Central Regional Advisory Council (CRAC) was convened on August 21, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. The meeting was held in virtually. Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02, notice had been duly given (**Attachment A**). Present and absent were the following members of the Central RAC:

**Members Present:**

Chairperson, Glenn Jones, Member at Large  
Vice-Chairperson, David Maxwell, Assistant Chief, Daisy Mountain Fire and Medical

Kane Nixon, Deputy Chief, Arizona Fire and Medical Authority

Joseph Dietrich, Captain, Proxy for Jerry Sheridan, Sheriff, Maricopa County Sheriff’s Office

William (Bill) Smith, Epidemiologist, Maricopa County Health Department

Nicole Munson, Emergency Manager, Glendale Emergency Management

Chuck Kmet, Emergency Manager, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community

Tim Kreis, Executive Chief, Phoenix Fire Department

Joseph LeDuc, Police Chief, Scottsdale Police Department

**Members Absent:**

None

**Arizona Department of Homeland Security (AZDOHS) Staff Members Present:**

Belinda Torres, Strategic Planner

Kim Brooks, Strategic Planner

Michael Stidham, Critical Infrastructure Coordinator

**Public Members:**

Members of the public were present

**REGULAR BUSINESS**

## **Welcome and Introductions**

Chairperson Glenn Jones called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. It was determined a quorum was present.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chairperson Glenn Jones requested a motion to approve the April 24, 2025 meeting minutes as submitted. Kane Nixon **motioned** and it was **seconded** by Dave Maxwell (**Attachment B**). **The motion passed unanimously.**

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

Dave Maxwell was nominated by Glenn Jones to serve as Chairperson of the Central RAC.

The nomination was seconded by Kane Nixon. **The nomination passed unanimously.**

Nicole Munson was nominated by Dave Maxwell to serve as Vice-Chairperson of the Central RAC.

The nomination was seconded by Glenn Jones. **The nomination passed unanimously.**

**ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY UPDATE (Attachment C)**

Belinda Torres provided the Central RAC members with information on the following via PPT:

* FFY 2024 Period of Performance
* FFY 2025 Award Information
* FFY 2025 AZDOHS In-House Preparation
* FFY 2025 National Priorities
* FFY 2025 DHS Updated Terms & Conditions
* FFY 2026 Grant Application Cycle
* THIRA/SPR
* Upcoming Meeting

**ACTIC/TLO UPDATE (Attachment D)**

Captain Aaron Adams from the Phoenix Fire Department provided the following update:

* TLO Program Update
* Fusion Center Outreach with Community & Unity Support (FOCUS)
* Advanced Fire TLO Course
* Roster Audits
* Foundational TLO Course
* QR Code-Tips & Leads
* Division Filmed

**NATIONAL SPECIAL EVENTS (Attachment E)**

Trooper John Gutt from the Arizona Department of Public Safety provided the following update:

* National Special Events Data Call
* Process for Special Events Entry
* Arizona Risk Profile
* FFY 2024 SHSGP and UASI Risk Methodology
* Successes
* Opportunities for Improvement
* 2025 Open Call

**STATE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (SHSGP) PROJECT SUCCESS STORIES**

Detective David Gibson with the Tempe Police Department presented on the FFY 2023 Camera System Project. This camera system covers over 30 events in the City of Tempe. He highlighted that this project is an expansion of the 2017 Camera System which is designed to provide live video feeds to Incident Command and local and state partners during the special events or critical incidents. He shared that the significant benefits of the camera system is real-time information sharing which enables first responders to make and accurate decisions and also enhances community safety efforts **(Attachment F).**

Battalion Chief Chyrs Davis with the Glendale Fire Department presented on the FFY 2023 MMRS Project. He outlined the significant aspects of the MMRS Program and how the funding has been pivotal in enhancing the program though equipment and regional coordination. He highlighted how the project not only benefits the local community but contributes to regional safety and effectively managing and preparing for emergencies **(Attachment G).**

Sergeant Frank Costantini with the Mesa Police Department presented on the FFY 2023 Bomb Team Sustainment Project highlighting the regional impact the new equipment has provided to the Central Region. He discussed how the equipment has enhanced the bomb squad’s response capabilities. Additionally, he provided insights into the key outcome the project, standardization and training across all jurisdictions which is intended to strengthen the operational effectiveness and better protect the community. **(Attachment H).**

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

None

**NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held virtually on December 04, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

**CALL TO ADJOURN**

Chairperson Glenn Jones requested a **motion** to adjourn the meeting. Kane Nixon **motioned** and Nicole Munson **seconded** to adjourn the meeting at 10:55 a.m. **The motion passed unanimously.**