

Application of Criteria for Pima County Bond Project Proposals

Project Name: Regional Public Safety Training Academy: Judgmental Firearms Training Facility

1. Broad Demonstrated Support by Public: Judgmental firearms training has long been identified by the public as an important need for all law enforcement agencies. Facilities that were originally intended to teach marksmanship are inadequate for the purposes of providing in-depth training regarding when to use deadly physical force. Creating realistic use-of-force scenarios that test and train officer judgment and shooting skills has challenged law enforcement. Further complicating training is the move nationwide toward the utilization of rifles in urban settings, as has been required by shifts in patterns of violence. A facility to provide training opportunities to all regional law enforcement agencies in judgment has been an unmet need for almost two decades.

2. Has Regional Public Benefit: No individual agency could provide the resources necessary to accomplish this type of training effectively. Agencies must work together to efficiently utilize the training facility monies that are available. The costs of these facilities are only the first hurdle to overcome, as the location of such facilities are key to both their long term acceptance due to encroachment issues, and the ease of regional partner access to reduce the time necessary to commute to the facility. Southern Arizona Law Enforcement Training Center (SALETC) has immediate access to regional agencies through the use of the Interstate, and is situated on buffered land, surrounded by compatible uses, including federal and state prisons.

3. Partnerships: Partners on the project include all law enforcement agencies in Pima County, followed by those in Southern Arizona, and finally all those in the State of Arizona. Preferential scheduling has been offered to those agencies in Pima County for current facilities, a practice that will continue.

Agencies currently using the existing facility include:

ADOT	Gila River Police Department	Pinetop-Lakeside Police Department
Ak-Chin Police Department	Globe Police Department	Sahuarita Police Department
Apache County Sheriff's Office	Graham County Sheriff's Office	San Carlos Police Department
Apache Junction Police Department	Greenlee County Sheriff's Office	San Carlos Recreation and Wildlife
Arizona Department of Corrections	Hopi Resource Enforcement Services	San Luis Police Department
Arizona Game and Fish Department	Huachuca City Police Department	Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Office
Arizona State Parks	Marana Police Department	Show Low Police Department
Benson Police Department	Navajo County Sheriff's Department	Sierra Vista Police Department
Bisbee Police Department	Navajo Department of Law Enforcement	Somerton Police Department

Casa Grande Police Department	Navajo Police Department	Thatcher Police Department
Clifton Police Department	Nogales Police Department	Tohono O'odham Nation Police Department
Cochise County Sheriff's Department	Oro Valley Police Department	Tombstone Marshal's Office
Coconino County Sheriff's Department	Parker Police Department	Tucson Airport Authority Police Department
Colorado River Indian Tribes Police Department	Pascua Yaqui Tribal Police Department	Tucson Police Department
Coolidge Police Department	Patagonia Marshal's Office	University of Arizona Police Department
Douglas Police Department	Peoria Police Department	Wellton Police Department
Eloy Police Department	Pima Community College Police Department	Willcox Department of Public Safety
Flagstaff Police Department	Pima County Sheriff's Department	Williams Police Department
Florence Police Department	Pima Police Department	Yuma County Sheriff's Office
Gila County Sheriff's Office-Payson	Pinal County Sheriff's Office	Yuma Police Department

4. Other Funding Sources or Matches: SALETC has a current policy requiring that agencies fund the supervision of activities at the facility. Firearms training is a high liability activity that requires close oversight to protect those involved in training, as well as the public investment in the facilities and equipment. A nominal charge is levied on agencies that utilize the facility to recover the cost of this supervision and light maintenance. The City of Tucson will provide the long term maintenance of the facility.

5. Education and Workforce Training: Graduates of SALETC are employed in law enforcement positions throughout the county and state. The training provided includes credits and a certificate from Pima Community College. Pima Community College operates its own certified police academy training for students not yet employed as police officers. It uses SALETC facilities, and would be able to use this facility when completed.

6. Advances Board Adopted Principles of Sustainability and Conservation: This project will improve safety during training, while allowing for the recycling of lead projectiles recovered from backstops, and brass cartridge casings for reuse. The location of the facility among the prisons in the region allows for a productive use of the land, avoiding the use of land in areas with a higher use potential.

7. Previously Authorized Large-scale Bond Projects or Programs that are Now Short of Funding: Not applicable

8. Phasing of Large Projects: Not applicable

9. Impact on Operating and Maintenance Costs for Governments and Commitment to Fund These Ongoing Costs: City of Tucson will cover operations and maintenance costs, which are estimated at \$20,000 per year.

10. Project or Program is a Capital Improvement, Not a Repair or Maintenance Project: The proposed bond project is a capital improvement, constructing new facilities rather than repairing existing ones. This facility will be positioned next to the existing resources.