



**State of Arizona**  
**Office of the Attorney General**  
**FY 2026 Victims' Rights Program**  
**AWARD AGREEMENT**  
**A.G. #: 2026-043**

RECIPIENT

Name:	Cochise County Sheriff's Department
Contact:	Luisa Valencia
Address:	205 North Judd Drive, Bisbee, AZ 85603
Award Amount:	\$11,500.00
Purpose:	To support the direct costs of implementing victims' rights laws pursuant to those provisions of Arizona Revised Statutes Title 13, Chapter 40 and Title 8, Chapter 3, Article 7 impacting Sheriff's Department as an entity type.

Monies having been deposited and received by the Attorney General pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes § 41-2401, § 8-418 and legislative appropriations, this AGREEMENT is made under the authority of the Attorney General pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes § 41-191.08 -- Victims' Rights Fund.

This AGREEMENT is made this first day of July 2025, by and between the Arizona Attorney General, and the Cochise County Sheriff's Department, the "Contractor", to commence on July 1, 2025 and terminate June 30, 2026. The Attorney General, having been satisfied as to the qualifications of Contractor, agrees to pay Contractor the above shown \$ 11,500.00 subject to Contractor's agreement as follows:

I. The Contractor agrees:

- A. Award funds will not be used to supplant state, local and federal funds that would otherwise be available to provide services to victims of crime as mandated by A.R.S. Title 13, Chapter 40 and Title 8, Chapter 3, Article 7
- B. Award funds will be used only for allowable costs that can be proven necessary and essential to effect the direct provision or performance of those statutorily mandated victims' rights duties (services), as described in the *Victims' Rights Program Guidelines - Section IV Allowable and Non-Allowable Costs*, and as specified in Contractor's approved \$11,500.00 award budget as follows:
  - Personnel: \$8,300.00 ERE/Benefits: \$3,200.00
  - Title: Administrative Assistant Percent: 16.93%
  - Consulting: \$0.00
  - Operating: \$0.00
  - Equipment: \$0.00
- C. To complete and submit, on or before August 14, 2026, an annual report to the Attorney General as prescribed in A.R.S. § 41-191.08(F).
- D. To comply with FY 2026 Victims' Rights Program Guidelines, as well as the applicable provisions of A.R.S. Title 13, Chapter 40 and A.R.S. Title 8, Chapter 3, Article 7.
- E. To allow (a) representative(s) of the Attorney General to complete program and financial audits as the Attorney General believes necessary to ensure Contractor compliance with this agreement and with State law.
- F. To retain all records relating to the agreement, and performance under the agreement, for a period of five years after the completion of the project, and to allow inspection and audit of all such documents at reasonable times, pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 38-214 and 38-215.
- G. To comply with all applicable nondiscrimination requirements of A.R.S. § 41-1463, Arizona State Executive Order 2009-09, and all other applicable state and federal civil rights laws.
- H. Each party hereby warrants its compliance with all federal immigration laws and regulations that relate to its employees and A.R.S. § 23-214(A). If either party uses any subcontractors in performance of this contract, subcontractors shall warrant their compliance with all federal immigration laws and regulations that relate to its employees and A.R.S. § 23-214(A). A breach of this warranty shall be deemed a material breach of the contract subject to penalties up to and including termination of this contract. Each party retains the legal right to inspect the papers of the other party and its subcontractors who work on the contract to ensure that the other or subcontractors are complying with this warranty.
- I. To retain ownership interest in all equipment acquired with VRP funds (or in the proceeds resulting from the sale of such equipment) provided that: (1) the equipment purchase was not in violation of the VRP Award Agreement; and (2) the useful life of the equipment in question has not elapsed.

II. It is further agreed between the parties as follows:

- A. To use arbitration in the event of disputes to the extent required by A.R.S. § 12-1518.
- B. Except as provided in paragraph C below, if the Attorney General finds that the Contractor has not complied with the requirements of this agreement, the Contractor will receive a notice which identifies the area(s) of non-compliance and the appropriate corrective action to be taken. If the Contractor does not respond within thirty calendar days to this notice, or does not provide sufficient information concerning the steps which are being taken to correct the problem, the Attorney General may terminate the contract and require the return of all funds which are found to have been spent in violation of this agreement.
- C. The parties agree to meet and confer in good faith to resolve disputes before commencing formal proceedings of any nature.
- D. The Attorney General may reduce or discontinue funding to the Contractor in subsequent fiscal years, at the Attorney General's discretion, for the Contractor's failure to complete and submit, on or before August 14, 2026, the report that is required pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-191.08(F) or for other reasons such as available funding.
- E. Every payment obligation of the Attorney General under this Agreement is conditioned upon the availability of funds appropriated or allocated for the payment of such obligation. If funds are not allocated and available for the continuance of this Agreement, this Agreement may be terminated by the Attorney General at the end of the period for which funds are available. No liability shall accrue to the Attorney General in the event this provision is exercised, and the Attorney General shall not be obligated or liable for any future payments or for any damages as a result of termination under this paragraph.
- F. Any and all award funds not expended by June 30, 2026, will be returned to the Attorney General.
- G. This agreement is subject to cancellation pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-511.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have made and executed this AGREEMENT on the day and year first above written.

FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cindy Palmer, Procurement Manager

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 Date:

FOR THE CONTRACTOR:  
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 Authorized Signature

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 Date:

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 Printed Name and Title

ATTEST:  
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 Clerk of the Governing Board (if applicable)

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 Date:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
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 Legal Counsel (if applicable)

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 Date: