

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2007-25

ESTABLISHING THE ARIZONA STATE CITIZEN CORPS COUNCIL (*AMENDING AND SUPERSEDING EXECUTIVE ORDER 2004-11*)

WHEREAS, the mission of Citizen Corps, a United States of America (USA) Freedom Corps Initiative, is to harness the power of individuals through education, training and volunteer service to make communities safer, stronger and better prepared to respond to the threats of domestic and international terrorism, crime, public health and other disasters; and

WHEREAS, across the State, Arizonans have established local Citizen Corps Councils and participated in the Citizen Corps' five programs: Community Emergency Response Teams, Medical Reserve Corps, Fire Corps, Volunteers in Police Service, and USAonWatch; and

WHEREAS, similar local Councils exist in every state of the union to address local needs for disaster preparedness; and

WHEREAS, the creation of a State of Arizona Citizen Corps Council will enable the State to provide assistance and direction to its numerous local Citizen Corps Councils to help make Arizona safer; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State, hereby order and direct as follows:

1. The *Arizona State Citizen Corps Council* ("Council") is established to develop a comprehensive, statewide plan that will advance the mission of the USA Freedom Corps Initiative and local Citizen Corps Councils across the State of Arizona and serve as the State's liaison to national and state organizations that support the Council's mission.
2. The Council shall be comprised of no fewer than fifteen members and shall, to the extent practicable, include:
 - At least one (1) elected official;
 - At least one (1) representative from the Governor's Commission on Service and Volunteerism;
 - At least one (1) representative from the Arizona Department of Homeland Security;
 - At least one (1) representative from an Arizona charitable organization with a focus on disaster readiness and volunteer mobilization;
 - At least one (1) representative from a local Citizen Corps Council;

- At least one (1) representative from a Medical Reserve Corps program;
 - At least one (1) representative from a Community Emergency Response Team;
 - At least one (1) representative from Volunteers in Police Service program;
 - At least one (1) representative from USAonWatch program;
 - At least one (1) representative from a for-profit entity or business;
 - At least one (1) representative from Fire Corps program;
 - At least one (1) County Emergency Manager; and
 - At least three (3) representatives from the community-at-large
3. Members shall be appointed by, and serve without compensation at the pleasure, of the Governor.
 4. The Governor shall appoint a chair and vice chair annually beginning October 2007.
 5. Members of the Council may, with the Governor's permission, send designees to serve on the Council; provided, however, that such designees shall have been delegated by the member with full authority to vote and otherwise act on behalf of the member.
 6. The Arizona Department of Homeland Security shall provide staff and strategic guidance to support the Council
 7. The Council shall meet quarterly and among other things, shall:
 - A. Identify opportunities for local, state, Tribal and federal organizations to collaborate to accomplish the primary objectives of Citizen Corps.
 - B. Engage in ongoing discussions regarding best practices to develop and support local Citizens Corps Councils and advance the national mission of Citizen Corps across the State.
 - C. Exchange facts and information on programs to promote public awareness, training, safety and volunteer services opportunities, including Arizona's statewide 2-1-1 system.
 - D. Develop and disseminate messages on safety and emergency preparedness that will be effective in engaging communities and individuals in Citizen Corps programs.

- E. Serve as the catalyst for engaging citizens within their areas of expertise to promote the national mission of Citizen Corps across the State.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.

Jan Nagel
GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix, Arizona this 26th day of October Two Thousand Seven and of the Independence of the United States the Two Hundred and Thirty-Second.

ATTEST:

Janice K. Brewer
SECRETARY OF STATE