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PROGRAM PRESENTATION
Department of Emergency and Military Affairs

Background

The Legislature established the Department of Emergency and Military Affairs (DEMA) to promote, protect and defend Arizona citizens' peace, health and safety. DEMA is administered and controlled by the Governor as Commander-in-Chief and the state Adjutant General serves as the Director.

DEMA consist of the following three divisions:

- 1) The Division of Emergency Management, which helps state, county and local agencies prepare for and respond to disasters in order to reduce their impact on persons and property through coordinating the state's emergency preparedness, mitigation response and recovery efforts.
- 2) The Army and Air National Guard, which provides facilities and resource management support for the Arizona Army and Air National Guard and operates Camp Navajo, a 28,347-acre regional training and storage facility located 12 miles west of Flagstaff, in Bellemont, Arizona.
- 3) The Joint Programs Office consists of the Administrative Services Office, the Public Affairs Office, the Purchasing and Contracting Office, the Resource Management Office and Project Challenge.

Project Challenge is a 17-month educational program for at-risk youth. The program hosts approximately 100 students per class and holds two classes per year. The program is divided into a 5-month residential phase conducted in a quasi-military environment and a 12-month mentoring phase. Students receive instruction in academics, career planning, citizenship, community service, health and hygiene, leadership, life skills and physical training. Most students earn a general equivalency diploma while enrolled in the program.

Fiscal Information

According to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee, the FY 2008-2009 budget provides \$6,087,100 from the state General Fund and \$132,000 from the Emergency Response Fund for DEMA's operating budget.

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The FY 2008-2009 budget provides DEMA with state General Fund monies for the following special line items:

- 1) \$1,446,000 for the Guardsmen Tuition Reimbursement Program.
- 2) \$100,000 for the Military Gift Package Postage Program.
- 3) \$250,000 for the National Guard Uniform Allowance.
- 4) \$1,770,100 and 26 FTE positions for Project Challenge.
- 5) \$54,700 for the Civil Air Patrol.
- 6) \$3,500,000 for the Governor's Emergency Fund.
- 7) \$828,000 and 4.5 FTE positions for the Nuclear Emergency Management Fund, which is offset by a fee assessed against each group of public service and municipal corporations operating the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station.
- 8) \$104,200 and 1 FTE position for the state 2-1-1 online information service. DEMA administers the 2-1-1 call center and call routing

Attachments

- 1) Slide presentation
- 2) DEMA from the FY 2009 JLBC Appropriations Report
- 3) Sunset Review Report, November 22, 2004
- 4) Auditor General Performance Audit Highlights, June 2004

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