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## Arizona Department of Gaming Reports \$33.4 Million in Tribal Gaming Contributions for the Third Quarter of Fiscal Year 2026

**Phoenix (March 31, 2026)** - The Arizona Department of Gaming (ADG) announced today \$33,413,604 in tribal gaming contributions to the Arizona Benefits Fund for the third quarter of Fiscal Year (FY) 2026. This represents an approximate 8.3 percent increase when compared to the same quarter of FY 2025.

“Tribal gaming contributions provide critical support for state and local initiatives that help keep communities across Arizona safe, strong, and thriving,” said Jackie Johnson, Director of the ADG. “With \$33.4 million contributed in the latest period, the Department continues to be a steward of these funds that support emergency services, education, wildlife conservation, and more.”

The Arizona Benefits Fund receives 88 percent of tribal gaming contributions, providing significant dollars to support instructional improvement for schools, trauma and emergency care, tourism, and wildlife conservation throughout the state. If interested in viewing the cumulative tribal gaming contributions by year, please visit our reports webpage: [gaming.az.gov/resources/reports](https://gaming.az.gov/resources/reports).

**Tribal gaming contributions to the Arizona Benefits Fund for the third quarter of the State’s FY 2026 are as follows:**

Instructional Improvement Fund/Education.....	\$16,653,340
Trauma and Emergency Services Fund.....	\$8,326,670
Arizona Department of Gaming Operating Costs.....	\$3,007,224
Arizona Wildlife Conservation Fund.....	\$2,379,049
Tourism Fund.....	\$2,379,049
Problem Gambling Education, Treatment and Prevention.....	\$668,272
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<b>Total: Tribal Gaming Contributions to the Arizona Benefits Fund.....</b>	<b>\$33,413,604</b>

Per the Arizona Tribal-State Gaming Compact, the remaining 12 percent is distributed by the tribes to the cities, towns, and counties of their choosing for community services and public safety programs for local governments. Since FY 2004, cumulative contributions have totaled approximately \$2.5 billion, benefitting both the state and its cities, towns, and counties.

Currently, there are 26 Class III casinos in Arizona, which ADG regulates in partnership with Arizona tribes. For more information, view our tribal gaming webpage: [gaming.az.gov/tribal-gaming-page](http://gaming.az.gov/tribal-gaming-page).

### **About the Arizona Department of Gaming**

Established by the Arizona State Legislature in 1995, the Arizona Department of Gaming (ADG) is the state regulatory agency for [tribal gaming](#), [event wagering & fantasy sports contests](#), [racing and pari-mutuel/simulcast wagering](#), and [unarmed combat sports](#). ADG also provides and supports education, prevention, and treatment programs for people and families affected by problem gambling through its [Division of Problem Gambling](#) and 24-hour confidential helpline, 1-800-NEXT STEP.

*NOTE TO MEDIA: The Department and its Division of Problem Gambling encourage media partners to include supportive resources when reporting on gambling, event wagering, fantasy sports, or other wagering-related activities:*

### **Problem Gambling Awareness**

If you or someone you know has a gambling problem, you can get help now by calling the confidential helpline at 1-800-NEXT-STEP (1-800-639-8783), texting NEXTSTEP to 53342, or using the chat feature at [problemgambling.az.gov](http://problemgambling.az.gov). The helpline connects callers with statewide providers specializing in low and no-cost treatment for problem gambling and financial counseling. Help is available 24/7 for individuals, family members, friends, and co-workers.

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