



ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION  
FULL SERVICE FORENSIC CRIME LAB PROGRAM  
GRANT AGREEMENT

ACJC Grant Number FCL-20-001  
State Funded Grant Program

This Grant Agreement is made this 1<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2019, by and between the ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION hereinafter called "COMMISSION" and CITY OF MESA, through MESA POLICE DEPARTMENT hereinafter called "GRANTEE". The COMMISSION enters into this Agreement pursuant to its authority under the provisions of A.R.S. § 41-2405 (B)(6), and having satisfied itself as to the qualification of GRANTEE;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is agreed between the parties as follows:

1. This Agreement will commence on July 1, 2019 and terminate on June 30, 2020. This Agreement expires at the end of the award period unless prior written approval for an extension has been obtained from the COMMISSION. A request for an extension must be received by the COMMISSION sixty (60) days prior to the end of the award period. The COMMISSION in its sole discretion may approve an extension to further the goals and objectives of the program, and to determine the length of any extension.
2. GRANTEE agrees that grant funds will be used in accordance with applicable program rules, guidelines and special conditions.
3. The COMMISSION will monitor GRANTEE performance against program goals and performance standards and those outlined in the grant application. Substandard performance as determined by the COMMISSION will constitute noncompliance with this Agreement. If the COMMISSION finds noncompliance, the GRANTEE will receive a written notice which identifies the area of noncompliance, and the appropriate corrective action to be taken. If the GRANTEE does not respond within thirty (30) calendar days to this notice, and does not provide sufficient information concerning the steps which are being taken to correct the problem, the COMMISSION may suspend funding, permanently terminate this Agreement or revoke the grant.
4. Any deviation or failure to comply with the purpose and/or conditions of this Agreement without prior written COMMISSION approval may constitute sufficient reason for the COMMISSION to terminate this Agreement, revoke the grant, require the return of all unspent funds, perform an audit of expended funds, and require the return of any previously spent funds which are deemed to have been spent in violation of the purpose or conditions of this grant.
5. This Agreement may be modified only by a written amendment signed by the Executive Director or by persons authorized by the Executive Director on behalf of the COMMISSION and GRANTEE. Any notice given pursuant to this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be considered to have been given when actually received by the following addressee or their agents or employees:

A. If to the COMMISSION:

Arizona Criminal Justice Commission  
1110 W. Washington Street, Suite 230  
Phoenix, Arizona 85007  
Attn: Program Manager

## B. If to the GRANTEE:

MESA POLICE DEPARTMENT  
 PO Box 1466  
 Mesa, AZ 85211  
 Attn: City Manager, Christopher Brady

6. For grant awards above \$100,000, GRANTEE may make budget adjustments of up to ten (10) percent of the total grant among approved budget categories excluding equipment. Written approval from the COMMISSION in advance is required if GRANTEE wishes to make adjustments or reprogram in excess of ten (10) percent or if GRANTEE wishes to purchase equipment not previously approved.

For grant awards less than \$100,000, GRANTEE may make budget adjustments among approved categories excluding equipment as long as there are no changes to the purpose or scope of the project. If GRANTEE wishes to purchase equipment not previously approved, written approval from the COMMISSION in advance is required.

APPROVED LINE ITEM PROGRAM BUDGET		
Personnel:		
Salaries		Not Approved
Fringe Benefits (for salaries/overtime)		Not Approved
Overtime		Not Approved
Professional & Outside/Consultant & Contractual Services		\$16,000
Travel In-State		Not Approved
Travel Out-of-State		\$30,000
Confidential Funds		Not Approved
Operating Expenses:		
Supplies		Not Approved
Registration/Training		\$30,000
Other		Not Approved
Equipment		
Capital		\$14,400
Noncapital		\$25,600
TOTAL		\$116,000
Equipment Funded: Scanners (20), Centrifuge (1), SLR cameras (2), Thermalcycler (1), Labelers (7), UV Crosslinker (1), Electric glassware dryer (1)		

7. It is agreed and understood that the total to be paid by the COMMISSION under this Agreement shall not exceed \$116,000 in state funds.
8. Every payment obligation of the COMMISSION 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 COMMISSION. No liability shall accrue to the COMMISSION in the event this provision is exercised, and the COMMISSION shall not be obligated or liable for any future payments or for any damages as a result of termination under this paragraph.
9. GRANTEE agrees to retain all books, account reports, files and other records, (paper and/or electronic) relating to this Agreement and the performance of this Agreement for no less than five (5) years from the last financial report submitted to the COMMISSION. All such documents shall be subject to inspection and audit at reasonable times, including such records of any subgrantee, contractor, or subcontractor.

10. GRANTEE agrees that activities funded under this award will be closely coordinated with related activities supported with Federal, State, local or tribal funds. Grant funds may only be used for the purposes in the GRANTEE's approved application. GRANTEE shall not undertake any work or activities not described in the grant application, including staff, equipment, or other goods or services without prior approval from the COMMISSION.
11. GRANTEE agrees to abide by Federal and State laws and provide accounting, auditing and monitoring procedures to safeguard grant funds and keep such records to assure proper fiscal controls, management and the efficient disbursement of grant funds.
12. GRANTEE agrees to track, account for, and report on all funds (including specific outcomes and benefits) separately from all other funds for the same or similar purposes or programs.
13. For the purpose of this grant, a capital expenditure is \$5,000 or above. If GRANTEE'S policy defines a capital expenditure as less than \$5,000, GRANTEE will use its own policy.
14. GRANTEE agrees to maintain property records for equipment purchased with grant funds and perform a physical inventory and reconciliation with property records at least every two years or more frequently based on GRANTEE policy. GRANTEE agrees that funds will not be used for the construction of new facilities.
15. GRANTEE agrees to follow its own agency equipment disposition policies when the equipment is no longer needed for the grant program. If GRANTEE has no policy, reference the *Uniform Accounting Manual for Arizona Counties* authorized by the Auditor General for disposition guidelines and guideline development.  
**Link:** *Uniform Accounting Manual for Arizona Counties*  
<https://www.azauditor.gov/sites/default/files/UAMAC.pdf>
16. GRANTEE agrees that all salaried personnel (including subgrantee personnel) whose activities are to be charged to the award will maintain timesheets or certifications to document hours worked for activities related to this award and non-award related activities. GRANTEE agrees to keep time and attendance sheets for hourly employees signed by the employee and supervisory official having firsthand knowledge of the work performed by the grant-funded employees.
17. GRANTEE agrees that it will submit financial and activity reports to the COMMISSION in a format provided by the COMMISSION, documenting the activities supported by these grant funds and providing an assessment of the impact of these activities which may include documentation of project milestones. In the event reports are not received on or before the indicated date(s), funding may be suspended until such time as delinquent report(s) are received.

Mandated activity and financial reports are submitted according to the following schedule(s):

<b>ACTIVITY REPORTS</b>	
<b>Report Period:</b>	<b>Due Date:</b>
July 1 to September 30	October 25
October 1 to December 31	January 25
January 1 to March 31	April 25
April 1 to June 30	July 25

<b>FINANCIAL REPORTS</b>	
<b>Report Period:</b>	<b>Due Date:</b>
July 1 to September 30	October 25
October 1 to December 31	January 25
January 1 to March 31	April 25
April 1 to June 30	July 25

\*If a GRANTEE agency wishes to report monthly financial reports, GRANTEE must notify the COMMISSION.

More frequent reports may be required for GRANTEES who are considered high risk.

18. GRANTEE understands that financial reports are required as an accounting of expenditures for either reimbursement or COMMISSION-approved advance payments. Reports are due pursuant to the schedule above.
19. The final request for reimbursement of grant funds must be received by the COMMISSION no later than sixty (60) days after the last day of the award period.
20. All goods and services must be received or have reasonable expectations thereof and placed in service by GRANTEE by the expiration of this award.
21. GRANTEE agrees that all encumbered funds must be expended and that goods and services must be paid within sixty (60) days of expiration of this award.
22. GRANTEE agrees to remit all unexpended grant funds to the COMMISSION within thirty (30) days of written request received from the COMMISSION.
23. GRANTEE agrees to obtain written COMMISSION approval for all sole source procurements in excess of \$150,000.
24. GRANTEE agrees to obtain written COMMISSION approval prior to the expenditure of grant funds for consultant fees in excess of \$650 per day.
25. GRANTEE agrees not to use grant funds for food and/or beverage unless explicitly approved in writing by the COMMISSION.
26. No funds shall be used to supplant federal, state, county or local funds that would otherwise be made available for such purposes. Supplanting means the deliberate reduction of state or local funds because of the existence of any grant funds.
27. GRANTEE assigns to the COMMISSION any claim for overcharges resulting from antitrust violations to the extent that such violations concern materials or services applied by third parties to GRANTEE in exchange for grant funds provided under this Agreement.
28. The parties agree to use arbitration in the event of disputes in accordance with the provisions of A.R.S. § 12-1501-12-1518. The laws of the State of Arizona apply to questions arising under this Agreement and any litigation regarding this Agreement must be maintained in Arizona courts, except as pertaining to disputes which are subject to arbitration.
  - I. In the event of a dispute, controversy, or claim arising out of or relating in any way to the Agreement, the complaining Party shall notify the other Party in writing

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- thereof. Within 30 calendar days of such notice, representatives of both Parties shall meet at an agreed location to attempt to resolve the dispute in good faith. Should the dispute not be resolved within 30 calendar days after such notice, the complaining Party shall seek remedies exclusively through arbitration, in accordance with the provisions of A.R.S. § 12-1501 through 12-1518.
- II. The arbitration demand must be a clear and concise statement of the claim or dispute. The respondent's answer and any counterclaims must be filed within 20 calendar days of service of the demand.
  - III. The arbitration shall be conducted in Maricopa County.
  - IV. The arbitration shall be conducted by one arbitrator. If the Parties are not able to agree upon the selection of an arbitrator, within 20 calendar days of the commencement of an arbitration proceeding by service of a demand for arbitration, the court on application of a Party shall appoint the arbitrator.
  - V. The arbitrator must promptly set a conference to clarify the claims and defenses, to establish fair procedures, and to set a schedule for completing the arbitration.
  - VI. It is the intent of the parties that, barring extraordinary circumstances, arbitration proceedings will be concluded with 120 calendar days from the date the arbitrator is appointed. The arbitrator may extend the time limit in the interests of justice. Failure to adhere to this time limit shall not constitute a basis for challenging the award.
  - VII. The arbitrator must issue a written, reasoned award within 20 calendar days from the date the hearing is formally closed, or as soon after that as is feasible. The sole remedy will be actual damages; no punitive damages are allowed.
  - VIII. Unless the arbitrator orders otherwise, the Parties must share arbitration costs equally, including arbitrator's fees and expenses. Each party must pay its own expenses and attorney's fees.
29. GRANTEE understands that grant funds may not be released until all delinquent reports and reversion of funds from prior grants are submitted to the COMMISSION.
30. GRANTEE agrees that grant funds are not to be expended for any indirect costs that may be incurred by GRANTEE for administering these funds unless explicitly approved in writing by the COMMISSION. This may include, but is not limited to, costs for services such as accounting, payroll, data processing, purchasing, personnel, and building use which may have been incurred by the GRANTEE.
31. GRANTEE understands and agrees that misuse of award funds may result in a range of penalties, including suspension of current and future funds, recoupment of monies provided under an award, and civil and/or criminal penalties.
32. Each party (as "Indemnitor") agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the other party (as "Indemnitee") from and against any and all claims, losses, liability, costs, or expenses, (including reasonable attorney's fees) (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Claims") arising out of bodily injury of any person (including death) or property damage, but only to the extent that such Claims which result in vicarious/derivative liability to the Indemnitee are caused by the act, omission, negligence, misconduct, or other fault of the Indemnitor, its officers, officials, agents, employees, or volunteers. If the GRANTEE is a State agency, board, commission, or university of the State of Arizona, this paragraph shall not apply.
33. Should GRANTEE utilize a contractor(s) and subcontractor(s) the indemnification clause between GRANTEE and its contractor(s) and subcontractor(s) shall include the following:
- Contractor shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the GRANTEE and the State of Arizona, and any jurisdiction or agency issuing any permits for any work arising out of this Agreement,

- and its departments, agencies, boards, commissions, universities, officers, officials, agents, and employees (hereinafter referred to as "Indemnatee") from and against any and all claims, actions, liabilities, damages, losses, or expenses (including court costs, attorneys' fees, and costs of claim processing, investigation and litigation) (hereinafter referred to as "Claims") for bodily injury or personal injury (including death), or loss or damage to tangible or intangible property caused, or alleged to be caused, in whole or in part, by the negligent or willful acts or omissions of the contractor or any of the directors, officers, agents, or employees or subcontractors of such contractor. This indemnity includes any claim or amount arising out of or recovered under the Workers' Compensation Law or arising out of the failure of such contractor to conform to any federal, state or local law, statute, ordinance, rule, regulation or court decree. It is the specific intention of the parties that the Indemnatee shall, in all instances, except for Claims arising solely from the negligent or willful acts or omissions of the Indemnatee, be indemnified by such contractor from and against any and all claims. It is agreed that such contractor will be responsible for primary loss investigation, defense and judgment costs where this indemnification is applicable. Additionally on all applicable insurance policies, contractor and its subcontractors shall name the State of Arizona, and its departments, agencies, boards, commissions, universities, officers, officials, agents, and employees as an additional insured and also include a waiver of subrogation in favor of the State. Insurance requirements for any contractor used by GRANTEE are incorporated herein by this reference and attached to this Agreement as Exhibit "A".
34. GRANTEE agrees to notify the COMMISSION within ten (10) days in the event that the project official is replaced during the award period.
  35. No rights or interest in this Agreement shall be assigned by GRANTEE without prior written approval of the COMMISSION.
  36. GRANTEE agrees that no funds provided, or personnel employed under this Agreement, shall be in any way or to any extent engaged in conduct of political activities in violation of U.S.C. Title 5, Part II, Chapter 15, Section 1502.
  37. GRANTEE certifies that it presently has no financial interest and shall not acquire any financial interest, direct or indirect, which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of services required under this Agreement.
  38. GRANTEE agrees to cooperate and participate with any and all assessments, evaluation efforts or information and data collection requests, and acknowledges that the state grantor agency has the right to obtain, reproduce, publish or use data provided under this award and may authorize others to receive and use such information.
  39. GRANTEE shall provide the COMMISSION with a copy of all interim and final reports and proposed publications (including those prepared for conferences and other presentations) resulting from this Agreement. Submission of such materials must be prior to or simultaneous with their public release.
  40. GRANTEE agrees to comply with the non-discrimination requirements of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act (Safe Streets Act) of 1968, as amended, 34 U.S.C. § 10228(c); the Victims of Crime Act of 1984, as amended, 34 U.S.C. § 20110(e); the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974, as amended, 34 U.S.C. § 11182(b); and VAWA, as amended, 34 U.S.C. § 12291(b)(13), contain prohibitions against discrimination on the basis of religion in employment. Despite these nondiscrimination provisions, the DOJ has concluded that it may construe the Religious Freedom Restoration Act (RFRA) on a case-by-case basis to permit some faith-based organizations to receive DOJ funds while taking into account religion when hiring staff, even if the statute that authorizes the funding program generally



- forbids recipients from considering religion in employment decisions. Please consult with the OCR if you have any questions about the regulation or the application of RFRA to the statutes that prohibit discrimination in employment. An organization that is a recipient of financial assistance subject to the nondiscrimination provisions of the Safe Streets Act, must meet two obligations: (1) complying with the federal regulation pertaining to the development of an EEOP (see 28 C.F.R. pt. 42, subpt. E) and (2) submitting to the OCR findings of discrimination (see 28 C.F.R. §§ 42.204(c), .205(c)(5)). If in the three years prior to the date of the grant award a Federal or State Court or Federal or State administrative agency makes a finding of discrimination after a due process hearing against GRANTEE, GRANTEE will forward a copy of the findings to the Office for Civil Rights, Office of Justice Programs and the COMMISSION.
41. GRANTEE agrees to participate in any required civil rights related training to ensure compliance with all federal and state civil rights laws. GRANTEE will inform the COMMISSION of the position responsible for civil rights compliance and will inform the COMMISSION of change in personnel within said position within ten days.  
**Link:** <http://azcjc.gov/grants>
42. GRANTEE assures that it will comply with all state and federal laws regarding privacy during the course of the award. All information relating to clients is to be treated with confidentiality.
43. To support public safety and justice information sharing, GRANTEE, if a governmental subdivision, shall use the National Information Exchange Model (NIEM) specifications and guidelines for this grant. GRANTEE shall publish and make available without restrictions all schemas generated as a result of this grant to the component registry as specified in the guidelines.  
**Link:** <http://niem.github.io/reference/specifications/>
44. To avoid duplicating existing networks or IT systems in any initiatives for law enforcement information sharing systems which involve interstate connectivity between jurisdictions, such systems shall employ, to the extent possible, existing networks as the communication backbone to achieve interstate connectivity, unless GRANTEE can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the COMMISSION that this requirement would not be cost beneficial or would impair the functionality of an existing or proposed IT system.
45. If GRANTEE is a governmental political subdivision, GRANTEE should, to the extent possible and practical, share criminal justice information with other authorized criminal justice agencies. The process control number (PCN) shall be used in accordance with A.R.S. § 41-1750 when sharing data with other criminal justice agencies as electronic data systems are developed or improved.
46. If GRANTEE is a state agency and the award is for the development of information technology projects for more than \$25,000, GRANTEE must complete a Project Investment Justification (PIJ) and submit the justification to the Arizona Department of Administration (ADOA), with a copy to the COMMISSION. GRANTEE agrees to submit required project status reports to ADOA by the due dates and submit copies to the COMMISSION.
- If GRANTEE is not a state agency and the award is for the development of information technology projects, GRANTEE will follow local technology policies and guidelines.
47. GRANTEE agrees to complete and keep on file, as appropriate, Immigration and Naturalization Form (I-9). This form is to be used by recipients to verify that persons are eligible to work in the United States. GRANTEE ensures compliance with A.R.S. § 41-4401 federal immigration laws by state employers and contractors.

48. In accordance with A.R.S. § 41-4401, GRANTEE warrants compliance with E-Verify and all federal immigration laws and regulations relating to employees and warrants compliance with A.R.S. § 23-214A.
49. This Agreement is subject to cancellation pursuant to the provision of A.R.S. § 38-511. This Agreement may also be cancelled at the COMMISSION'S discretion if not returned with authorized signatures to the COMMISSION within 90 days of commencement of the award.
50. If any provision of this Agreement is held invalid, the remainder of the Agreement shall not be affected thereby and all other parts of this Agreement shall be in full force and effect.
51. GRANTEE agrees to comply with all Special Condition(s) included with this Agreement on the Grant Agreement Continuation sheet.
52. GRANTEE understands that grant funds may not be released until GRANTEE is compliant with all requirements of grant agreement.



Arizona Criminal Justice Commission  
**FULL SERVICE FORENSIC CRIME LAB PROGRAM**  
**GRANT AGREEMENT CONTINUATION SHEET**  
**SPECIAL CONDITION(S)**

1. GRANTEE must verify Agency Point of Contact (APOC), Financial Point of Contact (FPOC), Program Point of Contact (PPOC), and Authorized Official contact information in the Grants Management System (GMS), including telephone number and e-mail address. If any information is incorrect or has changed, a Grant Adjustment Notice (GAN) must be submitted via the GMS to document changes. In addition the FPOC and PPOC must be assigned by the APOC prior to payments being made.
2. Grant funds shall be used in accordance to the goal of the Full-Service Crime Laboratory Program to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the state's various full-service crime laboratories.
3. The GRANTEE agrees to submit supporting documentation (i.e. receipts, invoices, timesheets, and/or payroll records) for all grant expenditures.
4. If any program income is generated with these funds, GRANTEE agrees to maintain all records related to program income. All program income must be used for the purpose under the conditions applicable for the use of funds under this award. These records are subject to audit.

Authorized Official Initials: \_\_\_\_\_

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

**FOR GRANTEE:**

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Authorized Signatory

Date

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Printed Name and Title

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Additional signature(s) if required by political subdivision

Date

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Printed Name and Title

Date

## ATTEST:

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Clerk

Date

**Note:** If applicable, the Agreement must be approved by the appropriate county supervisory board or municipal council and appropriate local counsel (i.e. county or city attorney). Furthermore, if applicable, resolutions and meeting minutes must be forwarded to the Commission with the signed Agreement.

**Approved as to form and authority to enter into Agreement (Excluding non-profits):**

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Legal counsel for GRANTEE

Date

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Printed Name and Title**Statutory or other legal authority to enter into Agreement (Excluding non-profits):**

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Appropriate A.R.S., ordinance, or charter reference**FOR CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION:**

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Andrew T. LeFevre, Executive Director  
Arizona Criminal Justice Commission

Date



**ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION**  
**GRANT AGREEMENT**  
**Insurance Requirements**  
**Exhibit "A"**

**Insurance Requirements for Governmental Parties to an Intergovernmental Agreement:**

None.

**Insurance Requirements for Any Contractors Used by a Party to the Intergovernmental Agreement:**

*(Note: this applies only to Contractors used by a governmental entity, not to the governmental entity itself.)* The insurance requirements herein are minimum requirements and in no way limit the indemnity covenants contained in the Intergovernmental Agreement. The State of Arizona in no way warrants that the minimum limits contained herein are sufficient to protect the governmental entity or Contractor from liabilities that might arise out of the performance of the work under this Contract by the Contractor, his agents, representatives, employees or subcontractors, and Contractor and the governmental entity are free to purchase additional insurance.

- A. **MINIMUM SCOPE AND LIMITS OF INSURANCE:** Contractor shall provide coverage with limits of liability not less than those stated below.

**1. Commercial General Liability – Occurrence Form**

Policy shall include bodily injury, property damage, and broad form contractual liability.

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| • General Aggregate                         | \$2,000,000 |
| • Products – Completed Operations Aggregate | \$1,000,000 |
| • Personal and Advertising Injury           | \$1,000,000 |
| • Fire Legal Liability                      | \$ 50,000   |
| • Each Occurrence                           | \$1,000,000 |

- a. The policy shall be endorsed, as required by this written agreement, to include the State of Arizona, and its departments, agencies, boards, commissions, universities officers, officials, agents, and employees as additional insureds with respect to liability arising out of the activities performed by or on behalf of the Contractor".

*(Note that the other governmental entity(ies) is/are also required to be additional insured(s) and they should supply the Contractor with their own list of persons to be insured.)*

- b. Policy shall contain a waiver of subrogation endorsement, as required by this written agreement, in favor of the State of Arizona, and its departments, agencies, boards, commissions, universities, officers, officials, agents, and employees for losses arising from work performed by or on behalf of the Contractor.

**2. Business Automobile Liability**

Bodily Injury and Property Damage for any owned, hired, and/or non-owned vehicles used in the performance of this Contract.

Combined Single Limit (CSL)	\$1,000,000
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- a. The policy shall be endorsed, as required by this written agreement, to include the State of Arizona, and its departments, agencies, boards, commissions,

Exhibit "A" Continued

Universities, officers, officials, agents, and employees as additional insureds with respect to liability arising out of the activities performed by or on behalf of the Contractor, involving automobiles owned, hired and/or non-owned by the Contractor.

- b. Policy shall contain a waiver of subrogation endorsement as required by this written agreement in favor of the State of Arizona, and its departments, agencies, boards, commissions, universities, officers, officials, agents, and employees for losses arising from work performed by or on behalf of the Contractor.

*(Note that the other governmental entity(ies) is/are also required to be additional insured(s) and they should supply the Contractor with their own list of persons to be insured.)*

### 3. **Worker's Compensation and Employers' Liability**

Workers' Compensation

Employers' Liability

	Statutory
Each Accident	\$1,000,000
Disease – Each Employee	\$1,000,000
Disease – Policy Limit	\$1,000,000

- a. Policy shall contain a waiver of subrogation endorsement, as required by this written agreement, in favor of the State of Arizona, and its departments, agencies, boards, commissions, universities, officers, officials, agents, and employees for losses arising from work performed by or on behalf of the Contractor.
- b. This requirement shall not apply to each contractor or subcontractor that is exempt under A.R.S. § 23-901, and when such contractor or subcontractor executes the appropriate waiver form (Sole Proprietor or Independent Contractor).

#### **Additional Insurance Requirements:**

The policies shall include, or be endorsed to include, as required by this written agreement, the following provisions:

The Contractor's policies shall stipulate that the insurance afforded the Contractor shall be primary and that any insurance carried by the Department, its agents, officials, employees or the State of Arizona shall be excess and not contributory insurance, as provided by A.R.S. § 41-621 (E).

Insurance provided by the Contractor shall not limit the Contractor's liability assumed under the indemnification provisions of this Contract.

#### **Notice of Cancellation:**

For each insurance policy required by the insurance provisions of this Contract, the Contractor must provide to the State of Arizona, within two (2) business days of receipt, a notice if a policy is suspended, voided, or cancelled for any reason. Such notice shall be mailed, emailed, hand delivered or sent by facsimile transmission to (Enter Contracting Agency Representative's Name, Address, and Fax Number Here).

#### **Acceptability of Insurers:**

Contractor's insurance shall be placed with companies licensed in the State of Arizona or hold approved non-admitted status on the Arizona Department of Insurance List of Qualified Unauthorized Insurers. Insurers shall have an "A.M. Best" rating of not less than A- VII. The State of Arizona in no way warrants that the above-required minimum insurer rating is sufficient to protect the Contractor from potential insurer insolvency.

**Verification of Coverage:**

Contractor shall furnish the State of Arizona with certificates of insurance (valid ACORD form or equivalent approved by the State of Arizona) as required by this Contract. An authorized representative of the insurer shall sign the certificates.

All certificates and endorsements, as required by this written agreement, are to be received and approved by the State of Arizona before work commences. Each insurance policy required by this Contract must be in effect at, or prior to, commencement of work under this Contract. Failure to maintain the insurance policies as required by this Contract, or to provide evidence of renewal, is a material breach of contract.

All certificates required by this Contract shall be sent directly to the Department. The State of Arizona project/contract number and project description shall be noted on the certificate of insurance. The State of Arizona reserves the right to require complete copies of all insurance policies required by this Contract at any time.

**Subcontractors:**

Contractor's certificate(s) shall include all subcontractors as insureds under its policies or Contractor shall be responsible for ensuring and/or verifying that all subcontractors have valid and collectable insurance as evidenced by the certificates of insurance and endorsements for each subcontractor. All coverages for subcontractors shall be subject to the minimum Insurance Requirements identified above. The Department reserves the right to require, at any time throughout the life of the Contract, proof from the Contractor that its subcontractors have the required coverage.

**Approval and Modifications:**

The Contracting Agency, in consultation with State Risk, reserves the right to review or make modifications to the insurance limits, required coverages, or endorsements throughout the life of this contract, as deemed necessary. Such action will not require a formal Contract amendment but may be made by administrative action.

**Exceptions:**

In the event the Contractor or subcontractor(s) is/are a public entity, then the Insurance Requirements shall not apply. Such public entity shall provide a certificate of self-insurance. If the Contractor or subcontractor(s) is/are a State of Arizona agency, board, commission, or university, none of the above shall apply.