



## FY 2014 COMPETITIVE GRANT ANNOUNCEMENT

### PILOT PROGRAM ON SCHOOL EMERGENCY READINESS

#### Competitive Application

Available Online: August 16, 2013

#### APPLICATION DUE DATE

September 30, 2013

*Specific guidance on the deadline process may be found on page 6 under the Application Process Section*

#### ELIGIBILITY

Arizona School Districts  
with less than 29 schools

Based upon HB 2003, three (3) Arizona School Districts will be given the opportunity to participate in a Pilot Program on School Emergency Readiness.

Requirements for the Pilot Program on School Emergency Readiness are contained in HB 2003, and in the application packet available on the Arizona Department of Education (ADE) website. In addition, Arizona Revised Statutes (ARS), 15-341 (A) (32) requires each District school site to have an emergency response plan (ERP) that meets the minimum state requirements. The ADE and the Arizona Division of Emergency Management (ADEM) are responsible for developing the minimum standards for school emergency response plans in Arizona. The minimum state requirements document provides the required elements that must be included in every school's ERP.

Resources to assist the applicants include new guidance that is presented in the format of a plan template and incorporates ten years of advancement in the field of emergency preparedness. Emphasis is placed on the planning process and multi-agency coordination and collaboration. An electronic version of the guidance template materials and many toolkit resources can be found at <http://www.azed.gov> then click on the article, *ADE Responds to School Concerns*, on the ADE home page.

Application instructions are available in the "Application Downloads" section of GME at [www.azed.gov/gme](http://www.azed.gov/gme).

The ADE will offer **PRE-APPLICATION TRAININGS** on Aug. 28, 2013 in Flagstaff, on Aug. 29, 2013 in Phoenix and on Sept. 9, 2013 in Tucson. To register go to [www.azed.gov/online-registration](http://www.azed.gov/online-registration). Then click on the "Standards & Assessment: School Safety and Prevention" link after Aug. 16, 2013. Please register as soon as possible, because seating is limited.



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