

*****Press Release:*****

From: Mescal-J6 Fire District

Re: Governor's Office of Highway Safety Grant Award

The Governor's Office of Highway Safety (GOHS) mission is "to create a comprehensive and coordinated approach integrating highway safety programs through leadership, funding, public awareness and community engagement throughout Arizona."

The programs address critical areas such as speed, reckless driving, impaired driving, occupant protection, motorcycle safety and pedestrian/bicycle safety.

The Mescal-J6 Fire District is responsible for 13 miles of highway response, where we regularly respond to vehicular accidents, some of which require extricating occupants from entrapment. This grant will assist the MJFD by providing electrically powered Jaws of Life and Cutters, which enable quicker work and because we are only responding with a minimal number of personnel, makes this job more efficient. This in return, allows for potentially decreased extrication times, which can assist with a decrease in mortality and morbidity.

We thank Governor Hobbs and Director Torrez for their support.