

**TOWN OF PRESCOTT VALLEY
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION
Date: September 22, 2016**

SUBJECT: IGA with the Phoenix Police Department for ICAC affiliation

SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT: Police Department

PREPARED BY: Deputy Chief James Edelstein

AGENDA LOCATION: Comments/Communications , Consent , Work/Study ,
New Business , Public Hearing , Second Reading

ATTACHMENTS: IGA with the City of Phoenix

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND: The Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program (ICAC), is a program within the U.S. Department of Justice that assists state and local law enforcement in effectively responding to technology related child exploitation and internet crimes against children. The program is designed to help with forensic investigative components, technical assistance, and community education.

The ICAC agency responsible for Arizona is the Phoenix Police Department, through which the Prescott Valley Police Department would become an affiliate ICAC agency through this Intergovernmental Agreement.

The Prescott Valley Police Department conducts multiple investigations each year that require sophisticated software, equipment, and technical expertise. Our affiliation as an ICAC agency would assist our department through the grant request process in obtaining the software, equipment and training necessary to effectively investigate crimes against children. Furthermore, our affiliation with ICAC will allow the Prescott Valley Police Department to more effectively protect our citizens, prosecute criminal actions, and educate our community. Community education is incorporated into the ICAC program, providing the community and children with the information to recognize and protect themselves against sexual predators.

The landscape, as it pertains to the investigation of internet based crime, is always changing and advancing. As a town and a police department, becoming an ICAC affiliated agency aids us, financially, in obtaining the resources necessary to continue effectively prosecuting these types of crimes.

OPTIONS ANALYSIS: Council may approve IGA with Phoenix Police Department or not approve the IGA.

ACTION OPTION: Motion to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Town and Phoenix Police Department, **OR** Motion not to approve this IGA. **VOTE.**

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends approval of the IGA.

FISCAL ANALYSIS: There will be no fiscal impact on the Town of Prescott Valley

REVIEWED BY:

Management Services Director _____

Town Clerk _____

Town Attorney _____

Town Manager _____

COUNCIL ACTION:

Approved Denied Tabled/Deferred Assigned to _____