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STATE OF OUR STATE 2019 Rural Arizona NOW

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Let's find ways to fulfill every person's potential.

URBAN vs. RURAL
AZ is as large as the UK + has massive diversity.

Personal income is unusually concentrated in Maricopa County.

all trends - AZ to US are negative

25% increase in students graduating from high school + is the root of our economic problem.

the University is a FORCE
online · on campus · thousands of courses · thousands of ways to learn.

STOP ACCEPTING THIS AS STATUS QUO.

convince people at all levels to drive the levels of personal income per capita up to National Levels.

ASU: The university Silicon Valley couldn't build

Physical Beauty
Cultural Collection
Social & Personal Strength



Matt Ryan
Cochino County

As the second largest county in the US, we have unique challenges

The impact of visitors is significant - we need funding for infrastructure.

Cultural & natural beauty

We are challenged with the cost of living and the impact on housing

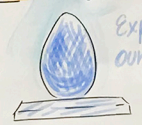
Legislation needs to take in account the challenges Rural AZ has that Urban AZ never contends with. (i.e. support services + long distances)

NATIVE AMERICAN CONNECTIONS

Improve lives of the whole person and the whole community

World class Counsel Arizona Roots

Grady Gammage, Jr.



Mila Besich
Mayor, Town of Superior

We are pleased to be here today

Workforce Development and Homelessness impacts us greatly

The tax generated by our community doesn't all stay in the community

We are resilient and strong.

GAMMAGE & BURNHAM

Explain ourselves to ourselves.

Bruce Bracker
Supervisor, Santa Cruz County

I serve b/c we are unique (and small) and we have big things to say.

The ports of entry are huge revenue generators

60% of Santa Cruz County residents lack high-spd internet

Tourism is huge for us

We need Maricopa County to remember we're here.

Our pace of life is wonderful.

our forests are very unhealthy

We have lots of Natural Resources + with the checker-board land ownership (much by Federal)

Create "bridges" between Phoenix and Rural places (physical and technological)

Our people are Outstanding.

Jason Witing
Supervisor, Navajo County

I serve b/c I have a deep connection to my (our) homeland

We have to work twice as hard b/c we have to work w/ the state and federal entities.

What we see - with the recreational use of water - is offensive.

We are all responsible for where we are

Our ancestors' resiliency is our Strength.

Jane Russel Winiacki
Immediate past chair, Goposai Apache Nation

compassionate behavioral healthcare, affordable housing and community development

Diana "Dede" Yazzie Devine



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