



# Executive Director's Report Regional Council

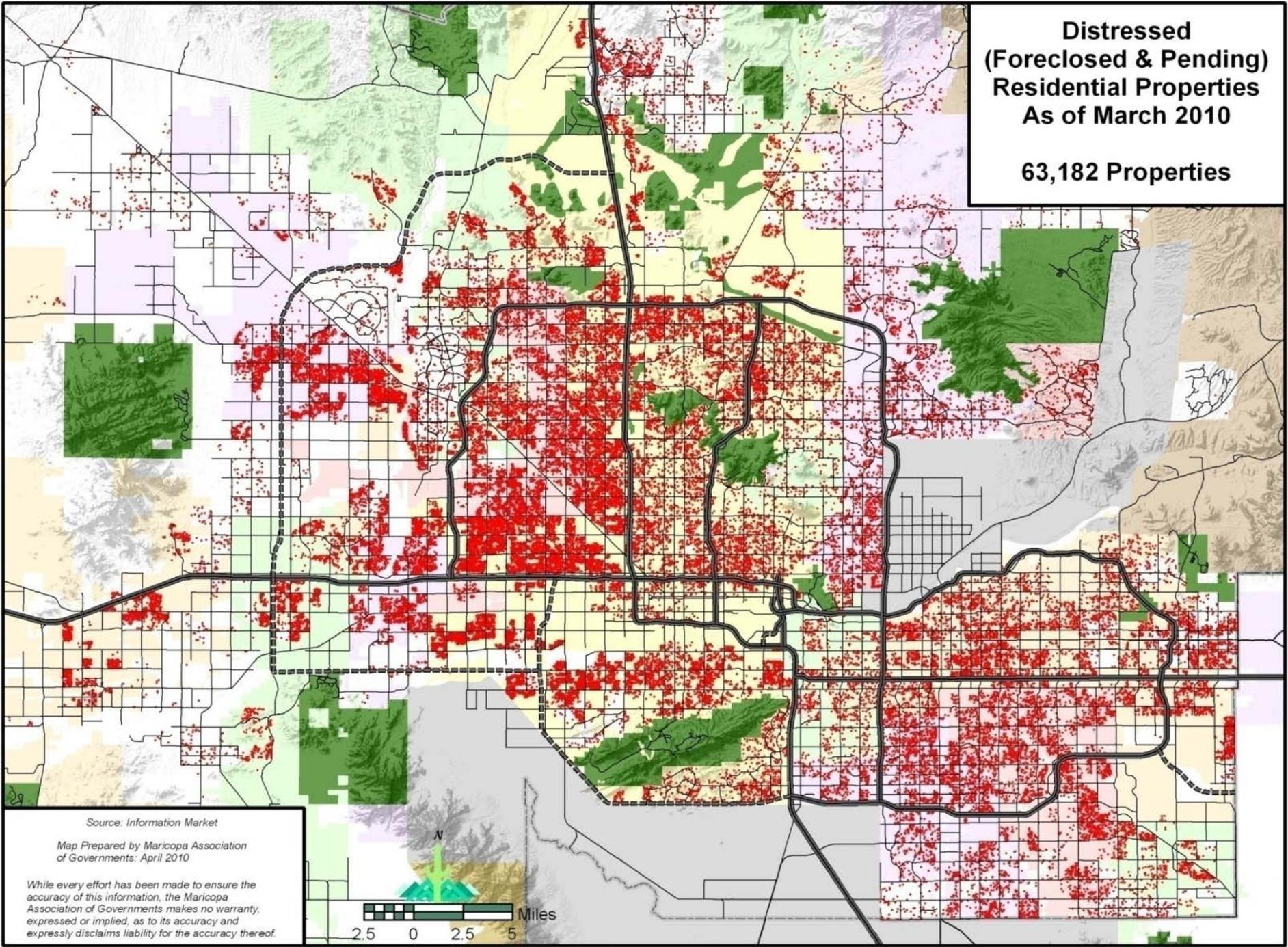


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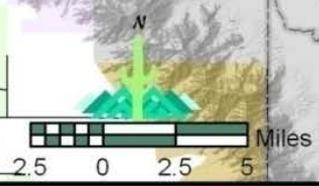
**63,182 Properties**



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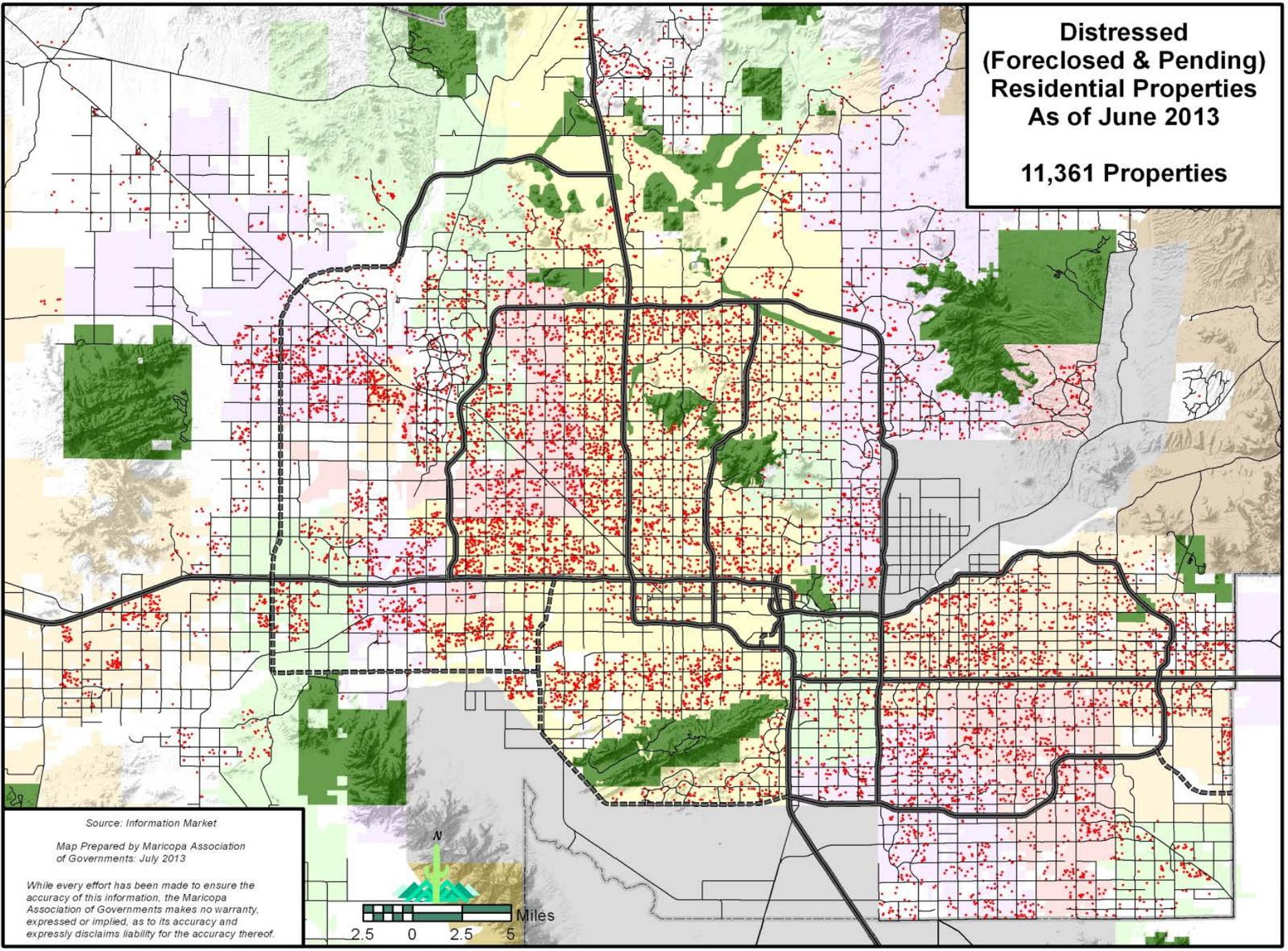
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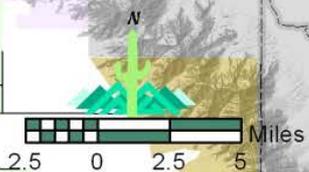
**11,361 Properties**



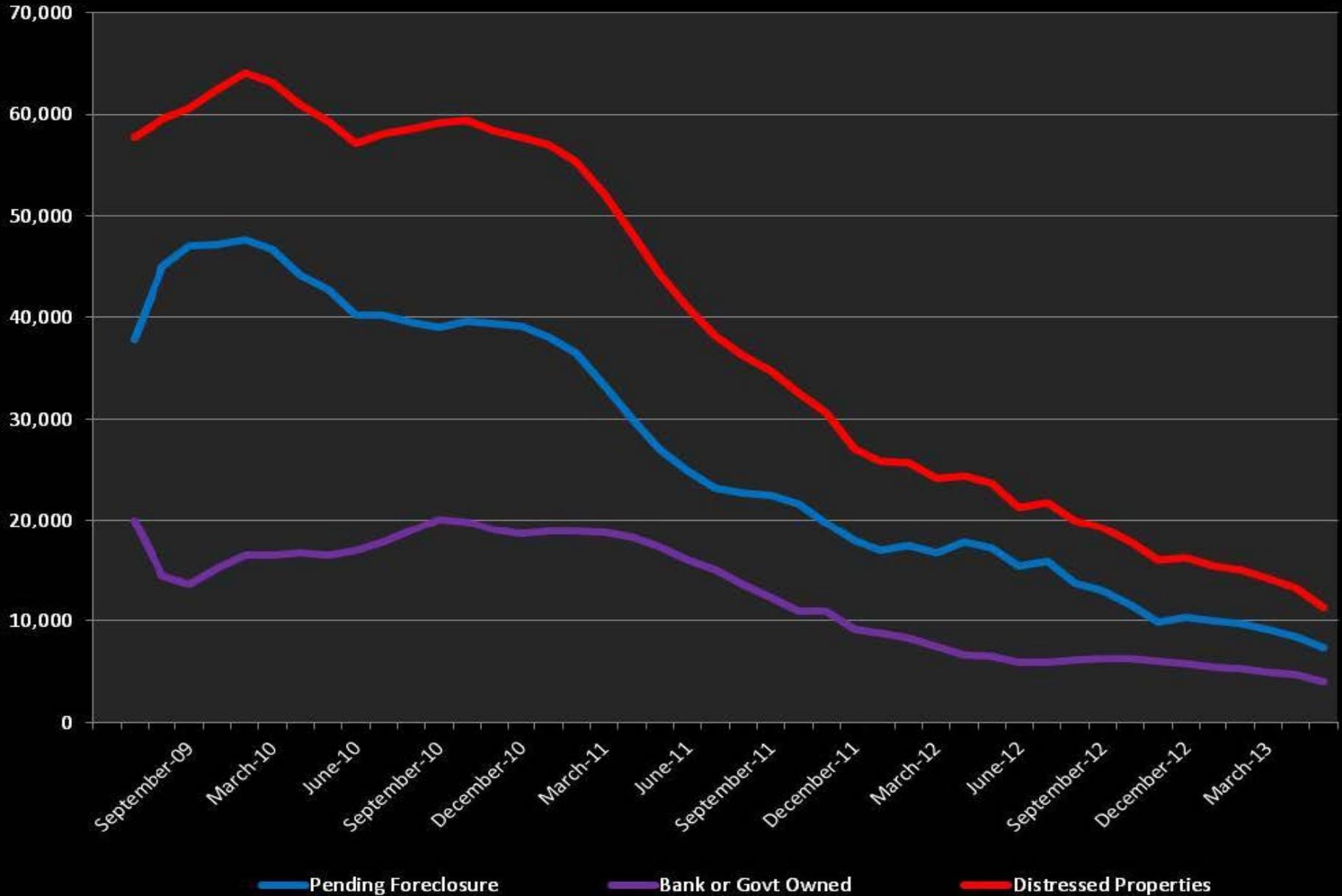
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# Distressed Properties in Maricopa County (March 2009 - June 2013)





# Domestic Violence Awareness

- October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month.
- Details about October trainings and events will be incorporated into a calendar for distribution to local media.
- The MAG Regional Domestic Violence Council will distribute the calendar and other information at the annual press conference in early October.
- Domestic violence safety plans, shoe cards, and coloring books are available for distribution at domestic violence awareness events.
- For more information or to submit information for the events calendar, please contact Renae Tenney at [rtenney@azmag.gov](mailto:rtenney@azmag.gov) or (602) 452-5041.



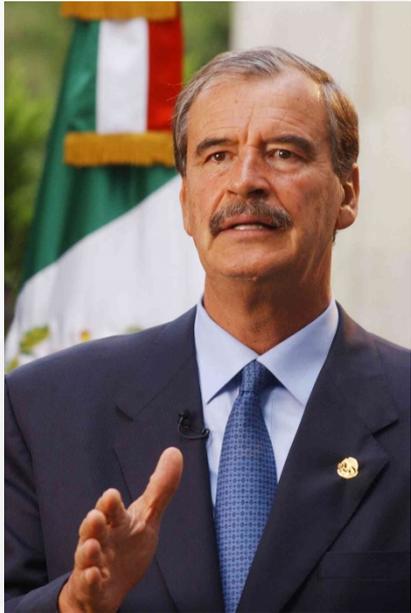


# Memorandum of Understanding: Research, Innovation and Entrepreneurial Agreement

- Signing Ceremony -- September 27, 2013, Arizona Board of Regents meeting – 11:30 a.m. Flagstaff Arizona.
- Colleges and Universities will be signing the agreement along with the Chair of the MAG EDC signing on behalf of the Regional Council.
- Members of the EDC are encouraged to participate in the photo event.
- Lunch will be served.
- If enough interest in attending is received, a van or bus would be used for the trip.



## Former President of Mexico, Vicente Fox to come to the Valley sponsored by Peoria Arizona



- September 12<sup>th</sup>, coming to discuss trade, immigration, labor and relations with Mexico.
- A forum will be led by Cindy McCain on human trafficking.
- Pastor's luncheon – pastors & church leaders will join former President Fox to discuss issues of faith, religion and other influences in connection with our Hispanic communities.
- Press conference
- VIP dinner – Arizona State University West Campus.
- For additional information contact:  
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## Streamline Border Crossing

- CBP noted in the Federal Register that the expanded border zone in New Mexico would **facilitate commerce, trade, and tourism**, while ensuring that sufficient safeguards are in place to prevent illegal entry to the United States.
- When **New Mexico recently extended their border zone**, the New Mexico Senate and House of Representatives passed a resolution in support of extending the border zone, with unanimous and bipartisan support.
- At the peak of the economy, **24 million Mexican visitors came to Arizona and spent \$2.7 billion**.
- In addition, over the last decade, **14% of Mexicans have moved up into Mexico's middle class**, having more discretionary income to spend for travel and tourism.
- It is estimated that **\$1 billion in spending** each year is lost due to the tightening of border regulations.
- The Federal Register indicated that **"this rule will not impose any new costs on the public or on the U.S. Government; and is expected to reduce costs to Mexican visitors, improve security, and benefit commerce in a relatively impoverished region."**





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- **Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the fiscal year 2012**
  - Presented to the MAG Fiscal Services Division by the Government Finance Officers Association
  - 15<sup>th</sup> year in a row MAG has received the award

