



KEEPING ARIZONA SAFE, STRONG AND PROSPEROUS

Protecting Arizona Families

Nothing is more important to Governor Janet Napolitano than the safety of Arizonans, beginning with our children. She asked the Legislature to take steps to dramatically improve the safety of Arizona families and children including:

- Increasing law enforcement's ability to protect families from sex offenders.
- Offering shelter to every victim of domestic violence who asks for it.
- Shutting down the methamphetamine supply chain.

Sex Offenders

There are 11,000 registered sex offenders in Arizona. They have torn families apart and shattered lives – some of their victims may never truly recover. No one should live in fear that they are helpless to stop any one of these predators before he or she strikes again.

The Governor has proposed a package of measures that will give us the ability to electronically track sex offenders. She is also asking the legislature to expand the law to include bigamists and to end the statute of limitations on sex offenders.

Domestic Violence

Far too many Arizonans are victims of domestic violence. Yet two out of three women in Arizona who seek shelter from domestic violence are turned away because there simply are not enough shelter beds available.

Today, Governor Napolitano proposed a four-year, phased-in plan to create 100% of the necessary shelter for domestic violence victims in Arizona. As the Governor put it, "We will take them in, we will make them safe, and we will give them hope."

Meth

The Governor called for a three-part approach to cracking down on the meth supply chain.

- A tougher law, that would provide for the non-prescription decongestant pseudoephedrine – a building-block of meth – to be sold from behind the pharmacy counter statewide. She also called for pseudoephedrine sales to be logged.
- Calling on the Arizona Board of Pharmacy to set up a monitoring system and take additional administrative steps that will allow tracking of sales of non-prescription drugs like pseudoephedrine.
- Enhanced border enforcement to stop the increasing amount of meth imported from Mexico.