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**Solid Growth in Fourth Quarter  
Tribal Gaming Contributions**

PHOENIX – The Arizona Department of Gaming announces that statewide tribal contributions increased for the quarter ending March 31, 2017. Totaling approximately \$24.9 million, this represents a 4.2 percent increase when compared to the same quarter last fiscal year.

“Though we faced a few down quarters, we remained confident that we would see these numbers increase. We hope this is the start of a positive trend,” said Daniel Bergin, Director of the Arizona Department of Gaming.

Tribal contributions provide supplemental funding for Arizona’s schools, trauma and emergency care, tourism, and wildlife conservation efforts. “It’s exciting to know that these tribal contributions can help our state in so many ways,” Bergin added.

The quarterly tribal contributions to the Arizona Benefits Fund will be distributed as follows:

Instructional Improvement Fund/Education:	\$12,483,248
Trauma and Emergency Services Fund:	\$6,241,624
Arizona Department of Gaming operating costs:	\$2,077,951
Arizona Wildlife Conservation Fund:	\$1,783,321
State Tourism Fund:	\$1,783,321
Problem Gambling Education, Treatment and Prevention:	\$497,336

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TOTAL tribal contributions for the quarter ending March 31, 2017: \$24,866,801

The Arizona Department of Gaming, in partnership with Arizona’s tribes, regulates Indian gaming. Under the Arizona Tribal-State Gaming Compact, tribes with casinos contribute one to eight percent of their Class III gross gaming revenue to the state, cities, towns, and counties. In Arizona, Class III gaming includes slot machines, jackpot poker, blackjack, keno and off-track pari-mutuel betting. There are currently 24 Class III casinos in the state. Tribes send contributions to the Arizona Benefits Fund every three months.

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