

# Operation SECURE and the SAFE Initiative - Keeping Arizona Safe and Securing the Border

Governor Hobbs has been consistently outspoken on the need to secure the border and keep Arizona communities safe. But the Governor is also prepared to take action where the federal government won't. Her executive budget prioritizes bringing security and stability along our border through Operation SECURE (Safety, Enforcement, Coordination, & Uniform Response) and combating the fentanyl epidemic with her SAFE (Stopping Arizona's Fentanyl Epidemic) Initiative.

## Governor Hobbs' proposal for the SAFE initiative and Operation SECURE will:

- Combat the fentanyl epidemic
- Strengthen border security
- Ensure essential services are being provided to victims of crime

#### **SAFE Initiative By the Numbers:**

- \$5 million in ongoing funding to the Department of Public Safety's (DPS) Local Border Support specific line item to aid law enforcement agencies to fund drug interdiction efforts in border communities
- \$5 million in one-time funding to the Department of Emergency and Military Affairs (DEMA) to expand existing drug-interdiction efforts under the Counterdrug Task Force to curtail drug trafficking activities throughout the state
- **\$2 million** in one-time funding to the Department of Health Services (DHS) to distribute and equip first responders with naloxone for overdose reversals
- **\$2 million** in one-time funding to the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) to expand access to medication-assisted treatment (MAT) in underserved rural communities
- **\$1 million** in one-time funding to DPS to launch a statewide fentanyl awareness and education campaign in collaboration with DHS, the Governor's Office of Youth, Faith, and Family (GOYFF), the Department of Homeland Security (DOHS), the Department of Transportation (ADOT), and DEMA

### **Operation SECURE By the Numbers:**

• \$1 million to the Department of Homeland Security to monitor border operations, mitigate impacts of mass migration in the State's border communities, and address humanitarian issues

#### What's at stake:

Reducing threats posed by transnational criminal organizations

- Preventing lawlessness and chaos while securing Arizona's southern borer from unlawful crossings, drug smuggling and human trafficking
- Combatting the fentanyl epidemic and helping some of the most vulnerable Arizonans struggling with addiction