



State Fiscal Stabilization Fund Distributions to School Districts and Charter Schools

The Arizona Office of Economic Recovery (OER) initially planned to distribute \$250 million of Federal State Fiscal Stabilization Funds in FY 2009. As part of that process, the Arizona Department of Education (ADE) recently asked Arizona LEAs to submit an application for these funds. Many school districts and charter schools completed that process.

Since that time the OER has received additional federal guidance, along with feedback from LEAs expressing concerns regarding accounting difficulties and cash balance impacts associated with distributing funds in FY 2009. Therefore, the OER has decided to move the \$250 million distribution from FY 2009 to FY 2010. The \$250 million distribution will be included in the total FY 2010 distribution.

The Office of Economic Recovery is still working with the U.S. Department of Education, ADE, and the Legislature to clarify additional points about the application and distribution process. As soon as those points are clarified, OER will publish the FY 2010 funding application, the draw down timeline, and other requirements.

Thank you for your patience in this process. Your continued participation is critical to the successful implementation of the Recovery Act. If you have any questions, please contact John Arnold at jarnold@azsfb.gov or me at japperson@az.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James J. Apperson".

Jim Apperson
Director