

## **Charter School Programs (CSP) – CFDA# 84.282A**

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### **Project Title:**

**Arizona Charter Schools Incentive Program (AZCSIP)**

### **Abstract**

The Arizona Charter Schools Incentive Program (AZCSIP) has three primary objectives:

1. Increase the number of high quality charter schools in Arizona, particularly those serving students most at risk in rural and urban settings;
2. Improve student achievement to high academic standards in AZCSIP schools; and,
3. Improve high school student achievement and graduation rates in AZCSIP schools.

The AZCSIP will provide sub-grants, through a competitive application process, to applicants seeking to implement new high quality charter schools in Arizona. These sub-grants will provide awardees both direct financial support and access to technical assistance over a three-year period (subject to review and renewal, and to the availability of continued federal grant funding) to assist them in planning, program design, and in the initial implementation of their charter school. Access to AZCSIP funding and technical assistance resources coupled with robust outcome performance expectations for student achievement, will lead to a dramatic increase in the number of high quality charter schools in Arizona. Indeed, Arizona, through the AZCSIP, seeks to create **92** new high quality charter schools serving high need students in both rural and urban settings.