

ENTERPRISE ZONE PROGRAM (EZ)

The primary goal of the EZ program is to improve the economies of areas in the state with high poverty or unemployment rates. The program does this by enhancing opportunities for private investment in certain areas that are called enterprise zones. The program offers two types of benefits: income or premium tax credits and property tax reduction. To learn more about this program please go to the Arizona Department of Commerce website at <http://www.azcommerce.com/business/ez%20home%20page.asp>.

INCOME TAX INCENTIVES

Applicant (Who Should Apply): For profit non-retail businesses located in an Arizona Enterprise Zone. [Click for a map of the Surprise Enterprise Zone](#)

Amount Available: Up to \$3,000 of income tax credits per qualified employment position over three years.

Application Receipt Date: Prior to filing tax returns for the year, may be filed retroactively.

Fund Date: End of companies tax year.

Key Elements of Program: Job must be: full-time, pay above the "County Wage Offer" and provide 50% of employee health insurance costs.

Contact Person: Patty Duff (602) 771-1213

Probability of Funding: Excellent, if all criteria are met and maintained.

ENTERPRISE ZONE- PROPERTY TAX

Applicant (Who Should Apply): For profit non-retail businesses located in an Arizona Enterprise Zone. [Click for a map of the Surprise Enterprise Zone](#)

Amount Available: Five-year reclassification of real and personal property for reduced property taxes.

Application Receipt Date: For eligibility determination: any time. For certification: after investment is made.

Fund Date: Tax years following the year investment was made.

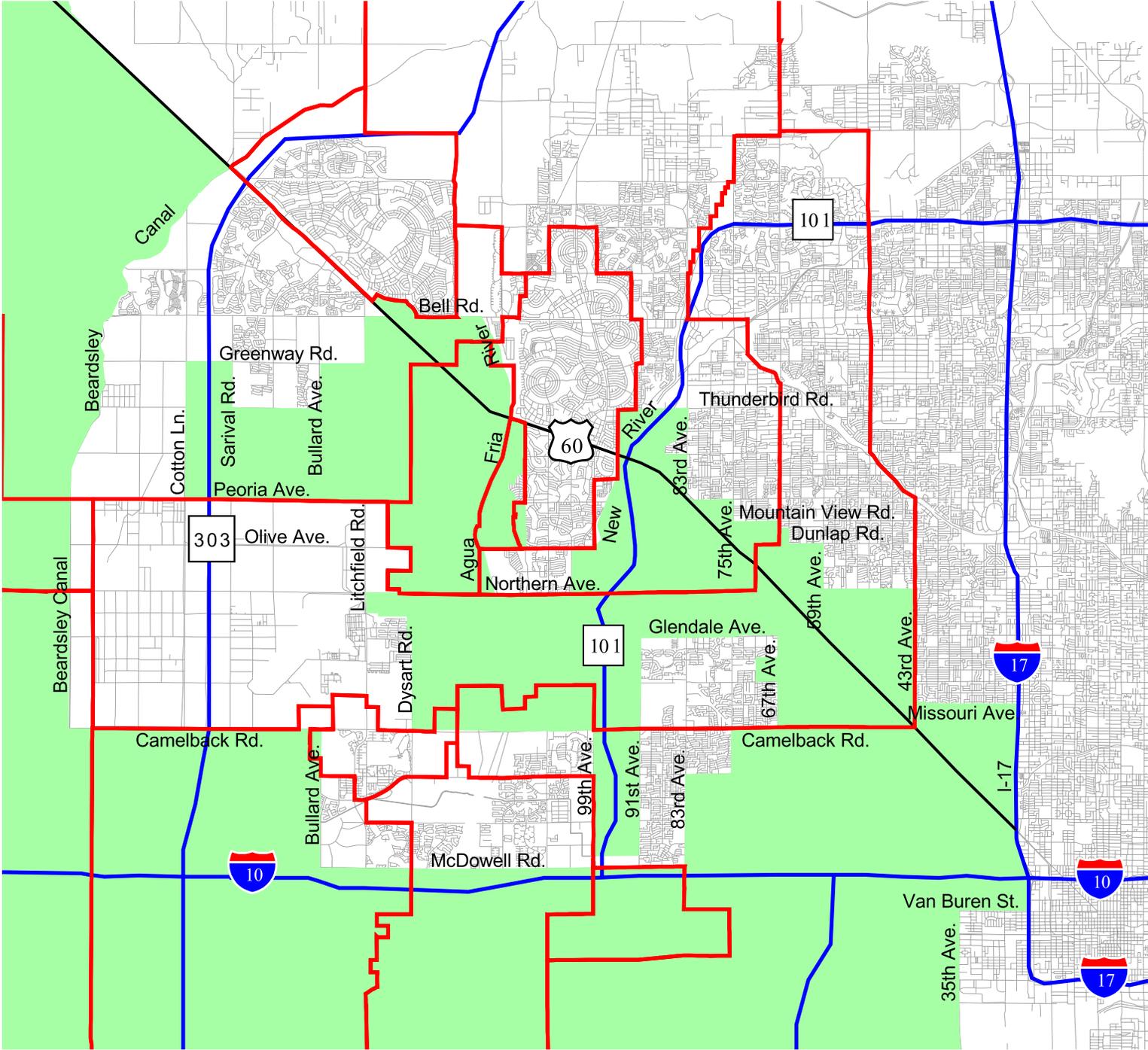
Key Elements of Program: Eligible manufacturers must: make an investment in fixed assets; amount dependent on the location of the facility and must be woman-owned, minority-owned or small and independently owned and operated.

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Probability of Funding: Excellent, if all criteria are met and maintained.



Western Maricopa Enterprise Zone New Proposed Zone - Detail Area #1



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