

TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION

Gaming Enterprise and Desert Diamond Casinos

WHO WE ARE

The Tohono O'odham Nation (Nation) is one of the largest tribes in Arizona, with more than 28,000 enrolled members. Located in Southern Arizona, the Nation has the second largest land base of any tribe in the U.S. (2.8 million acres). The Nation also has 75 miles of the U.S.-Mexico international border adjacent to its lands, making it the only tribe in the U.S. with a major border presence.

GAMING HISTORY

The history of gaming for the Nation dates back thousands of years, but the official start of modern gaming occurred in 1983 with the opening of Papago Bingo. Taking a leadership role in negotiations with the State of Arizona, the Nation opened the first Desert Diamond Casino in 1993. Nearly a decade later, in 2002, the Nation again took a lead role in securing passage of Proposition 202, which established updated guidelines for Indian gaming and ensured that it will continue well into the future.

CASINOS AND AMENITIES

Desert Diamond Casino♦Hotel – As the newest member of the Gaming Enterprise, this facility has taken quality gaming *and* hospitality to a whole new level. It is the first casino and hotel facility in Southern Arizona and is now the largest casino in the entire state. The gaming amenities and technological advances – such as a top-of-the-line air filtration system – are unsurpassed in Arizona.

The new venue has something to offer everyone: the 149-suite hotel offers elegant accommodations; Monsoon, a high-end nightclub, for nights on the town; delectable restaurants; meeting rooms and banquet halls for business and social events. Located conveniently in the Tucson area, the casino and hotel encompass class, fun, and reflects the culture and history of the Tohono O'odham.



The New Desert Diamond Casino♦Hotel

Desert Diamond Casino – Located on I-19 and Pima Mine Road, Desert Diamond Casino was the first facility of the Nation's to offer guests both traditional gaming entertainment and a place to see national performance acts. The Diamond Center, a 2000-seat venue, regularly offers top performers such as Willie Nelson, Jay Leno, BB King and others. The Casino also offers the best in cuisine; the top-rated Agave Restaurant is a staple in the region.

Golden Ha:šañ Casino – An ideal destination for travelers making their way to Organ Pipe National Park or Rocky Point. The Golden Ha:šañ Casino in Why, Arizona offers guests slots, a grill, and a convenient gas station and store.

PROFESSIONAL SPORTS

As Southern Arizona's leading entertainment venue, the Desert Diamond Casino is also internationally recognized for offering world-class boxing. Having worked with the likes of Sugar Ray Leonard and Julio Cesar Chavez, and currently partnering with the "Golden Boy," Oscar De La Hoya, Desert Diamond Casino is internationally recognized for world-class pugilism. Casino fights are regularly showcased to international audiences on HBO, Showtime, ESPN, and Univision, including more than a dozen major world title fights. These events have also resulted in expanding community outreach; for example, boxing legends regularly visit with military men and women at Davis-Monthan and Fort Huachuca Military Bases.

ECONOMIC IMPACTS

Perhaps the only thing better than the entertainment value of the casinos is the positive economic impacts they have for the Nation and the surrounding communities. The Nation's infrastructure has directly benefited through gaming revenue—police departments, health care facilities, and schools on the Nation have all improved as a result. With over 1,400 high quality employment positions, the operation is one of the region's largest employers. When salaries, subcontractors and the purchase of goods and services are combined, the casino injects over \$25 million into Southern Arizona's economy each year.

Other Arizona communities have felt the benefits as well. Hundreds of charitable organizations have received support from the gaming operation, and the Nation has given millions of dollars to governments and non-profits through the 12% grant program, which comes from gaming revenue. More than 100 local governments and community programs have received these grants since 2003.