



## **AMSAF awarded \$10,000 for the Accident Scene Management program.**

August 1, 2024, Peoria, Arizona – The Arizona Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Foundation (AMSAF) announces the award of a \$10,000 grant from the Arizona Governor's Office of Highway Safety (AZGOHS) to help reduce crashes and fatalities at the scene of motor vehicle crashes.

Accident Scene Management (ASM), DBA Road Guardians, is a non-profit organization established in 1996. The mission of the organization is to reduce injuries and fatalities to motorcyclists through first response education. ASM is the largest and most recognized motorcycle trauma training organization in the world. Its specialists teach academic classes to motorcyclists introducing a logical approach to minimizing injuries. Critical skills such as moving the injured, helmet removal, jaw thrust rescue breathing and tourniquet, all are demonstrated and practiced. The most popular class, "A Crash course for the Motorcyclist" is eight hours long. "Advanced Bystander Assistance" is another eight hours and guides the student through advanced skills such as oral airway insertion and

assisting the EMS with extrication but also delves into roadside medical concerns.

“Since the beginning, AMSAF has believed in education,” says **Mick Degn**, executive director for AMSAF. We began with motorcycle training, then helmet use and now accident scene management education. Education, safety, and awareness are part of our mission to help the community.”

The purpose of the novel program is to:

- reduce injuries and fatalities at the scene of motor vehicle crashes.
- reduce rescuer injury at the scene of a crash.
- enhance the effectiveness of the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) by having trained bystanders tend to the injured until professional help arrives.

“We want to thank AZGOHS Director Jesse Torrez for his support for motorcycle safety in Arizona,” says Mick Degn, AMSAF executive director. The applicant is required to fill out an application and donate \$50 to AMSAF, which is tax-deductible. If funds are not available, people will not be able to get into the application process, as it will be closed. This letter will extend a credit for \$150 off the Accident Scene Management Course which includes a Sport Trauma Kit with completed class.

AMSAF's mission is to promote motorcycle safety and awareness and help reduce crashes and fatalities in Arizona. In addition, AMSAF offers safety tips on its Facebook page and wants to help the motorcycle community in other ways financially. For more information, visit [www.amsaf.org/ASM](http://www.amsaf.org/ASM) or call 888.951.3732.

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