



FOP History in Arizona

On January 25, 1934, Tucson Police Officer Frank Eyman was one of several officers who captured John Dillinger in downtown Tucson.

Eyman, who later became Sheriff of Pima County and Warden of the Arizona State Prison in Florence (1955 to 1972), transported Dillinger to Chicago.

While there, he had the opportunity to visit a Fraternal Order of Police Lodge, and returned to Tucson with paperwork to establish the first Arizona FOP Lodge. Tucson Lodge 1, whose members are Tucson PD officers, was established in 1936. Later that same year, the Arizona State Lodge and Phoenix Lodge 2, were also chartered.

Today, Arizona has more than 43 Local and Federal Lodges, representing over 9,000 law enforcement professionals.