

## Seeds of Success

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The Arboretum's mission falls in line perfectly with the goals of the Colorado Plateau Native Plant Program to support healthy landscapes and ecosystems with a focus on plant materials for restoration and reclamation on public lands, and to communicate information on those topics. The Seeds of Success Program specializes in wild-collecting seeds for research and restoration and plant material for genetic research. While using standardized protocols and methods, The Arboretum's collecting team contributes to this effort along the Arizona Strip and the eastern Mohave Desert.

**Seeds of Success (SOS)** is the national native seed collection program, led by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) in partnership with a variety of federal agencies and non-federal organizations. SOS's mission is to collect wildland native seed for research, development, germplasm conservation, and ecosystem restoration.



The long-term conservation outcome of the SOS program is to support BLM's Native Plant Materials Development Program, whose mission is to increase the quality and quantity of native plant materials available for restoring and supporting resilient ecosystems. Healthy ecosystems provide the essential ecological services upon which all life depends, including our own. Native plant communities provide the foundation for fish and wildlife habitat such as the sage grouse.

For more information about the SOS Program, please visit the BLM website: <https://www.blm.gov/programs/natural-resources/native-plant-communities/native-plant-and-seed-material-development/collection>

