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## **SOUTH32 HERMOSA PROJECT AWARDS \$105,500 IN GRANTS TO LOCAL COMMUNITY NONPROFITS**

South32 has announced the names of 14 charitable organizations selected to receive a total of \$105,500 in grants from the company's donor-advised [Hermosa Community Fund](#). The grants ranged from \$2,500 to \$10,000 and supported a broad array of needs and initiatives.

Grantees include OS3 Movement, which applied to receive financial support for their Reptilians Youth Cycling Team (RYCT). This program for middle and high school students provides cycling training and educates young members on the importance of a healthy lifestyle and community involvement. It also emphasizes equity, with a commitment to fostering a community where bicycling is safe, comfortable, and open to all.

Senior Citizens of Patagonia also received a grant, to help upgrade their commercial kitchen to continue meeting state health and safety mandates. Five days a week, this organization serves free lunches to its 175 clients, which include seniors and other people from within the community. "Stainless steel tabletops, cabinets, and work areas will greatly improve our ability to sanitize our kitchen, thereby ensuring the quality of health and wellbeing of the seniors and people whom we serve," said Chuck Kelly, Vice President of Senior Citizens of Patagonia.

The 14 organizations that received grants are:

- OS3 Movement
- Child Health and Resilience Mastery (CHARM)
- Community Homes of Patagonia (CHOP)
- Circles of Peace
- East Santa Cruz Community Food Bank
- Family Health Care Amigos
- Girl Scouts of Southern Arizona
- International Taekwondo Union
- Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest
- Patagonia Creative Arts Association
- Patagonia Regional Aquatics Center
- Patrons of the Arts
- Senior Citizens of Patagonia
- St. Andrew's Preschool and Child Care Center

Since 2019, the Hermosa Community Fund has awarded \$791,950 to nearly 50 different nonprofit organizations. The application period for the next round of grants will open on June 9, 2023. Learn more here: <https://cfsaz.org/grants/south32-grants>.

The South32 Hermosa Community Fund is held by the Community Foundation for Southern Arizona (CFSA) and was established by South32 in May of 2019 to support non-profit groups working to improve education, environment, health and welfare, recreation, civic enhancement,

and arts, culture and history in the county. Grants are awarded following a review of applications by a committee.

To view the most current annual report of giving from the South32 Hermosa Community fund, visit [www.south32hermosa.com/news-resources](http://www.south32hermosa.com/news-resources).

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#### **About the Community Foundation for Southern Arizona**

Since 1980, the Community Foundation for Southern Arizona (CFSA) has been a trusted philanthropic partner helping individuals, families, businesses, and nonprofits work together to create a stronger community. These funding partnerships allow CFSA to improve the quality of life throughout the region by stewarding donor and community resources to create an equitable and vibrant community for all Southern Arizonans. To date, CFSA has awarded over \$200 million in grants and scholarships to nonprofits.

#### **About South32**

South32 is a globally diversified mining and metals company. We produce bauxite, alumina, aluminium, energy and metallurgical coal, manganese, nickel, silver, lead and zinc at our operations in Australia, Southern Africa and South America. Our purpose is to make a difference by developing natural resources, improving people's lives now and for generations to come, and to be trusted by our owners and partners to realise the potential of their resources.

#### **About the South32 Hermosa Project**

Located in a historic mining district in the Patagonia Mountains of Southern Arizona, South32's Hermosa Project is currently the only advanced mine development project in the United States that could produce two federally designated critical minerals—manganese and zinc—both of which are essential minerals for powering the nation's clean energy future. Learn more at [www.south32hermosa.com](http://www.south32hermosa.com).

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