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# SOUTH32 AWARDS \$87,000 IN GRANTS TO LOCAL NONPROFITS IN SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

South32 today announced the names of a dozen charitable organizations selected to receive a total of \$87,000 in grants during the current cycle of the company's Hermosa Community Fund:

- 0S3 Movement
- Appleton-Whittell Research Ranch of the National Audubon Society
- Contruyendo Circulos de Paz
- KPUP-LP
- Los Charros Foundation
- Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest
- Patagonia Volunteer Fire and Rescue
- Rebuilding Together Santa Cruz County
- Senior Citizens of Patagonia
- St. Andrews Preschool
- Tubac Center for the Arts
- United Way of Santa Cruz County

The grant selection committee elected to increase the level of giving for this cycle, noting a marked uptick in applicants, especially those with COVID-related financial needs. Many of the applicant organizations either provide direct COVID relief through essential services such as meal programs, while many others sought help with basic operational costs after being unable to hold key fundraising events due to COVID precautions.

The application period for the next round of grants will open on June 7, 2021.

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 comprising independent reviewers, the CFSA, and representatives from South32.

To learn more about the fund, visit www.cfsaz.org/south32. To view the most current annual report of giving from the fund, visit www.south32.net/hermosa/documents.

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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. We are also the owner of the Hermosa Project a high-grade zinc, lead and silver development option, and have several partnerships with junior explorers with a focus on base metals. 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.

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