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SOUTH32 WORKS WITH COUNTY TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL \$50K IN COVID-19 RELIEF TO NONPROFITS

Following consultation with Santa Cruz County officials, South32 announced today that the company will provide \$50,000 in additional COVID-19 relief funds to area non-profits starting this month.

As with the company's previous donation of \$50,000 for COVID-19 relief when the pandemic first hit, these additional grant funds will be administered by the Community Foundation for Southern Arizona (CFSA) through the foundation's current COVID-19 grant program. The grants will be limited to organizations operating in Santa Cruz County and will provide a variety of benefits to citizens in need, from meals to rental assistance.

This investment was guided by a memorandum of understanding (MOU) signed in November 2020 between South32 and the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors. The memorandum outlined a joint commitment to communicate and collaborate on key items like community investment.

"Consulting with the county on community investment was one of the first things we did following the MOU signing," said Pat Risner, president of the South32 Hermosa Project. "We're working to understand the best way to help the region through this fatiguing time when the pandemic is still weighing heavily on so many. A top priority for the county is to help those who are at risk of having their most basic needs go unmet as mission-critical organizations that provide care and support to these people are now themselves hurting. Our donation is intended to help those organizations continue their essential work."

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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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