

NEWSLETTER SPRING 2022



MEET OUR Board of Directors

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2022 GRANT RECIPIENTS \$250,000 DONATED

Learn more about each of our grantees at https://stoneccf.org/news-and-reports/grant-report/

Arizona Friends of Foster Children Foundation (4) www.affcf.org

Aviva Children's Services (2) www.avivatucson.org

Big Brothers/Big Sisters (11) www.soazbigs.org

Casa de los Ninos (3) www.casadelosninos.org

El Grupo Youth Cycling (10) www.elgrupocycling.org

Higher Ground (12) www.higherground.me

Imago Dei Middle School (11) www.imagodeischool.org

Interfaith Community Services (2) icstucson.org

WELCOME NEW BOARD MEMBERS

We're happy to welcome five new board members - David Button, Michelle Martin, Will Martin, Kay Reeves and Paul Snyder Junior Achievement (11) www.jaaz.org

Literacy Connects (10) www.literacyconnects.org

Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest (1) www.lss-sw.org

Make Way for Books (14) www.makewayforbooks.org

Painted Sky PTO – Thunderbird Resource Center (9) www.amphi.com/Domain/1213

Project Access Inc. (1) www.project-access.org

San Miguel High School (11) www.sanmiguelcristorey.org

So. AZ Association for the Visually Impaired (SAAVI) (8) www.saavi.us

So. AZ Research, Science and Engineering Foundation (SARSEF) (4) www.sarsef.org

Student Expedition Program (STEP) (5) www.stepexpedition.org

Youth on Their Own (14) www.yoto.org

(#) Years of SCCF Support

OUR 2020-2021 ANNUAL REPORT

Click on this link <u>HERE</u> to read the recently published report or visit: https://stoneccf.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/sccf-annual-report-april-2021.pdf

*Executive Committee Members

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GRANT RECIPIENT SPOTLIGHT

A reoccurring article, highlighting Stone Canyon Community Foundation's grant recipients, their purpose and impact on Tucson's at-risk youth.

Organization: Junior Achievement of Arizona, Pueblo High School

Purpose: To prepare Pueblo High School students for the workforce while motivating them to graduate from high school, minimize dropout rates and maximize lifelong financial security.

Junior Achievement gives students the knowledge and skills needed to manage their money, plan for their future, and make smart academic, career, and economic choices.

The Junior Achievement program in Pueblo High School includes:

- The Inspire Program serves 300 students in classroom handson experience in:
 - Resume writing
 - Interviewing
 - Networking
 - Workplace communication
- Inspire Career Exploration Event includes:
 - 100+ Arizona companies
 - Virtual and live employee interaction
- The Stock Market Challenge includes100 students and offers education in Stock market trading and investing
 - NYSE simulation virtual event, including live simulation of portfolio building and management and competition among AZ students

Goals for Pueblo High School's Junior Achievement program include:

- 85% of participating students will demonstrate increased knowledge of work readiness skills and/or financial literacy
- 85% of teacher, volunteer and student evaluations will indicate the programming is effective
- 95% of participating students will graduate high school

To learn more about Junior Achievement and the Pueblo High School Program, check out their website: **www.jaaz.org**

Student Testomonials:

"I was able to see what I could do in the future, because I had nothing in mind before today."

"My favorite part was being able to see jobs that I might be able to do in the future. I also think it is a very fun program and I will keep looking at jobs."







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STONE CANYON Community Foundation events



Snake Expert February 9, 2022

Matt Goode, Research Scientist, Wildlife Conservation Management, University of Arizona educated a crowd of over 75 members on his 20+ year study of reptiles and lizards in Stone Canyon. During the course of his study, he's radio tracked 100 Tiger Rattlesnakes that have been located nearly 10,000 times. Over 4,500 snakes belonging to 21 species have been identified in Stone Canyon, our canyon is one of the most diverse snake communities in the Sonoran Desert.

We also heard from Stone Canyon resident, Diane Kawashima. Diane shared her personal experience of getting bitten by a rattlesnake.

SAX ON THE LAWN MARCH 16, 2022

We enjoyed a beautiful Stone Canyon evening, relaxing on the event lawn and listening to Chris Bickley, Saxophonist.

Chris Bickley, first performed at Stone Canyon in 2019 and made a much appreciated second appearance this year. Throughout Chris's career, he performed with many renowned jazz and pop artists – Aretha Franklin, Linda Ronstadt, Kenny Rogers, Woody Herman, Mel Torme and Herbie Hancock to name a few.

Thank you to all who attended and for items or financial support donated to Reunion House Shelter, a foundation grantee.





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MESSAGE FROM OUR CO-CHAIRS

"Why should I donate to the Stone Canyon Community Foundation?" We're often asked this question. Here are three good reasons to donate:

- You can change lives. Stone Canyon Community Foundation (SCCF) grants support non-profits focusing on literacy, homelessness, mentoring, leadership development and college preparedness giving kids in need a chance for a better life.
- We do the work. The SCCF Grant Approval Process is the "heart" of the Foundation. Every year, SCCF receives more requests than it can fund. Proposals for grants are reviewed to be sure they meet the SCCF Mission, are financially stable and critical needs are being addressed. The selection process includes research and site visits. Repeat applicants need to show the effectiveness of the previous year's grants. Annual grant recommendations are approved by the SCCF Board.
- **Together we can make significant impact.** All donations are valuable and are combined to provide grants of \$5,000, \$15,000 or more. Our donations enable non-profits to support programs that would have gone unfunded.

SCCF's Grants Committee consists of 10-12 Stone Canyon members. The committee is dedicated to ensuring your donations go to agencies with the greatest need. You can be assured SCCF takes its fiduciary responsibility very seriously.

As always, we are grateful for your support – Tom and Cathy

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

SEPTEMBER 2022 ANNUAL APPEAL

OCTOBER 2021- 2022 ANNUAL REPORT

Our Grantees thank you for your continued support!

El Grupo Youth Cycling is just one of our 19 Grantees.

