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## Freeport-McMoRan Foundation Announces 2022 Bisbee Social Investment Grant Recipients

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PHOENIX, AZ, December 21, 2022 — Freeport-McMoRan is pleased to announce the Freeport-McMoRan Foundation has awarded nearly \$2.9 million to 41 projects in Arizona, Colorado and New Mexico through our Community Investment Fund, including \$150,000 in Bisbee.

Recipient organizations will receive their monetary awards and be recognized by Freeport-McMoRan during grant presentations this winter.

“The Freeport-McMoRan Foundation aims to provide resources, of which funding is only one part, to support communities and organizations as they focus on actions they can take to build resilience and the range of skills that may be needed to respond to opportunities and challenges,” said Tracy Bame, President, Freeport-McMoRan Foundation.

The Freeport-McMoRan Foundation works to create a funding process that supports applicants and encourages them to think about the impact that will come from an investment in their work. This moves beyond reporting on outputs, but rather thinking through what change can occur from the work that will be done.

“Throughout 2022, we continued conversations with community stakeholders and partner organizations about the path to increasing resilience in their local communities. While the unknowns of a post-COVID reality persisted as an ongoing threat to resilience, partners also explored other topics that have and will affect their future well-being, such as the energy transition and climate change, mine transitions, economic diversification, and the changing future of work,” Bame said.

Since 2012, more than \$1.2 million has been invested through the Freeport-McMoRan Foundation in the Bisbee area. The funds have been awarded to programs and projects that build community resilience and capacity. In 2022, \$150,000 was awarded to the following grant recipients:

**Bisbee Science Exploration and Research Center**

***Mobile Lab Project – \$25,000***

The Mobile Lab will make hands-on STEM learning available to students and adults who otherwise would not have a chance to explore the world of opportunities that STEM makes available to them.

**City of Douglas**

***Cochise Connection – \$60,000***

By providing transportation opportunities, Cochise Connection will allow individuals to access resources such as educational and workforce training as well as travel for employment opportunities.

**Copper Queen Community Hospital Foundation**

***3D Mammography Unit – \$65,000***

By having a modern, three-dimensional mammography unit available in Bisbee, the hospital will be able to provide preventive health-care screening in the community, thus avoiding the need for residents to travel to and spend money in other communities.

For more information about Freeport-McMoRan community investments and programs, please contact Rita Lloyd-Mills at [rlloydmi@fmi.com](mailto:rlloydmi@fmi.com) or visit [FreeportInMyCommunity.com](http://FreeportInMyCommunity.com).

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