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Social Venture Partners Arizona Announces \$195,000 in Nonprofit Investments

Over \$3 Million Invested in 35 Organizations

(May 21, 2009, Phoenix, AZ) Social Venture Partners Arizona (SVP AZ) has announced its most recent nonprofit investments. Since its formation in 1999, the Social Venture Partners Arizona has contributed more than \$3 million in grant investments to 35 nonprofit organizations. New investments include:

- **\$25,000 to Si Se Puede Foundation** – The youth based foundation utilizes three components for out of school time youth development: service, educational programming, and recreational activities for youth. The organization focuses on school and community risk factors that cause delinquency and gang affiliation, negative behaviors in youth and detachment of family, school and community relationships. www.sisepuede.cc/
- **\$25,000 to Arizona Foundation for Resource Education**—organization that equips K-12 teachers with the tools to deepen students' understanding and improve academic achievement in the area of mathematics, technology and environmental sciences, and helps them become critical thinkers and creative problem solvers of the future. www.afre.org

Continuing investments include:

- **\$40,000 to Phoenix Day** a nonprofit that provides high quality early education and social service programs to the working poor, to provide an innovative, yearlong nutrition and fitness program to promote a healthy lifestyle and prevent childhood obesity. www.phoenixday.org
- **\$40,000 to New Global Citizens** for organizational capacity; New Global Citizens educates, empowers and invests in young people with a purpose to change their world. www.newglobalcitizens.org
- **\$40,000 to Communities in Schools Arizona** for organizational support. CISA champions the connection of needed community resources with schools to help young people successfully learn, stay in school and prepare for life. www.cisarizona.org
- **\$25,000 to Rodel Exemplary Principal Program**—This initiative recognizes the success of Arizona's most exceptional principals and trains the next generation of school leaders. www.rodelfoundationaz.org

Social Ventures Partners Arizona (SVP AZ) is an entrepreneurial approach to philanthropy. It offers partners an innovative way to give of their time and talents, as well as donate funds to non-profit organizations focusing on children and education. The "partners" who join SVP AZ operate like venture capitalists, providing infrastructure-building skills and resources to promising non-profit organizations. www.svpaz.org

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