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## Non-Profit Economic Viability Summit

*The Santa Cruz Community Foundation hosts an Economic Summit  
for area non-profits, January 27, 2009*

Nogales, AZ – Santa Cruz County, like communities nationwide, faces an historic economic crisis, the consequences of which are rapidly reducing the funds available to the local agencies that meet the educational, social service and healthcare needs of the most vulnerable segments of the citizens of Santa Cruz County. At the same time, because of the crisis, these agencies are facing an unprecedented increase in the need for their services.

To address these critical issues, the Santa Cruz Community Foundation (SCCF), an affiliate of the Community Foundation for Southern Arizona, will hold an **Economic Summit on the future of Nonprofit Organizations (NPOs) in Santa Cruz County** on January 27, 2009 from 3pm – 5pm at Cochise College in Nogales, AZ.

The summit will focus on the impact the current economic crisis has had on non-profits and will provide a forum for local agencies to address their concerns and identify short and long term solutions. The results of a recent survey on the economic status of NPOs in the southern Arizona region will be shared and discussed. Because of its special relationship with FESAC, a foundation in Nogales Sonora, SCCF will focus not only on inter-organizational, but also cross border collaboration solutions.

During the Summit, SCCF will announce its grant cycle, which this year will be based on the ***Santa Cruz Non-Profit Economic Relief Fund***, a fund designated by SCCF to encourage innovative new approaches to address non-profit survivability, resource development and capacity building.

For more information about the Summit, please contact the Foundation at (520) 761-4531 or [kmason@cfsoaz.org](mailto:kmason@cfsoaz.org). Cochise College Nogales is located in the historic old Courthouse, 21 East Court Street, Nogales, AZ.

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*The Santa Cruz Community Foundation (SCCF) promotes philanthropy and assists with in the creation of a healthier, more productive community for residents of Santa Cruz County and Nogales, Sonora, Mexico. SCCF is an affiliate of the Community Foundation for Southern Arizona, a public organization with nearly \$118 million in assets. For more information contact Kari Davies-Mason at [kmason@cfsoaz.org](mailto:kmason@cfsoaz.org) or (520) 761-4531, or visit [www.sccfaz.org](http://www.sccfaz.org).*