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FC Tucson to receive Common Ground Award of Distinction, credits Pima County, other partners

FC Tucson will receive the Metropolitan Pima Alliance's Common Ground Award of Distinction on Friday, Dec. 6, for its successful collaboration for the overall benefit of the community.



The Pima County Board of Supervisors, Administration and Stadium District top FC Tucson's "long list of collaborators responsible for helping to bring Major League Soccer Preseason to Tucson and for the renovation to Kino Sports Complex North, which included an additional practice soccer field and a brand new soccer stadium."

According to the Metropolitan Pima Alliance (MPA), "The success FC Tucson has had in such a relatively short time is largely attributed to the extensive collaboration the group has had with the business

community, Pima County and local residents."

In addition to Pima County converting five baseball fields at Kino Sports Complex north of Ajo Way into six soccer fields and adding a 1,800-seat grandstand to one of them to create the North Stadium, the Pima County Board of Supervisors voted to allocate up to \$280,000 from its contingency fund to attract Major League Soccer teams to a preseason training camp at Kino Sports Complex in 2014.

Metropolitan Pima Alliance is an alliance of business, government and nonprofit organizations dedicated to advocating responsible development in the Pima County metropolitan area and furthering the interests of the real estate and development industry through education, public policy advocacy and networking.

FC Tucson, established in 2010, is committed to bringing the highest caliber of competitive soccer to Tucson and establishing a successful and long-lasting source of pride for city, county, state and country. FC Tucson owns FC Tucson Soccer, Tucson's top-level soccer team and the FC Tucson Desert Diamond Cup, a Major League Soccer preseason tournament. In 2012, FC Tucson was named the PDL Rookie Franchise of the Year. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit www.fctucson.com.

Kino Sports Complex is the largest venue in Pima County for youth, amateur and professional sports, concerts, and community events. The fields of this 155-acre natural grass complex can be adjusted for various sports and uses including baseball, soccer, football, and lacrosse. The south baseball complex includes the 11,000-seat Kino Veterans Memorial Stadium, seven full-size fields, three clubhouses and parking. The north soccer complex includes the 2,300-seat North Stadium, which is home to the FC Tucson soccer club, a 1,000-seat North Grandstand field, four additional fields, and a clubhouse with parking. To learn more or schedule an event, go to www.kinosportscomplex.com or call (520) 546-5466.