FRIENDS OF THE SONORAN DESERT
STUDENT GRANT PROGRAM

FRIENDS OF THE SONORAN DESERT (FSD) is pleased to announce our new student grant program. Grants will be awarded to students for proposals that will increase our understanding of the Sonoran Desert ecosystem and facilitate our mission to protect and conserve the Sonoran Desert throughout its range.

Qualified applicants include advanced undergraduate students and graduate students enrolled in Arizona universities. In 2020 two awards will be made of $500 each.

Criteria used to evaluate applications:
1. Overall quality of the proposed project
2. Match of the proposal with FSD ongoing programs (see the FSD website: https://www.friendsofthesonorandesert.org)
   The proposed project can be a part of a larger student-driven project (honors thesis; MS thesis; etc.). Applicants should make clear how FSD funds will advance the completion of their project.

Applications must include:
1. Title of project
2. 500 word summary of proposed project
3. Project budget and brief justification
4. Name and contact information of two references, including the student’s academic supervisor

Application form available at: https://www.friendsofthesonorandesert.org/student-grantprogram

Grant Program Timeline:
Call for proposals: 1 February 2020
Deadline for proposal submission: 20 March 2020
Award notification: 13 April 2020
Final report due: 1 December 2020

Final Report
Grant recipients will submit a final project report and 3 high-quality images (JPEGs) with permission for FSD to use these photos to promote their work: one image will be of the student investigator, preferably in the field (required); and two from the following list, as applicable: the species being studied; the habitat in which the study was conducted; workshop; product produced; etc.

Mail completed grant application to:
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