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SCF Arizona Presents Trend Homes a Sentinel Award

SCF Arizona presented Gilbert-based Trend Homes of Arizona its Sentinel Award to recognize the company's management and employees for showing a commitment to workplace safety.

Trend Homes of Arizona, 890 W. Elliot Road, received the award, April 10, from SCF Arizona's Vice President, Legal, Jim Stabler.

SCF, the state's largest provider of workers' compensation insurance, honored the home builder for its "strong and effective safety programs and training designed to keep its employees safe on the job."

Trend Homes is a privately owned home building company. The company, founded more than 40 years ago in Salt Lake City, moved to the Phoenix area in 1989. As the company grew, a second generation of family members brought new insights and energy to it.

While the company's success is based on its building design and construction quality, Vice President of Production Larry Donnefield says, "Quality and safety are equal partners in our company. Safety is important, and in this marketplace, when you are unsafe, you lose valuable time. That's why our guys take safety so seriously and why we are so delighted to be recognized for our efforts to be safe."

In presenting the award, Stabler cited Trend Homes for its written safety program, which includes training and job site inspections, a staff safety manager and membership in an SCF Arizona Association Safety Program.

Trend Homes' safety record also shows great results. The company's loss ratio during the past three consecutive policy periods is a low 3.6 percent. A loss ratio is the percentage of losses to premiums paid.

Arizona companies qualify for a Sentinel Award if they work with their employees to develop a culture of safety in their workplace, rank among SCF Arizona's Top 100 policyholders, have a positive working relationship with SCF, maintain a loss ratio under 40 percent and record no fatalities during the policy year.