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## Si Se Puede Foundation's Degrees of Freedom Robotics Team Wins Top Honors at Arizona East *FIRST* Robotics Competition Regional!

*Chandler-based community team earns a spot at FIRST Robotics World Championship!*

**Dateline: March 19, 2023** - Degrees of Freedom (DoF) is a robotics team based out of the Si Se Puede Foundation STEM Center located in Chandler, AZ. The community team is composed of students from 6 different local schools in the Chandler area. The AZ East Regional this past weekend was their first competition of the season. There they competed with 36 other teams from around the world including teams from as far as Taiwan and the Netherlands. DoF placed 8th after a day and half of qualification matches and made it to the elimination rounds as an alliance captain before being eliminated. DoF also earned the most coveted award of the competition, the Impact Award, an honor given to the team that best exemplifies the core values of FIRST Robotics, including its impact on the community. Winning the Impact Award earns the team a trip to the FIRST World Championship in Houston, TX on April 19-22. There they will compete with 100s of other qualifying teams from around the world. Here are the rest of the [AZ East Regional Results](#). For anyone wanting to donate to help the team raise funds for their trip to the World Championships it can be done [here](#). Thanks in advance!

### Background:

- Degrees of Freedom is a FIRST team organized by the nonprofit **Si Se Puede Foundation, (SSPF)**. [www.sisepuedefoundation.org](http://www.sisepuedefoundation.org)
- In addition to SSPF support, the team is sponsored by **General Motors, Raytheon, ChemResearch Corp., and Full Speed Media**
- **SSPF STEM Center** is located at 3225 N. Washington St. Chandler, AZ, 85225.
- DOF social media links: [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [YouTube](#)
- The competitions are organized and run by **FIRST, For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology** [FIRST](#)

