Local Office Community Investment Highlights

MINING AND MINERAL EDUCATION



Denver Museum of Nature & Science

Royal Gold pledged \$1 million in 2024 (over the next five years) to support the revitalization of the Gems and Minerals Hall at the Denver Museum of Nature & Science (DMNS). Specifically, Royal Gold is sponsoring the Gold Room.

DMNS, established in 1908, is a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit municipal natural history and science museum in Denver, Colorado. The museum is accredited by the American Alliance of Museums and is a Smithsonian Institution affiliate. In 2022, DMNS received 1.2 million visitors and was the fourth most-visited U.S. museum of nature and science.



DMNS plans to expand and reimagine its Gems and Minerals Hall, slated to open in 2026. This monumental undertaking will cost an estimated \$26 million over approximately four years and will increase the size of the hall by 50%.

The reimagined Gems and Minerals Hall promises to provide an experiential educational opportunity unlike any other, displaying the museum's fascinating and priceless collections while offering hands-on activities that demonstrate the critical role that minerals play in our daily lives.

Royal Gold believes that educating stakeholders on the critical role that minerals play in our daily lives and the explanation of modern mining to the broader public is vitally important to our business and the mining industry at large.

SDG 4 Quality Education:

Research has shown that informal learning opportunities such as those offered at museums have a

tremendous impact on lifelong science literacy. A 2014 international study found a positive correlation between visits to museums and science centers and scientific literacy; this correlation becomes stronger with increased frequency and recency. Moreover, improvements in knowledge, interest, engagement and confidence in science and technology endure for many years after a museum experience.

The revitalized Gem and Mineral exhibit aims to inspire guests to have a newfound appreciation for the critical role that minerals play.

"It is an honor to receive Royal Gold's financial support for the revitalization of the Gems and Minerals Hall, specifically the Gold Room. Royal Gold's donation is a reflection of our partnership with the state of Colorado, the mining community and beyond. The exhibit reflects both Royal Gold's and DMNS's commitment to mineral education, discovery and inspiring future generations."

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