



Phoenix, Arizona: SC del Sol and East Valley NSFC announce a strategic alliance effective immediately.

The Vision: Both soccer clubs are leaders in their respective communities and aim to establish a mutual, standards-driven approach that creates numerous elite pathways for all players and coaches. Via collaboration and shared responsibilities, the clubs aim to improve the playing environment for every player in both organizations. This alliance creates pathways for East Valley NSFC players to access SC del Sol's GAL, DPL, MLS Next, and Elite 64 programs. The goal is to optimize the development of all players, coaches, and technical leadership resulting in improved everyday environments for both clubs.

East Valley NSFC Director, Walid Kaakoush: "As a club, we are delighted to have affiliated with SC del Sol and provide our players with access to the most exclusive player pathways in the U.S. SC del Sol is an extremely well run, professional club and is one of the most successful, forward-thinking clubs in the country. Our previous dealings with the staff and players at SC del Sol, give us great confidence that this affiliation will be very successful for both parties. At East Valley NSFC we are constantly striving to provide our players with the best training and playing opportunities possible and this type of relationship is another example of how committed we are to furthering soccer in the east valley.

SC del Sol Director of Coaching, Pete Leebrook: "We are delighted to have East Valley NSFC officially supporting our elite-level programs. This will be a mutually beneficial partnership that will serve to strengthen both clubs and both sets of players. We have always had a great relationship with East Valley NSFC and this agreement serves to cement that relationship even more."

About East Valley NSFC: East Valley NSFC is based in the Mesa, Gilbert, and Chandler areas of the east valley. Since its inception in 2016, the club has grown to 42 competitive teams, 1100 players, and 43 coaches. East Valley NSFC believes in quality without compromise and welcomes all players and all abilities from all backgrounds.

About SC del Sol: SC del Sol is based in the north Phoenix, and Scottsdale areas. The club is home to 45 teams and has a full-time staff of 15 professional coaches. Its girls' program was one of the inaugural members of the U.S. Soccer Girls' D.A. program. Its boys' program is one of the founding members of the MLS Next and Elite 64 programs. From the Mini-Kickers program for the 3 and 4-year-olds to the academy and competitive programs, all players follow a developmentally appropriate curriculum that is structured to meet the needs of all players.