

Tempe Company Announces Expansion

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Congrats to Refresh Glass! The Tempe-based company, that uses wine bottles from landfills and turns them into functional art, announced plans for a major expansion. The company will triple in size in the next 12 months after a recent infusion of funding from MAC6, a local conscious capitalism incubator. One of the company's first upgrades is a move to a new 38,000-sq.-ft. Tempe co-op manufacturing facility, where it will occupy 6,000-sq.-ft. of the mixed-use commercial space. Another change, the company plans to expand from seven employees to 20 within a year.

The company was founded in 2008, when it operated out of founder Ray DeMuro's garage. Today, it sells its artist glassware, candles, light fixtures and other items through major retailers like Dillard's and Amazon. Refresh Glass also boasts hospitality clients (like Wolfgang Puck and Four Seasons) for use in hotels and restaurants.