Fall/Winter 2013 News

Holiday Children's Gift Program underway at Bienvenidos Outreach

This year's Children's Gift Program is well underway with over 300 children already signed up in the program.

Each child will receive 2 gifts—1 of clothing and 1 of toys. Families who use Bienvenidos Outreach's services may sign up their children ages 12 and under to participate in the program.

Church groups, Girl Scout Troops, Social Clubs, employees of City and State agencies, and many local companies come together each year and provide our children with gifts from the children's wish list which we provide to these generous donors. Last year, an all-time high of 435 children received gifts from this program.

Since 2008, City and State employees have brought Santa over to Bienvenidos Outreach to give out the gifts to their adopted group of children. Thanks to the Santa Fe County Fire Department, who provides Santa with a ride to our office, the children get to speak with Santa, get their gifts and enjoy cookies and a hot beverage. The children also enjoy talking to the firemen, EMTs, and checking out the fire engines.

Programs like this one are only possible with the generous donations, both in-kind and monetary, that our amazing donors send to us. As we've said before, we couldn't do it without you!



(photo above) Santa arriving at Bienvenidos Outreach courtesy of the Santa Fe Fire Department.

Bienvenidos Outreach, Inc. A Food Pantry

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In Memory of:

- Faye Brown
- Robert Heppleston
- The Gluck, Ehrlich & Jacobovitz Family
- Ginger Encinias

Donations were given to Bienvenidos Outreach to honor these fine people.



So Far in FY2013-2014, we have: (as of 11/6/13)

New Applications	372
Boxes Given Out	6366
Lunches Handed Out	7002
Visits to clothing room	3749
Volunteer hours do- nated	4603
Number of seniors served	599
Number of children served	1440

New Board Members Wanted

In the past year we have said good bye to two board members, Mike Mier and Tina Olson. Mike and Tina, thank you for all the years of service you have given to us as board members of Bienvenidos Outreach. We are now in the process of adding new members to the Board and invite our donors who would like to participate in the process of making Bienvenidos Outreach the best it can be, to inquire about becoming a board member. To find out more, please send an email or call us (contact info on page 2) and we will put you in touch with a board member who can answer any questions you may have about serving on our board.

Corporate Sponsor Banner makes its debut at CommUnity Day

This past May, we received our new Corporate Sponsor banner just in time for CommUnity Day on the Plaza. When not in use at community events, the banner stands proudly in our front lobby for all our clients and visiting donors to see. By the end of this fiscal year, we will be adding another banner featuring more corporate sponsors, foundations, and other institutions that have supported us over the years. The first banner features Keller-Williams Realty, Pepsi, Acoma Optical, Ranchline All Natural, The Old Windmill Dairy, Natural Grocers, Trader Joes, Starbucks, and Air Conditioning and Service Com**pany.** All these companies have given Bienvenidos Outreach help through grants, donations, donor drives, and volunteering. To all of them, we thank you for your generosity to us and applaud your outstanding contributions to help combat poverty. We are always looking for new corporate sponsors, so if you have a company or know of a company that would like to be part of our family, please contact us at 505-986 -0583 for more information.



New sign with names of major corporate donors. Please support these companies!

Volunteer Opportunities at Bienvenidos Outreach

Volunteers are the lifeblood of our pantry. Without these dedicated hardworking people, we simply wouldn't be able to help as many people as we do.

Interested in becoming a volunteer? We are open for volunteer work Mondays from 9:00am-1:30pm and Tuesdays –Thursdays from 9:00am-2:30pm. Any amount of time a person can give is appreciated. Help is needed in preparing boxes, storing food, preparing lunch bags and keeping our clothing room stocked. We are also looking for

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Some of our Tuesday volunteers working on food box prep. (left to right): Robert DeLeon, Yolanda Brunett, Ray Romero, Jeanne Flannery, Steve Martinez & Steven Swoverland.

someone to learn how to do client intake, which includes registering client visits and taking in new applications. There are also some limited opportunities on weekends for volunteers to pick up food from the markets around town and deliver it to our pantry.

Should you decide to volunteer, it does help us if you call ahead and let us know when you are coming in. You can call at the number listed below and ask for Mary Lee, or email her at bienvenidos6@qwestoffice.net.

Our volunteers come from all walks of life and are wonderful people to know. Come join us!

