

Fall/Winter 2015 News

Spotlight on: Verde Juice—Giving Back To The Community

**Bienvenidos Outreach, Inc.
A Food Pantry**

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In October, Bienvenidos Outreach was pleased to learn that we would be the recipients of the Santa Fe-based Verde Juice Company's Tips for Charity Program. From now until the end of the year, all tips received will benefit our Smart Breakfasts=Smart Kids program.

Opening in November of 2014 at their main location (851 San Mateo), Verde Juice offers cold-pressed juices made from the finest produce which, for the most part, is purchased locally. Some of their farmers are also part of our Eldorado Farmers' Market!

Juices and some very tasty snack products can be purchased in-store or delivered. The staff is knowledgeable and can

help you pick just the right juices to suit your lifestyle.

We also commend Verde Juice for being a zero waste business. Verde is committed to reducing the harmful effects of waste on our community and our environment. Reusing glass bottles, recycling their cardboard and plastic, and composting their waste help them make that commitment a reality.

The staff and volunteers of Bienvenidos Outreach encourage our donors to stop by Verde Juice and try out some of their great juices and snacks. Gift cards are available and would make a wonderful gift for anyone on



(photo above left to right) Verde Juice owner Kelly Egolf and staff members pose with the tip jar as they start to take donations for Bienvenidos Outreach.

Visit www.verdejuice.com for more information.

your shopping list. And please, thank the staff for their generosity to us!



Update on Amazon Shoppers: Make Your Purchases Count For Bienvenidos — More Donors Helping Us (back by popular demand, here is the info on Amazon Smile which was featured in our previous newsletter)

Thank you to everyone who has already joined AmazonSmile to support us in our mission to alleviate hunger in New Mexico. For those who have not had a chance to sign up, it is really quite simple and does **NOT** cost

you anything. Once a person or business signs up with AmazonSmile and designates Bienvenidos Outreach, Inc. as the charitable recipient, Amazon donates 1/2 of 1% of all purchases to Bienvenidos. The key to the

success of the program is encouraging as many people as possible to sign up.

On the next page is a simple cheat sheet to help you log on to the site. We hope you find it helpful.

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FY2014-2015 Totals: (year ending June 30, 2015)

<i>New applications</i>	663
<i>Boxes given out</i>	15,921
<i>Lunches handed out</i>	15,303
<i>Visits to clothing room</i>	7,980
<i>Volunteer hours donated</i>	16,427
<i>Number of seniors served</i>	619
<i>Number of children served</i>	1505

Update on Amazon Shoppers: Make Your Purchases Count For Bienvenidos Outreach (cont'd)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ACCESSING AMAZONSMILE

Amazon has made this process very straight forward; the steps are as follows:

- 1) search for: **Smile.Amazon.Com**
- 2) click on: **SIGN IN TO GET STARTED**
- 3) Specify your Charitable organization: **Bienvenidos Outreach, Inc.**
- 4) You will have the option to put an icon (your portal into Amazon) on your browser (Chrome, Mozilla, Explore) (recommend this, makes it simple)
- 5) Bingo, that is it; all of your wish lists, gifted addresses, will be there!
- 6) When you click on the Amazon icon, you enter Amazon Smile, it will indicate at the top that your purchases will benefit Bienvenidos. If you are an Amazon Prime customer, your prime designation will be right there.

On behalf of the entire Bienvenidos organization and all of the folks that we support, **thank you!**



Different Ways You Can Help Us Help Others

We are always grateful to our donors for their monetary donations as this helps keep us in the business of helping others. Donations are core to our operation and so are our volunteers.

We are currently looking to add to our roster of volunteers and kindly ask you to consider giving a couple of hours of your time to help us out. Volunteer hours are flexible and are needed for the following tasks: Food box preparation, lunch bag preparation, drivers to pick up food donation at The Food Depot and local stores (weekend shifts available, too), clothing room attendants and front desk help.

A HOLIDAY GIFT FOR THE PERSON WHO HAS EVERYTHING: Why not make a donation in the name of someone you would like to honor this holiday season? A donation announcement enclosed in a lovely holiday card is available at Bienvenidos Outreach. Send us your information on the honoree (name and address) along with your check and a card will be sent out to them this holiday season.

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Photo left—Volunteer Appreciation Party 2014)

We'd love to have you join us and experience the camaraderie of volunteering at Bienvenidos Outreach.

During the holiday season, two other ways to help out are to organize a food drive or donate turkeys or hams (and the extra fixings if you wish!). During the holidays we spend over \$3,000.00 just for the holiday meal boxes and every food donation we receive helps us out quite a bit.

For more information on volunteering or food donations, please call either Susan Tarver or Mary Lee Bulatewicz. We'd love to hear from you!

Happy Holidays to all!



