

Fall/Winter 2024 So Many Reasons to Celebrate!

Caring for the Community

This year has been an amazing year at Bienvenidos Outreach for the board, staff, volunteers and clients.

In October, we attended the Santa Fe Community Foundation's 2024 Piñon Awards dinner as this year's Tried & True Award winners! This award is given each year to an organization that has served the community for over a decade with consistent & high-quality programs, services, and opportunities despite changes in the external environment. We are honored by this recognition and want our donors to know that we couldn't have done it without you and our wonderful volunteers. We were also delighted that we were able to bring a rather large contingent of volunteers to the dinner to celebrate their work with us and enjoy a wonderful dinner. Thank you to the Santa Fe Community Foundation for the award and the wonderful evening we all had and, congratulations to The Memory Care Alliance (Courageous Innovation Award), New Mexico Legal Aid (Quiet Inspiration Award), and Lightning Boy Foundation Inc. (Resiliency Award) on receiving their awards for their important contributions to our community, too. We look forward to future collaborations with you!

We are also pleased to announce that our new program, Gardens-For-All, has had a fantastic start and is meeting, and often exceeding its goals for this year. We currently have 293 units out to homes and businesses and will reach our goal of 300 units for 2024 in the next two or three weeks.

This year, we expanded our offices so that now we have the entire building to better serve our clients and the community. We have more storage space to stock up on foods, clothing and household goods, and we have an entire area of our new office dedicated to Gardens-For-All, including space to grow our own food to help fill our food boxes and lunches with healthy, nutritious food. In the Spring, we plan to have an open house, but do stop by now if you would like to see what we are doing and how you can help us help others.

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? You can write a check (with instructions on who to notify), go on-line to our website and use a donation portal, or call and ask for Clarissa.

Pictured below: (the 2024 Tried & True Pinon Award we received from the Santa Fe Community Foundation.



Third Annual Arts & Crafts Holiday Fair White Elephant Table—sponsored by Residents of Las Soleras Senior Living

When: 12/8/2024

10:00am-2:00pm

Where: 5011 Las Soleras Dr., Santa Fe, NM

Parking behind building-enter through restaurant.

Be sure to visit the White Elephant Table as profits from this table are benefiting Bienvenidos Outreach.

Thank you to the great people who live at Las Soleras who volunteer their time, donate money, and spread the word about our organization!

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FY2023-2024 Totals: (as of 6/30/24)

New applications Boxes given out	485 11,958
Lunches handed out	15,854
Visits to clothing room	7,745
Volunteer hours donated	12,170
Number of seniors served	502
Number of children served	717



In Loving Honor & Memory

Ryan Archer Steve Borges Lala Martinez

Donations were given to our organization to honor these fine people.



Wonderful Volunteers



Coat Drive Sponsored By Creative Minds



And More Volunteers



Gardens-For-All Program



Our Own In-House Gardens Flourishing & Providing Food for Clients



Pet Food Program



A Fully Stocked Clothing Room



SFCF Piñon Awards Dinner



Another Great Year at The Eldorado Farmers' Market

The past year was another busy year with construction going on for months, the new Gardens-For-All program, new clients, and attending community events to spread the word about Bienvenidos Outreach and its services. 2025 looks like it will be even busier as we are seeing more and more people reaching out for help in our community. Your continued donations help us to do our work throughout the year and most importantly, has kept us from having to cut out any services or cut down on the food that is given out. You are our heroes and we are grateful for all the support you have given us. We'd also like to thank The Santa Fe Community Foundation, United Way of North Central New Mexico, Air Conditioning & Heating Service, Inc., New Mexico Pest Control, First Presbyterian Church of Santa Fe, Freedom Church, Altitude Ministries, Santa Maria de la Paz Catholic Community, Santa Fe Community Angels, The Food Depot, Trader Joes, Sprouts, Natural Grocers, Food King, and all the other companies & organizations we work with that help to alleviate hunger and keep people safe. And remember, we are always happy to have new volunteers join us! Feel free to stop by and see what opportunities we have available for you, your church, your company, or social organization. Happy Holidays from all of us!

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Quotes That Inspire Us

"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others."

--Mahatma Gandhi