Thank You for Your Support
SAVE THE DATES
Thursday, April 12, 2012
11:45 a.m.
Annual Grant Awards and Donor Appreciation Luncheon

Wednesday, July 18, 2012
Grand Opening Celebration for the Foundation's New Building

Corporate Partners in Philanthropy

The Foundation is honored to partner with businesses that recognize the importance of generosity in their community. Our Corporate Partners in Philanthropy members not only provide jobs, thereby ensuring economic stability in our community, but also offer financial and volunteer support to the many nonprofit organizations offering programs aimed at enriching the lives of the underserved.

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**Letter from the President**

No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted.  
Aesop

I keep this Aesop Fable on my desk.  Every day it reminds me of the difference our actions can make and the importance of making the difference we can.  The simple act of dropping a can of food in a hunger box can be the difference in someone eating on a given day.  Donating a pint of blood can save a life.  Reading to a child could be the difference in the road to a child learning to read.  Donating money to a nonprofit could be the difference in that organization being able to fulfill its mission.

It all adds up.  It all matters.

The Albuquerque Community Foundation’s mission is to grow endowment funds for the benefit of the community, forever.  Over the past thirty years, thanks to thousands of charitable contributions, large and small, that endowment has grown.

This year’s annual fund donors—“Partners in Philanthropy” and “Corporate Partners in Philanthropy”, along with our trustees contributed generously to our operations which in turn allowed us to continue to grow our endowment.  As you will read in this newsletter, we announced a new Visionary Fund that will award grants to “visionary” nonprofits.  We started an “Emergency Action Fund” with gifts of $10 and up, so we can aid our nonprofit friends should they encounter an unforeseen emergency.  Our younger “Future Fund” donors continued to pool resources into their growing fund while awarding grants from that fund.  And those who have established named funds provide the income for both the competitive and donor advised grant programs.

Donors to each of these efforts contributed amounts ranging from $20.00 - $1.2 million.  Each one mattered.  Together, they enabled the Foundation to support over one hundred nonprofits in 2011, changing the lives of thousands who need a helping hand.

And that makes our community a better place.

As we move into a new year, I hope we all resolve to remember that kindness matters.  It is never wasted.  Whatever the size or the scope of the act, collectively we make a huge difference.

Thank you,

Diane Harrison Ogawa
President

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**Letter from the Executive Director**

Individual giving in the United States rose 2.7 percent in 2010, with total charitable giving reaching $290.89 billion.*  While 2011 numbers are still pending, they look to be even better.  Equally important, 26.3% of Americans have maintained steady volunteer hours, totaling 8.1 billion hours.**

The world is facing unprecedented challenges, as is our country and our community.  The arduous economy of the last five years has touched each and every one of us, yet we continue to give our time and money to others.  Could it be because it feels good to give?

As brain resonance technology has advanced, scientists have concluded that acting altruistically, such as donating time or money, causes the brain to respond in the same way it does to the extreme joys of life.  Serotonin gets released; we feel happy.  Giving boosts our brain chemistry, connects us to community, and helps us fulfill our destiny.

As you read through this newsletter, you’ll see the many opportunities to give—including some new possibilities, like the Visionary Fund and the Emergency Action Fund; some opportunities that are unique and available just once, like room sponsorships in our new building; those that support operations; and, of course, the core of what the Foundation’s does, building endowment funds.  Please consider jumping on the bandwagon and give.

Why?

Because, in addition to helping someone else, it will make you feel really, really good!

Here’s to the New Year.  Thank you for all you do.

Sincerely,

R. Randall “Randy” Royster, Esq.
Executive Director

*Giving USA  **Volunteering in America
Corporate Philanthropy

The Foundation partners with local businesses that recognize the importance of generosity in their community. One of the many ways a business can choose to give back is to establish a named permanent fund. Like all funds at the Foundation, a corporate fund can be grown over five years and customized to best suit the needs of the business. And, most importantly, once the fund is established, it will continue to grow and give back to the community, in the name of the business, forever.

The Foundation’s newest corporate fund is the HB Construction Endowment. This year, the owners of HB Construction, a philanthropic-minded business since its inception twenty years ago, chose to add a permanent fund to their community giving program. Going forward, grants will be made each year from earned interest, leaving the corpus invested to continue to grow over time and thus becoming a permanent funding source for nonprofit organizations. “Through the endowment, we want to show the community that, as a local business, we care about more than just the bottom line. We care about this community because the community made us the company we are today,” said HB Construction President and CEO Jason W. Harrington.

One important priority for the owners of HB Construction is company-wide involvement in grantmaking from the fund. Every employee was invited to the first grant luncheon. Grant proposals were available in advance so the attendees could familiarize themselves with the organizations. During the meeting, attendees discussed their favorites, and the group selected two organizations to which grants should be awarded. “The whole process has made our team stronger and given our employees pride in knowing that they helped make such a positive change in the lives of people throughout our community,” said Harrington.

HB Construction employees participate in grantmaking meeting.

Corporate giving, also considered corporate citizenship, is imperative for a community to thrive, even during difficult economic times. Corporate endowment funds offer tremendous flexibility. They can be shaped in many ways to best suit the needs of your business while maximizing impact through strategic grantmaking. Additional potential benefits include the following:

- Strategically support hundreds of local nonprofit organizations through one partnership with the Albuquerque Community Foundation
- Establish your company as a socially responsible community leader
- Provide your employees opportunities to explore the many diverse needs of our community by sitting on grant panels, Foundation committees, or by participating in personalized site visits to local nonprofit organizations
- Increase community resources
- Strengthen and promote philanthropy in Albuquerque

If you are interested in discussing the opportunities of a corporate fund, please contact Randy Royster or Lissa Blaschke, 505.883.6240.

Corporate Funds of the Albuquerque Community Foundation

- Aetna Life & Casualty Fund
- Albuquerque New Car & Truck Dealer Funds
- Albuquerque Monthly/Coronado Center Fund
- American Home Fund
- Bank of Albuquerque Charitable Fund
- Bank of America Fund
- Bank of the West Fund
- Bradbury Stamm Fund
- Citadel Communications Fund to Expand Music Education in APS Elementary Schools
- Excel Staffing Companies for Excellence in Continuing Education
- Eye Associates Gerald & Alice Rubin Memorial Fund
- Galles Chevrolet Friends of Youth Fund
- Garcia Automotive Group Fund
- HB Construction Fund
- Long Leash on Life Fund
- Mesa del Sol Education Fund
- New Mexico Heart Institute Foundation Fund
- The New England Fund
- The Realtor Fund: Then, Now and Forever
- Wells Fargo Funds

"During the recent economic downturn, Cumulus (formerly Citadel Communications) has been able to continue supporting important local causes with the charitable reserve we’ve built in our donor-advised fund at the Foundation.‖ – Milt McConnell, Market Manager
**Future Fund**

The Future Fund was born in 1997 when 12 young philanthropic couples got together to start an endowment fund at the Foundation. They began by each couple contributing $200 a year and quickly learned that pooling their financial resources was much more powerful than giving a single gift individually.

Fifteen years later, the Future Fund endowment stands at more than $360,000, current membership totals more than 140, and the Fund has awarded grants totaling $200,000 to more than 45 nonprofits in our community! This year, the Future Fund has made several new commitments, described below, in honor of the Fund’s founders and in hopes of inspiring future generations of “Future Funders.” The Future Fund:

- Sponsored the $5,000 “La Scala” staircase in the Foundation’s new building.
- Became a Visionary Fund donor.
- Committed again in 2012 for its members to serve as the Ambassadors for the Foundation’s Concours du Soleil event.

“The naming [sponsoring] of La Scala achieves both of these ends. It honors a small, committed group of individuals pooling their resources to assist Albuquerque’s needy families and children, and it inspires new membership, which in turn leads to an increased endowment and increased giving.”

**2012 Future Fund Members**

Shalini and Abinash* Achrekar; Anonymous; Anne and Michael Apodaca; Tania Armenta; Kristina and Wade Ashton; Rebecca and Jorge Avitia; Melissa Balder; Denise and Hector Balderas; Keith Bandoni; Lissa and Jon Blaschke; Kimberly and Mark Braithwaite; Danielle* and Chris Brennan; Debbie and Pat Bryan; Jayne and Chris Butterman; Krystal Carmona; Jessica and Joshua Carothers; Jennifer and Chris Catechis; Cathy* and Brendan Cavanaugh; Brandon Chavez; Kimber Chrisee; Hilman and Jim Chynoweth; Janine Collins; Aleli and Brian* Colon; Dynette and Darren Cordova; Laura Crain; Debbie and David Dozier; Claire Dudley*; Lauri Ebel*; Ian Esquibel; Alex Flores*; Erica Jorgensen-Forde; Colleen and Adam Frangos; Katie Garcia; Keith Greer; Billy Gupton*; Vivian Guzman; Renee* and Brad Gwyther; Lacey Hansis; Rebecca and Jason Harrington; Dusti and Brit Harvey; Jennifer and Jordan Herrington; Sheila and Todd Hunter; Jacob and Jeff Johns; Damian Liburdi; Joe LiRosi*; Juliana and Ted Lowe; Robert Lucero; Taylor and Joseph Lueras; Rebecca Lujan*; Natasha Martell; Angela and Chris Martin; Christy Miller and Patrick Martinez; Megan Mayo; Nicole McCleskey; Lisa and Frank McCulloch; Tim McNaney; Kathleen and Andrew Metzger; Sarah Newman; Maureen O’Leary* and Mike Buck; Chamiza* Pacheco de Alas and Eduardo Alas; Benai Padilla; Alexander Paret; Leslie Phinney; Ada and Greg Portman; Meghan McCabe and Colin Pryor; Crystal and Lucas Rael; Malaquias Rael; Taylor and Christine Roehl; Shilpa Reddy and Kendall Rogers; Bethanne Schiffer; Pooja Singh; Suzanne Strong; Michele and Brian Tigelaar; Cindy and Jose* Viramontes; Jane and William Walsh; Christina Woodlee

*2012 Future Fund Board Member

**Scholarship Funds**

The Foundation is honored that in 2011, three families selected us to manage scholarship funds in memory of their loved ones.

**James Ledwitz Memorial Scholarship Fund** will award grants to graduating Albuquerque-area high school seniors who have overcome extraordinary life challenges.

**David R. Woodling Memorial Scholarship** will award grants to graduating high school or continuing education students in pursuit of a certificate or degree in a metals technology program.

**Andrew Piech Memorial Scholarship** will award grants to graduating Albuquerque-area high school seniors pursuing an automotive or technical vocational career. (Eldorado graduates will be given priority.)
Two emergencies are alike. It’s impossible to predict a roof caving in, a broken heater, a fire, or the effect of a drought followed by flooding. However, one thing that is predictable is that financial resources are always required to repair the damage. Having these resources available quickly is often critical. The Foundation is preparing to help our nonprofit partners when the next emergency occurs. Whether it be a small emergency that affects only one nonprofit or a crisis on a larger scale that requires cooperation between many organizations, we want to be ready to help.

For that reason, we’ve created an Emergency Action Fund. Established as a Now & Forever Fund -- one half of the fund balance is available for immediate use, while the other half remains in the fund so it will continue to grow and provide periodic emergency assistance forever. The Emergency Action Fund has already assisted in saving the day for a local nonprofit. Enlace Comunitario, an organization working to eliminate domestic violence in the Latino immigrant community, discovered late last year that the roof of its building had caved in. A grant from the Emergency Action Fund (combined with other donations) helped the organization replace the roof almost immediately. Anyone can contribute any amount to this Fund. Contributing corporations, foundations, other nonprofit organizations, and individuals will be recognized as the fund grows, coinciding with grants awarded so that a historical reference can be maintained.

For more information or to make a donation to the Emergency Action Fund, please contact the Foundation at 505.883.6240 or visit albuquerquefoundation.org/giving/emergency_action_fund/.
The Foundation’s new building is taking shape. As of the last newsletter, the building was still being gutted and readied for a complete makeover. We’ve come a long way since then! Today, the plumbing and wiring have been updated, the new roof is nearly complete, the interior walls are being installed, and the rest of the remodel is right on track. Plenty of work remains, but as far as we can see, our move-in date in May will be right on schedule. Our formal grand opening is scheduled for Wednesday, July 18.

This building is a dream come true for the Foundation. Nationwide, community foundations look for an opportunity to occupy a building of historical significance, especially in a city center. And here we are, just months from moving into ours. As you may know, the building has been generously donated by Patti and Paul Marianetti. Generous in-kind donations from the following local businesses are supporting the remodel:

**In-Kind Donors:**

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In addition, we are seeking donors to sponsor individual rooms. They come in all sizes and dollar levels. Contributions may be made as a one-time gift or a multi-year pledge. All contributions will be recognized permanently with fitting signage.

For sponsorship information, please contact Randy Royster or Lissa Blaschke, 505.883.6240.
**Concours du Soleil**

2011 was another sensational year for our annual fundraising event, which features fabulous cars and several opportunities to appreciate them. Net proceeds topped $101,000. Concours du Soleil was launched by a group of gentlemen who established the Cinco Amigos Fund. Each year, part of the event’s proceeds are added to this fund and part are granted through the Foundation’s grant program.

The 2011 grant recipients are:
- Acción NM Arizona Colorado
- WESST Corp
- Unser Children’s Discovery Center
- UNM Law School
- UNM Department of Engineering
- Future Fund of Albuquerque Community Foundation.

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**InKind:**

- Starline Printing, Southern Wine & Spirits, Clear Channel Outdoor, ABQ Journal, Albuquerque The Magazine

**Grant Impact is Worth Waiting For**

Remember Price’s Dairy, that old farm south of downtown Albuquerque? Way back in 2000, the Foundation awarded a grant to The Trust for Public Land to research the possibilities of preserving open space in the South Valley. An area that had traditionally been a thriving agricultural area with working farms and dairies was gradually being converted into residential and commercial developments. Price’s Dairy, at 570 acres, was one of the county’s largest remaining undeveloped tracts of land adjacent to the Rio Grande. Bernalillo County Open Space was interested in purchasing 100 of the acres. Once restored, the land would be ideal for wildlife habitat, public recreation, and environmental education opportunities.

That deal never came to be, but The Trust for Public Land staff stayed in contact with the family who owned the land.

Fast forward more than ten years.

June, 2011 — The Foundation received an update from The Trust stating, “The project continues to gain strong and broad public support”. The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service became interested in the preservation of open space in the South Valley and held public meetings and drafted documents supporting the project, which had been expanded to encompass all 570 acres of Price’s Dairy. Local organizations, including the South Valley Civitan Club and the surrounding Mountain View Neighborhood Association, embraced the project. The Mountain View Neighborhood Association wrote to U.S. Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar, asking for help to make this project a reality and describing the positive impact the project would have on the local community.

September, 2011 — An article appeared in the Albuquerque Journal reporting that Ken Salazar stated the federal government had launched efforts to purchase the project for use as a wildlife refuge. Bernalillo County pledged $5 million to the project.

The original project has evolved into a much more comprehensive effort that will be far more impactful on the local community and the state. Once complete, in another five to ten years, the project will be the first “urban wildlife refuge” in the Southwest. And it all started with a small Environmental and Historic Preservation Field-of-Interest grant to research the project’s feasibility.

The Foundation is planning a site visit to the area this spring. Call our office to put your name on the tour list.
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☐ Community Ambassador $5,000

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☐ For Partners in Philanthropy annual fund

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