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A NOTE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Help-New Mexico, Inc. is pleased to welcome the arrival of ten new AmeriCorps VISTA volunteers.

HELP-NM is and has been a proud sponsor of AmeriCorps VISTA for almost two years. Thanks to President Obama's American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, HELP-NM was awarded an additional 10 slots. Ms. Phyllis Tabet and Ms. Gracie Gonzalez who are our VISTA Volunteer Program Managers were successful in recruiting 10 new VISTA Volunteers who began their service on July 27, 2009

Please join me in welcoming the following VISTA Volunteers to our **HELP-NM** Family:

Ashley Byrd graduated from Earlham College in Richmond, IN this spring with a Bachelor's Degree in Peace and Global Studies, and a Minor in Spanish. She considers Delaware, OH to be her home. In the long term she wants to be a criminal investigator. Ashley will be working half of her time with the Bienvenidos Building Bridges Initiative (BBBI), and half of her time with the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP).

Kevin Burns has spent the last four years of his life living in Albuquerque. Before that he lived in

McKinley, TX. Kevin is in the middle of pursuing a degree for a career in social work. He wants to transfer to NM Highlands after his VISTA term to get a bachelor's degree in social work. Kevin will be working with BBBI.

Jerry Lujan is a life long New Mexican. He has lived in Albuquerque, Hatch and Las Cruces over the years. He has spent a lifetime of working with communities in the state. Jerry worked for **HELP-NM** in 1974 at the Las Cruces office working on migrant health issues. Jerry will be working as a fund developer for **HELP-NM**.

Matt Loehman graduated from the University of Arizona this spring with a Bachelor's Degree in Economics, and a Minor in Political Science. However, he was born and raised in Albuquerque. Last summer he interned at the Arizona Research Institute for Solar Energy doing economic and policy analysis. Matt will be working with the BBBI.

Louis Sifuentes is from Los Angeles, CA. Previously he worked with homeless and veterans who were dealing with substance abuse. He has an Associate's Degree in Administration of Justice, and intends to get a bachelor's degree in Social

Work. Louis is the proud father of four daughters, and grandfather of one. He will be working in the CACFP Las Cruces office.

Mel Allen was born in the Bronx, and grew up in St. Albans, Queens, NY. Previously, he worked for the Transportation Security Administration as a screener at the Albuquerque Sunport. Mel is a certified private pilot. Additionally, he enjoys art, bicycling, and playing the bass guitar. He was the 1990 New Mexico Epée Champion. Mel will be working at SER of New Mexico as a fund developer.

Andres Galindo graduated from UNM in December of 2008 with a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology and a minor in Management. He was born and raised in Albuquerque. Previously, Andres worked as a bartender around the city. After his VISTA term, he wants to work with the sleep apnea program at Presbyterian hospital. Andres will be working with SER of New Mexico with their G.E.D. classes.

Jerome Pitts is a native New Mexican. After graduating early from Albuquerque High he joined *(Continued on Page 2)*

- BBBI Staff:**
 John Martinez, Executive Director
 Jerry Otero, Director Family Services Division
 Gracie Gonzalez, Program Manager
 Gary Larsh, Training Coordinator
 Martha Aragon, Administrative Asst.
 Matt Loehman, VISTA Volunteer
 Kevin Burns, VISTA Volunteer
 Victoria Henley, VISTA Volunteer

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the New Mexico Army National Guard, where he served for six years. Jerome then relocated to Las Vegas, NV. There he worked constructing casinos, including The Mirage. Later he returned to Albuquerque, and is now raising the last two of his four children. Jerome likes helping people and serving the community. He will be working for SER of New Mexico with their G.E.D. classes and fund development.



Angela Martinez is a life long New Mexican. She was born in Gallup, raised in Roswell, and presently lives in Rio Rancho. In the past she has stayed at home to spend quality time with her two daughters. Her youngest daughter celebrated her first birthday in June. Angela was inspired to serve because she

says her family has greatly benefitted from the services of non-profits over the past three years. She will be working with SER of New Mexico with their G.E.D. classes

Ashley See is originally from Mobile, Alabama. She graduated from the University of Mobile in 2004 with a bachelor's in Music and Psychology, and then from Troy University with a Master's in Counseling

Psychology. Last year Ashley moved to Albuquerque with her husband, a member of the U.S. Air Force. She will be working with Love INC to determine areas where Love INC can help area churches participate in helping the poor and needy in south Albuquerque.

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An Update from BBBI Training & Technical Assistance, Gary Larsh Training Coordinator

We have been moving right along in the last few months in all of our areas of responsibility.

In this past Quarter our TAs completed all of the Assessments for our 17 Sub-awardees. The Assessments indicated what work and improvements had to be made with each Sub-awardee. The Sub-awardees are now moving to make these changes and improvements before the end of the year.

We have had some changes in our Technical Assistants in the last few months as well, with several people leaving and some new ones volunteering to come on board to assist in our project.

Leaving recently, were Valerie Pacini, and Daniel Jackson, both of whom left due to increasing work obligations. We thank them for their valuable contributions over the last few months.

We have also had several new TAs join our team in the last few weeks. The first is Mr. John Ross, who owns and runs his own consulting company here in New Mexico, the "John Ross" Company. He brings with him many years of experience working with Non-Profits in the Fort Worth, Texas area.

We also want to welcome to our TA team Ms. Carolyn Miney, who is currently a Graduate Student, and a part-time, Training and Development Consultant with the University of New Mexico Medical School. Ms. Miney brings with her multiple years of experience working with Non-Profits and Service Organizations in the Denver area.

We also want to thank Elizabeth Bernal, Gene Ortega and Lino

Trevinio who have been with us for over a year.

We have continued to deliver Trainings and Workshops for Non-Profits over the last several months. Topics have included Human Resources Development, a Forum for those working with Prisoners and Ex-Offenders, Grant Writing and Fund Development

The following trainings will be offered August through October:

Topic: Board Development
Location: Catholic Charities of Las Cruces, 1280 Med Park Drive
Date: August 21, 2009, from 9:00 a.m.— noon
Presenter: Gene Ortega

Topic: Introduction to Non-Profit Accounting
Location: HELP-NM, 5101 Copper NE, Albuquerque, NM
Date: August 22, 2009 from 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
Presenter: Denise Pascoe

Topic: Strategic Planning
Location: HELP-NM, 5101 Copper NE, Abq, NM
Date: August 26, 2009 from 8:00 a.m. to noon
Presenter: John Ross.

Topic: Program Development
Location: HELP-NM, 5101 Copper NE, Albuquerque, NM
Date: September 9, 2009 from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.
Presenter: Carolyn Miney

EMPLOYEE BIRTHDAYS BETWEEN JULY 2009 & SEPTEMBER 2009



HELP-New Mexico, Inc. would like to wish Happy Birthday to the following employees who had or will be having birthdays in the months of July through September 2009:

July Birthdays

Victor Cabrera	Cecelia Chiquito
Mirna Cordova	Beth Edwards
Bernadette Esparza	Margaret Fuentes
Henrietta M. Gaines	Bertha G. Herrera
Amelia-Nell Isaminger	Amy Hutchins
Cristina Gonzales	Ivonne Gonzales
Malia Mackenzie	Margaret Martinez
Brandon Masters	Denise Pascoe
Lisamarie C. Mendoza	Sabrina Saiz
Arlene Williams	

August Birthdays

Ginger L. Aragon	Merlinda Aragon
Delia B. Bailey	Isabel Fajardo
Timothy R. Jaramillo	
Sandra Romo	
Angelica A. Trujillo	



September Birthdays

Gracie Gonzalez	Dorothy Gray
Maria Guerrero	Cassandra Kiskaden
Devora Lara	Cristene Lopez
Josephine Martinez	Edith E. Settles
Samiha Z. Shakife	Remedios Scharmack
Rocio Sierra	Anastacia Villegas
Miriam Zamudio	



EMPLOYEE SERVICE ANNIVERSARIES BETWEEN JULY 2009 & SEPTEMBER

We would also like to congratulate the following employees for their dedication to **HELP-NM. The following employees had (or will be having) service anniversaries during July 2009 through September 2009**

1 to 4 Years of Service

Ginger L. Aragon	Henrietta M. Gaines	Denise Pascoe
Ellie E. Gallegos	Catarina M. Greene	Marie D. Sena
Giselle V. Lozoya	Marcela Lozoya	John Matchison
Amanda A. Sisneros		

5 to 8 Years of Service

Merlinda Aragon	Dorothy Gray
Marc B. Lingenfelter	John Martinez

9 to 11 Years of Service

Beth Edwards	Patricia Rodriguez
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12 to 16 Years of Service

Sheila Flores	Rocio Sierra	Cristene Lopez
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20 to 25 Years of Service

Cynthia Allen	Yvonne Y. Montoya	Amela Rason
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Topic: Intro to Grant Writing
Location: HELP-NM, 5101 Copper NE, Abq, NM
Date: September 22, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. to noon
Presenter: Gary Larsh

Topic: Evaluating Effectiveness
Location: HELP-NM, 5101 Copper NE, Albuquerque, NM
Date: September 30, 2009 from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.
Presenter: Carolyn Miney

We will be offering a Fund Development Workshop in Albuquerque and a Board Development Workshop in Ruidoso, date,

time and place will be announced at a later date. For an in depth description of our trainings please log onto our website at www.helpnm.com and select the "Bienvenidos Building Bridges Initiative" link.

Due to space limitations please register as soon as possible via e-mail to Matt Loehman at matthew@helpnm.com or via phone to Martha Aragon of our staff at 505-766-4907.

If you have any questions regarding our trainings, would like to suggest new training topics or locations or would like to volunteer to be a Trainer or Technical Assistant please contact me at 505-766-4917 or via e-mail at glarsh@helpnm.com.



Bienvenidos Building Bridges Initiative Compassion Capital Fund Annual Collaboration Fair

The Collaboration Fair is intended to bring New Mexico's nonprofits together to learn about each other, learn what other services are provided to be a referral to your clients and learn how to work together. The event will include speed networking section for agencies to meet employees of other agencies with similar missions and service areas. There will also be a media panel for the agencies to come learn how to get the media interested in their agency. This event is free of charge, breakfast and lunch will be provided so please register soon.

PARTICIPATE IN EXCITING SESSIONS PLUS ENTERTAINMENT (DURING LUNCH) PROVIDED BY COMEDIAN STEVEN MICHAEL QUEZADA. AS ALWAYS THERE IS NO FEE FOR THIS EVENT!

- **Coalition Panel: Bringing New Mexico Non-Profits Services Together – How to build a coalition**
- **Speed Networking facilitated by Tsiporah Nephesh, Center for Nonprofit Excellence**
- **Breakout Topics (repeated twice):**
 - Collaboration Panel - Jean Block Consulting, Inc**
 - Media Panel – Nicole Brady, KOB-TV NEWS 4; Sue Stevens (invited), KOAT-TV ACTION 7 NEWS; Pablo Gutierrez (invited), KLUZ NEWS (Univisión Nuevo México) and Charlie Moore, Albuquerque Journal**
- **About next year— Next year's CCF RFP Process (a quick overview) – Gracie Gonzalez, CCF Program Manager**

**Keynote Speaker
Senator Jerry Ortiz y Pino**

Partnering with the



Center for Nonprofit Excellence

Saturday, September 12, 2009

Registration will begin at 7:30 a.m.

Conference will be from 8:00 a.m. -- 5:00 p.m.

MCM Elegante Hotel and Event Center

2020 Menaul Blvd NE, Albuquerque, NM 87107

Please RSVP to Matthew Loehman at matthew@helpnm.com
If you have any questions regarding the collaboration fair or lodging please contact Martha Aragon at 505-766-4907

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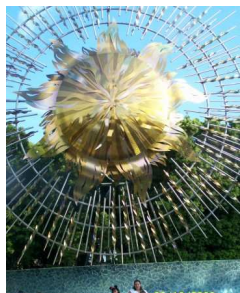
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WELCOME GARY LARSH, BBBI TRAINING COORDINATOR

As many of you know, Tom Bell who was our Training & Technical



As- sistant Manager left HELP-NM in late May 2009. We appreciate all of Tom Bell's hard work and wish him the best in his future endeavors.

Ms. Gracie Gonzalez,
BBBI Program Manager

took over Mr. Bells' duties over the summer and has kept the program going. However, she and I are glad to announce that BBBI has hired a new Training Coordinator. Mr. Gary Lash is replacing Tom Bell as BBBI Training Coordinator. He returns to **HELP-NM** after a year of serving as a substitute teacher at Bernalillo High School, where he primarily taught economics and government. Previously, Gary worked at **HELP-NM** as Training coordinator for the Work Force Development Division.

Mr. Larsh possesses a BA

in Political Science and Economics from UNM and an MA in Public Administration. Mr. Larsh Spent 23 years working for New Mexico Human Services Department. Nine years of which he was as a Trainer/ Staff Development Specialist. He was responsible for keeping abreast of all Medicaid changes, and was responsible for the design and delivery of all Medicaid Training to ISD workers, including MAWC (Medical Assistance for Women and Children) under which the original SCHIPS programs were placed.

The Family Services Division and HELP-NM welcome Gary Larsh back to our family.

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