East Mountain
Womenade's
mission is to
provide
emergency
financial
assistance to
families with
school-age
children in the
East Mountains.

100% of your donation goes to help families in need.

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## **Newsletter March 2011**

Dear Members and Supporters of East Mountain Womenade,

This newsletter marks a renewed effort to communicate with you more frequently and to let you know how your donations help families in need. We are so grateful for your generosity, and although most of you are aware that every dollar you contribute to East Mountain Womenade goes directly to families in need, we are accountable to you and want you to know how you are helping these families. We hope to publish this newsletter every quarter. Thank you as always for your support.

## **Family Assistance**

Since the beginning of 2011, Womenade has helped 17 families with propane(4), a water tank (1), Wal-mart cards(6), Smiths for groceries and gas(2), PNM bills(3) and a Home Depot card (1). The total amount of assistance is over \$3,700. Thank you to all of our members for your generous contributions!

## Special thank you

**to** Kathy Krahling, who organized Roosevelt Middle School's clothing bank. The counselors and students are so grateful!

More thanks to Mountain Garden Club for their generosity in supporting Womenade through their craft fair and Holiday Luncheon. We appreciate vour kindness generosity more than you know!

**Many Thanks to** Nick Freygang and Jean Rosenthal of the Freygang Foundation for your generous contributions year after year! Your generosity has helped many families!

10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary...can you believe it has been almost ten years since our first potluck fundraiser? What a great milestone...so many generous women...so many families in need helped.

Plans are now underway for a special celebration. We are in the process of putting together a 10th Anniversary Committee (4-6 people) to plan the event. Our Board has in the past taken care of the Annual Potluck, but this year we need additional help. Please contact Leslie Porter (281-7127) or Linda Eaglefeather (286-8619) by April 30<sup>th</sup> if you are interested in helping with the celebration.

From Kim Collins, LMSW....I am the social worker at the elementary and the middle schools in Tijeras, New Mexico. I have had the privilege to work with the East Mountain Womenade organization for the past 6 years. This organization is a social worker's dream come true. In my capacity as a social worker, I help children to be more successful in school. Often, this involves helping out their families. When I have a family that needs emergency help, I know I can call Womenade and usually get a check or gift card to help the family within the same week, often even the same day. It has literally prevented many families from losing their homes or being without heat. In addition to mortgage or rent payments, we have helped families out

with filling their propane tanks, making repairs to their homes; filling their tanks with gas so they can get to work; and many other needs.

An example of a family helped includes a family who heats their home with wood. Womenade has helped them through several winters by purchasing firewood for the family. Most recently, we helped them with a gift card for a building supply store so they could purchase materials to make some needed home repairs.

When another family lost their home, I helped coordinate services between agencies. We were able to help them get new housing. Womenade helped them with food and gas money for the transition period between homes. The family is now purchasing a home.

The best part of Womenade is that they have knowledge of the community and often have relationships with families for years, while their children are in school. Even families who don't like to ask for help, often feel comfortable because of Womenade's community ties.

## East Mountain Womenade Draft Statement of Activities

For the year ended December 31, 2010 And comparisons for the year 2009

Contributions	2010	2009
Potluck Fundraiser Contributions from Individuals Contributions from Foundations	\$ 1,425 \$ 4,764	\$ 1,330 \$ 6,177
and Corporations  Contributions through United Way  East Mountain Garden Club	\$ 250 \$ 1,079 \$ 3,743	\$ 650 \$ 1,374 \$ 2,910
Total Revenue	\$11,260	\$12,441
Expenses		
Family Assistance	\$10,317	\$10,482
Total Expenses	<u>\$10,317</u>	<u>\$10,482</u>
Change in Net Cash Assets	\$ 943	\$1,959
Net Assets, beginning of year (1/1/	/10) \$ 7,446	
Net Assets, end of year (12/31/10)	\$ 8,389	