East Mountain Womenade

Providing emergency financial assistance to families with school-age children in the East Mountains.



Summer 2019

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President: Leslie Porter

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Kate Roesler Paula Michel Pam Ruppenthal Valerie Denton Kim Linder

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Webmaster: Cyndi Atcitty

An Update From Kate

East Mountain Womenade had a busy 2018!

Some of the most common types of emergency financial assistance requests were for propane, electricity and help with rent.

Other types of assistance included a child's dental care, eyeglasses for a child, car repair and unpaid school lunch balances at San Antonito, A. Montoya and Roosevelt MS.

We continue to have a strong relationship with our school counselors, social workers and other personnel. We have also begun to work more closely with our area's APS Title I Homeless Project representative and the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in Tijeras.

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Mark your calendars for our annual potluck on Friday, September 27! Look for your invitations, coming soon!

The East Mountain Womenade annual potluck is a great way to meet the many individuals who help support families living in the East Mountains. For 17 years EM Womenade has successfully worked with counselors, social workers and teaching staff to serve area families working quietly and without "red tape" or overhead. We could not provide this emergency financial assistance without the continued support and faith in our organization from so many caring people.

Sarah Hadfield, counselor at A. Montoya Elementary School, spoke at our last annual potluck fundraiser and expressed what a difference Womenade makes in her student's lives and in helping them be more successful at school.

A Note From Our President

This year, the board has gone through several changes.

Rosemary Stakvel resigned in the summer of 2018 so she can spend more time with her grandchildren.

Ellen Satz, who was a counselor at San Antonito and A Montoya for many years and served as the school liaison, has moved to an advisory role.

Kate Roesler, who has been our president since 2015 resigned her position and Carol Sanders-Reed, who has been on the board since 2012, stepped down from her position as treasurer. Kate will remain on the board. Carol will remain on the board in an advisory role.

We thank them for all their hard work and dedication. New members to our board are Ellen Cromer, Valerie Denton and Shelbi Stoerner. Please see side bar for the list of the board members and their positions. Thank you, former and present board members for keeping this organization running since 2002!



Many Thanks, Garden Club!

Once again, the members of the East Mountain Garden Club donated to EM Womenade. \$3,146 was donated during their annual holiday luncheon. This year marks the 14th year this terrific group of people chose to support the EM community through their generous donations to EM Womenade.

Words cannot express how much we appreciate your kindness and support!

Many Thanks To Our Supporters

- Ribs BBQ, for donating chicken wings for the fall potluck.
- Linda Dubbert for hosting our 2018 annual potluck.
- Kim Linder for photographing the potluck.
- Cyndi Atcitty for designing and updating our website.
- Rosemary Stakvel for writing our newsletters for the past several years.
- Most importantly, thanks to all the people who gave so generously to EM Womenade.



- Donate directly through our website: http://www.eastmountainwomenade.org/donate.html
- East Mountain Womenade can be designated as your charity via United Way at many workplaces.
- Amazon Smile: When you shop at Amazon Smile, you can have Amazon donate 0.5% of the purchase price to East Mountain Womenade. Bookmark the link: http://smile.amazon.com, and designate East Mountain Womenade as your charity.

If you own a business that could provide discounted services to families in crisis, please let us know.



Get To Know Our New Board Members

Welcome Shelbi Stoerner, Valerie Denton, and Ellen Cromer

Valerie Denton

Valerie is an Albuquerque attorney who has lived in the East Mountains for the past 13 years. As a long time resident and the mother of a school age child, Valerie joined Womenade in order to contribute to and become more involved in the East Mountain community and its schools. Valerie and her husband are ultra-marathoners and enjoy all things outdoors, including trail running, hiking, skiing, snowshoeing, and camping.

Shelbi Stoerner

Shelbi has lived in the East Mountains for 10 years. She and her husband have 2 boys. Shelbi's passion is fitness and helping other people achieve their fitness goals. She has attended three Womenade potlucks and became more inspired to join this wonderful organization each time she attended. The East Mountain community has been so wonderful to her family and she is so thankful to be able to give back to this amazing community through Womenade.

Ellen Cromer

Ellen grew up in the East Mountains and as an adult has lived here for 34 years. She taught at San Antonito for eleven years and returned in 2012 as principal at San Antonito ES. Ellen retired in 2015. During her time as an educator she saw the invaluable support provided to many families through East Mountain Womenade. She is excited to be a part of such a great organization that cares and understands the needs that arise unexpectedly in the lives of people with children.

Notes of Appreciation

"I want you to know I am most grateful for your generosity. It's great to know that wonderful people like you are here to help people like me make life a bit easier."

"We just wanted to say thank you so very much for helping our family with your thoughtfulness and generosity. We appreciate you so very much. With love and warmest wishes..."