



# THE BEACON

Barrett Foundation, Inc.

Summer 2003

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## From the Executive Director

I hope all of you are surviving these hot summer months.

As I stated in our Spring newsletter, the new Barrett House plans are well underway. We were able to locate a property, obtain the necessary zoning, and purchase the property. What a great relief!

We are now in the process of raising the necessary funds to start the rehabilitation of the property. Our architects, Dekker, Perich, Sabatini, are doing a great job with the plans and they are really starting to come together. Our special insert in this edition of the Beacon will give you more information about our fundraising plans, and some of the improvements at the new shelter. After you read this information, I hope you will be in touch with me to find out how you can become part of the new Barrett House.

The following new grants were received:

**The Catholic Foundation.** This grant will allow us to purchase a new freezer for Barrett House. We would like to thank the Catholic Foundation for their faithful support.

**Central United Methodist Church** (Francis Thaxton Ash Endowment). We have added a tuition assistance component to our Bridges to Self-Sufficiency supportive housing

program. We are now able to help clients with up to \$500 toward higher education tuition and related expenses.

Within the next couple of months, three very important campaigns will kick off. They are: the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC), the United Way Campaign, and the State Employees Charity Campaign. These campaigns provide you with the convenience of payroll deductions and we would really appreciate your support.

I recently received a letter from one of our clients. The following is an excerpt from that letter:

**"Thank you is so little a word for all you and Barrett House did for me while I was in my home city. I had been struggling with my legal problem for three years. Because you and the Barrett House welcomed me with open arms, the Public Defender's Office has accepted my case and with the Lord's will, I will finally have peace and closure. The house was such a peaceful, safe refuge for me. I didn't have to worry, struggle or fight for what was right. An excellent meal and that wonderful bath gave me a wonderful night's rest. May everyone you accept there recognize and appreciate their time with you. Graciously written, C.A."**

I think that it is important to share letters like these with you. Your support makes it possible for these women to have a place like Barrett House. Thank you and may God bless you!

### Special points of interest:

- ☺ New Barrett House Emergency Shelter—see special insert

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## Car Donation Program

The Barrett Foundation can now accept your donation of cars. This is a new way for us to raise funds for our programs. When you're ready to have that extra car moved from the driveway or it just doesn't run the way it used to, call us. We are able to accept all makes and models, running or not. Tows will be arranged and you will be able to use the donation as a tax deduction (up to the extend allowed by the IRS). Please call us at 246-9244.

Dorothee Otero

## Giving the Gift of Giving

Have you ever found yourself searching for that perfect gift for someone who has everything and wants nothing? Well, I know I have. I have spent endless hours in the mall, in specialty shops, and on-line to search for that one thing they might not already have. Well, did you ever think about that the person who has everything might have a favorite charity or cause? What are your friend's or relative's interests? Is it homelessness? Women's issues? Children? Mental Health? Why not consider a gift to that charity in the name of your friend.

Whatever the occasion, the socially-conscious gift of a charitable contribution is always in good taste.

Grieving families will sometimes suggest that mourners pay their respects to a loved one through donations to a specific charity in lieu of flowers. Over the past few years, this thoughtful tradition has been adopted by a happier sort of occasion: weddings. As you may have noticed in the last newsletter, we had just such an occasion when long-time supporters Todd Tibbals and Andrea Escher tied the knot. Gifts received by the Barrett Foundation totaled nearly \$1,400.

Other couples might make a donation in the name of their guests in place of wedding favors. Rather than traditional souvenirs, a card is left at each table setting, commemorating the event and informing guests of the charity that has benefited from their attendance.

Some will argue that modern society's myriad of compulsory gift-giving events has turned the act of giving into a thoughtless routine. If you'd like to put the true spirit of giving back into your gifts, a donation to charity might be the solution you've been looking for.

(Excerpts for this article were taken from Patrick Ferraro, 2003, in Philanthropic Research, Inc.)

## Other ways of giving to the Barrett Foundation

This information is designed to help you consider the methods of giving that will allow you to maximize your gift to Barrett Foundation—either through an outright gift, deferred gift, or a combination of both.

### Cash Gifts and Pledges over a Three-year Period:

Your gift is fully deductible if you itemize deductions. Please note that many companies offer matching gift programs to their employees, retired employees, and directors. Appreciated assets are especially attractive and tax wise gifts. You can transfer stocks to Barrett Foundation, Inc. The value of the contributions is equal to the average market value on the date of the transfer. By making a gift of appreciated assets, you avoid capital gains tax if the stock has been owned for over a year and a day. Please contact your broker for instructions.

### Please see your financial advisor to discuss any of the following options:

- ⇒ Retirement Plan Assets
- ⇒ Transfer of IRAs, Keogh plans, and Bank Accounts
- ⇒ Farm or Residence with Life Estate
- ⇒ Charitable Gift Annuity
- ⇒ Charitable Remainder Trusts
- ⇒ Charitable Lead Trusts
- ⇒ Life Insurance
- ⇒ Bequests

As always, we thank you for your faithful support. If you are considering any of these gifts, please notify us so that we may properly acknowledge your gift.

## Thank you donors!

## Auction Items Needed

A. Abbott, E. Baca, M/M C. Bailey, M/M D. Barcheck, R. Barela, The Blankenships, M/M J. Boutz, A. Breisch, P. Callahan, P. C'de Baca, M. Chevallier, V. Coupe, Dr. J. Craig, M/M J. Day, G. Dexter, W. Dolan, M. Dorsey, L. Drob, ML duFault, L. Duggan, M/M C. Duran, Dr. K. Fraser, J. Garcia, S. Garcia, P. Gardner, C. Garduno, D. Garduno, D. Giddens, A. Gonzales, M. Greulich, J. Gurule, J. Haaland, J. Hatok, C. Howard, E. Jeppesen, M. Johnson, C.A. Johnson, S. Jones Martin, P. Kilsdonk, The Kindley's, M. Latham Pfeifer, R. Mansoldo, Dr. D. McCarthy, M/M B. McGovern, S. Moody, J. Morman, G. Mosher, R. Mumpower, C.T. & B. Murphy, A. Nokes, S. Peattie, M/M D. Pelky, N. Phillips, J. Price, A. Raeburn, R. Reyes, L. Reynis, D. Risvold, L. Roff, M/M R. Russell, E. Sandoval, M. Shea, J. Spehar, D. Sterosky, J. Talso, M/M W. Talso, C. Torres, M/M M. Trimmer, N. Urbassik, C. Viramontes, L. Walker &

son, P. Wilson, A. Wipf, I. Zamora, Woody Hunt/ Cimarron Foundation, Robert B. Gibson Auto Sales, St. Vincent DePaul Society, Delta Delta Delta Albuquerque Alumnae, Microsoft Matching Gifts Program, Allstate Giving Campaign, Church of the Risen Savior, New York Life Insurance Matching Gifts Program, Annunciation Parish, Church of the Good Shepherd, Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church, Our Lady of Guadalupe Trust, Calvary Chapel, SOS of New Mexico, Print Professionals, and those who donate to us through United Way Donor Option, CFC, and State Charity Campaigns, and the many, many donors who wish to remain anonymous.

*Thank you* so much for your continued support!

It is that time of the year again! Our annual fundraiser—The Harvest Moon Dinner and Silent Auction is just around the corner.

We are still looking for auction items for both the silent and the live auctions. If you would like to contribute an item, please let us know so we can make arrangements for pick-up.

This year's theme is "A Moonlight Serenade" and will feature a red carpet reception, a fashion show, big band sounds, a fabulous dinner, and exciting auctions. We sincerely hope you can join us. Please call us at 246-9244 or log on to [www.barrettfoundation.com](http://www.barrettfoundation.com) to order tickets.

## Summer Wish Lists

Thank you for your continued support. The following are supplies we need on an ongoing basis:

**General supplies:** bottled water, shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, chap stick, soap, paper products, freezer and storage bags, light bulbs, cleaning supplies, art supplies, combs, brushes, coffee, tea, meat, and any other food items.

**Special supplies:** Gift Certificates to Target, Wal-Mart, K-Mart, grocery stores, or fast food restaurants; inexpensive ladies watches and alarm clocks.

### About Barrett Foundation....

#### Our Board of Directors:

*President - Michael Albers*  
*Vice President - Tony Gallegos and Cindy Clark Thompson*  
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Board Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month and are open to the public. To attend, please call 246-9244 to confirm time and place.

#### Our Mission:

To provide housing and supportive services in a caring and compassionate manner to homeless women and children who are striving to break the cycle of homelessness.

#### Our Services:

**Barrett House** - Emergency shelter for homeless women and children.  
Sr. Dorothy Hansen, Program Director 243-4887  
Daisy Williams, Case Manager 246-0944

**Bridges** - Supportive housing for families and single women.

Ami Reese, Coordinator/Case Manager 246-0944

**Casa Milagro** - Transitional housing for women suffering from mental illness.

Cathie O'Connor-Johnson, Program Director 883-8870

**Casa Verde** - Permanent, affordable housing for women suffering from mental illness.

**Barrett House Attic** - Shop of new and used.  
Anna Davis and Maria Avila, Co-Managers, 262-1073

**Barrett Foundation, Inc.**  
Corporate Office/Grants/Fund Raising  
Dorothee Otero, Executive Director 246-9244  
Pamela Houston, Administrative Assistant



**Saturday  
September 6, 2003  
6:00 p.m.**

**Albuquerque Old Town  
Sheraton Inn**

## *Moonlight Serenade*

Take the A Train to the Barrett Foundation's 12th annual Harvest Moon Dinner.

You will be the star at this year's event! Allow us to serenade you with the sounds of Glenn Miller, Duke Ellington and other big band sounds.

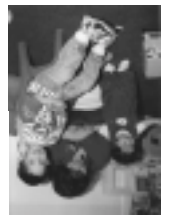
Join us as we welcome you at a red carpet reception, ballroom dancing, and the flair and ambiance of the fabulous 40s.

Tickets are \$100 and can be purchased by calling 246-9244.

### **This year's sponsors:**

Carol Rickert & Associates, David Cooper, SLS, Mike Albers, Fiesta Yarns, Wal-Mart, Lawscapers Grounds Management, New Mexico Landscape and Maintenance Professionals, Assagai Labs, and Miguel Martinez

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