



1st Quarter **GENERAL ASSISTANCE**

We've stayed busy in the best way these last few months, making a real difference in our community, bringing helping hands to raise up our people in need.

Here is a quick summary of the many families and individuals we've been able to lift up over the last quarter. Take a moment and let this good news start off your weekend on a positive note:

Eric Blowers is a single father of 3, working full time, but they had to move to a new apartment due to black mold. His car was towed while they were moving, and we helped him get it back.

Adriana Vallejos is a mother of 3, who fell behind on some bills while paying college tuition for her oldest, and their power was disconnected. We helped them get caught up on their utility bills.

Samantha Palacios is a single mother of 2, who recently started work after being unemployed for some time. We helped her catch up on her utility bill.

Cassandra White is a single woman working two jobs, but had a stroke 2 months ago, and had no savings to cover bills while she recovered. We helped her catch up on some rent and utilities.

Jacinta Garcia had move to move out of her home of 7 years, and while looking for a new place, her belongings were taken to a tow yard. We helped her pay the storage fee and get her things back, and helped with auto repairs to pass emissions.

Paul Ruiz is a single father who recently moved to ABQ to take custody of his children, he found a place for the family, but has fallen behind on bills due to reduced hours. We helped him with gas bill and catch up some on rent.

Desteney Kral and her 4 children recently moved to NM, and they are in a hotel while she looks for section 8 housing. She's been working 2 jobs and asked for help with lodging and makeup to cover tattoos. We helped her with hotel and a Scrubs gift card.

Adele Rivera is a mother of 3, who is in a homelessness transition program. While in the program, she is not allowed to work, but receives an allowance to cover living expenses. We helped her register her car.

Guillermo Garcia Lucero lost his job due to COVID complications, but was able to find work again in January. As the sole income for his family of 5, they are struggling to catch up on past debts and utility bills. We helped them get caught up on gas bill.

Dance Divas is a local dance school, working with children of all ages. Some of their competition level students needed help covering travel and other costs. We wrote a check to help cover competition costs.

Christina Mariano has been living with her 4 kids in a hotel. She fell behind on

storage fees for her belongings while she has been looking for a new home. We helped her catch up on storage costs.

Kristin Maria is the single mother whose son is in the RISE Basketball program. She is on a limited income and needs help for him to compete. We wrote a check for tournament and membership fees.

Truman Middle School had the honor to see 4 students qualify for the VEX Robotics World Championship. While their teacher was able to get funding to cover event costs, the students have to pay their own travel and food expenses. We helped purchase airplane tickets for these NM star students.

Volcano Vista HS Booster Club - we wrote a check to help with the seasonal costs for the team, as APS does not cover these. This helps to cover team equipment, field and batting cage maintenance.

Loretta Heron recently was given custody of her nieces and nephew, and needs help with the increased costs of her home, while she is on a limited income. We helped her catch up on utilities and gave her a gift card to Walmart to provide for their needs.

Latisha Nieto is a single mother living who recently found an apartment after living in a hotel for months. She depleted all her savings and fell behind on some bills. We helped her pay utilities and storage fees.

Ariana Gould is a single mother who was forced out of her apartment to a hotel due to increased rent. She found a room in the meanwhile but fell behind on storage. We helped her get caught up on storage fees for their belongings.

Bea Cannady and her husband lost their business and jobs due to COVID and were not able to recover. They have fallen behind on bills while they work to put a life together. We helped them catch up on utilities.

Matthew Avila reached out to ask for help with his mother's funeral costs. They were able to cover most expenses, but asked if we could help with food. We gave him a gift card to Walmart.

ABQ Little League - Darren & Marc are volunteer coaches of a local little league team. Most of the kids on the team have to share equipment, some of which is already broken. We gave them a gift card to Dicks to help outfit the team.

Pojoaque Valley Little League - Due to pandemic restrictions, the team will have an abbreviated season, and they are not charging full registration. Therefore they are not buying uniforms, as they cannot afford them with reduced dues. We wrote a check to help cover uniforms for the kids.

Terry Brown is a grandfather living in a hotel with his grandchildren. Mr. Brown is currently being treated for leukemia, and is looking for permanent housing. We wrote a check to help them with their lodging for awhile.



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