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Foundation's Community Reception to Highlight Giving

CARLSBAD, N.M., August 22, 2017 – The Carlsbad Community Foundation will host its annual community reception on Thursday, September 21, 2017. Honoring the generous spirit of giving in Carlsbad and South Eddy County, the Foundation's event will recognize the donors and benefactors who make the organization's charitable mission possible.

"Our community is so generous," said Betty Egbom, the Foundation Board's vice president, who chairs the Event Committee. "The Foundation allows us to bring resources together and make a difference not only today, but for many years into the future."

Last year, the Foundation was able to provide grants to more than 60 charitable organizations and award more than 90 scholarships, returning more than \$950,000 to the community. Some of the Foundation's recent grants have supported the Carlsbad Battered Families Shelter, Packs for Hunger, The Boys & Girls Club of Carlsbad, Noah's Ark Animal Refuge, Lakeview Christian Home, Landsun Homes, Deliver-A-Meal, Carlsbad Veterans Memorial Park, CARC, Inc., the Carlsbad Literacy Program, Desert Willow Wildlife Rehabilitation Center and the Carlsbad Early College High School and the Halagueno Arts Park Committee. The Foundation has also accepted more than \$300,000 in donations in a new fund for Friendship Park and will award grants for the completion of the project.

The Community Reception is designed to be an interactive event among those who represent all aspects of philanthropy in the community: donors, benefactors, board members, staff and representatives of many local charitable organizations. Local resident Mike Currier will serve as the master of ceremonies for the event, which will include only a brief program.

“We have something special to share with the community this year,” said Board President Jon Tully. “In partnership with one of our organizational benefactors, we will be announcing something new that will benefit people right here in our community.”

The formal reception is scheduled for 6 to 8 p.m. on September 21, 2017 at the Pecos River Village Conference Center. There will be no charge for admission, however, tickets will be required. Interested participants should call (575) 887-1131 to reserve their complimentary tickets.

About the Carlsbad Community Foundation

The Carlsbad Community Foundation is a charitable, 501(c)(3) organization that exists to improve the quality of life for the people of our community and South Eddy County. The work of the Foundation is achieved by building endowment funds for long-term support of nonprofit organizations and other charitable purposes. A Benefactor is a donor who has cumulatively contributed more than \$10,000 to Foundation endowment funds.

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