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Casa Cerrillos Renewal

The past year has seen a lot of improvements at Casa Cerrillos, St. Elizabeth's permanent supportive housing program for adults with disabilities. A new computer room with three computers, a printer and internet access is now available for the residents. The courtyard has been landscaped, the trees trimmed, the parking lot repaved and security cameras installed. Deliveries of staples and fresh produce from the Food Depot – between 300 to 400 pounds per week – are set out for the residents to use in preparing their meals.

But the biggest improvement has been to the apartments themselves. For more than a year, Carolyne Hall, principal of Carolyne Hall Design, has been giving the older units – many of which hadn't been updated since St. Elizabeth started the program nearly 20 years ago – a total renovation.

**Edward Archuleta
is St. Elizabeth's new
Executive Director.
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and bath countertops as well as window sills, rebuilt kitchen and bath cabinetry, and cleaned and reconditioned all appliances.

"The end results are amazing," says Shane Lampman, Casa Cerrillos program manager. "They look like brand-new apartments. Her company's tag line is 'creating a better future' and she's certainly done that for our residents."

Carolyne, whose professional experience includes working on the production of museum exhibitions in Bonn, Berlin and Paris, believes in using



The same color scheme for bathrooms.

She used protection and restoration technologies to reseal the floor foundations to protect from insects and mold, sealed, caulked and painted the interior walls, resurfaced kitchen

and bath countertops as well as window sills, rebuilt kitchen and bath cabinetry, and cleaned and reconditioned all appliances. At Casa Cerrillos, she's addressing climate change by using a light color pallet – all whites and light grays – to create a cooler environment in the apartment interiors, while retexturing the floors in a faux-effect of white Carrera stone that is cool to one's bare feet in the summer months.



White on white in a remodeled apartment.

"My goal is to make Casa Cerrillos a healthy community and provide an improved environment," she says, "and I think the residents are re-energized, healthier and happier as a result."

The project is providing a logistical challenge, as many residents have had to move from their former apartments, so they could be renovated, into the recently refurbished ones as they became available. But the end result has been worth it.

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Director's Corner



I am truly grateful for having had the opportunity to serve New Mexico's homeless men, women and children at St. Elizabeth Shelters for the last 13 years. There have been many successes over that time, people who have pulled themselves back together and are now living productive and stable lives, due in part to the efforts of our

courageous staff who have always believed that it is possible to end homelessness, one person at a time. Ed Archuleta has been a major part of that success, which makes him the perfect person to take on the leadership of this organization. I know I leave with a capable and dedicated person at the helm. Thank you to everyone, residents, volunteers, staff and funders for your support on this incredible journey.

Deborah Tang

Edward Archuleta, former case manager at the Men's Emergency Shelter, took over as executive director at the end of July. He has been involved with St. Elizabeth since its founding in 1986, serving as volunteer resident manager, front desk



volunteer and member of its Board of Directors. He joined the staff in 2010, became case manager in 2012, and in 2017 was named New Mexico Case Manager of the Year.

"Not only does Edward possess all the qualifications for the position, but he knows our programs inside and out," says Sam Baca, president of the Board of Directors. "He has shown incredible dedication to our mission, having done an outstanding job for many years as case manager, as well as having deep roots and being well-respected in our community."

On the Road Again



Richard Boscon and his new Nissan Versa.

The Poet may still love the open road but now he has a new car to explore it in and an apartment to come home to.

Richard Boscon, 73, had been traveling for about 20 years when he arrived in Santa Fe in 2013 to visit his brother who worked in the post office. Originally from California, he had served in the Air Force in Vietnam, repaired and maintained copiers for Xerox in St. Louis, sold motor homes in the state of Washington, and started and lost a rock-art business in Las Vegas, Nevada, due to gambling and drinking.

After getting those issues under control – “the toughest thing I’ve ever done” – Richard returned home to take care of his mother after his father died. She loved traveling so they hit the open road, living and moving between Ensenada, Mexico, and Skagway, Alaska, with stops at points along the way for nine years. After her death in 2003, he stayed on the road for ten more years, living in his truck, meeting people and looking for interesting places to visit.

“I knew that other people had schedules and time restrictions but I didn’t,” he says, “so I was able to

follow the roads to wherever they might take me. I lived for the experience and met wonderful people with great hearts who would go the extra mile to take care of those in need.”

Shortly after arriving in Santa Fe, his brother died and his truck broke down. Richard was planning to leave and start hitchhiking around the country. But his health was failing, and when he met Maria Lopez, program manager at the Men’s Emergency Shelter, she convinced him to move in and take care of his medical problems.

“Richard had a host of issues,” recalls Shane Lampman, his former case manager. “He had a hernia, cardiac problems, peripheral arterial disease, sleep apnea and a cancerous nose abscess. During the six months he stayed here, we set him up with a series of doctors and surgeries to address these maladies. We also connected him with the Veterans Administration and used a VASH (Veterans Administration Supportive Housing) voucher to get him a place at the Tuscany Apartments.”

Richard had started writing poetry in 1973, glazing his verses

on the rocks he sold in Las Vegas. His writing continued during his years on the road but has blossomed during the last five years in his own apartment. Many of his verses have been collected into a self-published book, “You Think You Don’t Like Poetry,” and he now has one of his poems recited every Friday night on KSFR’s show Dialogue.

“All this magic is happening, and I’m all for it,” he says. “Many times I write a poem and when I read it back, I ask – where did that come from? I just take the love that people have for others and put that into my poetry.”

By saving his Social Security and Veteran’s benefits, Richard recently bought a Nissan Versa, the first new car he’s ever owned. In May, he drove it to Iowa to visit his adopted “sister” who he hadn’t seen in 20 years. Next up, a trip back to California to visit old friends.

“It’s an unbelievable new sense of freedom,” The Poet says. “If you take care of the now, the past and future will take care of themselves. All I want to do is make sure my life deserves all the love I’ve received.”

Richard, now more commonly known as The Poet, is just one example of the thousands of individuals that, over the years, St. Elizabeth has helped transition into new and more fulfilling lives, as his following poem indicates.

*“I’ll ask for what none dare to ask
that I can see between each mask
and touch with truth,
a truth that lies within.*

*I’ll pray for what none dare to pray
that soon there will become a day
when ling’ring, loving
laughter can begin.”*

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"I love my new apartment and I love living at Casa Cerrillos," says Kiera Littlefield, a longtime resident. "I am so grateful to be here."

Shane seconds this sentiment. "Everybody is much more upbeat about living here," he says. All the residents have a newfound sense of pride in their living space and environment. In fact, four of them now are taking courses at the community college. It's definitely been a psychological boost for those with depression or bipolar disorders."

Carolyne Hall Design was recently nominated for 'best in business excellence' in two categories – best

small business and best women's owned business – for the 2018 business awards by the Santa Fe Chamber of Commerce.

"When we first met Carolyne, she impressed us with her ideas and overall concept and we're certainly glad that we contracted with her company for the renovations," Shane says. "She does the best work for the price of any company in town."



A resident works in Casa Cerrillos' new computer room.

The Casa Cerrillos renovations have been funded with a mix of private philanthropy and government funds. To date, 13 apartments have been completed. But now we're in need of additional funding to finish the project. If you would be interested in supporting this work or taking a look at the apartments, please call Shane Lampman at 471-3476 or Jim Podesta, development director, at 982-6611 x 105.

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Please call (505) 982-6611 or bring the smaller items to St. Elizabeth's at 804 Alarid Street.

Clothing - Baseball caps, rain ponchos, men's jackets, socks, underwear.

Personal hygiene - Shaving cream, disposable razors, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, deodorant, band-aids®, sun screen, combs, alka-seltzer®, pepto-bismol®.

Food - Ground beef, chicken, pork, ham, roasts, milk, juice, eggs, fresh fruit, bottled water, cheese, coffee.

Other - Bath and kitchen towels, bus passes, vacuum cleaner, used carpentry or landscaping tools (tool belts, hammers, levels, tape measures, rakes, etc.) to assist clients in find employment.

Volunteers - Front-desk receptionists for four- to eight-hour blocks of time, cooks for dinners any.

CASA FAMILIA

Please call (505) 983-2042 or bring the smaller items to Casa Familia at 1604 Berry Ave.

Clothing - Women's underwear, socks, warm jackets, shoes, boy's/girl's clothing, rain gear, umbrellas.

Personal Hygiene - Shampoo, conditioner, feminine hygiene products, disposable razors, band aids, hair brushes, foot powder, body soap, nail clippers, nail files, deodorant, baby wipes, baby powder, sun screen, alka-seltzer®, pepto-bismol®, cough drops, Emergencies Vitamin C.

Food - Non-perishable food, water, juice, spices.

Other - Passes for community activities (e.g. Chavez Center or Children's Museum) or bus passes, movie passes, diapers (all sizes, particularly 2-6), twin size sheets, towels, patio furnitures, cleaning supplies, latex-free gloves, kitchen utensils, pots & pans, dish soap, toilet paper, paper towels, shower shoes, AA/9-volt batteries, laundry detergent, painting supplies.

Tools - All our tools have disappeared. We could use a hammer screw drivers, tape measures, wrench, pliers, etc.

Volunteers - Cooks for dinner.

CASA CERRILLOS

Please call (471-3456) to discuss their current needs before bringing them to the facility at 381½ Cerrillos Road.

Transportation - A used truck to transport food and furniture for residents.

Household Items - Pots & pans, bedding, furniture, cleaning supplies, light bulbs.