

### **January Update on Parkland Hills Village**

Happy New Year! Parkland Hills Village (PHV) is moving forward and, as of a few days ago, is now a non-profit corporation! We initially have six members of the Board of Directors, and later this week we will be conducting our first Board meeting. Soon we will apply to the IRS for 501(c)(3) status, register with the N.M. Attorney General's Office, and take several other actions, all of which will enable us to seek tax-deductible donations, among other benefits. Hopefully we will be able to begin providing services later this year or early next year.

For those of you who are new to this list, or as a reminder to the rest of you, PHV will aim to help residents of Parkland Hills age in place through appropriate volunteer services, such as transportation, light chores in and around the home, compassionate visits, and social events.

In November and December, we conducted a needs assessment survey. We received 63 responses. Quite a few people indicated that they would be interested in being members of PHV and/or volunteering to one degree or another. A smaller number of people indicated that they think they will need services in the near future. We believe there are many more people in the neighborhood who will need services or who need services now but who don't use the Internet or, for one reason or another, didn't respond to the survey. We will make efforts to locate those people in the next few months. If any of you know people in Parkland Hills who you believe need services or may need services in the near future, could you let them know about PHV and ask them if it would be OK for one of us to contact them?

**We will have a potluck on Sunday, February 10, from 4:00 to 7:00 PM at the home of Mara Hoffman, [address deleted].** We hope to see many of you there.

If you have any questions or would like to help our effort, please contact me by responding to this e-mail.

And, as always, please let me know if you do not wish to continue receiving PHV updates.