



## Enchanted Life Foundation Annual Report September 2015

"Enchanted Life Foundation (ELF) is a private family foundation formed for the express purpose of providing higher education, adult Roman Catholic religious formation and charitable opportunities that might not otherwise be available to the people, communities and the Roman Catholic Diocese of Las Cruces, of the ten southern counties of New Mexico. This geographic description should only be interpreted as indicating a preference to assist these individuals and communities first. It does not in any way limit the ability or desire of the foundation to assist other people, communities or Roman Catholic Diocese in the United States." *Norma J. Spina, Founder, Letter of intent*

We have identified six major areas of concern that the foundation will address....

1. To promote adult education and formation of laity, religious or clerics serving the Roman Catholic Diocese of Las Cruces, New Mexico;
2. To consider the infrastructure and material needs of parishes within the Roman Catholic Diocese of Las Cruces and communities in the ten southern counties of New Mexico, attempting to meet education or social needs of the local community;
3. To promote proficiency in English, both written and spoken, as a matter of social justice and economic advancement;
4. To promote institutions of higher learning, to include colleges, universities, and vocational and technical schools;
5. To promote the education for future generations by awarding scholarship to qualified students;
6. To consider assisting religious retirement situations and religious communities, such as, by way of example and not by way of exclusion, Seton Hill University and the Sisters of Charity;

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**Foundation Grants since the last annual report:**

Seton Hill University, Greensburg, PA - Student Scholarships  
Carlsbad Community College, Carlsbad, NM - Scholarships  
Sisters of St. Francis, Syracuse, NY - Retirement Community  
Sherman Community Foundation, Deming, NM - Literacy

**Sponsorship Program:** Exponent Philanthropy, Washington, D.C.  
Sisters of St. Joseph, Brentwood, NY  
Oneida County Sheriff Department, Rhinelander, WI

**Total Required Distributions: \$0**  
**Total FY Grant Distributions: \$30,500**  
**Total Grant Distributions since Incorporation: \$355,025**

**Significant Events:**

During this fiscal year a board member discretionary grant program was approved.  
During this fiscal year a streamlined grant application was approved to be used at the  
Executive Director's discretion.  
During this fiscal year an intangible philanthropic program was approved.

**Board of Directors:**

Philip V Spina, President  
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**Financial Information:**

Totals assets as reflected on IRS 990PF 2013/2014 - \$1,803,562.00

This report shall be prepared annually on or about September 1 and reflects the previous year's activity. A paper copy shall be filed in the emergency ELF files located at at12520 Canyon de Oro, Las Cruces, NM 88011 and in the office files 8418 Linwood RD, Bowling Green, Ohio, 43402

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