Campus Partners Express Gratitude

Please accept my thanks and appreciation for the continued and recently enhanced support CRS is providing for the many local, national, and international users of the UNM Libraries. The Fellowships not only provide a valuable learning experience for UNM students, but the outcome of their work will create new knowledge and innovative methods of access to our rich resources. In Addition, the funds from CRS to cost share the acquisition of the John Nichols paper will add to our already rich collections representing the southwest, and our reputation as a first class institution committed to showcasing our regional authors.

Martha Bedard, Dean of University Libraries 2008

We want to extend our personal gratitude to you and the Center for Regional Studies for your contribution to the University of New Mexico Press in support of the publication of our book, *The Spanish Language of New Mexico and Southern Colorado: A Linguistic Atlas*.

We know that such support makes it possible for the Press to publish key works that may not be big money -makers but that address issues of critical importance to understanding the social and cultural milieu of New Mexico and the Southwest. Promoting such understanding is clearly a central mission of both the Center and the Press, and UNM is fortunate to have visionary leadership in both entities.

Neddy A. Vigil, UNM Dept. of Linguistics, 2008

Every cliché about a successful organization starts and ends with the notion of teamwork, and in the case of a publisher, the cliché holds true due to the complicated and expensive nature of book production. For us, one of our most cherished teammates has been UNM's Center for Regional Studies (CRS), headed by Dr. Tobias Duran. We can say without hyperbole that without the Center's support over the last eight years, we would not have been able to sustain our programs.

Clark Whitehorn, UNM Press 2008

Letter to New Mexico Legislators 2008

I want to thank you for your support. The CRS's fellowships fund the professional editorial education of graduated students hired by the New Mexico Historical Review and make possible the ongoing publication of the journal. Editing, producing, and publishing the NMHR would be far more touch-and-go without the CRS's funding of the editorial fellowships. My staff and I are so very pleased that you and the CRS continue to find scholarly value in the NMHR. My staff and I cannot thank you enough for your support.

Durwood Ball Editor New Mexico Historical Review 2012 My staff and I deeply appreciate the CRS's support of editorial fellows. Their experience at the Review greatly enhances their professional education in the Department of History at the master's and doctoral levels. The scholarly product, they produce adds tremendous value to the research, educational, and service mission of the University of New Mexico.

Durwood Ball Editor New Mexico Historical Review 2011

First let me express my gratitude for your support of my work both during my Ph.D program here at UNM and during the past three years following its completion. I cannot express enough how greatly, as a scholar and in my professional advancement, I have benefited from the work fellowships funded by the Center for Regional Studies. I hope that in the future you will be able to continue funding work opportunities for young scholars such as myself. It has made all the difference.

Teresa Eckmann, CRS Research Scholar, 2008

I am writing to express my great appreciation for your support in making the Slick Collection of Latin American and Iberian Political Posters available to my students. I greatly appreciate that my students had this wonderful opportunity to see outstanding poster-designs in the original, and to be introduced to those by a knowledgeable scholar. The collection and its availability is one of the great resources here at the University.

Susanne Anderson-Riedel, Ph.D. Asst. Prof. in Art History 2007

The Center is one of the most vital institutions on the university campus fulfilling all three principal UNM missions: education, research, and service. Dr. Tobias Duran, the CRS Director, applies center funding toward the support of students and scholars, and sponsors cultural and research outreach projects that benefit the citizens of New Mexico, the Southwest, and the United States. Dr. Duran has funded eighteen (18) editorial fellows among the student body at UNM. His generous support of those eighteen students alone testifies to the educational value of the CRS to the UNM community. I know that Dr. Duran has extended that generous support by funding students at other educational, cultural, and research institutions such as the UNM Press and the Center for Southwest Research at the UNM Zimmerman Library.

Durwood Ball, Editor NM Historical Review 2008

I write this letter to thank you for your continuous support of the Dramatic Writing program at the department of Theatre and Dance. Throughout the years your support has assisted students in the Words Afire Festival and scholarships to individual students, myself included. Most recently eleven students and I made the

trek to San Marcos, Texas to participate in the Kennedy Center's regional festival. The students involved found the value of the experience immeasurable.

Leonard Madrid, 2008

I am extremely honored to be a recipient of the Ambassador Edward Romero Scholarship and I want to personally thank you for this gracious gift. Thank you for empowering myself, and all the other recipients to accomplish our goals. Though there may not be a way to ever repay you, the best gift we can do is make sure when we succeed, we do the same for others. Thank you again for believing in me, and I look forward to making you proud.

Lameck Lukanga, 2009

I write to express my profound appreciation - personally, as Director of the UNM Religious Studies Program, and as a faculty member in the Department of Sociology - for the funding made available by the Center for Regional Studies to support our students in studying the role of religion in society during our January 2008 field trip. *Richard Wood, Director of Religious Studies, 2008*

Dr. Duran, your Center's support for individual publishing projects has been invaluable. Without your support, we would not have been able to create the digital masters for the DVD and soundtrack CD of the film, *Alambrista*, included in our book, *Alambrista & the U>S.-Mexico Border*. Thanks to the inclusion of those multimedia elements, the book/film package has been a great success in college and university courses around the country and the world today. The same can be said for the scores of other book projects that you have supported over the years, books like Mary Montano's Tradiciones Nuevo Mexicanos. The titles are too numerous to list here. Suffice it to say that the Press is in your debt and extremely grateful for your continuing support.

Luther Wilson, Director UNM Press

I want to take this opportunity to again than you for your continuing support of the UNM, University Libraries' Center for Southwest Research. I believe our partnership has greatly enhanced the national and international status of the University of New Mexico and our programs. I look forward to some very exciting and dynamic times ahead. Thank you again for our continued commitment to our mission.

Michael Kelly, Director, Center for Southwest Research, 2008

During fiscal year 2008-2009 the School of Architecture and Planning, and more precisely the Architecture Program, has truly benefited from the financial support and guidance of the Center for Regional Studies. Without the support from the CRS our architecture course projects and research activities would have been very abbreviated or non-existent. CRS has underwritten coursework, and promoted creative research, community engagement and action. As the Director of the Architecture program I want to thank you for your gracious generosity.

Geraldine Forbes Isais, Dean School of Architecture, 2009

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you for the tremendous assistance that you have provided in funding my research for the Virtual Albuquerque Project. To date CRS funding has allowed my team the opportunity to create a virtual database that will be a future resource for students at the university, the community of Albuquerque and the virtual global community. The fundamental mission of this project is to educate the public about the evolution of the city of Albuquerque, its buildings, associated neighborhoods, and cultural history. This state is unique and requires significant documentation, and your vision and support has allowed for this extensive documentation to begin. Thank you again for your guidance and generosity, we at the School of Architecture and Planning are extremely grateful.

Tim B. Castillo, Director, Laboratory of Digital Research 2009

Words fail to describe the heartfelt gratitude I have to you and the Center for Regional Studies for the generous support of our activities in the Cross Border Issues Group. Although Dr. Richard Scheafer and I find the work important as well as gratifying, receiving your support encourages us and bolsters our resolve to take our immigration stories to new audiences to give voice to those unheard.

Carolyn Gonzales, Cross Border Issues Group 2010

2008 served as a year filled with tremendous achievement. Thanks to your support, I have been able to work diligently on my doctoral program and the unique challenges that a program of my nature faces. I am deeply grateful for your support and for your faith in my abilities. I pride myself in keeping my promise and my intention to return to New Mexico, to UNM, and to contribute to the improvement of scholarship and service to its people.

Manuel Montoya, Doctoral Student, 2008