

TORRANCE COUNTY  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONER


RESOLUTION NO. 90-5

A RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE "LIFE LINK"  
AND THE "LIFE LINK" COMMUNITY CO-OP PROGRAM

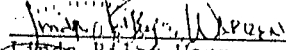
- WHEREAS, there are more than 5 and 1/2 million Americans living in "poor" households; and the number of full-time American workers living in poverty has risen more than 42% from 1978; and
- WHEREAS, there are multiple thousands of elderly and retired New Mexicans struggling to survive on fixed retirement incomes;
- WHEREAS, there are millions of American families, many of them in New Mexico who are having a difficult time in making financial ends meet, whose needs have slipped between the cracks of other programs and agencies, resulting in cutbacks to their personal home food budgets as well as other essential areas;
- WHEREAS, the Life Link, a nonprofit organization based in Santa Fe, New Mexico, has been established as an international development organization structured to assist people here in New Mexico, the United States, and abroad in meeting human needs, with the type of assistance provided being determined by the specific needs of the area and the resources available;
- WHEREAS, the Life Link Community Co-op has been designed to help meet the needs of those American families whose needs have slipped between the cracks of other programs and agencies;
- WHEREAS, the Life Link Community Co-op joins programs in eight (8) other states which serve more than 100,000 families with a self-help food co-op program which enables each family unit to share in the benefits of a high-volume, low cost food distribution system for a modest fee and volunteer community service;
- WHEREAS, the Life Link Community Co-op will on a monthly basis, provide a food box of quality nutritious staple food items, including fresh/frozen meats and vegetables, fruits, potatoes, canned goods, dry goods, etc., valued at between \$30 and \$45, for a modest participation fee of \$15 per unit, PLUS two hours of volunteer work for the community;
- WHEREAS, the Life Link Community Co-op is a pooling of resources by area food suppliers and The Life Link and is not a welfare program, nor do its participants have to qualify or meet any minimum or maximum income restrictions, and their participation is voluntary and Food Stamps are accepted;
- NOW BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Torrance County Commissioners to endorse the Life Link and the Life Link Community Co-op program and lend its support and influence toward the implementation of this much-needed program in the County of Torrance, which will enable their constituency to better help themselves.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 21ST DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1990.

TORRANCE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

  
James B. Summers, Chairman

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Linda Riley Warren, County Clerk

