

GRANT SUBMISSION

***We are a local, established 501(c)(3)
nonprofit public charity in San Antonio.***

***We mobilize local volunteers including from among
underserved groups to make and distribute off-road wheelchairs
for people in third-world, war-ravaged and natural disaster-torn
countries who have lost their lower limbs or use of them.***

Haitian relief is our primary focus this red-hot minute.

***We are 100% staffed with a non-paid Board
and volunteer membership and are 100% donor financed.***



Personal Energy Transportation of Texas Inc. dba PET San Antonio

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PET San Antonio

Background—History and Mission

Wholly run by volunteers and donor-financed, PET San Antonio makes and distributes off-road wheelchairs for people in third-world, war-ravaged and natural disaster-torn countries who have lost their lower limbs or use of them. While Mexico and Central America are a primary audience in need, Haiti has become an emergency target for PET production as of Feb. 22, 2010.

PET San Antonio is an affiliate of PET International, which was begun in 1995 in Missouri by a retired missionary, a pastor and an airplane mechanic and today has 15 affiliates in 10 states, Mexico and South Africa.

In 1994, Rev. Larry Hills was a Methodist missionary in Zaire, now Congo, in southern Africa. He saw scores of victims of polio and landmines who had lost, or lost the use of, their legs. Most of these people lived in remote areas without paved roads or roads at all. This condition prohibited the use of standard wheelchairs, which are ill-equipped to navigate rural terrain. Rev. Hills told an associate, Rev. Mel West, of the great need for a specially designed, hand-powered wheeled vehicle. Revs. Hills and West determined that the wheeled vehicles would have to be sturdy and built to last many years, be simple to maintain, and be low-cost in order to supply them at no cost to those in need.

In 1995, long-time friend and fellow missionary Earl Miner commenced designing four prototypes. Miner shipped the finished units to Rev. Hills for field testing and told him to test them in the worst place he could find. The prototypes' performance was outstanding. Rev. West began building the personal energy transportation (PET) units, or PETs, in his garage at home in Columbia, Missouri, and regularly shipped the finished products to Zaire. In 1997, Bishop Machado of Mozambique and many others saw the PET in action and they began requesting PETs for their individual mission locations in Africa.

Despite severely limited funding, the little-known grassroots PET project thus began to grow and production expanded beyond Rev. West's garage to include a small space at the Community United Methodist Church in Columbia. Then in 1998, a shop teacher and representative of Community United Methodist Church, Tom Algieri, traveled to Mozambique where he established two PET production workshops.

By 2000, Rev West had set up a production, receiving and shipping facility in Columbia, from where PETs were shipped around the world. That same year, Rev. Hills returned from Zaire to settle in Penny Farms, Florida, where he facilitated the building of a PET production workshop at the Penny Farms Retirement Center near Jacksonville that focused on mobility needs in Haiti. Also in 2000, Jake and Gwen Royall, members of the First Christian Church in Luling, Texas, established the first PET production workshop in Texas.

By 2003, PET San Antonio had organized and established a Board of leaders. In its infancy, PET San Antonio primarily supported and operated under PET Luling, which had acquired its 501(c)(3) Nonprofit Public Charity status, supplying Luling with manufactured parts.

After introduction to PET at a religious retreat in Kerrville, Texas, future PET San Antonio Board member Sid Martin became excited about the program. He donated manual labor and funds to buy parts for components made and shipped to the Luling affiliate and told the PET story everywhere he went, including to the Men's Club of Helotes Hills Methodist Church, which immediately gained volunteers and money for PET. Martin's efforts also resulted in an offer

from an individual to provide a workshop for PET in Helotes. When the workshop was completed, PET volunteers discovered what they had envisioned as a large, new production plant on paper was in fact sorely undersized in reality.

But the following year, another member of Helotes Hills Methodist Church offered his home workshop to the PET organization and it was twice as large as the Helotes location. Consequently, PET San Antonio moved to this new shop and increased production of parts for the Luling affiliate. At that time, PET San Antonio volunteers and Luling volunteers worked as one.

As it happened, one of the members of the Helotes Hills United Methodist church also belonged to the San Antonio Northside Lions Club. He introduced PET San Antonio during a monthly Lions Club meeting and demonstrated one of the PET units as he told the story. The Lions Club members unhesitatingly donated time and money to PET San Antonio.

PET production continued in this fashion and grew over the course of the next year, outgrowing the workshop in Helotes. Meanwhile, despite that donations and volunteers continued pouring in, PET production became restricted because of an increasingly pinched workspace.

A PET volunteer and welder who made components for the Luling plant and who worked from an otherwise empty airplane hanger at San Geronimo Airpark in San Geronimo, Texas, in Northwest Bexar County, offered the hanger to PET San Antonio as its workshop. Once again, PET moved to a “larger” location; but, as volunteers and donations continued to grow, PET San Antonio quickly outgrew its new home. At the same time, the Helotes plant was overwhelming the Luling affiliate with PET components, building them much faster than the rate at which the small corps of volunteers at the Luling facility could assemble and ship them!

In early 2005, PET San Antonio separated from the Luling affiliate by becoming an official PET affiliate of its own, and soon produced and shipped its lion’s share of PETs to waiting recipients in Mexico. Mexico willingly and quickly opened its borders to PET San Antonio because of the country’s widespread need—mass amputations resulting from unchecked diabetes.

In 2009, PET San Antonio received its 501(c)(3) Nonprofit Public Charity status as Personal Energy Transportation of Texas, Inc. dba PET San Antonio.

In addition to building PETs and promoting the need for PETs in developing countries, PET International and its affiliates including PET San Antonio oversee worksites where PETs are constructed, teach others how to build PETs, and help deliver PETs to international agencies and sponsors in 70 of the world’s poorest countries.

As an affiliate of PET International, and effective February 2010, PET San Antonio and its affiliates began focusing PET production on Haitian relief efforts. PET International has established an alliance with the Haitian government and the World Trade Organization to build and ship PET units to Haiti. As of Feb. 26, 2010, PET San Antonio organized shipment of 183 PET units traveling from PET International in Columbia, Missouri, directly to Haiti through La Porte, Texas, and for another 100 PETs that will be headed to La Porte from the Aurora, Missouri, PET workshop for direct shipment to Haiti within approximately 30 days or by mid-April 2010.

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Background—Product, Services and Audience Served

Product

It is important to say upfront that while PET San Antonio produces PETs for underserved people in third-world countries, it is focused on recruiting and mobilizing local volunteers—particularly marginalized groups—and enriching the local community while doing so. Such groups include juveniles court-ordered to fulfill community service hours, homeless and other veterans, and wounded soldiers in recovery. Building PETs for disabled others simultaneously serves to re-integrate marginalized groups of volunteers into mainstream society. Building PETs has already shown, with wounded soldiers for example, to build self-esteem and develop concrete vocational skills.

PET units, or “PETs,” are simply made, sturdy, three-wheeled, hand-cranked carriages engineered with wheelbarrow wheels and solid tires that do well in dirt and grass. The vehicle allows anyone without use of legs or feet to hand-power the cart that has a front-wheel brake and a wood-wedge parking brake in the rear. Each one also has a cargo area like a wagon for carrying things.

Free to anyone without mobility, PETs are widely accepted in the world’s poorest places. In undeveloped countries such as Mexico where diabetes unchecked causes mass amputations, and in many others ravaged by war such as Bosnia and Afghanistan where loss of limbs is commonplace, a PET can raise a human being’s dignity by raising him or her literally out of the dirt and rubble.

The humble and improving PET San Antonio website at www.petsanantonio.mysite.com provides a video that demonstrates the PET in use by a PET recipient. In addition, the Supporting Attachments section of this proposal includes illustrations of the production and operation of a PET.

To produce one PET costs from \$190 to \$200, depending upon whether some materials used to manufacture and assemble the unit are donated or purchased. In addition, shipping costs vary from \$50 to \$60 per unit, again depending upon whether shipping containers and actual transportation costs are donated or purchased.

Concerning shipping costs, prior to 2009, PET San Antonio received PETs from approximately 15 other PET affiliates in the United States and in turn transported them to Mexico and Central America using donated shipping containers and transportation costs provided by other nonprofit organizations.

As a result, PET San Antonio has continued receiving PET units from its other affiliates and shipping their combined production to Mexico, Nicaragua and Angola, while absorbing the cost of freight into its local budget and recovering part of the collective cost from contributing PET affiliates. Increasingly, because the primary recipient market of PET San Antonio is Mexico and Central America, and because the local and nationwide PET affiliates can conveniently and efficiently ship to these destinations through San Antonio, the entire PET International organization and its local affiliates support San Antonio in its plan to become a major, central distribution center for PETs.

Services

PET San Antonio is serious about involving San Antonio in its production project—and improving San Antonio as a result. PET intends to dedicate and lease approximately 800 square feet of the facility it seeks to a local community organization—such as Alpha & Omega Career Center, which already has expressed interest and whose mission is to rehabilitate former felons under the age of 25 through vocational trade training in welding, electrical work, new construction carpentry, masonry and plumbing, using PET manufacturing and assembly as an integral part of this training. Such a lease will help offset the PET budget, contribute to PET production, and aid in rehabilitating men and women who are re-entering and contributing to the greater San Antonio community.

PET San Antonio provides production, assembly, packing and shipping—often personal delivery—of PETs directly to PET recipients. A new vision for PET San Antonio is purchasing, with donated funds, and outfitting, with donated funds, a “PET-Mobile,” and making it and volunteers available for on-site group PET-building initiatives throughout the local community, such as the one it hosted at Fort Sam Houston in conjunction with the Wounded Warriors program in October 2009.

To date, such group initiatives have involved a monumental effort by PET volunteers who must first transfer equipment and materials from the existing, meager PET workshop onto flatbed trailers, transport the trailers to worksites, unload equipment, and then upon completion of the event, transport the equipment back to the PET workshop. Having a fully outfitted PET-Mobile ready to go would substantially increase PET production by making the equipment and materials available to more volunteers—PETs could be built simultaneously at both the PET facility and on location using the PET-Mobile.

A measurable benefit to the community of PET San Antonio is its proven ability to empower groups of individuals, particularly envisioned to include juveniles court-ordered to fulfill community service hours, homeless and other veterans, and currently including retirees, wounded soldiers, and Lions Clubs members, to participate in “giving back” and thus encouraging self-esteem, skills development, and commitment to community and humanity among these volunteer groups. All of these groups, current and envisioned, are increasingly showing enthusiastic interest in building PETs.

Audience Served—Including Recent Haitian Amputees

PETs are for people of all ages in the poorest countries who have lost, or lost use of, their legs and/or feet due to birth defects, diabetes, spinal cord injuries, polio, land mines, war or natural disaster, such as in Haiti, where according to PET International co-founder Mel West there is an immediate need for an estimated 2,000 PETs—the number of units all 15 PET affiliates are currently able to collectively produce in an entire year. Considering that Haiti’s population and economy somewhat mirror Mexico, particularly as relates to disease- and amputation-related loss of lower limbs, there is likely more need for PET units in Haiti than is currently known.

The PET organization—100% donor funded and operated at the local level—is dedicated to providing personal mobility to individuals throughout the world without regard to income, nationality, race or religion. According to PET International, an estimated 21 million people worldwide need a PET unit. But all the PET plants combined including those in Texas are able to build only about 2,000 units each year.

During non-emergency times, Mexico and Central America constitute PET's primary geographic market. According to the Mexican Red Cross, there are an estimated 250,000 people in the northern states of Mexico without lower limbs or without use of their lower limbs due to diabetes; most are diabetic amputees.

With San Antonio neighboring Mexico and PET San Antonio supported by the Mexican Consulate and government, PET San Antonio helped open a workshop in Nuevo Progreso and taught people there how to build PET units. PET San Antonio often transports mobility devices it makes—and those shipped to San Antonio by other PET affiliates from across the state and nation—directly to Nuevo Progreso.

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Background—Awards and Recognition

On July 11, 2009, **U. S. Representative Ciro Rodriguez, Congressional District 23**, met with the PET San Antonio Board and several volunteers to learn about the important mission of the project going on in San Antonio and around the world. After the Board presented a briefing on PET, it then showed the video, “Mercy in Motion,” which illustrates the project and recipients using their PETs. Upon learning what a PET is and who the recipients are, and after watching the video, Rep. Rodriguez stood, looked eye-to-eye at each volunteer gathered in the room, and applauded each one. He said: “You are doing wonderful work. How can I help you?”

As a result, **Rep. Rodriguez** placed a call to action to his constituents in San Antonio, Del Rio, Eagle Pass, Fort Stockton, Uvalde, Crystal City and Washington D.C., urging them to support the funding of PET for fiscal year 2011.

In December 2009, PET San Antonio held its first annual awards banquet to honor local PET volunteers who worked more than 100 hours from Jan. 1, 2009, to Dec. 31, 2009. Of the five member volunteers recognized were Board member Roland Dowe with 429 hours of service in 2009, Board member Dave Frazier with 323.25 hours, Marvin Morgan with 233.75 hours, Ray Willis with 131 hours, and Tom Martin, Board President, with 104.75 hours of service in 2009.

The awards ceremony also honored sponsoring organizations and individuals, including **Rep. Rodriguez**, who have donated money or materials to PET San Antonio or helped spread the word.

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Background—Revenue Resources

Donation Source	City	Category	Donation Type	Donation Year	Actual Cash or Estimated Value
Blue Bird Auxiliary of Methodist Hospital	San Antonio TX	Volunteer Group	Annual Cash	2007, 2006	\$2,500
Blue Bird Auxiliary of Methodist Hospital	San Antonio TX	Volunteer Group	Annual Cash	2008, 2009	\$5,000
Friends of the Forgotten, John Killian	San Antonio TX	Nonprofit	Materials	2009	\$353
Friends of the Forgotten, John Killian	San Antonio TX	Nonprofit	Cash	2009	\$500
PET International	Columbia MO	Nonprofit	Cash	2008	\$644
Alamo Heights Lions Clubs	San Antonio TX	Lions Club	Cash	2009	\$1,000
Buffalo Valley Lions Clubs	Schertz TX	Lions Club	Cash	2009	\$250
Central Park Lions Clubs	San Antonio TX	Lions Club	Cash	2009	\$1,000
Northside Lions Clubs	San Antonio TX	Lions Club	Annual Cash	2005 – 2008	\$8,000
Northside Lions Clubs	San Antonio TX	Lions Club	Annual Cash	2009	\$5,000
Various Lions Clubs	TX	Lions Club	Cash	2009	\$3,000
Victoria Boulevard Lions Clubs	Victoria TX	Lions Club	Cash	2009	\$500
West Side Lions Clubs	San Antonio TX	Lions Club	Cash	2009	\$50
Agnes Smithers	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$40
Alan and Nereida Lindsey	Columbia SC	Individual	Cash	2009	\$100
Alice and Richard Koster	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
Ann McGuire	Odessa TX	Individual	Cash	2008	\$1,000
Arlene Esq Piper	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
Barbara and John Vanhoutte	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$50
Betty Ames	Kerrville TX	Individual	Cash	2010	\$20
Betty Sauer	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$800
Beverly Curtis	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
Beverly Healy	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$50
Capt. Thomas Loomis, USN Retired	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
Carl Taylor	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2008	\$50
Catherine and Joseph Darchicourt	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$50
Charles McCullough	Helotes TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$100

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Cheryl and Thomas MacKinder	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
Chris and Sara Bunch	San Antonio TX	Individual	Welder	2009	\$500
Chris and Sara Bunch	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$1,000
Cliff Lowry	San Antonio TX	Individual	Table Saw	2009	\$500
Daniel and Mary Esther Carrasco	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$50
David and Deborah Ferguson	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$75
David and Gloria Frazier	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$100
Debbie Smith	New Braunfels TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$50
Debra Frazier-Quintero	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$250
Del Pilcher	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
Diane and Robert Dillon	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
Diane Peters	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
Doug Leithauser	Carmel IN	Individual	Seat Belt Webbing	2009	\$1,000
Doug Williams	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$50
Dr. Deborah Dobie	Carrizo Springs TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$40
Dr. Gerald Harrington, Retired	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$250
Edith and Harry Pence	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$250
Edith Carr	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
Elizabeth and John Olivar	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$100
Elizabeth Underwood	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
Elmer Freed	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$250
Elsie and Ollie Benham	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$45
Emillo Sanchez	Brownsville TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$250
Ernst O'Pella	Bay City TX	Individual	Cash	2010	\$250
Fred and Louis Lyle	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$250
Fred Kwant	Helotes TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$30
Gregory and Judy Leue	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
J. Robert Thomas	Stafford TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$20
Janice Lambert	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$250
Jay and Ana Franklin	Dallas TX	Individual	Cash	2008	\$250
Jim and Ruth Ann Ackles	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cabinet saw	2010	\$3,000

Donation Source	City	Category	Donation Type	Donation Year	Actual Cash or Estimated Value
Jo Mort-Englisch	Fair Oaks Ranch TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$120
Joan and Rockie Rish	Helotes TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$10
Joe and Gail Srubar	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$600
John and Dorris Riddle	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$100
John and Joanne Pariato	Helotes TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$100
John and Maridean Jones	Boerne TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$100
John Jack	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2008	\$50
John Yantis	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$250
Johnny Cavazos	Brownsville TX	Individual	Cash	2008	\$100
Jose Gonzalez	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$27
Joyce Carlson	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
Judith and Joseph Marquis	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
June Prade	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$40
Karen Fulghum	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$10
Karl Kluthe	Helotes TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$100
Keith Anderson	Converse TX	Individual	Table saw	2009	\$500
Kenneth and Karen McGinnis	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$50
Kent and Karen Mawyer	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$250
L.A. and Janet Warfield	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$250
Larry and Janet Rauchut	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
Larry and Joan Wisian	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$50
Linda and David Regan	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
Lois Arzonetti	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$35
Louis and Yrma Ratener	Akron OH	Individual	Cash	2009	\$250
Marcia Royce	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$50
Margaret Mayberry	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$15
Marilynn Milligan	Bee Cave TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$50
Marjorie and Charles Kilgore	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$250
Marlise Harman	Arlington TX	Individual	Cash	2008	\$50
Martha and Skip Barchfield	D'Hanis TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$200
Mary Andriola	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
Mary Bligh	Chicago IL	Individual	Cash	2009	\$30
Michael and Theresa Kruse	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$300
Mike Hernandez	Dallas TX	Individual	Cash	2008	\$50

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Myrtis Sagebiel	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2008	\$250
Norman and Susan Harper	Reseda CA	Individual	Cash	2009	\$400
O'Neal and Lois Gibbs	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
Patricia Biggs	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$50
Patty Wittig	San Antonio TX	Individual	Vinyl Seat Covering	2009	\$500
Paul and Cathy Cole	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
Peggy Neal	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$30
Peter Mathews	San Antonio TX	Individual	Copies: "Mercy in Motion" CD	2009	\$100
R.K. and Barbara Robbins	Kerrville TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
Randolph and Margaret Loveless	Bulverde TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$200
Randolph W. Baker	Lost Maples TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$50
Ray and Sharon Grammer	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$100
Raymond and Susan Blom	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2010	\$150
Rebecca and Stephen Heye	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
Rebeccas Boss	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
Renee Breslof	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
Rey Costa	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$40
Richard and Barbara Baldwin	Helotes TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$200
Richard Drileck	San Antonio TX	Individual	Press and Shaper	2009	\$1,000
Robert and Kaaren Florstedt	Cibolo TX	Individual	Cash	2008	\$250
Robert and Kaaren Florstedt	Cibolo TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$250
Roger White	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$50
Roland and Doris Dowe	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$50
Sandra McGowan	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
Sandra Sweir	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
Sid Martin	Helotes TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$100
Sonya Pena	Brownsville TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$250
Susan Salter	Tulsa OK	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
Thomas and Sharon Wintermute	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$50
Thomas Brown	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
Thomas Tucker	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$1,250

Donation Source	City	Category	Donation Type	Donation Year	Actual Cash or Estimated Value
Troy Ross	Arlington TX	Individual	Cash	2008	\$500
Verna Paco	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$100
Michael and Vicky Rollins	Longview TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$100
Vijay and Vickie Jain	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
Wanda Franks	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
William and Carol Craig	San Antonio TX	Individual	Cash	2009	\$25
Air Force Village II Methodist Church	San Antonio TX	Church	Cash	2009	\$2,000
Bethany Presbyterian Church	San Antonio TX	Church	Cash	2009	\$250
Castroville United Methodist Church	Castroville TX	Church	Annual Cash	2009	\$1,000
Crestview Baptist Church	San Antonio TX	Church	Cash	2009	\$50
First United Methodist Church	Carrizo Springs TX	Church	Cash	2009	\$100
First United Methodist Church	Kerrville TX	Church	Cash	2009	\$500
Helotes Hills United Methodist Church	Helotes TX	Church	Cash	2009	\$1,133
Holy Trinity Catholic Church	San Antonio TX	Church	Annual Cash	2008	\$3,000
Holy Trinity Sharing Fund	San Antonio TX	Church	Cash	2008	\$100
Medina Valley Methodist Church	Castroville TX	Church	Cash	2009	\$1,067
San Benito United Methodist Church	San Benito TX	Church	Cash	2009	\$296
San Pedro Presbyterian Church	San Antonio TX	Church	Cash	2009	\$1,500
Seekers Sunday School Class, St. Johns United Methodist Church	San Antonio TX	Church	Cash	2009	\$25
Alamo Mobility, Lance Moore	San Antonio TX	Business	Seat Belt Material	2009	\$200
Capital Group Companies	Los Angeles CA	Business	Cash	2009	\$1,000
Highways Technology, Yvonne Davin	Austin TX	Business	Reflector Tape	2009	\$250
Jack Laurence Corp.	San Antonio TX	Business	Steel materials for parts	2009	\$1,000
Southwest Farm & Ranch Home Center	San Antonio TX	Business	Lumber for Parts	2009	\$500
Star Maker Enterprises, Len and Beatrix Griffin	Irving TX	Business	Cash	2009	\$773
Waterford at Huebner	San Antonio TX	Business	Cash	2010	\$250
Woodcraft Supply Co.	San Antonio TX	Business	Machinery/Equipment	2010	\$5,000

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Project Description—Facility

Before addressing the specifications of the needed facility, PET offers its intent to dedicate and lease approximately 800 square feet of the acquired facility to a local community organization—such as Alpha & Omega Career Center, which already has expressed interest and is budgeted to lease the space, and whose mission is to rehabilitate former felons under the age of 25 through vocational trade training in welding, electrical work, new construction carpentry, masonry and plumbing, using PET manufacturing and assembly as an integral part of this training. Such a lease will help offset the PET budget, contribute to PET production, and aid in rehabilitating men and women who are re-entering and contributing to the greater San Antonio community.

Lacking an adequate facility, equipment and materials, and needed funds, PET San Antonio’s growing number of local volunteers is prohibited from achieving their production potential. They currently build PET parts individually at home or in a small, rented open-air hangar at San Geronimo Airport in northwest Bexar County, which is an overcrowded 1,200 square-foot make-do workspace.

PET San Antonio needs a centrally, conveniently located warehouse, ideally inside Loop 410, in San Antonio. The warehouse is needed to multiply the efforts of volunteer carpenters, steelworkers, welders and others from all over South Texas who make and assemble the off-road wheelchairs. With a sufficient production and assembly plant, PET San Antonio could give thousands more people—hundreds at a time every year—the precious gift of mobility.

In addition to the units it produces locally, PET San Antonio would be able to receive volumes more units from 15 or more other PET affiliates across Texas and the nation and then collectively ship them to its primary recipient market in Mexico and Central America. In fact, it already is doing this, but is unable to receive, inventory and then ship PETs in the quantities it could if it had a sufficient warehouse and plant in San Antonio.

PET San Antonio determines it needs a 4,000-4,500-square-foot facility to accommodate safe production and assembly of PETs and to achieve the following specifications for a workshop, storage area, administrative area and parking lot:

1. Adequate workspace and storage to safely and efficiently manufacture, assemble, package, ship and store PETs, including:
 - Manufacturing space for efficient fabrication and assembly
 - Space to ship, receive and warehouse PETs
 - Space to store materials inventories
 - Space to store parts and fully assembled PETs from PET affiliates
 - Space to store and use large equipment such as a forklift and manufacturing and assembly tools such as welding equipment
2. Administrative office for such functionality as:
 - Space for volunteer coordination, scheduling, sign-in/sign-out
 - Space for keeping accurate records of volunteer work, and material and cash donations

- Meeting room including a media room and display area for interested donors and the general public to view and obtain marketing materials
3. Leased space of 800 square feet of the needed facility dedicated to an established, functional organization, such as Alpha & Omega Career Center, to provide rehabilitation and vocational training, and simultaneous PET production and budget offset, by involving under supervision:
- Former felons under the age of 25 in rehabilitation and vocational trade training
 - Juvenile court community service fulfillment
 - Mentoring of other youth in crisis
 - Wounded Warrior program and veterans
 - Lions Clubs
 - Retirees
 - Church groups and rotaries
 - Business Community
 - Other nonprofit groups
 - Other interested individuals
4. Adequate parking lot with 40 or more parking spaces to accommodate groups of volunteers working at one time plus parking space for large flat-bed trailers and, if funded, the PET-Mobile.

PET prefers to acquire such a facility at 100% donation or with a lease of \$1 per year. Otherwise, PET is prepared to continue budgeting up to \$200 per month or a maximum of \$2,400 per year to lease the needed facility.

While church groups, Lions Clubs, individuals and some businesses already are donating materiel, dollars and elbow grease—primarily the latter—PET San Antonio sorely needs a sizeable workshop and distribution center and more equipment and materials to accommodate growing numbers of volunteers who want to come together and do the work that's needed to meet the regional and global need for the PET product.

Current Primary Location:

Manufacturing and Assembly

San Geronimo Airport

San Geronimo TX

30' x 40'

Paid Lease: \$200/month = \$2,400/year

Temporary Second Location (Expires 3/31/10):

Assembly and Storage Only

All Points Communication

San Antonio TX

35' x 60'

Donated by Bill Morgan, All Points Communication

Lease Value: \$500/month = \$6,000/year

All Points Communication has been sold. New owner will not accommodate leasing to PET.

PET San Antonio

Project Description—Equipment

PET San Antonio owns and maximizes use of production equipment, tools and materials necessary for PET production. These items are valued at \$20,000.

Altogether, PET San Antonio seeks \$37,500 in equipment funding in 2010 so that it can increase production, with \$30,000 of these funds dedicated to production equipment, and including a modest \$2,500 for office equipment, and \$7,500 for a “PET-mobile,” which is a make-ready mobile PET-building and assembly unit that can be transported to on-site volunteer locations, such as the annual Wounded Warriors “Make A Difference Day” held at Fort Sam Houston. The PET-Mobile would theoretically double production: at once, it would empower volunteers to work on-site with select groups while production would continue at the PET San Antonio production facility.

Production and Office Equipment Currently Owned by PET San Antonio	Estimated \$ Value/Cost
Saws	\$5,000
Fixtures for fabrication and assembly	\$5,000
Drill motors for assembly	\$2,000
Hand tools	\$2,000
Drill presses	\$1,500
Shapers	\$1,500
Welders	\$1,000
Drill motors for assembly	\$1,000
Supplies	\$1,000
TOTAL	\$20,000

Production and Office Equipment Currently Needed by PET San Antonio	Estimated \$ Value/Cost
Haul truck and trailer capable of moving 50 PET units per load	\$20,000
Forklift	\$5,000
Storage racks	\$2,500
Conference table with chairs and filing cabinets	\$1,500
Office computer and printer/copier/fax/scanner	\$1,000
SUBTOTAL	\$30,000
PET-Mobile	\$7,500
TOTAL	\$37,500

PET San Antonio

Project Description—Product Production

Thanks to its small army of volunteers, PET has been able to steadily increase production of PET units every year. In fact, since first conceiving its meager manufacturing and assembly operation in 2005, PET San Antonio has increased production from a modest 25 units in 2006 to 173 units in 2009! Still, our goal is to produce up to 360 units/year toward the global need for some 21 million PETs.

Beginning in 2010, PET San Antonio would like to produce an average of 20 PET units/month for a total of 240 PET units/year. By 2013, PET San Antonio believes it will, with sufficient funding and a centralized facility, produce at least 30 units/month for a total of 360 units/year. In addition, due to PET San Antonio’s geographic proximity to Mexico and Central America, it will be capable of receiving, and warehousing until shipment, an additional 20 units/month or more from PET affiliates in Texas and other states, which already ship their production to PET San Antonio for distribution to Mexico and Central America, the primary recipient market for PETs.

With a fully functional warehouse, including safe and ample workspace to broaden community support in the form of volunteers, and to manufacture, assemble and package PET units—and to serve as a major distribution center for other PET affiliates—PET could soon be on its way to satisfying the mobility needs of the estimated 250,000 diabetic amputees in northern Mexico and millions of others in third-world, war-ravaged and natural-disaster-damaged countries who have lost their lower limbs, lost use of their lower limbs or were born without legs and/or feet completely.

To see the “Mercy in Motion” story of PET International and the contributions of local affiliates including PET San Antonio, please watch the DVD “Mercy in Motion” enclosed in this presentation at Supporting Attachments or visit YouTube at www.youtube.com/watch?v=y8UI7VOHSuk.

Year of Production	Completed Units Produced Per Year by PET San Antonio	Monthly Average
Goal 2013+	360	30
Goal 2010	240	20
2009	173	14
2008	105	9
2007	70	6
2006	25	2
2005	(In its early operation, PET San Antonio only manufactured parts and supplied the parts to PET Luling, its affiliate)	n/a

PET San Antonio

Project Description—Volunteers and Community Involvement

Volunteers

Unlike PET San Antonio's dire need for production materials and a safe, central production and assembly facility, volunteers are not an issue for PET; volunteers are in high supply and will be for the foreseeable future. Currently, the available and eager pool of PET San Antonio volunteers are of sufficient number to manufacture, assemble, package and deliver 50 units/month, but the existing facility makes it impossible for volunteers to work safely and effectively in order to actually produce and ship 50 units/month. Given this lack, the most they have been able to produce is 14/month.

Of the approximate 55 steady stream of volunteers, the majority of these manufacture and assemble PET units while a half-dozen of these focus on promoting PET San Antonio to benevolent groups such as churches, rotaries, Lions Clubs, and professional and civic organizations to help raise funds, a new facility and material donations.

Community Involvement

The San Antonio community, as it learns about PET San Antonio, is supplying small amounts of materials at cost or as donations or providing small groups of volunteers to help build PET units. Still, what are most sorely needed are funds to purchase more materials and equipment, and a facility where the growing PET organization can centralize and mobilize to dramatically increase production and distribution.

A few examples of community involvement are:

1. **John Collier, Director of Alpha & Omega Career Center**, 702 Cincinnati Avenue, San Antonio, Texas, 78201, (210) 341-2890, john@alphaomegactc.org, www.alphaomegactc.org, has expressed interest in relocating his nonprofit operation to the acquired PET San Antonio facility and leasing approximately 800 square feet of it. Alpha & Omega rehabilitates former felons under the age of 25 through vocational trade training in welding, electrical work, new construction carpentry, masonry and plumbing, and is interested in using PET manufacturing and assembly as an integral part of this training and rehabilitation.
2. **Jack Laurence Corp.** produced and donated metal components, including forks, steering posts, brake pedals, brake handles and frames, for 40 PET units at an estimated value of \$1,000 for materials plus \$1,000 for labor.
3. **Michael Sauder, Managing Partner, Woodcraft Texas Store**, sold PET San Antonio miter saws, drill motors, bench grinders and other equipment needed to manufacture PET units, at cost, at an estimated savings valued at \$1,800. An individual associated with Woodcraft Supply Co. also donated a cabinet saw; estimated value \$3,000.

4. **Eric Larson, owner of Southwest Farm & Home Center and brother of former Bexar County Judge Lyle Larson**, donated a one-mile length of lumber measuring 1” x 8” x 12’ to PET San Antonio, which cut the lumber to its 1” x 6” x 12’ specifications; estimated value \$500.
5. **Kenworth Truck Company** dealer Doug Leithauer donated a one-half-mile length of seat belts, which PET San Antonio cut to fit; estimated value \$1,000.
6. **Hector Villarreal, Lt. Col. U.S Army, Ret., of the National Alliance for Veterans and the San Antonio Coalition for Veterans** hosts PET San Antonio at monthly gatherings held at the Federal Building. From these presentations, the Bexar County Sheriff’s Dept. invited PET San Antonio to participate in a barbecue event they and Drury Inns hosted for the Wounded Warriors program at Fort Sam Houston. Drury Inns supplied a \$30,000 barbecue pit station, PET members barbecued the meat, and for its participation, PET San Antonio received from the Sheriff’s Dept. a \$300 cash donation—enough to build one PET unit and ship two. Villarreal was quoted in the Fort Sam Houston *News Leader* about veterans’ involvement with PET San Antonio: “This is therapeutic for the soldiers working here to put these [PETs] together; whether it is a soldier or a homeless veteran, they can then say, ‘Hey, I can do this.’ ”

PET San Antonio

Project Description—Evaluation / Community Feedback

Due largely to its Board and volunteer's tenacity and passion for telling the PET story, PET San Antonio is attracting everyone with whom its members and volunteers come into contact. Trouble is, there is no centralized location for the growing numbers of eager volunteers to build PETs, and there are insufficient funds to provide both the facility and the equipment and materials needed for the volunteers to operate. Still, interest continues to build. It is realistic to presume that, given its growing supply of local volunteers and other community supporters, the enormous success of PET San Antonio is just around the corner. Will you help us make that happen sooner than later?

Testimonials—Community Leaders

- ★ If elected for **Judge County Court No. 7 in May 2010, Deborah Sandheinrich** has expressed interest in involving first-time juvenile offenders in community service with PET San Antonio.
- ★ After becoming acquainted with PET San Antonio at a National Alliance for Veterans gathering, on Oct. 24, 2009, **Judith Markelz, Program Manager of the Warrior and Family Support Center at Fort Sam Houston**, supported PET San Antonio by involving 15 wounded soldiers, who participated in a mobile assembly event facilitated by PET San Antonio on-site at Fort Sam Houston during its "Make A Difference Day," when the soldiers and 15 PET volunteers built, test-drove and packaged 20 PET units—more than a month's typical production otherwise!—for shipment. Markelz promises this to be an ongoing initiative.
- ★ **Hector Villarreal, Lt. Col. U.S Army, Ret., National Alliance for Veterans**, was quoted in the Fort Sam Houston *News Leader* about veterans' involvement with PET: "This is therapeutic for the soldiers working here to put these [PETs] together; whether it is a soldier or a homeless veteran, they can then say, 'Hey, I can do this.' "

Testimonials—PET Affiliates

- ★ Letter: **PET-Spokane**:
 "We want to express our thanks to PET San Antonio and colleagues for their help in making our 5th shipment of PETs available to the Mexican people who need them. We were in a quandary because our regular shipper was unable to take this shipment. An e-mail to PET San Antonio brought an immediate and positive statement of help.
 "PET San Antonio negotiated with Yellow Freight to provide for the shipment. They also negotiated a freight rate that was within our budget. ..."

Testimonials—Donors

- ★ Letter: **Michael Sauder, Managing Partner, Woodcraft Texas Store:**
 “Just a short note to let you know of our admiration of you and your organization. As you know Tom Borrow introduced me to you and PET. ... and I was very impressed. Tom also introduced PET to a group of woodworkers who meet informally on Monday nights, and all of that group ... has plans to help you build more carts [PET units] for your mission.
 “We at the Woodcraft Texas Store are very happy to supply PET with woodworking tools at our cost, as we have done in the past, and whenever the need arises in the future. We will also be glad to, as we have done in the past, query our customers for donations of specific tools that are just too costly for your budget.
 “Tom, if there are any other things we can do to help PET to improve the lives of those less fortunate than ourselves, all you need to do is ask.”

Testimonials—PET Recipients

- ★ Letter: **Missionary Jerry Wiley (Mexico), Wiley Ministries Inc. dba Harvest Ministries International:**
 “A few years ago, I became acquainted with the PET project in San Antonio... Needless to say, I was very interested because I’ve been living in the country of Mexico for 40 years and I knew of people in my city who needed this type of mobility. ...
 “At that same time, I was given two of the PETs to load in my airplane, and upon arrival in Soto La Marina, Tamaulipas [Mexico], we assembled them, and one was given to Fabiola Puente Suniga, who was born paralyzed from the waste down... I wish everyone could have seen the smile on her face when she saw the PET—WOW! What a smile. She is now all over her neighborhood visiting friends, able to go places she has never gone. ...
 “Thanks to all those who donate their time and money and allow a miracle to come to pass in these poor lives.”
- ★ Letter and Photos: **Louise Flippin, Comunidades Unidas Pro Salud, CUPS Mission, McAllen, Texas:**
 “The PET is an answer to prayer. When Flor [Isabel Flores Garcia, 13, of Matamoros, Mexico, who was born with spina bifida] was a little child, she could ride a tricycle but now that she is growing up, that is not an option. The doctor told her that she needed exercise, and the PET will provide that too as well as transportation.”

PET San Antonio**Project Budget—2009 Budget Jan. 1, 2009 – Dec. 31, 2009**

For approximately \$200 apiece (plus \$50-\$60 shipping apiece), PET San Antonio can manufacture, assemble, package and ship a PET anywhere in the world. (Shipping costs vary depending upon available donations and destination.) Cash donations in 2009 of \$32,636 allowed PET San Antonio to produce and ship 173 PETs.

<u>2009 Production</u>	<u>2009 Budget</u>
14 units/month	\$25,721 Direct Cost
<u>173 units/year</u>	<u>+ \$ 6,915 Insurance, Rent, Tools and Consumables</u>
\$190/unit	\$32,636 Total Cash Donations

Category Description	2009 Total
INCOME:	
Adjustment	\$100.17
Donations	\$32,636.25
Other Income (Misc. Expense Reimbursements)	\$2,972.40
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TOTAL INCOME	\$35,708.82
EXPENSES:	
Materials	\$18,603.31
Tools (newly purchased in 2009)	\$3,669.19
Freight	\$2,523.26
Rent/Facility	\$2,400.00
Transportation	\$1,180.59
Promotional Materials	\$1,156.94
Misc.	\$1,004.04
Insurance	\$830.35
Newsletter	\$678.66
Savings Transfer	\$250.00
Utilities	\$237.53
Repairs	\$166.88
Office Supplies	\$56.00
Trailer Registration	\$49.02
Postage	\$25.47
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TOTAL EXPENSES	\$32,831.34
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BALANCE IN TREASURY	\$2,877.58

PET San Antonio**Project Budget—2010 Budget Forecast Jan. 1, 2010 – Dec. 31, 2010 “What We Need”**

For approximately \$200 apiece (plus \$50-\$60 shipping apiece), PET San Antonio can manufacture, assemble, package and ship a PET anywhere in the world. (Shipping costs vary depending upon available donations and destination.) PET San Antonio needs \$60,000 in cash donations in 2010 to produce and ship 240 PET units.

<u>2010 Production Goal</u>	<u>2010 Financial Goal</u>
20 units/month	\$48,000 Direct Cost
<u>240 units/year</u>	<u>+ \$12,000 Insurance, Rent, Tools and Consumables</u>
\$250/unit	\$60,000 Total Cash Donations Needed

Category Description	2010 Total Estimate
INCOME:	
Donations	\$60,000.00
Other Income (Misc. Expense Reimbursements)	
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TOTAL INCOME	
EXPENSES:	
Materials	\$48,000.00
Tools	\$430.00
Freight	\$2,845.00
Rent/Facility	\$2,400.00
Transportation	\$2,500.00
Promotional Materials	\$1,000.00
Misc.	\$00.00
Insurance	\$1,000.00
Newsletter	\$500.00
Savings Transfer	\$00.00
Utilities	\$250.00
Repairs	\$250.00
Office Supplies	\$250.00
Trailer Registration	\$75.00
Postage	\$500.00
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TOTAL EXPENSES	\$60,000.00
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BALANCE IN TREASURY	\$0.00

PET San Antonio

Staff and Membership—2010 Board of Trustees

PET San Antonio is an affiliate of PET International, which has 15 affiliate workshops in 10 states, including Florida, Iowa, Kansas, Maine, Michigan, Missouri, New York, Tennessee, Texas and Washington; in Nuevo Progreso, Mexico; and in Cape Town and the Republic of Zambia in South Africa. In addition to building PETs and promoting the need for PETs in developing countries, PET International and its affiliates including PET San Antonio oversee worksites where PETs are constructed, teach others how to build PETs, and help deliver PETs to international agencies and sponsors in 70 of the world's poorest countries.

Since 2005, PET San Antonio has been fine-tuning its organizational structure and operation to ensure its flawless commitment to the local community while pursuing its global mission, a clear chain of command, unquestionable accountability and diligent devotion to its long-term success. As a result, PET San Antonio has positioned itself as a compassionate and persuasive leader among local members, national affiliates, and its local and national network—and growing international network—of supporting organizations. Board members are elected by the PET membership to serve one-year terms September-August with unlimited re-elections.

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PET San Antonio

Staff and Membership—2010 Board of Trustees

Thomas Martin, President

Thomas Martin is President of the Board of PET San Antonio in charge of oversight, direction, administration, financial/fiscal responsibility, marketing and promotion. “I am available 24/7/365, and ready, willing and able to take phone calls and emails and respond quickly to potential donors’ interest in funding and otherwise supporting PET,” Martin says.

First elected to a one-year term in September 2008 and re-elected to a second term in September 2009, Martin brings strong leadership with a fundraising priority. “I’ve spent most of my time producing PET units but I’m turning my attention to fundraising,” Martin says. “I feel it is the Board President’s job to lead, and without sufficient funds, leading is severely limited.”

A financial advisor for 16 years first with American Express and then with Commonwealth Financial, Martin retired in 2006. Preceding his career in finance, Martin worked in manufacturing for 14 years. He served four years as General Manager over product manufacturing for Dillingham Engineering Company. He was employed 11 years as Project Manager of Gas Compression and then as Salesman for Ingersoll Rand Company in Houston and in San Antonio. In 1981, Martin ranked in the top five among 75 sales professionals at Ingersoll. His earliest work experience was as Cost Accountant for Reynolds Metals Company of Chicago.

A vast managerial background in manufacturing and finance has prepared Martin for his leadership role at PET, affording him an ideal framework for the production of PETs and leadership of the organization from volunteers to Board members. Originally from Chicago, Martin relocated to Houston in 1972 and then to San Antonio in 1981. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Economics from the University of Illinois.

As a Lion’s Club member, Martin first learned of PET in 2004 when he heard the story told and instantly signed on as a volunteer. He has stayed involved, he says, because PET “has an immediate, positive effect on the lives of its recipients—who before receiving this gift neither lead productive lives nor have any hope of doing so. PETs make dreams come true.”

During the past four years, Martin has dug his heels in to support PET. He has built PETs, rallied volunteers, recruited corporate sponsors, government agencies and church groups, donated personal funds and helped raise funds, purchased materials and delivered PETs to people in need.

PET’s most urgent necessity, Martin attests, is manufacturing space and up-to-date equipment to match the demand for PETs and a growing alliance of eager volunteers who are ready, willing and able to work. “If we had 10 times the space we do now plus a corresponding increase in the equipment we use to make PETs, we could see real progress,” he says.

Barring unforeseen events beyond his control, Martin has made a lifetime commitment to PET. “My wish is for more people to realize the instant impact and positive change a PET makes in a life,” he says. “PETs give people a chance to live a productive life that relieves entire families and other caregivers of what would otherwise be a lifelong burden. Where else could I help make such a magnanimous impact?”

PET San Antonio

Staff and Membership—2010 Board of Trustees

Sid Martin, Vice President, Transportation and Distribution

Sid Martin is Vice President of the Board of PET San Antonio in charge of Transportation and Distribution. Re-elected each consecutive year to serve another one-year term as Vice President, Martin is a founding member.

Born and raised in Falfurrias, Texas, Martin worked on his family's ranch from 1972 to 1976, when he launched M&S Trucking Company, which he sold in 2000 when he retired. In 1991, Martin relocated from the Rio Grande Valley to San Antonio.

Martin holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from Howard Payne University in Brownwood, Texas, which he attained in 1972. His extensive experience in the transportation and distribution industries across more than three decades has grounded his leadership of one of the most important components of the PET organization—delivering PETs to waiting recipients.

Martin was first introduced to the fledgling PET organization through a religious affiliation in 2003, when he quickly realized the profound difference the simple devices were making in the lives of those stricken with immobility and the accompanying hopelessness. He has been involved with PET ever since.

Martin's devotion to PET is profoundly simple: "To continue to impact the huge number of people who need the devices, knowing that every PET produced is one less person in the dirt," he says.

In addition to helping launch other PET affiliates, Martin has served in virtually every role within the organization. He has built and delivered PETs, rallied volunteers, financially supported PET and raised funds, purchased materials, and recruited sponsors and donors.

Martin loses sleep at night, thinking about PET's dire need for adequate work space, adequate equipment, and the dollars required to expand the important undertaking. "Right now, we can only do a small fraction of the total demand so necessary to restoring human dignity to those who have no hope in their present situation," he says.

Common among PET volunteers is the selfless gift of whatever time, talent or money they can offer. Martin, for example, has hauled PET parts across the country. He knew he was doing the right thing when, during his first transport from Ohio to Texas, his truck and flatbed trailer packed with PET frames jackknifed, but he, his rig and the cargo miraculously escaped unscathed.

Martin tells the story everywhere he goes, and stays active in building and delivering life-enhancing PETs. "I intend to keep doing it well into the future," he vows. "It gives me great joy to see PETs restore hope and dignity to immobile persons who live in poverty, to see them reclaim what most of us take for granted every day," he says. "If more of us could witness people gratefully receiving the gift of mobility, and how PETs immediately and permanently change their lives, we would have the resources we need to build a lot more PETs and restore hope to a lot more people."

PET San Antonio

Staff and Membership—2010 Board of Trustees

Kenneth L. McGinnis, Secretary

Kenneth L. McGinnis was re-elected in September 2009 to a second, one-year term as Secretary of the Board of PET San Antonio in charge of Meeting Agendas and Minutes as well as marketing PET to the Del Webb Retirement Community, where he resides.

McGinnis joined PET after completing an early military tour of duty and a career in the oil industry and traveling coast-to-coast.

Born in Philadelphia, McGinnis graduated from Oregon State University in Corvallis, Oregon, in 1965 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering.

Following graduation, he served three years from 1965 to 1968 with the U.S. Army in West Germany as Tank Company Commander. In returning to civilian life, McGinnis resided and worked in San Francisco and Los Angeles before relocating to Houston and finally to San Antonio in 2004.

For 30 years, from 1969 to 1999, McGinnis held managerial positions at Union Oil Company. He then was a safety contractor for two years for Kerr-McGee Oil Company in Houston. In retirement, McGinnis applies his years of experience and enthusiasm to volunteerism with PET. “My education and work experience provide a broad and comprehensive background that enables me to seek out volunteers and assist in raising money for PET,” McGinnis says.

He first read about PET in the *San Antonio Express-News* in October 2007 and got involved then because he saw a need he could help fill. He stays involved because “it is worthwhile,” McGinnis says.

During his first year with PET, McGinnis has built PET units and worked to help further the mission of the organization while focusing on doing what he can to search out people who can help secure a new building where growing numbers of interested volunteers can work. “I see our biggest challenge today as having an adequate building in which to construct PET units, and I aim to continue working to help see that happen,” he says.

PET San Antonio

Staff and Membership—2010 Board of Trustees

Karl Kluthe, Treasurer

Karl Kluthe is serving his second, one-year term as Treasurer of the Board of PET San Antonio. He first was elected in September 2008 and was re-elected in 2009.

Raised in Miami, Florida, Kluthe came to San Antonio in 1975. That same year, he worked as Houseparent for Boysville Inc. in Universal City. For the following three years, Kluthe was employed as Assistant Research Scientist at Southwest Foundation for Biomedical Research, formerly Southwest Foundation for Research and Education. In 1981, he began a career in real estate first with Red Carpet/Don Hendricks Real Estate. He then took on progressively challenging roles with Wakefield/Hendricks Realtors as Broker Associate, Property Manager and Apartment Locator Manager.

In 1995, Kluthe became a Broker Associate with Coldwell Banker/D'Ann Harper Realtors. He remained there until 2001, when he joined RE/MAX North-San Antonio, where he is today.

Kluthe attained his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1975 from Florida State University in Tallahassee and studied doctoral-level Experimental Psychology with Texas Tech University in Lubbock from 1978 to 1981. He earned his Certified Residential Specialist Designation with the Council of Residential Specialists in 2006 and graduated from the Texas Realtors Leadership Program of the San Antonio Board of Realtors in 2008.

His expertise in real estate and finance inform his posts on the PET Board. "As a Realtor and property manager, I have overseen people's real estate assets and accounted for the proceeds and have advised people in their real estate decisions, helping them with the financing," Kluthe says.

Kluthe first got involved with PET San Antonio at its inception in 2003 when the Men's Group at Helotes Hills United Methodist Church first formed the organization. "As a member of the church and Men's Group, I felt it was a way for me to serve others in need while introducing them to the good news of Christ," he says.

Throughout his involvement with PET, Kluthe has pitched in to build PETs, financially supported PET, and helped build one of the PET workshops. He has provided input at Board meetings, attended PET functions in San Antonio and Mexico, and presented PET to groups at his church to raise funds.

With a keen desire to help keep PET focused on its primary mission to serve others, Kluthe remains committed to his involvement for at least another five years.

PET San Antonio

Staff and Membership—2010 Board of Trustees

Sam E. Pantusa, Member-at-Large, PET / Lions Clubs Liaison

Sam E. Pantusa was elected to serve his first one-year term as Member-at-Large and PET/Lions Clubs Liaison of the Board of PET San Antonio in September 2009.

A San Antonio business owner and passionate PET activist, Pantusa is in it for the long haul. “I intend to continue to work with PET until Lions International accepts PET as an internationally adopted-service program and the PET San Antonio facility is a reality,” says Pantusa.

Also a longstanding member of the Lions Clubs, the San Antonio native had been working since April 2009 to connect the 16 Lions Districts in Texas with PET. Pantusa joined the San Antonio Northside Lions Club in the 1970s and has since held every office. He is distinguished by perfect attendance and currently serves as Lions Liaison with PET.

After attaining a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering with the University of Texas at Austin in 1971, Pantusa began a stellar engineering and entrepreneurial career. He was a Mechanical Engineer in training with Groves Fernandez Consulting Engineers until 1976, when as a Registered Professional Engineer and Partner, he joined Robert W. Barry and Associates Consulting Engineers. In 1982, he founded Pantusa Construction to offer general construction contracting services. Pantusa accepted a partnership and role as Executive Vice President with Olmos Environmental Services and OES Construction in 1989. He re-entered small business ownership in 2004, where he remains today, as Owner and General Contractor of Mission Construction Services.

“Having owned my own business most of my life, I believe that my understanding of administration and public relations are an asset to promoting the cause of PET,” says Pantusa. “What is more, my 34 years as a member of Lions Clubs International, the largest service organization in the world, gives our Board a connection to a network that is vitally important to the growth of PET and a unique connection to reaching the people we serve.”

The Lions have distinguished Pantusa with numerous accolades, including Lion of the Year, Melvin Jones Fellow, Jack Weich Fellow of the Texas Lions Camp, Texas Lions Foundation Fellow, Member of the Miracle Circle of the Lions Sight Research Foundation and Special Founders Fellow of the Lions Sight Research Foundation. He was named a Herb Petry Fellow in honor of the late Past International President.

Pantusa was introduced to PET in 2007 during a presentation at a Lions Club meeting. “PET has been a wonderful team-building experience that serves our Lions’ motto: We Serve,” he says. “Much like the Lions work aimed at conserving people’s eyesight, PET’s gift of mobility is instantly life-transforming. By the end of 2010 we plan to have Lions in five of the 16 Lions Districts in Texas working in some capacity with PET.”

Promoting PET, Pantusa travels to Lions Clubs across the state, making presentations and raising funds. He is single-mindedly focused on connecting Lions Clubs to existing PET assembly shops in other cities—or involving Lions in opening new shops where none yet exist—to increase PET production. “By connecting PET and Lions, we have directly impacted our ability to distribute PETs into Mexico. Coincidentally, Lions in Mexico operate eye clinics in several towns, which are perfect points of distribution because the clinics are ideal places for locating recipients for

PETs. If PET can build this network locally, it will become a vital link in the process, and ongoing discussions with PET International about establishing San Antonio as a major hub of PET distribution to both Mexico and Central America.”

In order to make PET’s vision a reality, substantial funds must be raised. “These funds along with the support of the ‘movers and shakers’ in our local community are key to establishing and maintaining a more efficient and optimally functioning organizational structure that is essential to giving PET a long life,” he says.

Pantusa is putting a lot of personal time in on the PET project. Besides his work with the Lions, he is conducting a search for a facility that PET San Antonio can call home. Such a facility would consolidate all the functions of fabrication and material-handling, storage and shipping, administration and marketing and meet volunteer accessibility requirements. Such a facility would also expose the PET assembly operation to the entire community as a venue for volunteers, particularly for youth in crisis and for the wounded warriors at Brooks Army Medical Center.

PET San Antonio

Staff and Membership—2010 Board of Trustees

Roland Dowe, Member-at-Large, Production Manager

Roland Dowe was elected to serve his first one-year term in September 2009 as Member-at-Large and Production Manager of the Board of PET San Antonio. He is in charge of purchasing, inventory, manufacturing and assembly.

Bringing a half-century's worth of operation and production experience to PET initially in August 2008, Dowe was promoted quickly to Production Manager for PET in September 2009 and elected to the Board.

Originally from Boston, Dowe settled in San Antonio in 2006 after a long and illustrious career in production, including owning and operating his own business. From 1958 to 1965, he was Production Planner, Scheduler and Administrative Assistant for Sylvania Electronic Systems in Waltham, Massachusetts. He accepted a promotion to Operations Manager in 1966 with Barry Wright Corp. in Watertown, Massachusetts, where he remained until 1971, when he established his business, Floor Covering Installations, which installed various floor coverings such as vinyl, carpet, ceramic tile and wood, with locations in Boston and Los Angeles.

He retired from the flooring industry 22 years later to accept a lucrative role as Production Manager and Special Projects Administrator with Paramount Environments of St. Louis, where he remained until 2002, when the company relocated to Florida. Energetic and still eager to work at age 65 and after 45 years in production, Dowe enjoyed the next three years as a Mailing Machine Operator for Magellan Health Services in St. Louis before formally retiring in 2006.

Dowe graduated from Brighton High School in Boston with a diploma in a Cooperative Industrial Course. He received certification as Engineman Third Class in 1955 from the U.S. Coast Guard Engineman School in New London, Connecticut. Dowe attended Northeastern University in Boston for two years, when he studied Business Administration. A tireless, ever-present fixture with PET, Dowe received PET's 2009 Certification of Appreciation and 2009 Volunteer Award for his 429 hours of service in one year.

Dowe's desire to support PET can be summed up in one word: Purpose. He brings a lifetime of working experience and "dedication to purpose" to his participation on the PET Board, he says. "After retirement, I was looking for volunteer work that would keep me physically active. I was introduced to PET in August 2008 by my daughter's father-in-law, who was a volunteer with the organization."

Dowe oversees production PET assembly in San Antonio. He successfully organized and oversaw a mobile assembly operation at Brooks Army Medical Center involving recovering wounded soldiers. He has designed and built various jigs and templates to ensure accuracy in production and assembly of PET units.

According to Dowe, the biggest challenge facing PET today is the need for additional funding. "We also need a completely functional assembly plant location," he adds. Meanwhile, the production aficionado is keenly focused on making do with what PET has and making its present locations as efficient as possible—and to dedicate as much time and energy to making PET a much bigger success.

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Staff and Membership—2010 Board of Trustees

Richard M. Baldwin, Member-at-Large

Richard M. Baldwin was elected to serve a one-year term in September 2009 as Member-at-Large of the Board of PET San Antonio. He formerly served as Vice President in 2008.

Baldwin was born and raised in San Antonio. Since 1973, he has been employed as Principal Engineer with Southwest Research Institute of San Antonio.

He earned his Bachelor of Science degree from Trinity University in 1967 and his Master of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta in 1970. Baldwin also successfully completed “Introduction to Welding” in 2006 with the Northside Independent School District’s Adult Education Program.

As an adventuresome youth, Baldwin earned Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America as an adolescent and the Silver Beaver Award as a young adult in 1986. In 1996, he was named “Fellow” by the American Society of Engineers.

After first hearing about PET during a Men’s Group meeting at Helotes Hills United Methodist Church in 2003, Baldwin volunteered to help build PETs and has since taught many others to build the devices as well. What he wants most is more time to spend with PET. “My full-time job gets in the way,” he gesticulates.

When PET San Antonio first got its start, Baldwin heard it needed a workshop. “I was getting ready to build one for my ‘pet’ projects anyway, so I told them I would let them use part of it for PET when it was finished—and if they helped me build it, we could all start using it much sooner! They did,” he says. “We had a great time, and in the process, we built our core team of volunteers who got the program started in San Antonio.”

Baldwin’s passion for PET clearly hinges on people. “I enjoy the tasks I have elected to do with PET, but it’s the people involved I cherish,” he says. “I owe so much to local PET members and I try to repay them at every opportunity.”

For the past five years, Baldwin has volunteered time and talent to teach PET-building workshops and build PETs. He has ordered steel for parts, taken inventory, helped raise funds and delivered PETs to eager recipients.

From his point of view, what the organization needs most is more financial support and a much bigger, centrally located workshop where rising numbers of willing volunteers can build many more PETs.

With no plans to leave the organization, his personal commitment to PET is to stay engaged and keep having fun doing it.

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Staff and Membership—2010 Board of Trustees

Howard A. Lewis Jr., Member-at-Large

Howard A. Lewis Jr. was elected to serve a one-year term in September 2009 as Member-at-Large of the Board of PET San Antonio.

One of the organization's most recent members Lewis already considers PET a matter of lifelong service.

A San Antonio native, Lewis' military and professional career has taken him across Texas and the world. Through the years, his travels carried him to Wichita Falls, Houston and Corpus Christi, Texas; Washington D.C. and Little Rock, Arkansas; and Ching Chung Kung, Republic of China, before returning to San Antonio for good.

Lewis attained his officer's commission with the U.S. Air Force in 1969 as an Instructor Pilot and later served as a Command Pilot and Command Staff Officer. In 1978, he resigned his commission for employment as a pilot with Braniff International Airways of Houston. Four years later, he took on the task of Air Traffic Controller with the Federal Aviation Administration in San Antonio. Lewis served the FAA in other roles and cities, including as First-Line Supervisor in Corpus Christi, Headquarters Staff Officer in Washington D.C., and Assistant Manager and HUB Manager of Little Rock's Air Traffic Control Tower. Concluding a 39-year career in aviation, Lewis retired in 2008.

The Air Force and FAA veteran attained a Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics and Physics with Texas State University (formerly Southwest Texas State University) in San Marcos, Texas, in 1969 and a Master of Science degree in Systems Management with St. Mary's University in San Antonio in 1977. He graduated from the U.S. Air Force's Pilot Training Program in 1969 and Pilot Instructor School in 1975.

Lewis is the honored recipient of numerous military and civilian awards. He brings a distinguished career and academic excellence to his service to PET, which he first heard about when his wife returned home from Medina Valley United Methodist Church and told him about a presentation she had heard about the organization. "I thought, I might enjoy working with PET," says Lewis. "I believe now that my working experience, particularly in management, can contribute to PET's success, and I plan on using whatever talent and skills I have to where they are most needed within the organization."

He got involved to make a difference. He stays involved to be of service and to see PET succeed. "I hope to give back some of the many blessings I have received in my life," says Lewis. "PET is a unique organization. It's very rewarding to know I'm contributing to something that is so rare yet so needed all over the world." Lewis volunteers twice a week making PETs. He also donates personal time and money, purchasing and delivering supplies.

"What we need now the most are more resources," Lewis says. "We need more fiscal support to keep it going, and I am going to do all I can to make that happen."

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Staff and Membership—2010 Board of Trustees

David Frazier, Member-at-Large

David Frazier is a founding member and loyal volunteer of PET San Antonio. He has been re-elected to the Board annually to serve another one-year term as Member-at-Large.

Ask Frazier how long he plans to commit his time and talents to PET and he'll tell you: "Till death do us part."

He knows all too well the reality of what life is like for someone who cannot walk on his or her own. His beloved wife, Gloria, is an amputee.

Hailing originally from Franklin, Pennsylvania, Frazier landed in San Antonio in 1998 after a 29-year career in the energy industry. From 1952 until his retirement in 1981, he worked in the field with Bulldog Electric as a Master Electrician across the northeastern and mid-western United States and the Virgin Islands.

After completing a tour of duty during World War II, Frazier attended Gannon College in Pennsylvania on the GI Bill and studied liberal arts in 1946. He later graduated from Bliss Electric School in Tacoma Park, Maryland, in 1948.

Early on, the young outdoorsman earned Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America. For nearly 30 years, Frazier was an avid skier and was a member of the Ohio Region National Ski Patrol.

Frazier is a seasoned fieldworker who brings a wealth of hands-on knowledge, experience and maturity to PET in his expert coordination of volunteers and oversight of PET manufacturing. He oversees and coordinates volunteers' building of PETs on the workshop floor and also serves as a purchasing agent for materials and equipment.

As a member of the Men's Group at Helotes Hills United Methodist Church, Frazier was among the founding corps of volunteers who built the first workshop where the local PET affiliate first started making PETs in 2003.

Volunteerism and a Board post with PET afford Frazier a therapy of sorts. "It helps me maintain balance in my life as I take care of my wife," he says. Gloria Frazier suffered a stroke that left her completely incapacitated and requiring around-the-clock care. Frazier takes breaks from care-giving at home to participate in PET initiatives.

The most pressing need for PET today is increased funding, Frazier says, so the PET organization can build more units for those who do not have the ability to be mobile on their own.

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Staff and Membership—2010 Board of Trustees

Joe Srubar, Member-at-Large, Past President

Joe Srubar accepted election in September 2009 to serve another one-year term as Member-at-Large of the Board of PET San Antonio. He was elected to serve as Board President during PET's infancy in 2004 and then was re-elected to President for three consecutive years, serving from 2005 through 2008.

An engineer by profession and a San Antonio native, Srubar has been the Director of Engineering for M2 Technology Inc. since 2007. Prior to this role, he worked three years as a private engineering consultant, was employed for six years as Executive Director of Engineering for Frontline Systems Inc. of San Antonio, and served two years as Senior Technology Specialist with the U.S. Air Force Information Warfare Center also located in San Antonio.

Srubar holds a Master of Science degree in Electrical Engineering, which he attained in 1989 with the U.S. Air Force Institute of Technology in Dayton, Ohio. He also earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering in 1984 from Texas A&M University in College Station. Srubar began his academic pursuits with an Associate of Arts degree in Avionics Technology, which he attained through the U.S. Air Force Institute of Technology while stationed in England in 1982.

The Lions Clubs International honored Srubar in 2005 as a Melvin Jones Fellow.

Srubar's education has equipped him to solve technical problems associated with the design and production of PETs. His work experience has provided him with the organizational and managerial skills necessary to recruit and supervise PET volunteers. The reason Srubar first got involved with the PET organization is the reason he stays involved: "PET is a worthwhile project that has an obvious and visible effect on the lives of people including recipients, volunteers and donors," he says.

Among Srubar's contributions to PET are his service as Board President from 2004 to 2008, building parts and assembling PETs, helping raise approximately \$10,000 a year for PET San Antonio and recruiting the major volunteer corps—members of the Northside Lions Club and additional volunteers from the Hill Country Retreat community by Del Webb. Additional contributions to the PET organization have come from Srubar's personal donations totaling more than \$1,500 in new materials and tools, his delivery of three PET shipments to Mexico, and his instrumental involvement in getting PET San Antonio recognized by the Southwest Texas Conference of the United Methodist Church.

Srubar maintains that the most urgent challenge for PET today is keeping volunteers' enthusiasm high. "Everything else flows from that enthusiasm," he says. To do his part, Srubar is constantly on the lookout for new recruits.

Having no plans to curtail his commitment to PET, Srubar spends every other Saturday morning volunteering his time and talents to PET.

PET San Antonio**Staff and Membership—55 Volunteer Members Donated 2,078+ Hours in 2009**

1.	Roland Dowe	429.00	23.	Mac McKewin	13.25	39.	Jon Barker	5.75
2.	Dave Frazier	325.25	24.	Lake Ellis	12.50	40.	Bev Curtis	5.50
3.	Marvin Morgan	233.75	25.	John VanHoutte	12.00	41.	Matt Moyer	4.50
4.	Ray Willis	131.00	26.	Ron Gorbett	11.75	42.	Joe Srubar	4.00
5.	Tom Martin	104.75	27.	Jon Osborn	11.25	43.	John Geier	3.50
6.	Carl Gibbs	84.50	28.	Joe Darchicourt	9.75	44.	O'Neal Gibbs	3.00
7.	Sonny Lewis	82.75	29.	Don Whittington	8.75	45.	Dan Grundhoefer	3.00
8.	Pete Cerrow	75.75	30.	John Grier	8.50	46.	Grayson Grundhoefer	3.00
9.	Walt Mischenko	50.00	31.	Art Steczkowski	8.50	47.	Leon Hard	3.00
10.	Bob Icenogle	47.50	32.	Tom Wintermute	8.50	48.	Jim Hidy	3.00
11.	Bob Elmendorf	42.25	33.	Larry Goodman	8.00	49.	Jerry Hubbs	3.00
12.	Jose Gonzalez	35.25	34.	Dan Wells	6.75	50.	John Parlato	3.00
13.	Joe Marquis	33.75	35.	Matt Bongiorno	6.00	51.	Dave Rogan	3.00
14.	Abe Person	29.25	36.	Jim Ermis	6.00	52.	J.C. Smith	3.00
15.	Dick Baldwin	24.50	37.	Richard Koster	6.00	53.	Edie Carr	2.00
16.	Larry Rauchut	24.50	38.	Don Townsend	6.00	54.	Dave Ferguson	2.00
17.	Ollie Benham	24.25				55.	Efrian Santiago	2.00
18.	Ken Saxon	22.75					TOTAL	2,078.25
19.	Mike Mouser	22.50					HOURS	
20.	Sid Martin	21.00						
21.	Ken McGinnis	20.75						
22.	Doug Stewart	13.50						

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Supporting Attachments

Legal and Formal Documents

- ★ U.S. Department of the Treasury, Internal Revenue Service 501(c)(3) Notification to Personal Energy Transportation of Texas Inc., Nov. 12, 2009
- ★ Office of the Secretary of State of Texas, Assumed Name Certified, Personal Energy Transportation of Texas Inc., PET San Antonio, June 13, 2008 – June 13, 2018
- ★ Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax, 2009 Filing
- ★ PET San Antonio Letter of Explanation concerning Financial Audit, March 1, 2010
- ★ PET International Email of Feb. 23, 2010, calling PET affiliates to support Haitian Relief

News Articles: Broadcast and Print

Print

- PET brochure
- Fort Sam Houston News Leader, San Antonio TX, “WFSC participates in ‘Make A Difference Day’ building PETs,” Oct. 29, 2009

Radio

- CD/KLOVE, San Antonio-Austin TX, PSA for PET, August 2008

TV

- DVD/CBS Affiliate KENS-5 News, San Antonio TX, with Deborah Knapp, Anchor, August 2008
- DVD/FOX News-FOX News Network, San Antonio TX, February 2010

Web

- “Mercy in Motion” video at www.youtube.com/watch?v=y8UI7VOHSuk, which illustrates the story of PET

Press Releases

- ★ SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, August 5, 2008—Getting behind a growing phenomenon that’s reaching across the United States and into 69 developing countries, ...

Testimonial Letters

- ★ Affiliate: The PET-Spokane Project
- ★ Donor: Michael Sauder, Managing Partner, Woodcraft Texas Store:
- ★ Recipient: Jerry Wiley (Mexico), Wiley Ministries Inc. dba Harvest Ministries International
- ★ Recipient Letter and Photos: Louise Flippin, Comunidades Unidas Pro Salud, CUPS Mission, McAllen, Texas