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## What is Prairie Dog Pals?

Prairie Dog Pals is a 501(c)3, not for profit charity dedicated to the welfare, preservation and continuous humane care of prairie dogs within New Mexico. Our goal is to preserve natural native prairie dog habitats in appropriate areas.

Prairie Dog Pals maintains three programs that are supported by volunteers and donations:

**Stewardship:** Volunteers provide care, supplemental feeding, and monitoring at over 35 sites within the city of Albuquerque. Ideally prairie dogs need not be fed, however, in the urban setting the native vegetation is often inadequate to support the resident population. In these situations, volunteers provide appropriate food to sustain the prairie dogs. Populations are thinned when appropriate.

**Education:** Prairie Dog Pals' volunteers meet with schools, scout troops, church groups, neighborhood associations, pueblos, city, state and government agencies, special interest groups and societies, and the general public to provide information and education about prairie dogs, their habitat, and their preservation. A website is maintained to provide on line information about prairie dogs and their habits as well as information about other species and activities of the organization.

**Rescue:** Prairie dogs are humanly relocated from areas where they are threatened by loss of habitat or due to human conflict. The relocation process is labor intensive and expensive and involves capture, staging, observation, relocation and release. The prairie dogs are relocated to designated natural areas.

Prairie Dog Pals serves all New Mexicans by ensuring the survival of this important species!

Prairie Dog Pals is incorporated in the state of New Mexico and is registered as non-profit charity with the Attorney General and Public Regulatory Commission. Prairie Dog Pals is also a licensed business in the city of Albuquerque.