



NEIGHBORHOOD M I N I S T R I E S

GRAND OPENING OF THE BARRIO WORKSHOP

You are Invited!

Saturday, April 26, 2008, 11 AM

At The Neighborhood Center

1929 W. Fillmore Street

Dear Friends,

April 2008

We are so excited to see the product of many years of planning and prayers formally unveiled on April 26. Join us as we celebrate the opening of the **Barrio Workshop** in just a few weeks. There will be lunch, a tour of the new building, a brief ceremony and a blessing over this handy workshop.

Chris Williams, our Barrio Works Coordinator, has worked tirelessly for the last 2 years along with numerous investors and volunteers to get this building and program up and running. About 50 youth have been involved in the various boys crafts and bike shop classes already. Chris says there are a certain dozen youth who have shown promise in the bike repair shop, which has been open for 3 months now.



Chris notes that even the tough kids who weren't used to much structure have done a good job keeping up with the Barrio Workshop schedule and consistently went down to the shop and were able to earn a bike of their own:

Jose is a 14 year-old junior higher who lives just down the street from The Neighborhood Center and is highly involved here. He was a fast learner, hard worker, and logged the most shop hours of all the youth. He was the first to earn a bike with these hours. Generously, and without hesitation, he picked out and took home a bike for his 10 year-old little brother.

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THE CLASSIC AT FIREROCK SENDS KIDS TO CAMP!

On Monday, March 10, NM held its 5th annual golf tournament— The Classic at Fire-Rock— which raises funds for 65 kids to attend our one week summer camp at Mountain Meadows in Payson. This year, 92 golfers enjoyed a beautiful spring day on the course. The day was filled with little miracles, including one young man on the FireRock staff who donated his \$27 of tip money; He wanted to do his part to impact our youth. Even the winning foursome donated back their first place cash prize of \$500!



One of NM's youth, Johnny G., enjoys golf for the first time at this year's tournament.

NEWS & EVENTS

Parent Volunteers' Spring Store

April 19, 2008

Household Items

Barrio Works Grand Opening

April 26, 2008

At The Neighborhood Center

11 AM - 1PM

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Chris expects that with the Barrio Workshop fully functioning, many more youth will be able to translate their creativity and hard work into opportunities to give back like Jose.

The Barrio Workshop, which has been in the planning for 5 years, gives hands-on craftsmanship training to youth in 7th - 12th grade. Starting in 3rd - 6th grade, the students who show aptitude and interest in the youth craft projects are selected to move on to more advanced



programs including: wood working, metal working, bike repair, and mentoring. These students will also be trained in the Jobs for Life curriculum, which assists them in finding internships, apprenticeships, and permanent employment after high-school.

Throughout their time in Barrio Works program, the youth will be exposed to staff and volunteers who will demonstrate the love

and care of Jesus Christ through their instruction and interaction.

This once boring tin shed, which heated to well over 100° in the summer and had a leaky roof, is now a fully functioning workshop with running water, insulation, electricity, restrooms, and an office.



Come and see this new and much improved workshop when it is formally unwrapped on **Saturday, April 26th from 11 to 1pm**. Celebrate with us, have lunch, a tour, and view the ribbon cutting.

The Barrio Workshop will be a place of growth and opportunity for the young men in our community. Thank you to all of our friends and supporters who have rallied together over the last few years to see this vision realized.

Love,

Kit Danley

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BARRIO WORKS GOALS

- Create Leaders within NM
- Youth will be exposed to a relationship with Jesus Christ.
- Youth will develop a healthy work ethic
- Youth will exhibit positive relational and reconciliation skills.
- Youth will successfully acquire and maintain employment
- The Workshop will develop a Micro-Enterprise model

VOLUNTEER OR DONATE TO THE BARRIO WORKSHOP

Contact Chris Williams at (602) 321-0186 or email chris.williams@nmaz.org

WISH LIST

- Bike Shop Volunteers
- Tradesman volunteers to teach and do demonstrations for youth
- Tradesman volunteers who will allow youth to job shadow
- Machinery donations
- Tool Closets and other workshop organizers

GOLF TOURNAMENT THANK YOUS

NM would like to give a special thanks to FireRock Country Club for graciously hosting the tournament since its inception in 2004.

We would also like to thank Jerry Caldwell, Phil Hummel, Al Siebel, and Pat Murray who have shared a passion to provide our kids with the joy of camp. For the last 5 years, these men have given their time and energy to put this tournament together. **We thank you!**



Rob Robinson (right), NM's Development Director, shows appreciation to Phil, Al, and Jerry (left to right)