

## **DEFEND OUR NEIGHBORS**

### **Who are We? What is our Statement of Purpose?**

*Defend Our Neighbors* is a non-partisan grassroots effort lead by concerned citizens to ensure that we, as a community, actively support the rights of the New Mexico undocumented immigrant children & their families to live without fear, without oppression, and with a right to due process regarding their ability to remain in the United States.



*Defend Our Neighbors* believes supporting undocumented immigrants (as the most vulnerable of our communities under threat of persecution) is a significant moral duty.

Finally, we believe that not challenging threats to one part of our community can lead to threats to other parts of our community: the Muslim community, the LGBT community, the Native American community, the Jewish community, other communities of color and even the Media. We believe we must actively challenge possible threats to our diverse social fabric.

### **What is our Goal?**

To generate a comprehensive list of community individuals and organizations by January 20, 2017 who support the *Defend Our Neighbors Statement of Purpose* above. It is our intent to publish this list of supporters in the **Albuquerque Journal** on or before February 1, 2017.

### ***Defend Our Neighbors* Steering Committee:**

Art Gardenswartz	Justin Remer-Thamert
Jennifer Landau	John Ross
Liz McGrath	Antoinette Sedillo-Lopez

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## **ARE YOU WITH US?**

**If you support the *Statement of Purpose*, you can do so as an Individual, as an Organization, or both:**

**As an Individual:** email the following statement to [defendnm@gmail.com](mailto:defendnm@gmail.com) :

I support the *Defend Our Neighbors Statement of Purpose* and agree to have my name made public as part of the *Defend Our Neighbors* public awareness campaign.

**As an Organization:** email the following statement to [defendnm@gmail.com](mailto:defendnm@gmail.com) :

As a legal representative of the following Organization, \_\_\_\_\_, we support the *Defend Our Neighbors Statement of Purpose* and agree to have our Organization name made public as part of the *Defend Our Neighbors* public awareness campaign.

**Questions:** contact John Ross, 505-270-2351 or [johnross@johnrosscompany.com](mailto:johnross@johnrosscompany.com)