

New Beginnings

Fourth Annual Gala

Join us for an evening of timeless elegance at our Black & White Gala.
Experience fine dining, entertainment, dancing, and meaningful connections as we come together to celebrate and support our mission.

OCTOBER

FRIDAY

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AT 6 PM

FARMINGTON CIVIC CENTER

To purchase tickets, please scan the code



Or checks can be
mailed to
1200 W. Apache St.
Farmington, NM 87401

Ticket sales end October 1, 2026

Tickets	Auction
\$150 per person	Cash Bar
\$225 per couple	Formal Dinner

Please RSVP to Melissa no later than October 1, 2026, by phone at 505-325-7578
or by email at melissa@navajoumc.org

Entrée Menu

Food Catered By:
Porter's Restaurant and Smokehouse

Chicken

Roast Garlic Butter Chicken with Lemon Olive Dressing
8oz Breast of Chicken, Paired with Potatoes Au Gratin
and Haricot Green Beans with Blistered Tomato.

Beef

Roast of Beef in Parmesan Peppercorn Sauce Paired
with Potatoes Au Gratin and Roast Heirloom Carrots
in Honey Glaze.

Hors D'oeuvres, Salad, and Dessert included

Water, Coffee, and Tea Provided By Farmington Civic Center

Cash Bar Provided By Clancy's Pub and Irish Cantina

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When responding, please include the number of guests attending and each
guest's meal selection (Chicken or Beef).

Sponsor A Family

Your generous sponsorship of \$1,500 helps provide safety, healing, and hope for survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and their children. Your support makes these life-changing services possible.

Residential Program

New Beginnings operates six fully furnished homes where survivors and their families can stay rent- and utility-free for up to one year.

In 2025, we provided 5,912 bed nights to survivors. Demand continues to grow, and we anticipate serving 50% more bed nights in 2026. Our residential program is currently full, with a waiting list.

As families transition into permanent housing, we try to help furnish their new homes with essential items, including:

- Beds and bedding
- Kitchenware
- Furniture
- Basic household essentials

Trauma-Focused Childcare Center

New Beginnings is proud to operate the only trauma-focused childcare center in New Mexico.

We provide a safe, nurturing environment where children affected by trauma receive specialized care while their parents focus on rebuilding their lives.

Our program offers:

- Trauma-informed childcare
- Social and emotional skill development
- Behavioral interventions
- Individualized support for children impacted by violence and trauma

Community Outreach

We are committed to preventing violence through education and community partnerships. Our Teen Dating Violence Prevention Program, in partnership with the Boys & Girls Clubs in the Tri-City area, helps educate youth about healthy relationships while addressing gaps in survivor services.

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Advocacy

Our advocates provide:

- Court accompaniment
- Protection order assistance
- Employment support, including résumé development and interview preparation
- Independent living skills
- Transportation assistance
- Referrals for mental health, behavioral health, Medicaid, SNAP, TANF, and other community resources
- Educational planning and goal setting

Crisis Services

Families in crisis receive:

- Emergency shelter
- Crisis advocacy
- Clothing
- Hygiene items
- Emergency food assistance

Family Services

To help families heal and build lasting stability, we offer:

- Trauma screenings and Adverse Childhood Experience (ACE) assessments
- Behavioral intervention services
- Parenting support and classes
- School advocacy
- In-home family services

While these are many of the services we provide, they are only part of the support New Beginnings offers every day.

Your generous sponsorship helps us continue meeting survivors wherever they are on their journey toward safety and healing.

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Hope

This mother survived abuse throughout both childhood and adulthood before turning to alcohol to cope with years of unaddressed trauma. Today, she has been sober for eight months and is committed to creating a healthier future for herself and her son.

Having been separated from her son and learning of his own experiences with abuse and bullying, she made the decision to seek safety and end the cycle of violence for her family. She finds purpose in rebuilding her relationship with her son and bringing compassion and strength to their household.

Faith

This mother's life has been defined not by the trauma she endured, but by the strength she found to overcome it. She is a survivor of childhood abuse, homelessness, gang involvement, drug and alcohol addiction, and years of domestic violence. All of her children have witnessed the domestic abuse and are victims of physical and emotional abuse by their father. Further, her oldest son alleged that he had been sexually abused while the family was seeking shelter after fleeing the domestic violence situation, and her oldest daughter recently disclosed that she had been sexually abused by her stepfather at the age of nine. Rather than allowing these heartbreaking experiences to define her family's future, she made the courageous decision to reclaim her life. Today, she has maintained nearly two years of sobriety and is building a brighter, safer future for herself and her five children.

Her faith is at the center of her healing. She enjoys reading the Bible, listening to gospel music, cooking for families on campus, and encouraging others who are walking their own journey toward healing.

Joy

This mother's childhood was marked by addiction, instability, and abuse. Raised by parents with extreme substance use, she experienced years of mental, emotional, physical, and sexual abuse before later finding herself in another abusive relationship as an adult. Determined to give her son the childhood she never had, she chose to break the cycle of violence. She is currently saving money and searching for more permanent housing for her and her son to gain stability and independence.

Following her son's autism diagnosis, she has dedicated herself to helping him learn, grow, and become as independent as possible. Whether they are reading, coloring, or taking walks together, she treasures the opportunity to create joyful memories built on love instead of fear.

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Grace

After losing her mother as a young child, this mother was raised by her siblings while enduring years of physical, verbal, and sexual abuse. As an adult, she survived another abusive relationship before overcoming methamphetamine addiction and choosing a new path for herself and her family.

Her children were witness to the abuse and endured mental abuse from their father. Today, she has maintained seven years of sobriety and is raising her two young children in a home built on love and stability. She enjoys fishing, reading the Bible, and expressing her creativity through arts and crafts, finding peace in the simple moments she now shares with her children.

Courage

This mother witnessed domestic violence as a child and endured severe abuse before later surviving another abusive relationship as an adult. Although the trauma she experienced continues to affect her, she made the decision to leave the violence behind and create a different future for her children.

Today, she is raising her three children while working toward reunification with her two older children. Her children have all been witness to domestic violence and have been separated from their mother multiple times due to her mother's addiction. This trauma led one of her children to begin engaging in self-harming behaviors. Thankfully, with ongoing support and a safe, stable environment, those behaviors have not occurred since January. After overcoming methamphetamine addiction, she has maintained her sobriety since July 2025, works full-time as a home health care worker, and continues making outstanding progress in her recovery. She enjoys cooking, caring for her children, and helping others whenever she can.

Resilience

For this mother, abuse began long before she became a parent. She endured physical, emotional, and sexual abuse throughout her childhood and later survived years of domestic violence as an adult. Rather than allowing the cycle of abuse to continue, she made the decision to leave and create a safer future for her children.

Today, she is raising two children, both witness to the abuse, while navigating her son's recent autism diagnosis and seeking answers for her other child, who she believes may also be on the autism spectrum. She recently found employment, enrolled her children in childcare, and has taken parenting classes to better understand her children's behaviors.

She finds peace in weaving, cooking, and creating a loving, stable home where her children can heal and thrive.

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