

January 2006 is *National Mentoring Month* in Conejos County

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WHEREAS: Youth need adult guidance and mentors to be role models, to help prevent abuse of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs, to help create involved citizens for our community's future and

WHEREAS: heightened awareness and education will encourage volunteers to come forward as mentors; and

WHEREAS: the **County of Conejos** can be proud of the leadership role the professional community has taken in educating against alcohol, tobacco and other drugs and in supporting the local Mi Animo Prevention & Mentoring programs

WHEREAS: the **County of Conejos** is fortunate to have many volunteers who provide one-on-one role models for youth in our rural communities.

NOW, THEREFORE: we, the **Conejos County Board of Commissioners** and the citizens of our great community, do hereby proclaim **January 2006** as "**National Mentoring Month**" in **Conejos County**.

Signature

Date

Jamie Gomez

I love spending time with my mentor Josie. We talk about everything, eat out and go shopping. Josie is someone I can confide in.



Armando Quintana

I love hanging out with my friends, talking about cars and working on models and getting more interested in other activities.



Did you know? Mentoring works to lower alcohol and other drug use; it improves school attendance and boosts grades, too!

Maelynn Sisneros

I have really enjoyed interacting with other students, learning more about cars and my peers, participating in fun activities; and I'm really happy that we have rules as most of the kids do not have rules they have to abide by.



Renee Archuleta

I enjoy going out to eat, shopping and talking with my mentor Angela.

