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To accomplish the improvements to our buildings and campus God is calling us to do; we will need the help of all our McCurdy friends. Here are a number of ways you can help McCurdy Ministries make God's difference in the Española Valley:

Donate and encourage others to donate regularly to McCurdy. Make a donation of cash, stocks, land or an appreciated asset. Send us Campbell's Labels, Box Tops for Education and Tyson A+ labels. Donate a gift annuity to earn income during your life and bless McCurdy with a donation after your death. Organize a Volunteers in Mission Team from your church and come enjoy Northern New Mexico. Remember McCurdy Ministries in your will. Set up an endowed fund in the McCurdy Foundation. If you purchase a new car, donate your old one to McCurdy for a tax deduction. Make McCurdy a beneficiary of a life insurance policy. Remember McCurdy in your estate trust. Invite the McCurdy church relations team to your church program, dinner or worship event. Donate to McCurdy through Advance #581479 for the general fund. Pray for our ministries daily!

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