



## NMSU Library News Release

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### **Donors' Gifts Enhance NMSU Library Collections**

The New Mexico State University Library recently received major donor gifts totaling more than \$90,000. The gifts will be used to add materials to the Library's collections.

"Building the Library's collections is a major focus, and we sincerely appreciate these gifts at a time when price inflation places extraordinary demands on our acquisitions budget," said Library Dean Elizabeth Titus.

A new endowment entitled the Richard W. Benfer: Strengthening Library Journal Collections Endowment was established with a gift of \$75,000 from the estate of Mr. Benfer, a longtime Library supporter. This endowment will support the acquisition of journals in all subject areas. An additional \$15,000 was placed in the Richard W. Benfer: Historical and Contemporary Library Materials in Communications Endowment, which will support book and journal purchases in the field of communications, such as technical writing.

A gift of 1,643 music CDs was received from KRWG-FM Radio. L. Ford Ballard, the station's director of development, initiated the gift. According to the Library's music selector, Gary Mayhood, this in-kind gift will build the Library's audio-visual collection in a wide variety of musical areas including world music, New Age music, reggae, Christmas music, band and big band music.

For more information, please contact the Library's development officer, Lesley Mackay, at (505) 646-3642.