



**Ted Martinez, 72**, had retired after a distinguished career with the University of New Mexico when he decided to volunteer for the Peace Corps, spending two years in Belize. In between, he served as executive director of the New Mexico Board of Educational Finance.

Before he retired, he was just as busy. After earning both a bachelor's and master's degree at the University of New Mexico, Martinez devoted his career to education, first as a history teacher at Rio Grande High School, then as an administrator at UNM. Along the way, he served on the Albuquerque Public Schools' Board of Education and the governing board of TVI

(now CNM), including stints as chair of each one.

He also was Albuquerque council president of the League of Latin American Citizens and active in the Albuquerque Economic Forum. He has served on the boards of the UNM Alumni Association, United Way of Greater Albuquerque, Presbyterian Healthcare Services and the TVI Foundation, to name only a few.

Closer to home, he regularly visits longtime friends and colleagues who are ill or now live alone, lending his infectious sense of humor and friendship. Despite all that he contributes to the community he has called home most of his life, he remains devoted to his family and rarely misses a recital or performance of his grandchildren.