DEPARTMENT OF SENIOR AFFAIRS



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Barelas Senior Center



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Happy March!

As we say goodbye to winter and say hello to longer days and colorful spring blossoms, we here at the Department of Senior Affairs are filled with excitement for all the wonderful activities and opportunities this change in seasons brings.

For those of you looking to give your health a boost this season, our Sports & Fitness centers offer a variety of equipment, exercise classes, and fitness events to help you get started. This includes the ABQ 50+ Games, which are an opportunity to compete in a variety of sports including bowling, racewalking, golf, archery, tennis, and pickleball. The ABQ 50+ Games are currently in full swing, and athletes of all skill levels are invited to participate! You can learn more at the front desk of your local senior, multigenerational, or fitness center, or visit cabq.gov/seniors/.

We are also excited to celebrate our incredible volunteers during this year's AmeriCorps Week, happening March 10th through 16th, as well as throughout April for National Volunteer Month. We are extremely grateful to all our volunteers for their continued hard work and dedication, which help us to provide enhanced programming and services at all of our centers. Opportunities are available for volunteers of all ages, including students, corporate groups, and community organizations, through our Volunteers In Action (VIA) program. To get involved or learn more, please call 505-764-1009 or email servewithseniors@cabq.gov.

Last but not least, please continue to help champion our Department! So much of what we do would not be possible without our dedicated staff and wonderful participants whose compliments, support, and advocacy to local leadership we are depending on this budget season. We were happy to have had over 900 participants in our recent annual survey, which will also help us advance our services and programs over the coming year. Special congratulations to our survey contest winners from Barelas Senior Center, North Domingo Baca and Manzano Mesa Multigenerational Centers, and Paradise Hills Senior Meal Site!

Until next time, Anna M. Sanchez, Director

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We are committed to providing resources with care and compassion that help our community thrive while embracing aging.



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<u>Activities</u>



Arts and Crafts

Ceramics - Mondays & Wednesday 9:00 am - Noon Retablos- Tuesday 9:00 am - 11:30 am Tin - Tuesday 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Beginning Acrylic Painting - Tuesday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm Offbeat Artists- 1st & 3rd Friday 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Crotchet - Tuesday 10:00 am - 11:00 am Crochet with Rafaelita- Thursday 10:30 am -1:00 pm Art Meditation - Monday 10:30 am - 11:30 am

Dance/Exercise

Line Dance- Beginner - Wednesday 9:00 am - 10:00 am Line Dance - Improver- Wednesday 10:15 am - 11:15 am

Cards & Games

Billiards - 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Cards - 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm Games -Tuesdays & Thursdays 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Puzzles - Monday-Friday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Bingo - Tuesday 2:00 pm - 4:15 pm

Exercise

Pilates- Monday 9:30 am - 10:30 am Pickleball - Monday 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm Senior Aerobics - Tuesday 10:00 am - 11:00 am Yoga - Thursday 9:00 am - 10:00 am

Garden

Greenhouse Garden Gathering Monthly Meeting Wednesday, March 20th 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

Language

Italian - Thursday 1:30 pm - 2:20 pm Spanish: Beginner - Tuesday 1:00 pm - 2:00pm Spanish: Beginner II - Wednesday 2:15 pm - 3:15 pm Spanish: Intermediate - Wednesday 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Dance to Live Music

\$3/person

Fridays

1:30 pm - 4:00 pm

March 1st March 8th March 15th March 22nd

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Trips

A minimum of three people must sign up for weekly trips in order for the van to depart.

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Friday, March 22nd Check in: 8:15 am Return 4:30 pm Lunch at your own expense

St. Patricks Luncheon

Make your reservations for the St. Patrick's luncheon on Monday, March 18th. Serving: Corned Beef, Cornbread, Rosemary Potatoes, Cabbage, & a Sugar cookie. Make reservation by 1:00 pm on Friday. March 15th.

Let's celebrate Pi Day!

There are 3.14... reasons to celebrate this day! Circle around and come celebrate Pi Day!



Thursday, March 14th 10:00 am Sponsored by

Coffee with Constituents

Center members are encouraged to visit with Senior Affairs Director. during Coffee with Constituents. This provides an opportunity to discuss any concerns, ask questions as well as a time to share what is important to you with members of the Senior Affairs leadership.



Barelas Thursday, March 21st 8:30 am—9:30 am

Spring into a new look!

Aveda Institute students are offering Spring haircuts for only \$5. Sign up at the front desk.



Barelas Wednesday, March 20th 9:15 am

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*Tips appreciated

City of ABQ Greenhouse

Tuesday, March 26th Check In: 9:00 am Return 2:00 pm Lunch at your own expense

Big Spring Clean Flea Market

Come shop for some great treasures and wonderful finds at our HUGE Spring Flea Market!



Thursdav. March 21st 8:30 am - 11:00 am

EMS Wellness Studios Inc. Students



Free Meditation, Stretching and **Blood Pressure Check!** Thursday, March 28th 1:30 pm - 5:00 pm

Pickleball Monday Fun Day!

Pickleball is the fastest growing sport in the U.S. It is a great time and we are celebrating the fun of



pickleball! **Refreshments served** Monday, March 11th 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm



Teeniors

Teeniors will be here to work one on one with your technology questions. Sign up at the front desk or call

> 505-764-6436. Barelas



Wednesday, March 13th 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Senior Citizen's Law Office

Provides general legal information. Divorces, wills and criminal issues are not included. Schedule an appointment at the front desk or call 505-764-6436.



Thursday, March 14th 10:30 am - 12:30 pm

Need a Ride to Visit Your Loved One?

LOZ4 Visitation Opportunity Three Trips Available On The Following Dates

Please sign up at the front desk

Participation is limited to the first 5 that sign up.

March Birthday Celebration

Come enjoy a piece of cake and

celebrate our March birthdays!

Tuesday, March 19th

1:00 pm

Wednesday April 10, 2024 Wednesday May 15, 2024 Wednesday June12, 2024

n The Following Dates Deadline – April 1, 2024 Deadline – May 6, 2024 Deadline – June 3, 2024

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rganizations is providing a limited number of seniors from each of our senior centers a round-trip to the cemetery. <u>(our ride beains</u> in Albuquerque and takes you there and bacl

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Shamrock Shake

Come join us for a lucky good time! Wear your green, dancing shoes, & let's celebrate the luck of the Irish!



Would you like to learn about Facebook?

Come learn how to log in, post, find groups, & local events. Bring all your Facebook questions! Sign up at the front desk

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Thursday, March 28th 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Estate Planning

Join the Senior Citizens' Law Office for an Estate Planning* Presentation.

Topics will include powers of attorney, advance directives, Wills, and transferring assets without probate. Note: the presenter will only be able to answer general questions, and cannot give personal legal advice.



Tuesday, March 19th 10:00 am - 11:00 am Sign up at the front desk



Movies Days

Get Smart Wednesday, March 27th 1:15 pm Rated PG-13



GEHM Clinic

Tuesday, March 19th & Wednesday, March 20th

8:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Nurse-managed clinics provide a variety of health promotion services for persons 55 and over. Services include: blood pressure & diabetes screening; health assessments; counseling related to nutrition, health problems, aging process, medication management; diabetic self-management education and more.

Advisory Council Meeting

Monday, March 18th at noon

Los Volcanes Senior Center: 6500 Los Volcanes NW, 87121

The Hill Wednesday, March 13th 1:15 pm Rated PG

Oak St. Health



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March 2024

The Department of Senior Affairs Senior Meal Program is proud to be part of the New Mexico Grown state initiative to provide locally sourced fruits, vegetables, beans, and chile, ensuring our seniors a healthy meal



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4 Diced pork over rice Yams Imperial blend vege- tables Orange 1% milk	□ Chocolate chip cookie □ 1% milk	 Brussel sprouts Sugar cookie 1% milk 	7 Derive Breaded cod w/tartar sauce Steak fries w/ketchup Peas Brownie 1% milk	 Black beans Calabacitas Pears cupped 1% milk
11 Definition Beef fajitas Pinto beans Collard greens Flour tortilla Mixed fruit cup 1% milk	12 Chicken alfredo w/ penne pasta Green beans w/ mushrooms Garlic bread stick Orange 1% milk	13 Baked ham w/ pineapple sauce Rice pilaf Baby carrots Yogurt 1% milk	14 Red chile omelet Rosemary potatoes Spinach Pineapples cupped 1% milk	15 Minestrone soup w/ navy beans Cornbread Malibu vegetable blend Banana 1% milk
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25 BBQ chicken thigh Baked beans Mashed potatoes Dinner roll w/ margarine Orange 1% milk	Red chile pork posole Corn w/red peppers Blueberry cobbler Flour tortilla 1% milk	27 Turkey pot pie Au gratin potatoes Imperial blend vege- tables Applesauce 1% milk	28 Loaded baked potato w/green chile cheese Oriental blend vegeta bles Apple crisp 1% milk	