

Highland Senior Center

Department of Senior Affairs

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May is all about honoring two fabulous groups! First up, it's time to shower love on all the amazing moms, grandmas, and mother figures out there. And let's not forget, it's also Older Americans Month with the cool theme "Powered by Connection." Ready to dig into the fascinating history of these special celebrations? Let's dive in!

Mother's Day burst onto the scene in the late 1800s, thanks to the unstoppable Anna Jarvis championing a day dedicated to moms. Even after her, her daughter kept the torch burning until President Woodrow Wilson made it official in 1914!

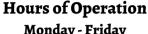
Fast forward to 1963, where Older Americans Month stepped into the spotlight, shining a light on the valuable contributions and needs of our elders. Born from a meeting between President John F. Kennedy and the National Council of Senior Citizens, this month-long celebration in May is all about "giving them their flowers" to our seasoned citizens and their remarkable service to the nation.

On May 9th, show some love to all those amazing mother figures, and mark your calendar for May 23rd to bust a move at the "Sweating to the Oldies Dance" party where age is just a number. Let's groove together to the beats that bring us all closer!



Acting Manager, Chris Rogers

Highland Senior Center will be closed on Monday, May 27th for Memorial Day.



Monday - Friday 8:00am - 5:00pm Wednesday 8:00am - 7:00pm Saturday 10:00am - 4:00pm

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General Information

3rd Tuesday of
every other Month
Presentations
No Appointment Necessary!

<u>Tuesday, June 18th, 2024</u> <u>Medicaid/Estate planning</u> <u>presentation</u>

SCLO will conduct free presentations on Estate Planning (wills, probate, powers of attorney) will be and Medicaid coverage for nursing homes on the 3rd Tuesday of every other month. This is a group presentation and not a one-on-one clinic. Seniors should sign up for this presentation at the Highland front desk.

1:00pm-General lecture on wills, probate, powers of attorney. 2:00pm-Medicaid coverage on nursing

homes, home & community based services



Please read the instructions and information carefully for the Senior Law office!

SCLO conducts 2 different clinics alternating between a Free Legal Clinic and a Power of Attorney Clinic on the 1st Wednesday of each month You must Contact the Senior Law Office 265-2300 to Schedule your (Power of Attorney Clinic) Appointment for the

Wednesday Clinics.

1st Wednesday of Each Month
By Appointment Only

Wednesday,
(Power of Attorney Clinic)
SCLO will hold a
Power of Attorney Clinic
on Wednesday, May 1st, 2024,
starting at 9 am (by appointment
only). An attorney will meet
privately with a senior and provide
advice on legal issues. General
Legal Clinics will be scheduled with
Highland Senior Center staff at 505767-5210. Powers of Attorney
clinics will continue to be
scheduled with SCLO at 505-2652300.

Did you know that you can
view all of our current
activities on our
City of Albuquerque
website?
For all information on
services, monthly menu and
individual centers please log
on to:

www.cabq.gov/seniors

We are also on Social Media look for us there!





SENIOR CITIZENS LAW OFFICE

Seniors please note:

Reminder appointments for

- All general legal clinics will be scheduled by Highland Senior Center front desk, not with SCLO.
- Powers of Attorney clinics will continue to be scheduled with SCLO at 505-265-2300.
- Medicaid/Estate planning Presentation will only be in February, April, and June at Highland Senior Center

Highland On-Going Activities

Monday

8:00am-12:00pm Arts Mart/Flea Market

8:15am-10:00am Adapted Aquatics 9:00am-10:00am Exercise to Music

IO:OOam-II:3Oam Gathering of Artists
IO:I5am-II:15am Gentle Exercise

12:30pm-2:00pm Adapted Aquatics

2:00pm-4:15pm Bingo

Tuesday

8:15am-9:15am Flex & Tone 9:30am-12:00pm Watercolor 10:30am-11:30am Energy Yoga

IO:OOam-II:OOam Beginning Ball Room

IO:OOam-I2:OOpm Mah Jongg

12:30pm-4:30pm AARP Smart Driver Class

(every lst)

I:OOpm-3:OOpm Conversation Spanish

I:OOpm-3:OOpm Senior Citizen's Law

Office (every 3rd Tues. of every other month

see page 2 for more details)

2:OOpm-3:3Opm Intermediate Line Dancing

2:00pm-4:00pm Rainbow Artists

Wednesday

8:30am-12:30pm GEHM Clinic (every 1st)

8:15am-10:00am Adapted Aquatics 9:00am-10:00am Exercise to Music

9:00am-12:00pm Senior Law Office Appts.

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IO:OOam-I2:OOpm Highland Harmonizers

IO:15am-II:15am Gentle Exercise

1:OOpm-3:3Opm Mexican Train Dominoes 1:OOpm-3:3Opm Beg. Knitting & Crocheting

12:00pm-12:30pm Birthday Celebration

(every lst)

2:00pm-3:30pm Beginning Line Dancing

5:30pm-6:30pm ORCA Loss Group 4:30pm-6:30pm Beginning Ukulele <u>Thursday</u>

8:15am-9:15am Flex & Tone 10:30am-11:30am Tai Chi

2:00pm-3:00pm Writers Club

2:OOpm-4:OOpm Senior LGBT Meeting

(every 2nd)

2:30pm-4:30pm ORCA Game Time (Ist & 3rd)

<u>Friday</u>

8:I5am-IO:OOam Adapted Aquatics
9:OOam-IO:OOam Exercise to Music
9:3Oam-II:OOam Rosemalers
IO:I5am-II:I5am Gentle Exercise
I2:3Opm-2:OOpm Adapted Aquatics
2:OOpm-4:OO pm Afternoon Matinee

<u>Saturday</u>

IO:OOam-I2:OOpm Rosemalers (every 2nd)
IO:OOam-I2:OOpm Corvairs of NM (every 1st)
IO:3Oam-I2:OOpm Improver Line Dancing
I:3Opm-3:3Opm Music Jam Session (every 2nd)

Please see our bulletin board for details about on-going classes

Our Mission

The Department of Senior Affairs is committed to Providing resources with care and compassion that help our community thrive while embracing aging.



What's Happening at Highland



AFTERNOOM MATINEE

Rating

PG-13

Movie Title

5/3/24 Red

5/17/24 Red 2 PG-13



<u>Highland Senior Center will only be showing movies on the</u>

Ist & 3rd Friday of the month.

***We include Movie rating so that you can decide if you want to watch! Movie participants will get 1 free bag of popcorn additional bags are only 25 cents.

Before diving into thrilling adventures, make sure your crew is ready to rock and roll, bracing for any unexpected twists and turns!

Tarde De Oro-5/9/2024

Harvey House Musuem-5/16/2024







Coordinator Corner

Just like magic, tax season appeared and vanished into thin air! The AARP Tax Aide squad crushed over 900 tax returns! Big shoutout to Blane and Jana for their superhero effort and unwavering commitment. Seniors and the whole community are over the moon with gratitude! Hats off to SCLO for schooling us on savvy shopping, tackling legal stuff, and prepping us for tomorrow. RSVP treated us to ice cream, while Senior Companion kept us in the loop with some cool gear and treats! A round of applause for Manzano Mesa Multigenerational Center for hosting the epic Annual Tech Fair, loaded with freebies and info. April wrapped up with a dive into Natural History and Science Museum, just one of our town's many awesome museums! Let's buckle up and see what surprises May has in store for us, other than just blooming flowers! Words of wisdom "I don't feel old. I don't feel anything until noon. Then it's time for my nap!





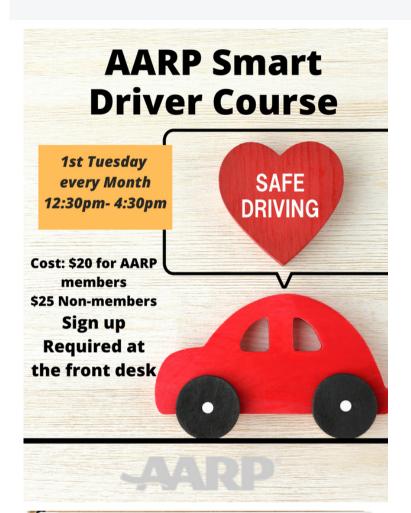




Let's gather at the Highland Senior Center for a wild ride of creativity and camaraderie! With a cozy group, we dive into a world of writing, letting our thoughts soar. Each meeting kicks off with quirky intros and story recitals, followed by quickfire feedback rounds. Spontaneous writing sessions keep our pens dancing, and sharing our scribbles adds zest to the mix. Finally, we unwind with chit-chat, peeking into each other's worlds. Join us for a rollercoaster of words and wonders!

WRITERS CLUB THURSDAYS AT 2:00PM

Classes



WRITERS CLUB

Do you have a personal story itching to be put on paper? Are words knocking around in your noggin begging to be unleashed? Maybe you've dreamt of becoming a writer, but never took the plunge. The wait is over! Freelance writing is calling your name and we're here to help make your writing dreams a reality.

Join us on Thursdays 2pm-3pm, bring your pen and paper or laptop, and let's dive into the exciting world of writing together!

Highland Flea Market

Every Monday from 8am - 12noon Room 7

Sign up for table purchase for the following month are every last Monday of the Month!

Tables are \$2.00 you must have a current membership to purchase a table.



Please inquire at the front desk if you have any questions or how to purchase a table.



Conversational Spanish Every Tuesday 1:00pm-3:00pm

**Conversational Spanish is a group for those who already speak Spanish, please see leader for more info. This group is not a beginners class.

Information



Reminder: Meals are to be consumed at the center in the Social Hall. Take out meals are not permitted.

LUNCH RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY 1:00PM ONE DAY IN ADVANCE

WE RESERVE THE RIGHT TO GIVE RESERVED MEALS TO ANYONE WAITING FOR A MEAL AT 12:30PM

If you don't have a reservation, you can wait until 12:30 pm for any cancellations. Reserved meals not claimed by 12:30 pm will be given to those waiting on a first-come, first-served basis.

Unclaimed meals are considered waste, affecting low-cost services.

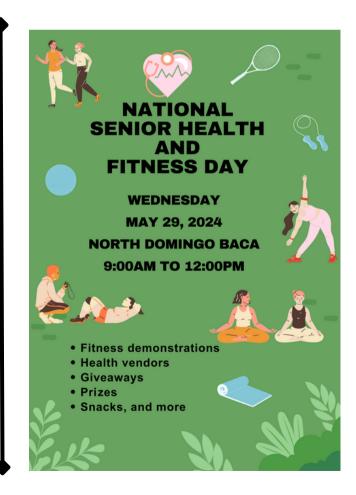


UPCOMING EVENTS

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

All senior/multigenerational centers will be closed starting June 3, 2024 through June 7, 2024 for Employee Training.

We will resume normal business hours on June 8, 2024. Thank you for your cooperation!



Department Participant Code of Conduct

In order that all participants experience a pleasant visit and experience at the centers, participants are expected to respect the rights of others and to adhere to the following Code of Conduct. Failure to observe rules of conduct may result in disciplinary action, including suspension from the program.

- 1. Maintain personal hygiene that is not offensive or unhealthy.
- 2. Show consideration for the diversity of staff and other participants.
- 3. Treat Center materials, equipment, furniture, grounds, and the facility with respect.
- 4. Use the Senior Center and Fitness Center equipment in a safe and appropriate manner.
- 5. Keep the Senior Center building and grounds neat, clean, and litter free.
- 6. Show courtesy to other participants and staff and respect decisions made by center Management.
- 7. Bring issues involving the operations of the Center to management's attention for resolution.

Participants are prohibited from:

- 1. Harassing or bullying other participants or staff, and shall refrain from sexually harassing other participants or staff.
- 2. Using of racial slurs or abusive language.
- 3. Using voice or behavior that will disturb other Center participants.
- 4. Using language or behavior that other participants and staff will find obscene, abusive, or sexually offensive including through social media, in person, by phone, or other electronic device.
- 5. Bringing any unlawful weapons into the centers. Unlawful weapons are prohibited in certain City facilities. (See Administrative Instruction AI 5-19 and NMSA 1978 §30-7-2.1).
- 6. Fighting with other participants or staff.
- 7. Bringing bicycles into the facility.
- 8. Smoking in City facilities or on City premises.
- 9. Consuming or possessing alcoholic beverages in City facilities or on City premises.
- 10. Any type of gambling in all City of Albuquerque Senior Centers, Fitness Centers, and Multigenerational Centers.
- 11. Selling, soliciting, or panhandling in Centers.
- 12. Eating in any pool room or computer lab.
- 13. Removing food from the meal site area when participating in the congregate meal.
- 14. Vandalizing or damaging Center facilities, equipment or materials.



UPDATES AND BIG NEWS

Big News for Highland

WE'VE GOT SOME PAWSITIVELY EXCITING **NEWS TO SHARE - THE HIGHLAND SENIOR** CENTER IS ABOUT TO GET A FABULOUS NEW FEATURE IN THE FORM OF A SMALL DOG PARK! TUCKED AWAY ON THE WESTERN SIDE OF OUR CENTER, THIS PARK IS SET TO BECOME A PAW-SOME SPOT FOR OUR SENIOR FOLKS AND THE NEIGHBORHOOD TO ENJOY. WITH MANY OF OUR SENIORS BEING PROUD PET PARENTS, WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE TAILS WAGGING AND NOSES SNIFFING AROUND THIS NEW ADDITION. THE DEPARTMENT OF SENIOR AFFAIRS ADMINISTRATION WILL KEEP EVERYONE IN THE LOOP AS THIS PROJECT UNFOLDS. STAY TUNED FOR MORE **UPDATES!**





CERAMICS

STARTING MAY 30TH TO AUGUST 8TH (EXCLUDING THURSDAY, JULY 4TH).

Pablo, an artist, holds degrees from Berea College, the College of Santa Fe, and the University of New Mexico. With nearly five decades of experience in art, he spent nine years teaching ceramics and watercolor painting in Honolulu, Hawaii before retiring from teaching.

The necessary class supplies are available for purchase on Amazon at a cost of \$9.99. The workshop will employ a lottery system for participant selection, involving the collection of names and phone numbers, with the drawing scheduled for May 24th. Successful candidates will be contacted on May 25th. Please note that the workshop has a maximum capacity of 10 individuals.





After a long hiatus, the ceramics party is back at the Highland Senior Center! Get ready for a 10-week creative extravaganza. We're selecting lucky 10 participants through a thrilling lottery system. Keep your eyes peeled on the center's flyers for all the juicy details coming your way soon!

AmeriCorps Senior Programs







AGE 55+ VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

JOIN AMERICORPS
SENIORS TODAY AND
ENRICH YOUR LIFE
WHILE HELPING
OTHERS.

FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM

Help kids learn, and guide students to higher academic achievement. The Foster Grandparent Program connects role models like you with schools and programs to serve young people with exceptional needs. Volunteers serve an average of 20 hours a week and receive meals while serving. Income-eligible volunteers receive a non-taxable, hourly stipend.

For more information, Call (505) 764-6412.

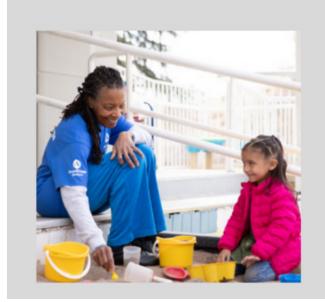
AmeriCorps Seniors is a suite of national volunteer programs made up of three programs that each take a different approach to improving lives and fostering civic engagement. AmeriCorps Seniors is funded by AmeriCorps and by the NM Aging & Long-Term Services Department. The City of Albuquerque's Department of Senior Affairs is proud to sponsor these programs for over 40 years!

For more information visit cabq.gov/seniors/volunteer-opportunities

SENIOR COMPANION PROGRAM

Help a senior live independently. Serve as a friend and provide assistance to seniors who have difficulty with daily living tasks or who are lonely. The Senior Companion Program aims to keep seniors living in their own homes and to provide respite to family caregivers through home visits. Volunteers serve an average of 20 hours a week and receive meals while serving. Incomeligible volunteers receive a non-taxable, hourly stipend.

For more information, Call (505) 764-1007.



RSVP (RETIRED & SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM)

Find a service opportunity that fits your passion. RSVP volunteers are assigned to senior centers, city programs, or other partnering nonprofit organizations. With RSVP you can use the skills and talents you've learned over the years, or develop new ones. Share your interests and availability with RSVP and find a meaningful way to contribute.

For more information, Call (505) 767-5225.



Daily Breakfast & A-la-Carte-Menu

Breakfast

Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. — 9:00 a.m.

Full Breakfast \$1.50

2 eggs, 2 bacon or Sausage, Hash Browns, toast or tortilla

Mini Breakfast 75¢

1 eggs, 1 bacon or Sausage, Hash Browns, toast or tortilla

Breakfast Burrito \$1.50

egg, bacon or Sausage, Hash Browns, choice of Red or Green Chile

English Muffin Sandwich \$1.00

1 egg, Bacon or Sausage, Cheese

Specials

Huevos Rancheros \$1.50 (Tuesday & Thursday Only)

2 eggs (your way)Corn tortilla, beans, lettuce, tomato Choice of Red or Green Chile

Biscuit & Gravy \$1.00 (Wednesday Only)

Al-la-Carte

1 Egg 25¢ (each)

Bacon or Sausage (2 per order) 50¢

1 Pancake 25¢ (each)

1 French Toast 25¢ (each slice)

Hash Browns 30¢

Side of Red or Green Chile 25c

Hot Cereal (Oatmeal w/Milk) 70¢

Waffle (Plain) \$1.00 (Fridays only)



See our Full A-la-Carte Menu at our Front Desk!





**Friendly Reminder,
Meals are to be consumed in the Social
Hall and are not permitted to take out.
Thank You for your cooperation!

Lunch

Monday-Friday

11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Grilled Cheese \$1.25

Soup of the Day 50¢

Sandwich \$1.50 Slice of Pie 50¢

Salad \$1.00

Sandwich choices change weekly please see front desk for menu.





Beverages

Milk or Juice 25¢ Hot Chocolate 30¢ Hot Tea 30¢



Menu is Subject to Change

HOT LUNCH MENU

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED BY 1:00PM PREVIOUS DAY



May 2024

As part of the New Mexico Grown state initiative, every Thursday, the Department of Senior Affairs will feature a vegetarian meal that incorporates locally sourced fruits, vegetables, beans, or chile into the menu.



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
29	30	1	2	3
• Chicken tender w/ BBQ sauce • Green beans • Sweet potatoes • Diced peaches • 1% milk	◆ Salmon w/garlic butter ◆ Fajita blend vegetables ◆ Brown rice ◆ Vanilla pudding ◆ 1% milk	 Beef stir fry Steamed carrots Orzo Banana 1% milk 	Southwest omelet w/red chile Diced potatoes Stewed tomatoes Cantaloupe 1% milk	Turkey pot pie Diced beets Baked cinnamon apples 1% milk
6	7	8	9	10
 Beef tips w/bowtie pasta Normandy blend vegetables Cherry cobbler Dinner roll w/margarine 1% milk 	 Red chile beef enchilada Spanish rice Pinto beans Jell-O 1% milk 	 Teriyaki chicken White rice Green beans Apple slices 1% milk 	Tilapia over brown rice w/lemon sauce Cauliflower Green beans Banana 1% milk	 Pork chop w/brown gravy Mashed potatoes Roasted Brussel sprouts Vanilla pudding 1% milk
13	14	15	16	17
 Ground beef w/diced tomato & cheese Calabacitas Pinto beans Yogurt 1% milk 	 Cajun tilapia Brussel sprouts Cornbread Strawberries 1% milk 	 Sweet and sour pork w/pineapple Brown rice Steamed carrots Honeydew 1% milk 	 Cheese tortellini Breadstick Steamed green beans Apple 1% milk 	 Chicken breaded patty w/white gravy Mashed potatoes Beets Orange 1% milk
20	21	22	23	24
 Red chile beans w/beef, cheese, onions Corn bread Peach cobbler 1% milk 	Baked cod w/tartar sauce Brown rice Steamed carrots Pear 1% milk	 Baked chicken thigh Collard greens Succotash Pineapple chunks 1% milk 	Cauliflower curry soup Steamed broccoli Corn bread Chocolate pudding cup 1% milk	BBQ pulled pork Sweet potato Peas and carrots Watermelon 1% milk
27	28	29	30	31
MEMORIAL DAY	◆ Sliced turkey w/gravy ◆ Stuffing ◆ Beets ◆ Yogurt ◆ 1% milk	 Carne adovada Corn w/peppers Broccoli, cauliflower, carrots Honeydew 1% milk 	Rotini pasta w/sauce Spinach w/onions Warm cinnamon apples 1% milk	 Chicken tender w/ BBQ sauce Steamed potato Green beans Cantaloupe 1% milk