



# Senior Companion Program Newsletter



Happy New Year! The Senior Companion
Program team wants to wish you all the best
for this new year. The beginning of the year is
a great time to reflect and create new goals.
Look into starting new hobbies or building a
new routine. Overall, do something that
brings you lots of joy and happiness. We want
to thank all of you for the time you have given
to your clients and the companionship you
have provided this past year. Let's keep
motivating and encouraging them to start
something new this year too. Hope to see all of
you at our New Year's Kickoff Lunch!

-SCP Staff

# The Senior Companion Program will be closed on Monday, January 1, 2024 and Monday, January 15, 2024.

Please remind your clients that there is no service during these days.

#### **Program Hours**

Monday-Friday: 8am-5pm Saturday & Sunday: Closed

### Senior Companion Program Staff

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Program Supervisor
Lisa Casman, Case Manager
Jenna Stanton, Office Assistant

#### **Contact Information**

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### Special Dates & Announcements

1/01: New Year's Holiday - CLOSED,

**No Clients** 

1/10: MLK Day of Service

1/11: Timesheets due

1/15: MLK Holiday - CLOSED, No Clients

1/19: SCP New Year's Kick-Off Lunch

1/25: Timesheets due

The Senior Companion program focuses on providing assistance and companionship to older adults who have difficulty with daily living tasks. AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers keep seniors independent longer and provide respite to family caregivers, while enhancing their own health and longevity as they serve their community.

### **MLK Day of Service Project**

The City of Albuquerque Americorps Senior Volunteer Programs will be working together for the MLK Day of Service Project.



We will be volunteering at the Roadrunner Food Bank on Wednesday, January 10, 2024 from 10am-12pm.

If you would like to participate, please call Jenna at (505) 764-1007 to sign up.

Space is limited.

Lunch will be provided.

## WINTER WORD SEARCH

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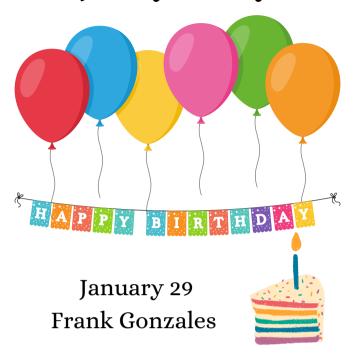
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### January Birthdays!



### **Timesheets**

Friendly reminder to submit your timesheets on time to get processed in a timely manner.

> Thursday, January 11, 2024 Thursday, January 25, 2024

It is very important that your timesheet is signed by you and the station supervisor (if applicable).

| PERIOD         | DAY       | DATE | TIME | TIME<br>OUT | HOURS<br>WORKED | REMARKS<br>(client cancelled, PTO) | MEAL |
|----------------|-----------|------|------|-------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|------|
| Second<br>Week | Monday    |      |      |             |                 |                                    |      |
|                | Tuesday   |      |      |             |                 |                                    |      |
|                | Wednesday |      |      |             |                 |                                    |      |
|                | Thursday  |      |      |             |                 | SEND IN TIMESHEET                  |      |
|                | Friday    |      |      |             |                 |                                    |      |

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Volunteer Signature Station Supervisor Signature

Comments:



| Regular |  |
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| Other   |  |
| PTO     |  |
| Holiday |  |
| TOTAL   |  |

### Join our Advisory Council!

The Senior Companion Program, sponsored by the City of Albuquerque Department of Senior Affairs, is looking for current SCP volunteers and community members to join our Advisory Council! Volunteers are encouraged to join and may earn program benefits.

The purpose of the Advisory Council is to:

- Serve in an advisory capacity to the sponsor and assist the program staff in matters affecting planning, support, and formulation of local policy.
- Assist the sponsor and program staff in promoting community support and recruitment for the project.
- Assist in developing local financial and in-kind resources.
- Evaluate the effectiveness of the program.
- Serve as a grievance body for volunteers.
- · Lobby for Senior Companions and program policies.

For more information call (505) 764-1007

### New Year's Kickoff Lunch



The Senior Companion
Program will be having a
New Year's Kickoff Lunch to
bring in the new year and
celebrate our wonderful
volunteers. Invitations and
menu options will be sent
out in the mail.

Mimi's Cafe 11:30am-1:30pm Friday, January 19, 2024



### **Inclement Weather Policy**

Winter is here! Please stay safe and warm.

The Senior Companion Program follows the Albuquerque Public Schools (APS) policy for snow day delays and closures. During these occurrences, please check the television, internet, or radio for official closures or delays. Volunteers serving in the Pueblos are advised to use their judgement and follow the instructions provided by assigned volunteer stations.

For more information refer to page 31 in your SCP Handbook. Please call the office if you have any questions or concerns.

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January 2024
The Department of Senior Affairs Senior Meal Program is proud to be

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.



| Monday   | <u>Tuesday</u>   | Wednesday  | <u>Thursday</u>   | <u>Friday</u>   |
|--|--|--|---|---|
| 1  | 2  | 3  | 4   | 5   |
| 2024<br>HAPPY NEW YEAR   | <ul> <li>Beef tip w/bowtie pasta</li> <li>Breadstick</li> <li>Steamed broccoli</li> <li>Yogurt</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Turkey pot pie</li> <li>Steamed broccoli</li> <li>Sliced beets</li> <li>Apple</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>                                 | <ul> <li>Omelet w/cheese, mushroom, spinach</li> <li>Diced potatoes</li> <li>Spinach</li> <li>Jell-O</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>          | <ul> <li>Pork chop w/gravy</li> <li>Brown rice</li> <li>Peas</li> <li>Mixed fruit</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>                                       |
| 8  | 9  | 10   | 11  | 12  |
| <ul> <li>Hot dog w/bun</li> <li>Steak fries w/ketchup</li> <li>Green beans</li> <li>Applesauce</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>                               | <ul> <li>Chicken alfredo w/green chile</li> <li>Steamed carrots</li> <li>Steamed broccoli</li> <li>Orange</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>                                | <ul> <li>Baked cod w/tartar sauce</li> <li>Peas</li> <li>Corn bread</li> <li>Chocolate chip cookie</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>                     | <ul> <li>Meatloaf w/tomato gravy</li> <li>Diced red potato</li> <li>Collard greens</li> <li>Vanilla pudding</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>◆ Pork chop over brown rice w/sweet &amp; sour sauce</li> <li>◆ Stir fry vegetables</li> <li>◆ Peach cobbler</li> <li>◆ 1% milk</li> </ul> |
| 15   | 16   | 17   | 18  | 19  |
| Martin Luther<br>King Jr. Day  | <ul> <li>Sloppy joe w/hamburger<br/>bun</li> <li>Brussel sprouts</li> <li>Cinnamon apples</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>Green chile chicken posole w/flour tortilla</li> <li>Corn</li> <li>Roasted carrots</li> <li>Chocolate pudding</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Baked Ziti</li> <li>Breadstick</li> <li>Green beans w/<br/>tomatoes</li> <li>Pineapple</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>               | <ul> <li>BBQ pulled pork</li> <li>Carrots</li> <li>Broccoli</li> <li>Grapes</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>   |
| 22   | 23   | 24   | 25  | 26  |
| <ul> <li>Ground beef w/onions and mushrooms</li> <li>Mashed potatoes</li> <li>Black-eyed peas</li> <li>Chocolate chip cookie</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Carne adovada (pork, red chile)</li> <li>Pinto beans</li> <li>Spanish rice</li> <li>Applesauce</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>                                  | <ul> <li>Baked cod over brown rice w/tarter sauce</li> <li>Cauliflower</li> <li>Spinach</li> <li>Mandarin oranges</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>      | <ul> <li>Ham mac &amp; cheese w/broccoli</li> <li>Sweet potatoes</li> <li>Cherry cobbler</li> <li>Mixed fruit</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Chicken parmesan w/<br/>marinara and cheese</li> <li>Brown rice</li> <li>Steamed carrots</li> <li>Yogurt</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>       |
| 29   | 30   | 31   | 1   | 2   |
| <ul> <li>Texas chili: ground beef, kidney beans</li> <li>Corn bread</li> <li>Succotash</li> <li>Diced pears</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>                  | <ul> <li>◆ Pork egg rolls w/sweet &amp; sour sauce</li> <li>◆ Rice pilaf</li> <li>◆ Oriental vegetable blend</li> <li>◆ Fortune cookie</li> <li>◆ 1% milk</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Omelet w/bell pepper and onion</li> <li>Diced potatoes</li> <li>Stewed tomatoes</li> <li>Jell-O</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>               | <ul> <li>Roasted lemon chicken</li> <li>Sweet potato</li> <li>Steamed broccoli</li> <li>Tapioca pudding</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>       | <ul> <li>Baked Cajun salmon over brown rice</li> <li>Brussel sprouts</li> <li>Steamed carrots</li> <li>Pineapple</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>        |