

# **RSVP Voluntimes**



February 2025



As we step into February, a month filled with appreciation and compassion, we want to take a moment to recognize and celebrate you, our dedicated volunteers. Your time, effort, and kindness continue to make a meaningful impact, and we are truly grateful for all that you do.

This month is not only about Valentine's Day but also about heart-centered service. February reminds us to spread warmth, whether through random acts of kindness, supporting a cause close to our hearts, or simply being there for one another. From community outreach programs to new opportunities to get involved, we have some exciting initiatives lined up.

As we embrace the spirit of February, let's continue to uplift and support one another. Thank you for your passion and commitment we couldn't do this without you!

Stay safe & be well, The RSVP Office

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#### Office Hours

Monday -Friday 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

## **Updates & Reminders**

## **Important Dates**

2/1: First Day of Black History
Month

2/2: Groundhog Day

2/9: Super Bowl

2/14: Valentine's Day

2/17: CLOSED - Presidents' Day



### Dear AmeriCorps Seniors volunteers,

We were recently made aware of conversations at the federal level related to the funding of agency grant, loan, and other financial assistance programs.

At this time, we have not received official word from AmeriCorps on how or if these proposed changes might affect our AmeriCorps Seniors FGP, RSVP, and SCP programs.

As soon as we receive additional details from AmeriCorps we will be sure to share that information with you.

Thank you for your continued service.

#### Volunteer Badge Policy

It is standard operating procedure of the Department of Senior Affairs that all volunteers shall wear a DSA approved identification badge while on City of Albuquerque Property. ID badges must be worn on the outer most layer of clothing above the waist at all times while volunteering.

#### Mileage Reimbursement

We've received a few questions regarding the mileage reimbursement policy. The mileage reimbursement policy is one round trip per day from your residence to your volunteer station returning home with a maximum of \$25.00 per month.

#### **New Volunteer Orientation**

If you are new to the program or need a refresher on how to enter your hours into the Web Assistant, training sessions are held on the second Tuesday of each month at the Barelas Senior Center – RSVP office. To register contact the RSVP office at (505) 767-5225.

## **Advisory Council Members**

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## **Spotlight**

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**AMERICORPS SENIORS** 

# VOLUNTEERISM FAIR & PIE DAY



**MARCH 14, 2025** 



MANZANO MESA

MULTIGENERATIONAL CENTER

501 ELIZABETH ST SE

ALBUQUERQUE, NM 87123

10:00AM-1:00PM

Join us for an exciting and informative event where you can learn about volunteer opportunities with AmeriCorps Seniors and other local organizations. Whether you're ready to commit or just curious, we welcome everyone interested in serving our community.

## **Celebrations**

15th Michael Quinn

	F	ebr	uary Birthdays		
1st	George Medina		Marie Pacheco	25th	Rafaelita Alderete
2nd	Christine Smith	20th	Marie Morra	26th	Irene Newlon Rick Watson
4th	<b>,</b>	21st	Laura Ann Jennings Jeannine Steidl	27th	Cathy Sanchez
5th	Nick Manole Isabel Padilla	22nd	Doris Redlin Richard Silva	29th	Mary Jo Daniel
7th	Amy Berger		Madaline Yazell		· M
11th	Colleen Wyss	23rd	John Melvin Lewis	8	
12th	Shirley Fleming	24th	Leslie Brault Marianna Breton	7	Happy

Lynn Ann Keller



**Dorothy Otto** 

Please join us in celebrating Ms. Dorothy Otto who is our longest standing volunteer and is 94 years strong. Ms. Otto has been in RSVP for almost 40 years and currently volunteers as an Activities Facilitator at Bear Canyon Senior Center.

Birthday!

She has served at various stations throughout the years, such as: Bear Canyon Senior Center, Anderson/Abruzzo Balloon Museum, RSVP special projects, and Senior Sports & Fitness. Throughout her time with RSVP, Ms. Otto has volunteered a total of 10,931 hours.

Dorothy is well respected by her peers and can be found engaging in all activities and fundraising efforts at the Bear Canyon Senior Center. The RSVP team cannot thank Ms. Otto enough for all of the valuable time and effort she puts in to supporting our community.

# **Opportunities**

Albuquerque Bio Park Education Albuquerque Little Theater Albuquerque Museum Albuquerque Police Department Albuquerque Reads Anderson/Abruzzo International Balloon Museum Animal Welfare Department Aviation Department Barelas Senior Center Bear Canyon Senior Center BernCo Senior & Social Services Department Catholic Charities City of Albuquerque Open Space Compassus

DSA Advisory Council

DSA Home Services

DSA Nutrition

DSA Case Management

DSA Satellite Meal Sites

DSA Information & Assistance

## **Volunteer Stations**

DSA Sports & Fitness **DSA Transportation** DSA Volunteers in Action Explora Science Center Friends of Valle de Oro Highland Senior Center Hospice De La Luz Indian Pueblo Cultural Center Los Volcanes Senior Center Lovelace Women's Hospital Manzano Mesa Multigenerational Center Maxwell Mus. of Anthropology Meals on Wheels Musical Theatre Southwest Nat. Hispanic Cultural Center New Mexico Kids Matter New Mexico Ramp Project New Mexico Veterans Memorial NM Museum of Nat. Hist. and Science

NM Aging & Long-Term Services NM Commission for the Blind NM Long-Term Care Ombudsman North Domingo Baca M.C. North Valley Senior Center Palo Duro Senior Center Popejoy Hall Presbyterian Healthcare Services Presbyterian Northside ProMedica Hospice Read to Me Albuquerque Network Roadrunner Food Bank Ronald McDonald House Charities RSVP Advisory Council Santa Barbara Martineztown M.C. Storehouse University Hospital VA Center for Development and Civic Engagement Visit Albuquerque

## <u>Special Projects</u>

## **Home Services**

Home Services is in need of a computer savvy volunteer that is available 20 hours a week to assist with various clerical duties.

If you are interested, please call the RSVP office at (505)767-5225 for more information.

# <u>PETS Project</u>

The Department of Senior Affairs and Animal Welfare are in need of pet friendly volunteers with a COP to transport pet food to homebound seniors in our community.



# FEBRUARY 2025

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.



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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3	4	5	6	7
<ul> <li>Beef Tips w/ Gravy Over Bowtie Pasta</li> <li>Brussel Sprouts</li> <li>Mixed Berries</li> <li>Dinner Roll with Margarine</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Lemon Pepper Salmon</li> <li>Brown Rice</li> <li>Roasted Fall Vegetables</li> <li>Yogurt</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Memphis Dry-Rubbed Chicken</li> <li>Cauliflower</li> <li>Dinner Roll with Margarine</li> <li>Mandarin Orange</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Pasta Primavera</li> <li>Steamed Broccoli</li> <li>Dinner Roll/ Margarine</li> <li>Warm Cinnamon Apple Chunks</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Pork Chop</li> <li>Mashed Potatoes</li> <li>Crispy Roasted Brussel Sprouts</li> <li>Jell-O</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>
10	11	12	13	14
<ul> <li>Chicken Tamale w/ Green Chile</li> <li>Mushroom &amp; Green Beans</li> <li>Diner Roll with Margarine</li> <li>Berry Compote</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Turkey w/ Gravy</li> <li>Steamed Broccoli</li> <li>Dinner Roll with Margarine</li> <li>Yogurt</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Chicken Posole</li> <li>Steamed Cauliflower</li> <li>Dinner Roll with Margarine</li> <li>Jell-0</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Red Chile Cheese Enchilada</li> <li>Brown Rice</li> <li>Roasted Fall Vegetables/ Calabacitas</li> <li>Pears</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Baked Cod with Tarter Sauce</li> <li>Brussel Sprouts</li> <li>Roasted Fall Vegetables</li> <li>Valentine Cookie</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>
CLOSED 17	18	19	20	21
PRESIDENT'S: DAY	<ul> <li>Baked Ham with Pineapple Sauce</li> <li>Sweet Potatoes</li> <li>5 Way Vegetables</li> <li>Vanilla Pudding</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Baked Chicken</li> <li>Brown Rice</li> <li>Roasted Fall Vegetables</li> <li>Sliced Apple</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Baked Ziti</li> <li>Brussel Sprout</li> <li>Dinner Roll with Margarine</li> <li>Yogurt</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Tilapia with Tarter Sauce</li> <li>Rosemary Potatoes</li> <li>Steamed Broccoli</li> <li>Pears</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>
24	25	26	27	28
• Red Chile Beans • Crispy Roasted Cauliflower with Pumpkin Seeds • Dinner Roll with Margarine • Brownie • 1% milk	Chicken Tamale w/ Green Chile Brown Rice Corn & Edamame Orange 1% milk	Diced Pork     with Gravy     Steamed Green     Beans     Berry Compote     1% milk	<ul> <li>Veggie Green Chili Cheeseburger</li> <li>Sweet Potato Mash</li> <li>Roasted Fall Vegetables</li> <li>Apple Slices</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Lemon Pepper Salmon</li> <li>Mashed Potatoes</li> <li>Steamed Spinach</li> <li>Jell-0</li> <li>1% milk</li> </ul>

