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## PNM Annual Day of Service Supported 33 Charities and Nonprofits in One Day; 523 Employees Donated 2,105 Hours Giving Back to the Community

(Albuquerque, NM) – On September 12, 2024, PNM held its annual Day of Service. More than 520 PNM employees spent 2,105 hours giving back to the community by volunteering at 33 charities and nonprofits that support PNM customers.

“PNM employees were out in force to make a difference in the communities we serve. Whether it was education, preserving and enhancing our environment, helping customers use energy more efficiently and safely, or promoting the economic vitality of our communities, we followed our passions to help nonprofits and charities throughout New Mexico,” said Don Tarry, president and CEO of PNM.

Among the 33 organizations supported that day, 25 PNM volunteers harvested 1,400 pounds of fresh produce grown by Seed2Need, a Corrales nonprofit created to reduce hunger in New Mexico by growing produce for local food pantries. “The produce was be taken to local food pantries like St. Felix for distribution to people and families in need,” said Brad Haslam, president of Seed2Need.

“The PNM volunteers did a deep clean of our commercial kitchen. This was incredibly helpful and not a task we would have been able to do quickly without their support. It helps so much with our ability to keep going with our culinary programs,” said Iris Nolasco, director of The Commons Center for Food Security and Sustainability, a Silver City-based nonprofit whose mission is to meet the immediate needs of Grant County residents who are food

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#### Photos



[Link to photos from PNM's 2024 annual Day of Service](#)

#### Quotes

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#### Other:

PNM Day of Service New Mexico recipients include:

- [Albuquerque BioPark – Botanic Garden](#)

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insecure and strive to build community around the concepts of food justice, local self-sufficiency and sustainability. “We use our kitchen for multiple purposes like community culinary clubs, monthly community dinners, and rentals to our community. This project helps ensure we keep our spaces clean and useable for these purposes.”

PNM volunteers built the haunted house for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central New Mexico’s Halloween Spooktacular event. “It’s a big project that takes a lot of people-power and it’s a huge help to have a team from PNM tackle the project in a day,” said Amanda Schlindwein, special projects manager with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central New Mexico.

At The Food Depot, a Santa Fe-based food bank serving nine counties in Northern New Mexico, PNM employees helped sort through donations received from its partners, bag produce and assisted in repacking donations for distribution. “The volunteers bagged more than 1,500 pounds of potatoes,” said Pauline Montoya, lead volunteer coordinator from The Food Depot.

“We provided a crew of enthusiastic volunteers that supported dozens of nonprofits in our community, who in turn support our customers in a variety of ways,” said Laurie Roach, executive director of PNM Resources Foundation. “More than 2,100 hours were spent improving the communities we serve. Day of Service is a special time for each employee to share their passion by helping out at food banks, veteran reintegration centers, animal shelters, children’s advocacy groups and more.”

Since 1917, PNM has been devoted to providing reliable and affordable electricity to its customers around the state. The annual Day of Service allows PNM to continue this tradition of service and show its commitment to customers and nonprofits in the communities it serves.

In addition to PNM Day of Service, PNM continues its assistance to support communities in New Mexico throughout the entire year. In fact, PNM and its foundation contribute more than \$4 million to nonprofit community organizations to sustain important work within communities it serves and advocates for its customers’ needs. Annually, hundreds of employees and retirees volunteer more than 9,000 virtual and in-person hours.

- [Albuquerque BioPark - Zoo](#)
- [Animal Humane New Mexico](#)
- [Barret House](#)
- [Big Brothers Big Sisters of CNM](#)
- [Bill Evans Lake Cleanup in Silver City](#)
- [Childhaven, Inc.](#) in Farmington
- [El Camino Real Academy Charter School](#)
- [Explora](#)
- [Habitat for Humanity ABQ](#)
- [Kids, Inc. in Alamogordo, N.M.](#)
- [Locker 505](#)
- [Mandy’s Farm](#)
- [Meals on Wheels](#)
- [Paws & Stripes](#)
- [Paws & Stripes](#) (at PNM headquarters)
- [Pollinators in the Neighborhood](#)
- [Rio Grande Food Project](#)
- [RoadRunner Food Bank](#)
- [Ronald McDonald House Charities](#)
- [Ronald McDonald House Charities](#)
- [Saranam](#)
- [Seed2Need](#) in Corrales
- [Storehouse NM](#)
- [The Commons: Center for Food Security and Sustainability](#) in Silver City, NM
- [The Food Depot](#) in Santa Fe
- [The Nature Conservancy](#) in Santa Fe
- [THRIVE](#) in Alamogordo
- [Transgender Resource Center of NM](#)
- [Valencia County: Horsing Around Therapeutic Riding](#)
- [Veteran’s Integration Center](#)
- [Veteran’s Memorial Park](#)

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