



Coalition on a Mission

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SHC-NM Welcomes New Directors, Staff

Steve Ross, Executive Director



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The board of directors of SHC-NM is pleased to announce Steve Ross as its new executive director. Born and raised in Albuquerque, Steve is a fifth generation New Mexican. As a matter of fact, his great-great grandfather, Edmund G. Ross, was the territorial Governor of New Mexico in 1885. Steve graduated from Highland High School and attended UNM on an athletic scholarship, graduating with a Bachelor's degree in political science. He holds a Master's degree in management from Webster University.

Steve spent fourteen years as a director for the YMCA in Amarillo, St. Louis, and Albuquerque before going to work for UNM as the associate director of the alumni association. He spent eighteen years in higher education with various colleges and universities before returning to Albuquerque where he most recently served as the director of advancement for St. Pius X High School. A certified fund raising executive (CFRE), Steve has successfully raised millions of dollars for the YMCA and higher education through capital campaigns, planned giving, and annual fund drives. He currently serves on the board for the Rotary Club of Albuquerque and the Good Shepherd Center.

Steve and his wife, Angel Wells Ross, have fifteen grandchildren. His hobbies include competing in Masters' track and field where he is a former National Champion in the shot put, playing the guitar, and singing. Steve is excited to join the great team at SHC as the executive director. "As one who has served as both a volunteer and consultant to organizations working with the homeless, I understand how critical it is to support someone in getting housing first."

Steve began his new position on June 1st.

Joscylyn Huffmaster Director of Property & Asset Management



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Joscylyn will manage all SHC-NM properties and assets, working closely with monitoring entities to ensure compliance with all housing programs. She has over twelve years of experience in property management including regional management of several HUD 811 properties, management of senior Public Housing, Tax Credit properties, senior apartments, military housing, and student housing as well as three years experience as a Fair Housing Specialist. She holds a Bachelor's degree in psychology and a Master's in clinical psychology and holds certifications for Public Housing Specialist, Fair Housing for Property and Community Managers, and Fair Housing Litigation. Joscylyn is an avid reader and, luckily for SHC-NM, loves to bowl!

Robert L. Chavez Property Manager



Joining our team of Property Managers is Robert L. Chavez, new property manager at Sunport Plaza, Redlands, and West Central Apartments. Robert comes to us from T & C Management, a partner landlord in our Housing First program. He is a graduate of Central New Mexico Community College with a degree in Child, Youth, and Family Development. His property management experience coupled with a strong desire to increase the well being and success of our residents makes Robert a welcome addition to our team. Robert enjoys playing basketball and sand volleyball, singing karaoke, and spending time with his daughters. Look for Robert as he emcees our 2016 Strike Out Homelessness Bowl-A-Thon.

Spotlight on Service: Sunport Plaza Gets a Facelift



How are you spending your summer vacation? For students from First United Methodist Church of Richardson, TX, their summer started with three days of service at SHC-NM's Sunport Plaza Apartments. Each summer, the youth group embarks on a mission trip to New Mexico. After learning about the mission of SHC-NM, 14 youth, young adults, and their adult advisors got to work painting the fence and planting flower beds at Sunport Plaza. Despite the heat, these young people worked diligently to get this ambitious job done before they left for a rafting trip up north. Oscar Lucero, maintenance technician for Sunport Plaza, supervised the projects and provided sno-cones and snacks. Special thanks to **Perfection Honda - Academy** for providing pizza and drinks to the group and to Oscar's wife, Denise, for delivering the pizza and sodas and presenting special New Mexico keepsakes to the group. As the group left on the last day, they all expressed how welcomed and appreciated they felt by the staff and SHC-NM, and several mentioned that they wanted to return next year. We appreciate all their hard work and look forward to having them come back to work on other projects for SHC-NM.

Students from First United Methodist Church painted, planted, and learned about how SHC-NM works to reduce and prevent homelessness.

Strike Out Homelessness Event Sponsors

4th Annual
Strike Out Homelessness
Bowl-A-Thon & Raffle

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Supportive Housing is pleased to announce Por Vida Therapeutics and Playa Del Sol Apartments as sponsors of the 2016 Strike Out Homelessness event. They join media sponsors Albuquerque Business First and Cumulus Media (99.5 Magic FM and 103.3 eD-fm) in this annual event to benefit SHC-NM and its efforts to prevent and reduce homelessness.

Registration is now open - please support our only major fundraising event of the year! Sponsorships, Corporate Teams, and Friends & Family Teams are still available. Your sponsorship helps us to permanently house people experiencing homelessness.

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