

SPRING E-NEWSLETTER



Stay Active and Connected— Local Games Happening Now!

Sports have a unique way of bringing people together across generations while promoting health and well-being at every stage of life. As the population of older adults in America continues to grow, Senior Games play a vital role in keeping adults 50+ active, engaged, and redefining what it means to age well.

Local Senior Games provide year-round opportunities for seniors to stay motivated, participate in friendly competition, and prepare for State and National Games. While participation in Local Games is no longer required to qualify for the State Games, New Mexico Senior Olympics encourages all senior athletes to get involved at their local game sites.

Local Senior Games are happening now across the state! Contact your Local Game Site provider today to learn how you can participate and stay active in your community. Games are currently taking place in Farmington, Silver City, Doña Ana, Rio Arriba, Santa Fe, and Clovis. Visit the New Mexico Senior Olympics website for a full list of locations and to learn how you can get involved!

2025 STATE SUMMER GAMES - Las Cruces



The Ernesto Ramos State Summer Games events are being held in the city A detailed competition Game schedule and Sport Playing Rules are available on our website. Athletes can register online, on paper registration form, or by calling NMSO in Roswell at

1-888-623-6676. Registration Booklets have been mailed to Local Game Sites and are available in limited supply.

For more information on the State Senior Olympic Summer Games registration, or to volunteer, please call 575-642-6048 or visit our website at www.nmseniorolympics.org.

Recently Announced: This year's Opening Ceremonies will be held indoors at the Las Cruces Convention Center on June 18, 2025 at 6pm in the Exhibit Hall Ballroom. RSVP is required. Full announcement can be found on this link.

New Mexico Senior Olympics, Inc. is funded in part by the N M Aging and Long-Term Services Department for health promotion activities. NMSO of Las Cruces, June 18-22, 2025. Games will be held at the Las Cruces Convention Center and other sport venues, to include, New Mexico State University campus and Las Cruces Schools.

is a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization headquartered in Roswell, New Mexico and Cecelia Acosta is the Executive Director.

The largest multi-sport event offered for Seniors 50+

National Senior Games Week







New Mexico Senior Olympics, in conjunction with your Local Game Site, is celebrating National Senior Games Week which was established to raise awareness of local, state, and national Senior Games organizations and their positive impacts on participants and communities.

This celebration encourages people aged 50+ to get active and involved in sports for their health and well-being. Check out the flyers above to see what's going on near you for Senior Games Week!

The goals for National Senior Games Week are to:

- Increase awareness, support, participation in local, state and national Senior Games.
- Empower individuals ages 50+ to get active and improve their health and well-being.
- Promote positive messages around seniors and aging.

Volunteer for State Summer Games!

New Mexico Senior Olympics is seeking enthusiastic volunteers—both new and seasoned—to help make the State Summer Games a success! Volunteering is a fun and rewarding way to be part of the action, whether you're young or young at heart.

No prior experience? No problem! Our trained staff will provide all the guidance you need for tasks like scoring and timekeeping.

Volunteers with AmeriCorps Seniors-RSVP will also receive credit for their service hours. Sign up for a 4-hour shift and you'll be entered into a drawing for

a \$100 gift card! Plus, all volunteers will receive a free T-shirt as a token of our appreciation.

Check out the attached flyer for details on specific sports in need of volunteers. We'd love to have you on our team!



"You don't stop playing because you grow old, you grow old because you stop playing".







Stay Active with EnhanceFitness and More!

Looking for a fun and effective way to stay active? EnhanceFitness is a free, evidence-based program designed specifically for seniors to improve strength, balance, and mobility. With 18 locations across New Mexico, we offer not only EnhanceFitness but also other proven programs like Tai Chi, On the Move, and Matter of Balance, which support falls prevention.

Not sure if it's right for you? You're welcome to try a class before committing to the three-day-a-week program!

Find a class near you by visiting <u>www.nmseniorolympics.org</u> or clicking the logo above. For more information, call us at 888-623-6676.



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Nomination and Board Application Process

The future of NMSO is determined by the quality of our leadership. There is a need for

board members who can bring to the organization experience and knowledge in the areas of financial, legal, marketing, public relations, fund raising, and sports management. It is important that interested Board nominees complete an application and return to the State office. The NMSO Board of Directors will review the committee's nominations and vote for each nominee individually by a simple majority vote. All nominees will be notified by phone, and mail, as to the outcome of the Board's decision.

{Board members are solicited based on the overall ongoing needs of the Organization in relationship to the mission and current scope of work.}

Eligibility requirements:

- Applicant must be in good standing with the aging, healthcare and their own community
- · Must be at least 21 years of age
- Must be a permanent resident of the state of New Mexico

Application Instructions:

- · Complete and sign the Board of Directors Application Form
- Provide three (3) Letters of recommendation from people who have known you within the past five (5) years.
- · Attach a current resume
- Applications will be kept on file for 1 year and these submissions will be considered

If interested, or for more information, email nmso@nmseniorolympics.org or call (575) 623-5777

New Mexico Athletes on the Road to Nationals!





New Mexico is proud to announce that 1,146 of our outstanding athletes have qualified for the 2025 National Senior Games, set to take place in Des Moines, Iowa, from July 24 to August 4, 2025. This remarkable achievement reflects the dedication, hard work, and competitive spirit of our senior athletes who continue to push their limits and inspire our communities.

The National Senior Games is the pinnacle of competition for senior athletes across the country, bringing together thousands of competitors in a wide array of sports, from track and field to pickleball, swimming, and basketball. Our New Mexico athletes have trained diligently to earn their spot on this national stage, and we couldn't be prouder of their accomplishments.

As our athletes prepare for this incredible experience, we wish them success and encourage the entire community to support them. Their journey serves as a testament to the importance of active aging and the opportunities available through senior sports.

For those inspired by these competitors, we encourage you to get involved! Participating in local and state games is the first step. Whether you are a seasoned athlete or looking to try something new, there is a sport for everyone. The New Mexico Senior Olympics provides a welcoming and competitive environment to help you stay active, engaged, and ready to take on new challenges.

Join us in celebrating our athletes and supporting the future of senior sports in New Mexico. Best of luck to all our competitors as they embark on this incredible journey to Nationals!

NEW MEXICO SENIOR OLYMPICS

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STATE GAMES NORTH IN SANTA FE FEBRUARY 23-26, 2026

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