

American Red Cross Establishes Evacuation Center for Regional Fire Evacuees at Genoveva Chavez Community Center

SANTA FE, May 9, 2022 -- The City of Santa Fe and the American Red Cross have prepared the Genoveva Chavez Community Center (GCCC) as a temporary shelter for evacuees escaping the threats posed by regional fires.

The American Red Cross has established operations there in case the shelter capacity is needed. The region is currently under a Red Flag Warning of extreme danger.

With exceptions, recreational and exercise facilities at the GCCC will remain open and accessible to residents during regular hours. The gymnasium is prepared to receive evacuees and is therefore not available for activities and league play. After an evaluation of the requirements for the emergency shelter, it was determined the indoor track will be closed to ensure privacy for evacuees.

- Saturday: 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Monday-Friday: 6 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- Closed Sunday

Patrons are encouraged to use the Fort Marcy and Salvador Perez recreation centers as well as GCCC; GCCC passes will be accepted at those facilities until July 31, 2022.

DONATIONS

The public is advised that no donations of any kind will be accepted at the GCCC.

The best way to continue to support the relief effort is by making monetary donations to the following funds:

- The Santa Fe Community Foundation
- The All Together New Mexico Fund
- The Food Depot Disaster Relief Fund and the State Employees Credit Union are accepting both dry goods and monetary donations.

Donations of dry goods (kitchen and bath supplies) only are accepted at Fire Station 5 on weekdays between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Donations of clothing, bedding, etc. are not needed at this time.