

TUESDAY, MAY 3, UPDATE:

Santa Fe Supports Las Vegas Area Firefight

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SANTA FE, May 3, 2022 — The City of Santa Fe, the Santa Fe Emergency Management team, and the Santa Fe Fire Department continue to support the efforts being made to protect life and property in and around Las Vegas.

"We continue to send support to Las Vegas in the form of people and equipment," says Mayor Alan Webber. "Here in Santa Fe, we're making plans to provide food and shelter to those who are evacuating. Every department in the City is on alert, from our Seniors team providing meals to our Community Services team preparing places where our neighbors in need can safely stay. We're all in this together."

SANTA FE FIRE DEPARTMENT (SFFD) Chief Brian Moya says: "We are assisting in fire safety operations in the City of Las Vegas because the local department needs to rest, recover, and take care of their own families. We are just lending a helpful hand wherever needed." Twenty-five firefighters have been dispatched along with three engines, a ladder truck, an ambulance, a Brush Truck, and three command staff units. Chief Moya and his chiefs are retaining sufficient safety vehicles in Santa Fe, coordinating staff schedules locally, and deploying our new cadet class here to ensure all needs within Santa Fe are met.

SANTA FE SENIOR SERVICES is delivering 700 frozen meals to the City of Las Vegas Senior Program tomorrow. Senior Services serves 900-1000 meals per day in Santa Fe — today they produced 1,700 meals.

SANTA FE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT Director Brian Williams reports that his team is responding to resource requests and coordinating with the State and County Emergency Operations Centers, the Red Cross, and other partners to address emergency sheltering of evacuees, assessment of longer term housing options for displaced families and individuals, and addressing offers of support from local businesses and individuals.

DONATIONS ARE ACCEPTED AT FIRE STATION 5. "There's been a huge outpouring of support," Chief Moya says, including a donation by **Robert Redford** of hay, grain, and a truckload of household needs. The station is located at 1130 Siler Road and donations are accepted weekdays between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Most welcome are donations of nonperishables — sports drinks, hot cereal, children's clothing and toys, diapers, personal hygiene items, and paper products — as well as animal feed, miscellaneous items for animals like troughs, hay, bowls, and crates.

THE ALL TOGETHER NEW MEXICO FUND accepts monetary donations at <u>alltogethernm.org</u>. Grants from the fund will go toward emergency shelter, food and water distribution, and access to medical support. The fund was established by the Governor's office in conjunction with the New Mexico Coalition of Community Foundations, which includes the Santa Fe Community Foundation.

THE STATE EMPLOYEES CREDIT UNION is accepting donations into their "Northern NM Fires" fund. All goods and funds collected will be provided to the Santa Fe Fire Department and Food Depot and distributed directly to those affected. Donate money and these types of goods at branch locations: Nonperishable food, bottled water, new and unused blankets, clothing, and hygiene products.

THE FOOD DEPOT DISASTER RELIEF FUND: Donate money, food, water and hygiene items to provide relief to wildfire impacted communities and emergency responders in Northern New Mexico. <u>Donate to the Food Depot here.</u>