

UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER WINTER 2024

UHA 2025 Annual Meeting

WHEN: Sunday, January 26, 2025 at 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. WHERE: Outpost Performance Space, 210 Yale, SE

Hi Neighbor!

Come to UHA's Annual meeting on Sunday, January 26th, 2025, from 2pm to 4pm at the Outpost Performance Space (210 Yale Blvd SE). UHA is an active neighborhood association.

Nichole Rogers, our City Councilor, will attend and address neighborhood issues, including Lead and Coal.

Come and share your views with the Councilor and your neighbors.

If you are a homeowner or a renter, we would like to hear your voice also. Representatives of APD also will be present to tell us how they are working with and for us.

The UHA Board is concerned with making sure our neighborhood voice is heard when there are decisions to be made that affect our neighborhood. The UHA Board is recognized by the City as the official representative of the neighborhood interests in public policy matters.

Come, get informed, meet new neighbors, and elect the Board of Directors for 2025. You can help shape the future of the neighborhood.



REMEMBER TO WATER YOUR TREES



University Heights Neighborhood Association Membership Form (Please Print Legibly) Send Completed Form to: Don Hancock, UHA Treasurer, 105 Stanford SE, Albuquerque NM 87106

Name:			
Mailing Address:			
Phone:	E-mail Address:		
Type of Membership: Neighborhood	Rent	0wn	Business
Affirmation of Membership Completion of this form, signature, and submission to the University Heights Neighborhood Association affirms membership for one (1) year. Please note that membership and voting rights are guaranteed to any affirmed member without payment of dues being required, as per Section §14-8-2-3 (B) (4) of the City of Albuquerque Neighborhood Association Recognition Ordinance (NARO). Membership includes notice of neighborhood meetings including the required Annual Meeting, and other pertinent information. Thank you for your support!			
Signature of Member		Date	
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Our latest update for University Heights Neighborhood Historical Designation

Last November, Steven Moffson, the New Mexico State and National Coordinator for the Historic Preservation Division of New Mexico, finished the maps and table of resources for the historical neighborhood submission. The designation focuses on portions of University Heights and Nob Hill, primarily south of Silver Avenue. In December and January, his team visited the neighborhoods and took photos for the National Register nomination. Once the nomination package is complete, letters will be sent to individual property owners with official notifications. Once that notification is completed, the plan is to have a public information meeting (hopefully in May) and then present the nomination package to the Cultural Properties Review Committee in June.

Mr. Moffson stresses that while there are benefits to property owners from the designation, National Register listing does not place obligations on private property owners, nor does it place restrictions on the use, treatment, transfer, or disposition of private property. National Register listing does not lead to public acquisition of property nor does it require public access to property.

If you have questions, you can visit the state website: <u>https://nmhistoricpreservation.org/</u> or you can contact Steven Moffson, State and National Register Coordinator, at <u>steven.moffson@dca.nm.gov</u> or (505) 476-0444.

What to do about discarded needles or syringes?

Neighborhood residents sometimes find discarded needles or syringes (called sharps) in alleys or sidewalks and they wonder what to do?

If you find a large number of sharps, the city will collect them if you call 311 or report them online at: <u>www.cabq.gov/how-to-report-needles</u>

For a few sharps, the city suggests:

* put on gloves and put a container (bleach or detergent container or plastic peanut butter jar) on a stable surface near the needle.

* pick up the needle with grabbers/tongs/pliers, keeping the needle point away from you, and put it in the container.

* tightly seal the container using tape to secure the top. * label the container: "Sharps-Do Not Recycle" with a waterproof marker.

* place the container in the regular household trash cart.

Lead and Coal Corridors vs. University Heights Neighborhood Safety

For decades, residents of UHA have been very concerned about road departure accidents and other health and safety impacts of those one-ways. Because the problems persist, in 2022 the Mayor created the Lead-Coal Working Group with members from UHA, Lead-Coal Safety Brigade, and Nob Hill Neighborhood Association (NHNA), the Mayor's Office, Municipal Development, and the Police Department (APD).

The Working Group supported a Traffic Study to follow up on the 2022 Mid-Region Metropolitan Planning Organization/USDOT Federal Highway Administration issued Road Safety Audit (RSA). The Study was contracted to Lee Engineering, which has collected data, held three public meetings, and met regularly with a Task Force of representatives from UHA, NHNA, the Brigade, Silver Hill, and Huning Highlands neighborhood associations. The Study examines alternatives of speed reduction, one traffic lane, two-way traffic lanes, and safety enhancement measures.

The Lee Engineering draft report will be issued by January 29, with the final report expected in late February.

Senator Antoinette Sedillo Lopez and former Representative Gail Chasey previously secured more than \$1 million for Lead and Coal from the Legislature, some of which has funded the Traffic Study. UHA, NHNA, and the Brigade have requested that Senator Sedillo Lopez and Representative Marianna Anaya (our new State Rep.) request additional funding to implement changes needed, based on the Traffic Study and other information.

Nichole Rogers, our City Councilor, has been actively involved in the Lead-Coal process to support public engagement and implement changes to protect public safety.

The UHA website has information from the December 2024 public meeting and will post further information as it is available. Go to: www.uhanm.org

Scan the QR code to see Photos of some of the many Lead-Coal crashes:



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