

New Mexico Commission for Deaf & Hard of Hearing

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Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and DeafBlind Organizations in New Mexico

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There are several organizations in New Mexico that meet different needs of Deaf, Hard of Hearing, and DeafBlind individuals. NMCDHH provides advocacy, equipment distribution, education, and more. Information about our programs and services is available on our website <u>www.cdhh.nm.gov</u>. There are several other organizations in New Mexico who help with housing, community issues, and providing opportunities for social interaction for individuals with hearing loss.

Hearing Loss Association of America

The Hearing Loss Association of America has two New Mexico chapters located in Albuquerque and Santa Fe. Their purpose is to provide support and advocacy for people who are hard of hearing. The meetings usually include guest speakers that educate the members on topics related to hearing loss, such as assistive listening devices or tinnitus.

For more information about the <u>Albuquerque</u> chapter, email <u>hlaabq@gmail.com</u> or visit their website <u>www.hearinglossabq.org</u> or their Facebook page at www.facebook.com/hlaaAlbuquerque.

For the Santa Fe chapter, contact John Hooper at johnhooper.ref@gmail.com.

New Mexico Association for the Deaf

The New Mexico Association for the Deaf (NMAD) is a non-profit state association affiliated with the National Association for the Deaf (NAD). They focus on improving accessibility services, hosting recreational events, encouraging socialization, and they hold conferences. Their Facebook group is <u>www.facebook.com/groups/5801299073318989</u>.

New Mexico Deaf Camp & Outdoors

New Mexico Deaf Camp & Outdoors organizes camping trips throughout the year. Their Facebook page is www.facebook.com/NMDeafCampers.

Raíces del Rio Grande

Raíces del Rio Grande addresses issues of Deaf New Mexicans of Hispanic heritage. Their Facebook page is <u>www.facebook.com/raicesdelriogrande</u>.

Hands & Voices

Hands & Voices is a nationwide non-profit organization which supports families with Deaf and Hard of Hearing children by providing resources and education to improve communication access and educational outcomes. There is no bias towards any mode of communication; their motto is, "What works for your child makes the choice right." Hands & Voices New Mexico chapter also has family-oriented activities. Email them at <u>parentgroup@hvnm.org</u> or visit their website at <u>www.hvnm.org</u> and their Facebook page at <u>www.facebook.com/handsandvoicesnm</u>.

Deaf Culture Center

The Deaf Culture Center (DCC) in Albuquerque has meetings, workshops, signed language classes and announces other happenings around the state through their listserv. For more information or to sign up for their listserv, email <u>dccnm@dccnm.org</u>. More information is on their website: <u>www.dcc-nm.org</u>. They also are on Facebook: <u>www.facebook.com/groups/DCCNM</u>.

Pah! Hiland Plaza

Pah! Hiland Plaza is a multi-family housing development designed with members of the community with hearing loss specifically in mind. For more information visit <u>www.pahhiland.com</u>, or email them at <u>hilandplaza@monarchnm.com</u>.