



The Sun Country Striders  
 Welcomes You to  
**Socorro, New Mexico**



**Socorro County**  
 AVA Sanctioned Year Round Event

This walk is composed of 5 and 10km routes and will be available in 2024 only. Socorro is the county seat of Socorro County. The 5k walk passes the historic downtown area, plazas, churches, and more. The 10k route continues to residential neighborhoods and the New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology (New Mexico Tech) campus.

**Walk Registration:**

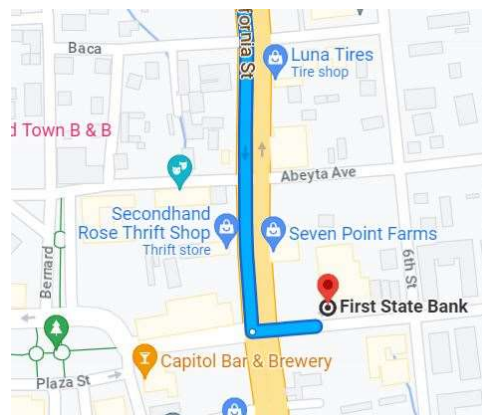
Please use the Online Start Box (OSB) to register and complete the event or contact the POC for remote registration. The directions and stamps will be available during the Sun Country Striders Week of Walking April 11-16, 2024 from the POC at selected sites. If wishing to do the walk on the way to the events, contact the POC.

**Walk Completion and Walk Credit:**

Once you have completed the walk, please login to your Online Start Box account click on the "My Start Box" tab, then the "Finish Table" tab, then click on "Go to Finish Table" button for the event you have completed. Use the displayed entry form to submit the date and distance of your walk as well as select applicable AVA Special Programs to generate stamped "virtual" insert cards that you may choose to print out.

**Driving Directions to Start Point:**

The walk starts at First State Bank parking lot at 103 Manzaneras Ave E in Socorro. From I-25, take the Business-25 (California St) toward Socorro. The parking lot is located at the intersection of California and Manzaneras on the east side of California.



No restrooms available at the start, but available at various businesses in the area.

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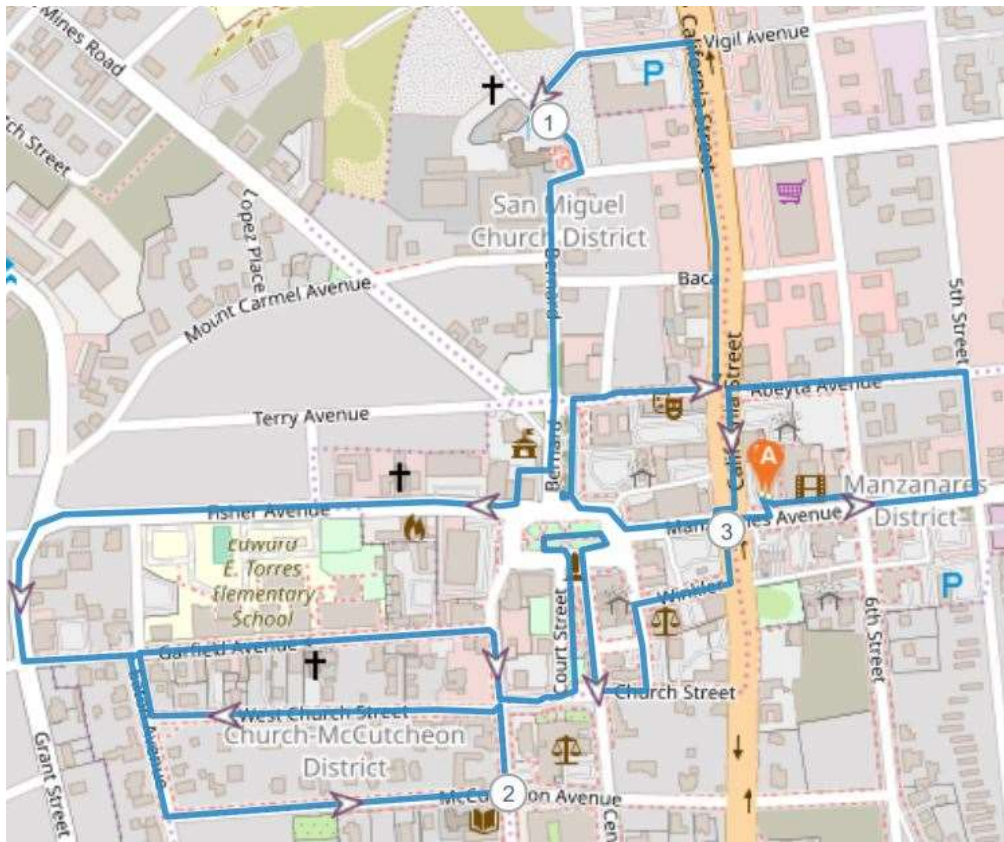
Walk starts at the First State Bank parking lot at 103 Manzanaras Ave at the corner of California and Manzanaras Ave. From I-25, take Business-25 toward downtown Socorro. Bus-25 becomes California. Bank is on the east side of California at Manzanaras.

### Special Programs: Town Hall, Veterans

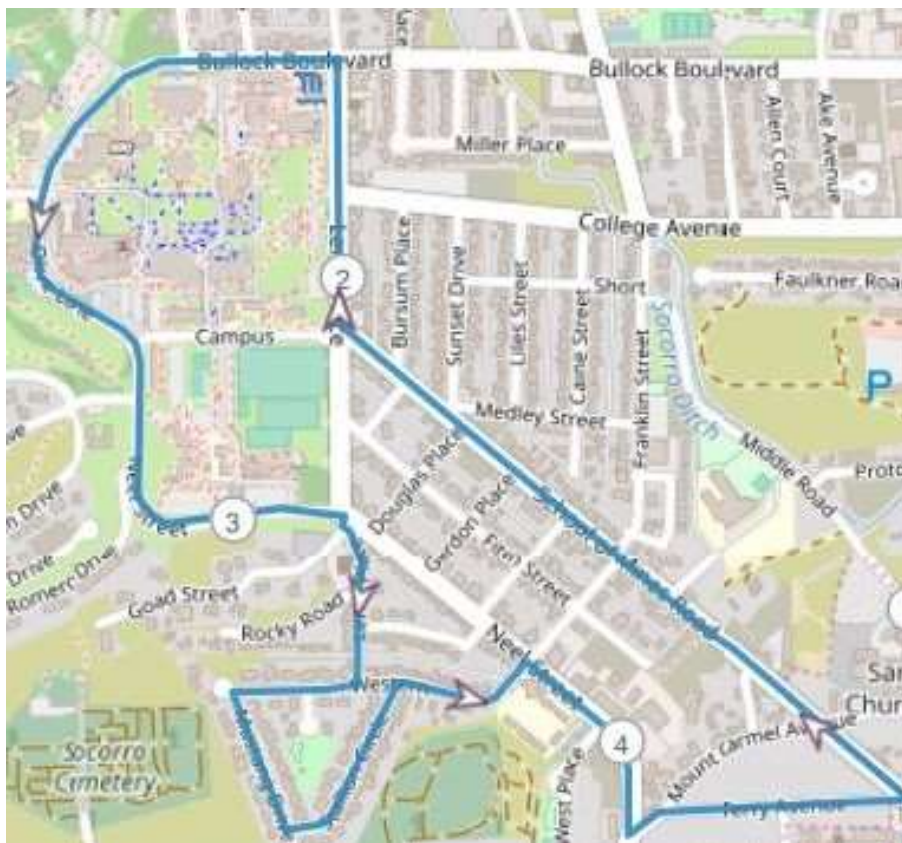
These walk directions and maps may only be used in conjunction with a signed American Volkssport Association athletic waiver. All other uses are prohibited.

1. From the parking lot, **LEFT** on Manzanaras Ave 2 blocks to 5<sup>th</sup> St. Note the murals and storefronts.
2. **LEFT** on 5<sup>th</sup> 1 block to Abeyta, then **LEFT** on Abeyta 2 blocks back to California.
3. **LEFT** on California 1 block to Manzanaras, then **RIGHT** on Manzanaras (carefully crossing California) at the light to the Kittrel Park.
4. **RIGHT** on Plaza to the middle of the park, then **RIGHT** thru the Elfege Baca Heritage Park which was named for Elfege Baca (1865-1945) who served the town in many, many capacities. Note the Wheel of History sculpture.
5. **RIGHT** on Abeyta 1 block to California passing the Garcia Opera House.
6. **LEFT** on California 3 blocks to Virgil, then **LEFT** on Virgil 1 block to San Miguel Church.
7. **LEFT** on Bernard about 3 blocks to Terry St and the Socorro City Hall.
8. **5k ONLY: GO TO STEP 17.**
9. **10k ONLY: RIGHT** on Terry a short way to School of Mines Road which veers to the right.
10. **RIGHT** on School of Mines about  $\frac{3}{4}$  miles to Leroy St.
11. **RIGHT** on Leroy a short way to a semi-circular drive on the left leading to the entrance to the university. Note the WWII Veterans Memorial.
12. **Options:** Continue on the streets circling the University (Leroy, then left on Bullock, left on Olive and Neel, and back to Leroy/Neel intersection. **OR** wander thru the campus admiring the buildings and campus ending up back at the intersection of Leroy and Neel.
13. **RIGHT** on Leroy Pl about 2 blocks to Western passing the St Paul's United Methodist Church.
14. **RIGHT** on Western to Mustang, then **LEFT** to Stallion, and finally **LEFT** on Stallion back to Western.
15. **RIGHT** on Western to Neel St, then **RIGHT** on Neel 1+ blocks to the intersection with Terry and Mount Carmel.
16. **LEFT** on Terry 1 long block to Bernard.
17. **5 and 10k routes rejoin: RIGHT** on Bernard 1 block to the plaza, then **RIGHT** on Plaza (becomes Fisher) about  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile to Grant.
18. **LEFT** on Grant 1 block to Garfield, then **LEFT** on Garfield 1 block to Eaton.
19. **RIGHT** on Eaton 2 short blocks to McCutcheon.
20. **LEFT** on McCutcheon 1 block to Park St, then **LEFT** on Park 1 short block to Church St.
21. **LEFT** on Church 1 block to Eaton, then **RIGHT** on Eaton 1 short block to Garfield.
22. **RIGHT** on Garfield 1 block to Park, then **RIGHT** on Park to Church and the front of the Socorro County Courthouse.
23. **LEFT** in front of the courthouse to the park and **LEFT** again to walk thru the Isidro Baca Park (Veterans Memorial). Continue to the main plaza.
24. **CROSS** to the plaza, visit the gazebo and circle the plaza back to the middle of the park.
25. Walk along Center St (park on right) to Church St.
26. **LEFT** on Church 1 block to Mecham, then **LEFT** on Mecham to Winkler.
27. **RIGHT** on Winkler 1 block to California, then **LEFT** on California to the light at Manzanaras.
28. Cross California at the light and return to your car. **END of walk.**

**Event related assistance:  
Helen Hull: 972-530-1026**



Socorro – 5k



Socorro – 10k extension