



The
Welcomes You to
Socorro, New Mexico



This walk is composed of 2 routes, a 6k and a 10k. Socorro is the county seat of Socorro County. The walk passes the historic downtown area, plazas, churches, and the New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology (NM Tech). The 10k route continues to residential neighborhoods. **NOTE: NM Tech Geology Museum (free) is open M-F 9AM-5PM, Sat 10AM-3PM, Sun closed, so sorry).**

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 2025 Las Cruces AVA National Convention. Registration and stamps available at the convention center from Apr 28 thru May 2 and on Sun, May 4 in Socorro.

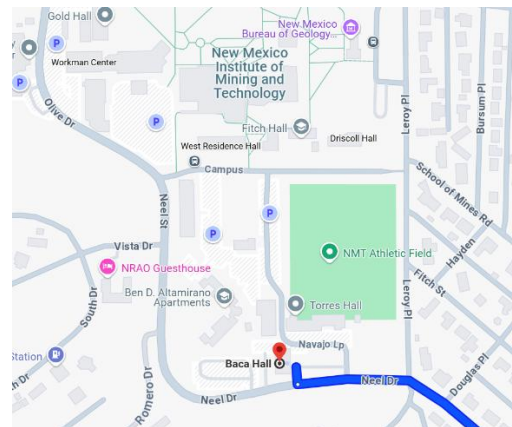
Walk Completion and Walk Credit:

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 plaza area next to Baca Hall on the New Mexico Institute of Mining & Technology (NM Tech) on Neel St. From Las Cruces, take I-25 north toward Socorro to the California St (Bus-25). **LEFT** on Spring St to Grant, **RIGHT** on Grant which curves to the left and becomes Neel St and then curves left to Baca Hall on the right. Registration will be in the plaza area between Baca Hall and the student center.

Restrooms available at the student center.



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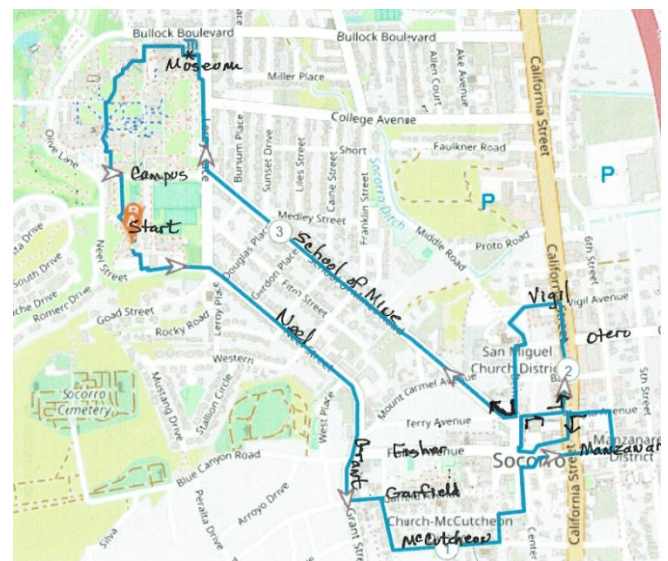
Special Programs: Town Hall, Veterans

Walk starts at Baca Hall on Neel St on the campus of New Mexico Institute of Mining & Technology – rated 1A

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1. From registration area in the plaza, return to Neel St, then **LEFT** on Neel St. Continue on Neel about ½ mile as Neel curves right to become Grant St.
2. Continue on Grant 2 blocks to Garfield St, then **LEFT** on Garfield (facing traffic) 1 short block to Eaton.
3. **RIGHT** on Eaton 2 short blocks to McCutcheon, then **LEFT** on McCutcheon a long block to Park.
4. **LEFT** on Park 1 short block to Church, then **RIGHT** on Church 1 block to the front of the Socorro County Courthouse on the right and Blue Star Memorial Park on the left.
5. **LEFT** thru the park noting the memorials to the branches of the armed forces and the fragment from Jumbo. Jumbo was a huge steel vessel designed to contain the explosion of the first nuclear device at the Trinity Site in 1945.
6. **CONTINUE** to the center of Socorro Historic Plaza, then **RIGHT** on Plaza to the middle of the park, then **RIGHT** thru the park to Manzanares St
7. **CONTINUE** on Manzanares 2 blocks to 6th St crossing at the light at California. Note the historic store fronts and murals.
8. **LEFT** on 6th 1 block to Abeyta, then **LEFT** on Abeyta 1 block to California.
9. Carefully **CROSS**, then **LEFT** on California 1 block to Manzanares.
10. **RIGHT** on Manzanares to the Elfege Baca Heritage Park on the right which was named for Elfege Baca (1865-1945) who served the town in many, many capacities. Note the Wheel of History sculpture.
11. **RIGHT** on Abeyta 1 block to California passing the Garcia Opera House.
12. **LEFT** on California 3 blocks to Vigil, then **LEFT** on Virgil 1 block to San Miguel Church.
13. **LEFT** on Bernard about 3 blocks to Terry St and the Socorro City Hall.
14. **Make a Sharp RIGHT** on School of Mines and continue about ¾ miles to Leroy St.
15. **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.
16. **CONTINUE** on Leroy to the Mineral Museum on the left just before Bullock St. Fabulous museum of mineral specimens from all over the world (free, M-F 9AM-5PM, Sat 10AM-3PM, **Sun - closed**).
17. Exit thru the backdoor of the museum (if not open, go around to the back of the museum).
18. Continue to the street, then **LEFT** thru the campus keeping to the left of the Martin Speare Bldg and walking thru the mall area. Look for various statues.
19. Continue thru the campus to Campus St, cross, and make your way back to the registration table. (Optionally, **RIGHT** on Campus St to Olive, then **LEFT** on Olive returning to Baca Hall). **END of 6K.**

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SOCORRO - SOCORRO COUNTY – 10K**Special Programs: Town Hall, Veterans**

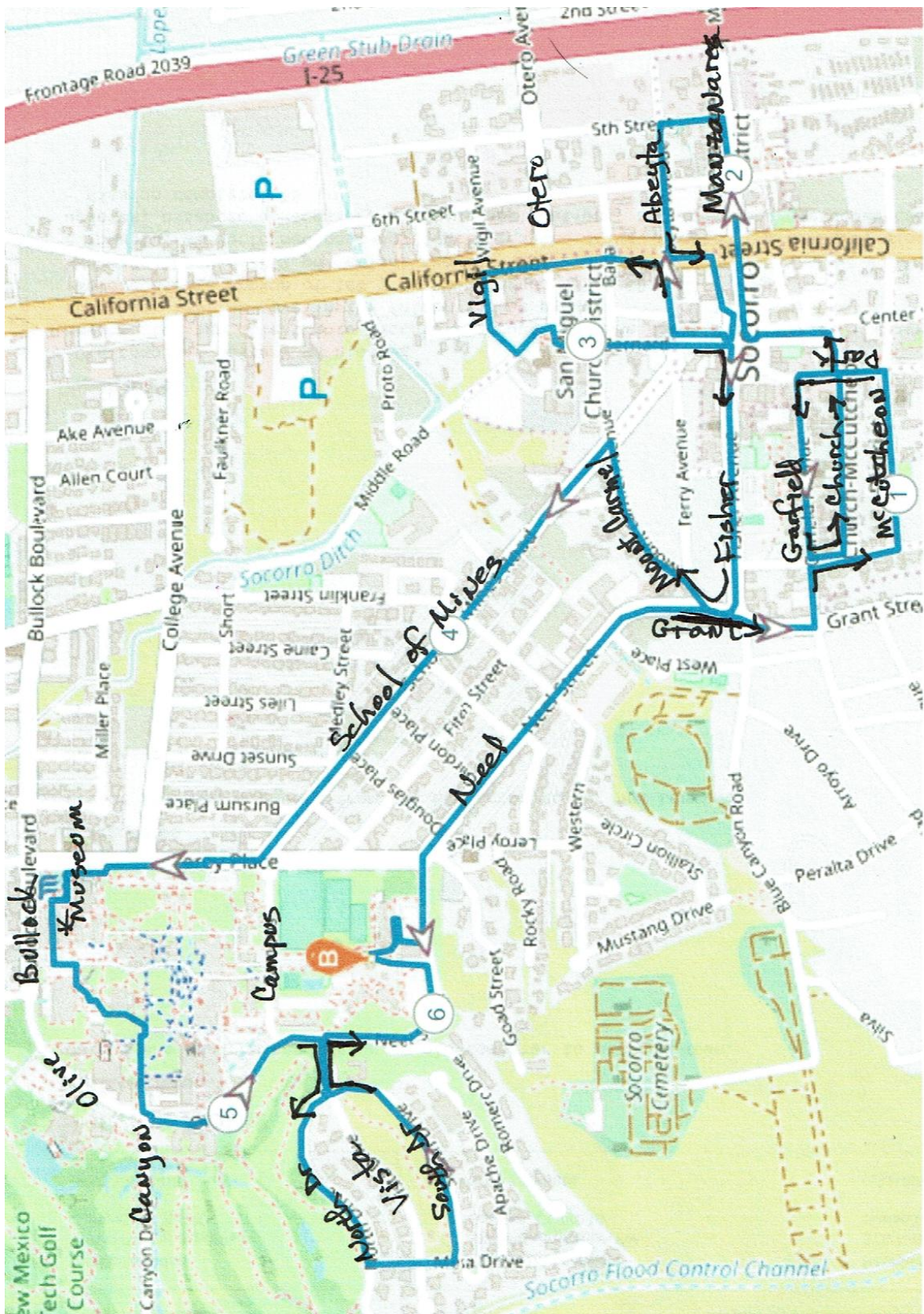
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4. **Note: 6 & 10k routes split at this point. LEFT** on Park 2 blocks to Garfield, then **LEFT** on Garfield 1 block to Eaton.
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16. **CONTINUE** 1 block to the end of the park to Plaza/Fisher St.
17. **RIGHT** on Fisher 1 long block to Grant, then **RIGHT** on Grant a short way to Mount Carmel (not Terry) which angles slightly to the right.
18. **CONTINUE** 1 block to School of Mines, then **LEFT** on School of Mines about 2/3 miles to Leroy St.
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22. Continue to the street, then **LEFT** thru the campus keeping to the left of the Martin Speare Bldg and walking thru the mall area. Look for various statues.
23. At the street (Canyon), **RIGHT** to Olive St.
24. **LEFT** on Olive to Vista on the right side only.
25. **RIGHT** on Vista to the intersection with North and South drives. Keep right and circle on North Dr, Mesa Dr, and South Dr returning to Vista.
26. **RIGHT** on Vista to Olive, then **RIGHT** on Olive and follow it back to the parking lot and Baca Hall.

END of walk.

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



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