



June 2-15, 2017

New PPD director announced

The search for the Physical Plant Department's (PPD) director has come to an end after several months of evaluating over 40 applicants for the position, five of which were finalists in the selection process. Chris Vallejos, associate vice president of Institutional Support Services (ISS), has announced that Alfred Sena was selected to fill the PPD director role, and Sena has accepted the position. Sena will begin his position as director of PPD beginning on Monday, June 26, 2017.

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Sena has over 23 years of experience in facilities; 19 of which are educational. The past 18 years have been spent building and pursuing excellence in the Rio Rancho Public School district (RRPS), the last 15 of those years as the Executive Director of Facilities overseeing custodial, maintenance, planning, design, construction, and real estate services. Prior to his tenure at RRPS, he served the State of New Mexico at the Public Education Department in the Capital Outlay Bureau and the Property Control Division of the General Services Department in Santa Fe.



Alfred Sena, new director of the Physical Plant Department, will begin on June 26, 2017.

The hiring committee believes that Sena is the best fit to oversee the operations of PPD and brings with him a wealth of knowledge and experience that will benefit PPD and the entire University community.

The director of PPD is responsible for approximately 400 employees – the largest department at UNM – and an annual budget of approximately \$63-million. PPD is responsible for the care and upkeep of the physical campus environment comprising of more than 12-million square feet of facilities and 680 acres of land. PPD also maintains and operates the University's [district energy system](#) which provides electricity, steam, chilled water and domestic water throughout the majority of UNM's Main Campus and the Health Sciences Center on North Campus.



The new UNM logo was approved by the Board of Regents this month. Look for UNM's new mark to be unveiled this Fall.

UNM Board of Regents approve Smith Plaza renovation

Smith Plaza has been described as the heart of the University of New Mexico (UNM) campus despite it being an area where campus-goers mostly just traverse without stopping. The UNM Board of Regents approved the \$3 million renovation project that will transform this iconic space into a so-called “living room” to sit, relax, mingle, and attend various campus events in a welcoming outdoor environment.

The UNM department Planning, Design, & Construction (PDC) have spent countless hours over many months gathering information from the UNM community in order to design a well-considered gathering place for the next generation of students, faculty, staff and UNM visitors. A majority of those surveyed would like to use the space to eat lunch, socialize, and relax with shaded seating and landscape.



A schematic design created by MRWM Landscape Architects, McClain + Yu Architecture & Design, and Surfacedesign, Inc., Courtesy of Planning, Design, & Construction (PDC).

“There will be places where you can sit under trees with different types of seating. We will still have a very functional hardscape space so we can

continue to have big events, but we are looking to create a space with better usability for everyone at UNM,” said Amy Coburn, director of PDC and UNM’s university architect.

Albuquerque-based firms MRWM Landscape Architects and McClain + Yu Architecture & Design, and San Francisco’s Surfacedesign Inc. formed a collaborative to design the new space based on PDC’s survey and forum findings while incorporating New Mexico’s distinctive mesas and plateaus which reflect the state’s landscape. The new Smith Plaza will encompass:

- Elevated Study/ Lounge Plateaus

Elevated “plateaus” provide a usable perimeter to an open space offering lounge areas, outdoor classrooms, study areas, and café seating. These low site walls are elevated approximately two feet above the large open plaza giving users the opportunity to witness activities in the open space from a shady, comfortable perch. Tables and benches give way to mounded lawn space shaded by trees.

- Improved Accessibility

The proposed schematic design will dramatically improve physical access within and through Smith Plaza for people of all abilities. The major transition from Union Square down into Smith Plaza is now negotiated by a single inclined walkway. The new design is direct and doesn’t require users to choose between stairs or a ramp, but mixes all users into the same route and incorporates best practices for sightless wayfinding.

Construction is scheduled to begin during the Fall 2017 and will be completed in the Spring 2018.

ACTIVE SHOOTER

OPEN TO GENERAL PUBLIC!

Class Fee: \$125.00

Materials Fee: \$0



SURVIVAL COURSE

June 24, 2017
9 am - 4 pm

**UNM Continuing Education
Building
CE 'North' Building
Classroom: C Conference
Center**

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TOPICS COVERED IN THE COURSE ARE **KRAV MAGA** BASED TACTICS:

- The Threat is Real! Current Threat of Transnational Terrorism
- Protection and Survival Strategies
- Active Shooter Trends and History in the United States
- Definition, Mentality, Objective and Phases of an Active Shooter
- Psychology of Survival & The WARRIORS Survival Mentality
- Law Enforcement & School Threat Preparation and Response and After Action
- FIGHT: Defensive Hand-to-Hand Survival Tactics (KRAV MAGA Based)
- High Stress Inoculation - Live Active Shooter Immersion Scenarios for Police and School Personnel
- Certificate of Completion & Class Picture

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Our Instructors are Dynamic Federal and State Certified Instructors, Active Shooter Certified, Retired and Current Law Enforcement, and have trained SWAT and CRT Police Tactical Teams in the U.S. and around the world and all over New Mexico; They are also U.S. Department of State worldwide Anti-Terrorism Instructors and hold Black Belts in a variety of Martial Arts including KRAV MAGA Israeli Combat Martial Art; They are also Rifle, Handgun and Knife Defense and Disarming Tactics Certified Instructors and are K-12 School Defense experienced

NOTE: Please be aware that several videos will be shown during training that contain graphic segments of actual Active Shooters.

Requirements: Wear casual comfortable clothes, soft soled shoes, will be moving fast at times, bring water bottle, pen and small note pad.



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PPD Scholarship applications accepted until June 30, 2017

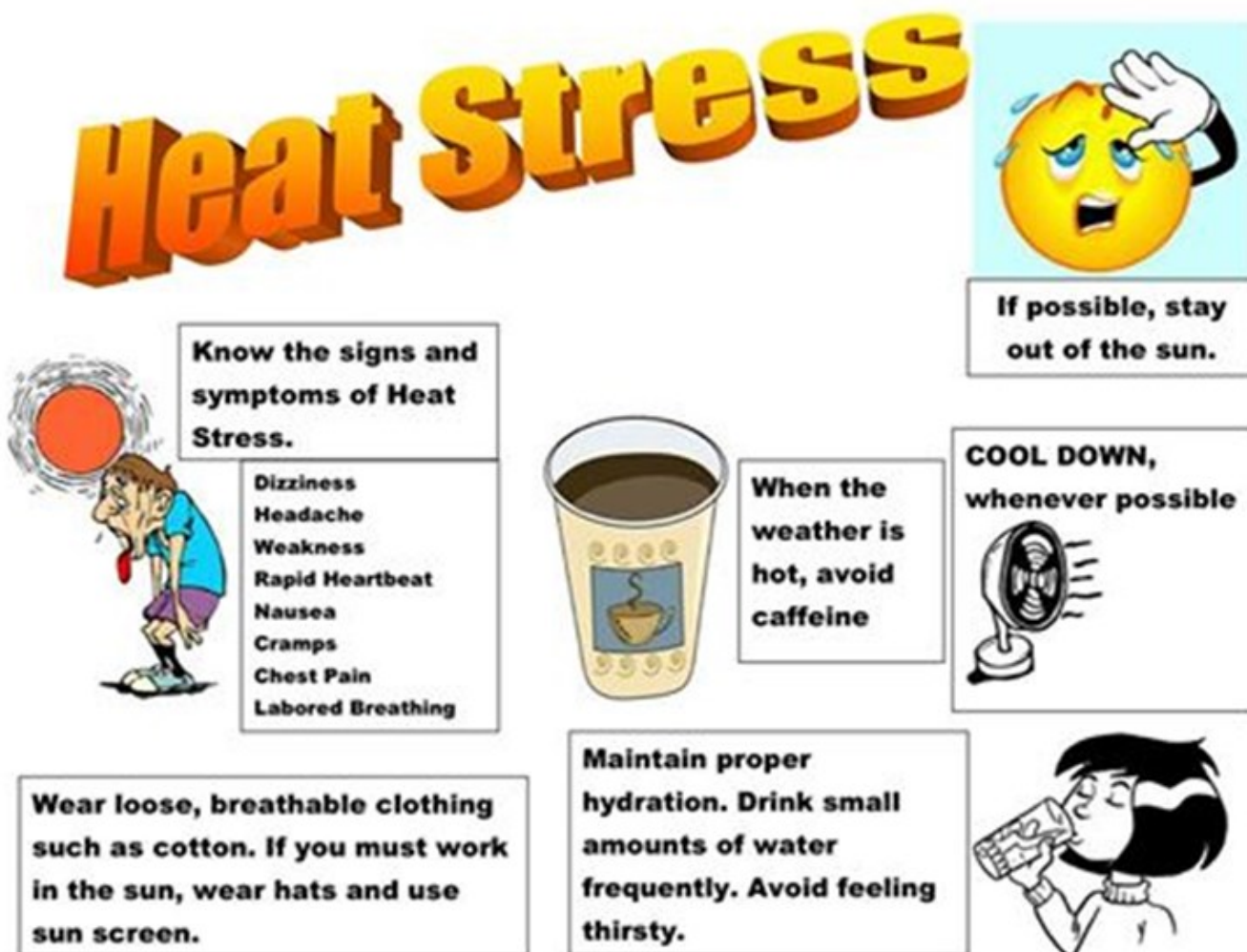
Applications are now being accepted for the Barber Memorial Scholarship and the M.F. Fifield Scholarship for the 2017-2018 academic years. The Physical Plant Department (PPD) Scholarship Committee will meet in July to consider applicants for the two separate awards (each scholarship provides \$300.00 per semester to the scholarship recipients).

Awards for the second semester will be contingent upon satisfactory scholastic performance during the first semester. These awards will be based on demonstrated academic performance, financial need, and educational program.

The University of New Mexico (UNM) students who are children of full-time or retired PPD employees, including high school graduates who have recently been accepted to UNM, are eligible to apply.

Applicants need not designate which award they want; the committee will select the most deserving student in each case. No one will be awarded both scholarships.

Application forms are available at the PPD Service Building front office or can be found online, by [clicking here](#). You may ask the administrative support staff for assistance, or you may call 277-2421, and they will send you a form. Complete the form, print, and return the completed form with grade transcripts to Mary Ann Montoya in the PPD office no later than June 30, 2017. (Please note: The application form indicates to enter your Social Security Number (SSN). If you are a UNM student, please enter your UNM ID# instead.)



Kudos

To Earl [Ransom], Ronnie [Montoya], Alma [Ruiz], Veronica [Hernandez],

You are receiving a Health Professions "DEAN'S HOWL OUT" for your amazing work in our IDTC Building – EMS Academy and Department of Emergency Medicine

I want to thank you for your dedication, determination, and many countless hours spent to always make sure that the EMS Academy always looks fantastic and ready to welcome guests at any time. We appreciate everything you do, and especially appreciate the great attitude while doing such a great job in all areas of our building. You always go the extra mile and we consider you an important team member of the School of Medicine at the University of New Mexico and your efforts do not go unnoticed. We are lucky to have such an exceptional custodial staff here in the Department of Emergency Medicine.

Thank you again for everything that you do on behalf of our students and patients in New Mexico!

Sincerely,

Shelly McLaughlin, MS, EMT-I
Assistant Dean for the Health Professions Programs

Dear Ms. Mitchell:

Although the Totem Pole project isn't quite finished, we at the Maxwell Museum would like to take a moment to thank the Physical Plant Department for its superb assistance with the project. Not only did Mark Manzutto do an outstanding job as project manager, but PPD staff in general pitched in as needed to turn a technically challenging project into a great success.

It's not every day that the Maxwell Museum needs to lower, move, restore, and re-erect an art object that is 40 feet long and weighs several thousand pounds. Without PPD we couldn't have done it, and we appreciate how committed each of your staff members was to this unique project. Thanks to PPD staff efforts, it went even better than we hoped. The PPD-Maxwell collaboration on the Totem Pole project is a shining example of what UNM can achieve when people from different departments pull together.

From time to time, we assume, PPD holds events to honor and thank its employees. We hope that in the near future, your department will schedule one of those events in the Hibben Center atrium, where the Smith Family totem pole now stands. It would be a way for PPD staff to see one of their accomplishments. It would also be a small way for Maxwell Museum to express its appreciation for the excellent work done by PPD staff during this project.

The staff at UNM's Maxwell Museum

Rachel,

I wanted to let you know that I received a call today from a UNM graduate student, Eddy Armijo, that was having problems with his vehicle and nobody seemed to want to give him a hand. Emmett [Martinez] stepped up and helped the student get his car running again. Eddy was so very grateful that he called my office to tell me that he wished every employee of UNM had the same positive, can-help attitude.

Daniel Richard, CRL, FDI
Supervisor Facilities Access Control
PPD Lock Shop

Annual required training deadline is now December 1, 2017

Beginning this year, the due date for all required training for UNM staff and faculty must be completed by December 1, 2017 and not December 31st as in previous years.

The 2017 University-wide training has been loaded to all staff and faculty learning plans on [Learning Central](#). The following are the courses required this year (Please note that some employees will be required to complete additional training):

- Active Shooter on Campus: Run, Hide, Fight
- Basic Annual Safety Training
- Intersections: Preventing Discrimination and Harassment

Although employees have until December 1st to complete the training, all employees are encouraged to complete them as soon as possible.

Are you considering retirement?

According to Facilitiesnet.com, Stormy Friday, the founder, president, and owner of The Friday Group consulting firm, predicts that up to 60 percent of facility management staff — electricians, plumbers, HVAC mechanics, and operations and maintenance workers, among others — will retire in the next five to seven years. There have been many recent retirements at the Physical Plant Department (PPD) and more to come over the next couple of months.

When planning and considering your retirement, visit the UNM Human Resources website to view a complete overview of the process. This [checklist](#) will assist in your planning and the steps that need to be followed when you separate from the University due to retirement.

Another important aspect to the retirement process is listing a beneficiary. To do this, go to the ERB website: <https://www.nmerb.org/> and set up an account, and be sure list a beneficiary (if you prefer to have one). If you do not have a beneficiary listed, you need to complete the form: https://www.nmerb.org/Downloadable_Forms.html and send it in to ERB.

If you have additional questions, please contact the Educational Retirement Board at 505-888-1560.



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The Physical Plant Department's vision is that our community, state, and national peers will recognize The University of New Mexico's Physical Plant Department as a leader in campus sustainability and facilities stewardship.