



# Vista Grande

## A Place in the Sun... for you!

Vista Grande is the Retirement Trust Foundation's most long-standing project. Our "place in the sun" was envisioned in 1947 by Della Herring, who contributed the first dollar to a new retirement fund.

Over the next 20 years, the fund grew from members' contributions, and in December 1970, groundbreaking ceremonies were held on what would become Vista Grande. Our community continued to expand until the final dedication ceremonies were held on October 7, 1983. Vista Grande now consists of a total of 168 units and continues to improve.

Retirement living at Vista Grande is by application from people who are 62 and up and:

- IAAP members and their families
- Former IAAP members and their families
- Administrative professionals who are not members of IAAP and their families
- People who have never been administrative professionals

When your application is received, you are placed on a waiting list for occupancy on your desired move-in date or as soon as possible thereafter. A financial statement is required for occupancy and financial need is a consideration for acceptance.

## Amenities at Vista Grande

Many of the amenities at Vista Grande find their home in the Community Building. The Mildred Barr Library has books and videos, as well as a comfortable area for reading by the fireplace. The Lillian C. Martino Arts & Crafts Room holds quilting sessions and has an active Project

Happiness group, that knits blankets and baby items for charities.

The Community Building also houses an exercise room where we have a monthly class on using all the equipment (both active and passive) to benefit you! A beautiful gazebo, named for Della Herring, is a picturesque setting for outdoor gatherings.

We also have many activities for Vista Grande residents, including holiday cook-outs and parties, bingo, community projects, and card games. Participation in all activities is, of course, voluntary.

## Vista Grande Convenience

Vista Grande has all the features you would expect from any premier retirement community, including:

- A coin-operated laundry center
- Private resident mailboxes
- "Coffee Breaks" with scheduled guest speakers. Some of our recent speakers have included attorneys, doctors and public safety officers
- Monthly resident potluck dinners
- Organized craft activity sessions
- Convenient, free parking
- A fully-equipped kitchen for resident use on special occasions
- Plus a chapter of IAAP just for Vista Grande residents!

In our Community Center, you will find a 24-hour office area, complete with copier, paper shredder and computer with internet access. Within walking distance are restaurants, banking facilities, a post office, a supermarket, the senior center, and a variety of shops. The Frances Jakes Chapel provides a quiet place away from the hustle and bustle of daily life for worship or reflection.

## Choice at Vista Grande

Vista Grande offers a wide variety of floor-plans, just like any other neighborhood! We have both one and two bedroom apartments ranging from 456 to 807 square feet.

Our community is landscaped with both community and privacy in mind. Come by for a tour!

## About the Area

An easy drive away, America's longest tramway rises to Sandia Peak. Old Town Albuquerque offers a variety of shops and historic sites, as well as an active public arts program. The famed Santa Fe Opera and Santa Fe Racetrack are just 60 miles away—many Native American pueblos are even closer. The area abounds with attractions for golfers, anglers, skiers, rockhounds, hunters, photographers and sightseers. For more extended trips, New Mexico offers Carlsbad Caverns National Park and the White Sands National Monument. Throughout the four seasons at Vista Grande, the air is clean and the climate comfortably temperate. A resident nurse is available for some regular services. Dental, optical and medical clinic services are available just blocks away. For additional information or a residency application, call or write today:

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