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## JOIN THE OÑATE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

The Oñate Neighborhood Association (ONA) plays a vital role in fostering community engagement and addressing local issues. Hosting meetings and events with elected officials and public protection agency representatives provides residents with a platform to voice their concerns and stay informed about initiatives that impact their neighborhood.

ONA holds monthly Board of Directors meetings in the CCR Church to discuss issues and concerns in the neighborhood, and plan upcoming events. The public is always invited to attend and speak at these meetings.

Our special events have included an Annual Community Meeting in March, National Night Out (August), and Newsletter Distributor thank-you dinner (November). Last September, we hosted a TreeNM adoption and tree planting day followed by an educational workshop. In the past we hosted a neighborhood garage sale.

Other events we could host include an Easter Egg Hunt, Safety Walks, Food Bank Awareness, Community Policing Council activities, block parties, community games, neighborhood cleanup (in conjunction with green days). We need help with planning and hosting community activities.

Throughout the year, there are numerous initiatives and actions taken by the City of Albuquerque, Bernalillo County, and others that can affect our neighborhood. We need an organized and well-connected neighborhood association to provide a strong voice to support or oppose ongoing actions.

ONA has a structured approach to leadership roles, even without annual elections. Our Board currently consists of 11 directors (one ad-hoc) to support our activities and future plans.

The officers of our Board (President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer) serve two-year terms and no more than two consecutive terms in the same office.

Our newsletter editor has served in that position for more than four years and we could use contributing editors. And we can always use more volunteers to distribute our newsletters!

## Join ONA...it's easy and free. Send an email to:

## onateneighborhood@gmail.com

If you have any questions or would like to serve as a Board member, newsletter distributor, contributing editor, or other volunteer, please email us at onateneighborhood@gmail.com.

We meet on the third Wednesday of every month, 6:00 - 7:00 pm at CCR Church, 2200 Chelwood Park Blvd. NE, Albuquerque.

