

## RSVP Cover Analysis FY10

**1. What is it?**

The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) provides volunteer opportunities for over 1,400 seniors throughout Albuquerque and Bernalillo County at over 182 different volunteer work sites.

**2. What will this piece of legislation do?**

This resolution from the Department of Senior Affairs authorizes the execution of a grant agreement with the Corporation for National Service and New Mexico Aging and Long – Term Services Department for \$105,580 to continue the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program.

**3. Why is this project needed?**

RSVP volunteers contributed more than 200,000 hours of community service during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009. These volunteers give their experience and time to help solve serious problems in our community and non-profit agencies. In these times of economic downturn, loss of revenue, and budget cuts, the skills and services of our volunteers are even more critical to these organizations.

**4. How much will it cost and what is the funding source?**

In addition to the \$105,580 agreed to by the Corporation for National Service and the New Mexico Aging and Long -Term Services Department, the resolution also appropriates \$132,070 in matching city funds, of which \$10,454 is for indirect costs, from the general fund to the operating grants fund for the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program for FY10.

**5. Is there a revenue source associated with this contract? If so, what level of income is projected? No.**

**6. What will happen if the project is not approved?**

Over 182 community and non-profit agencies, ranging from hospitals, congregate meal sites, public and private schools, parks, museums, transitional shelters, and environmental organizations will lose the help and skills of approximately 1,400 volunteers. Many of the volunteers depend on the advantages of being a part of RSVP. These include: meal reimbursement, mileage reimbursement, supplemental accident and liability insurance, and assistance with volunteer placement. Many volunteers would not continue in their volunteering without these advantages. This would result in a great loss of services to the above programs and, in some cases, the elimination of some community programs.

**7. Is this service already provided by another entity? No.**