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Mission: As a homeless day shelter, our mission is to meet the basic human needs of Albuquerque's homeless and near-homeless population by providing nutritious meals and the supportive services needed to achieve self-sufficiency. We provide rental and utility assistance, transportation assistance, school supplies for the many children we serve, legal aid, clothing and toiletries, showers, grocery provisions, and even bicycle repair and haircuts.

Work: Each and every day, Noon Day's staff and volunteers work diligently, respectfully, and with love, to serve a segment of the community that often falls through the cracks of normal government assistance. We see not only the homeless but the working poor and their families, who need clothing, school supplies, hygiene products and food. We provide the products and services necessary to maintain the dignity of those who are in need of these basic necessities.

Impact: Noon Day is open Tuesday through Friday and provides the following tangible services: meal service, transportation assistance, showers, clothing and toiletries, legal aid, haircuts, school supplies and food boxes. If we cannot provide a service, we have an extensive database from which to draw and guide from. No one is ever turned away. We either provide the service or direct them to someone who can.

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A typical day at Noon Day: Noon Day's lunch service. (Courtesy Noon Day Ministries)



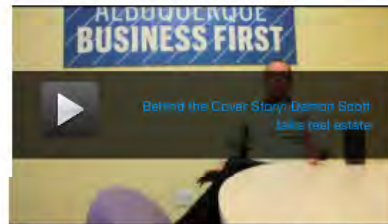
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