

Carlsbad Mayor's 2025 Energy Summit: "Energy at Home."

8:00 a.m. to 1:50 p.m. – Oct. 23

Walter Gerrells Performing Arts Center Annex

4012 National Parks Highway

Master of Ceremonies: Mike Antiporda

- Presentation of the Colors by the Carlsbad Police Honor Guard
- Star Spangled Banner by the Carlsbad Early College High School Choir
- Opening Prayer by Kevin Pence, Oasis
- Welcome by Carlsbad Mayor Richard Lopez

Spirit of the Workforce Awards presented by

Carlsbad Mayor Richard Lopez

Healthcare Where Energy Thrives

Moderator: Khush Ghadiali, Public Relations Director at Artesia General Hospital

Panelists:

- Dr. Amanda Ryan, Cardiologist at Advanced Heart and Vascular Center of New Mexico
- Allyson Roberts, CFO at Nor-Lea Hospital District
- Derrick Jones, CEO at Covenant Health Hobbs Hospital
- Matthew Banks, CEO at Carlsbad Medical Center
- Steve Hansen, President/CEO at Presbyterian Medical Services

Panel Chair: Meghan Mooney, Community/Public Relations at Mewbourne Oil Company

Industry Contribution to the Community: Kyle Marksteiner, Director of the United Way of Eddy County

ExxonMobil Energy & Sustainability Update: Scott Buechler, ExxonMobil Production Manager

Workforce Recruitment, Relocation, and Retention: Kim Lacey, Local Development and Operations Manager at Carlsbad Department of Development

New Company Introductions

- Flowpoint: Taylor Wilborn, Vice President of Business Development
- Kyvek: Doug Dodd, Owner

- Beyond Engineering: Ken Sapien, Principal-Executive VP

Special Guest: “Beyond the Game: Leadership, Energy, and the Fuel That Drives Us,”

Kenny Thomas, Former NBA player and UNM Basketball Hall of Famer

Blueprint for Growth:

- **“Wildfire Mitigation Program:”** Wes Reeves, Xcel Energy Sr. Wildfire Community Engagement Manager
- Nuclear: (TBA)

“The Future of Trades and Technical Programs at SENMC:” Dr. Kevin Beardmore, President of Southeast New Mexico College

Closing Remarks by Mike Antiporda

We extend our sincere appreciation to La Tienda and Albertsons for providing breakfast, and to HTeaO for generously supplying and serving coffee.

We also thank the Carlsbad Early College High School and Carlsbad High School BPA, Loving’s Skills USA Program, the Carlsbad Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors, and our many dedicated volunteers for their time and support.

Special thanks to the City of Carlsbad Recreation Center and Facility Maintenance crews for assisting with setup and ensuring that all behind-the-scenes operations ran smoothly.

We gratefully acknowledge our *Spirit of the Workforce* Committee members — Aaron Emmert, Clint Cone, Anthony Foreman, Cindy Bryan, and Emily Wirth — for their continued dedication.

Finally, a heartfelt thank you to the 2025 Carlsbad Mayor’s Energy Summit Committee for their hard work and commitment in planning this year’s event and agenda.