



SHARON KING BIO

Sharon King is the third generation on both sides of her family to make Portales her home. In addition to being a graduate of Eastern New Mexico University, she is also a retiree. While at Eastern she served as the grant officer, special assistant to the president and freshman seminar instructor. After enjoying a lengthy (1.5 weeks) retirement, she joined the Roosevelt County Chamber of Commerce as the chamber manager and was later promoted to executive director. She retired from that position in March 2011.

King has been actively involved in the community for many years and has served in various roles with civic organizations including Camp Fire, Community Services Center's Project Care Fix-it Coalition, Friends of Portales Municipal Schools Foundation Board, United Way, Altrusa International, Roosevelt County DWI Task Force, Rotary International, Golden Acres Retirement Village Board of Directors and Roosevelt County Fair Board.

She also served 12 years on the City of Portales Lodger's Tax Committee, 4 years on the External Advisory Committee for the New Mexico Biomedical Research Infrastructure Network funded by the National Science Foundation and 4 years on the New Mexico First Board of Directors. In addition, she was a member of the National Council of University Research Administrators for 10 years.

In March 2010, King was elected as Mayor of Portales, making history by being the first female to be elected to the office. Through that role she serves on multiple committees and boards addressing issues confronting the city and region.