



# Mental patients often left struggling

## Some leave state hospital and have nowhere to go

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ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. - An investigation has found that some patients discharged from New Mexico's state mental hospital in Las Vegas live in poor conditions, including going hungry, while staying in boarding homes.

The Albuquerque Journal found that the state mental hospital, formally known as the Behavioral Health Institute, discharges about 200 patients each year into Las Vegas and surrounding San Miguel County in northern New Mexico and that many don't have anywhere to go.

The newspaper investigation found many end up in boarding homes that are ill-equipped to handle their ongoing mental health needs, forcing them to spend a large portion of their \$750 in monthly Social Security disability benefits on room and meals.

Two men released from the psychiatric hospital died of carbon monoxide

# City of Las Cruces staffers win Emmys for video work

SUN-NEWS REPORT

LAS CRUCES - Two members of the City of Las Cruces Public Information Office creative team won three Emmy Awards Saturday night at the Rocky Mountain Southwest Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Science held at the Talking Stick Resort in Scottsdale, Arizona. The awards are for videos produced for the city's government access TV channel, CLC-TV and CLCTV.com.

Media Operations & Productions Coordinator Adrian Guzman and Media Specialist Jennifer Martinez each won a statuette in the category Community/Public Service (PSAs) Single Spot or Campaign for the "Hit the Trail" video that promotes walking and biking on the city's urban trail system.

Guzman won an individual craft statuette in the Photographer - Short Form category for a video compilation which included the Bri Bagwell music video "Las Cruces" and "Hit the Trail" PSA. Martinez also secured an individual craft statuette in the category Talent Program Host/Moderator for "We Are PIO," a video about Public Information Office operations.

The City of Las Cruces and Visit Las Cruces were nominated for a total of



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six Emmy Awards. This is Guzman's fourth and fifth Emmy's and Martinez's first two Emmy's.

"Television is a great resource for helping inform and educate our commu-

nity about the workings of city government," said Interim City Manager David Dollahon. "We are fortunate to have such creative team members in the Public Information Office who produce quality local programming for CLC-TV. Their efforts are truly deserving of this latest round of Emmy Awards."

The regional NATAS Rocky Mountain Southwest Emmys are awarded to television stations, organizations and individuals in all industries throughout Arizona, New Mexico, Utah, Wyoming and El Centro, California.

On Sept.22, CLC-TV received six awards, including two first place awards, at the National Association of Telecommunications Officers and Advisors Government Programing Awards. The GPA Awards program honors excellence in broadcast, cable, multimedia and electronic programming produced by local government agencies.

In June, the Telly Awards named the City of Las Cruces as the winner of a Silver award (highest honor) and two Bronze awards. Telly Awards honor the best film and video productions, groundbreaking online video content, and outstanding local, regional and cable TV commercials and productions.

All videos can be viewed at [www.clctv.com](http://www.clctv.com).