



County Manager's Monthly Memo

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Board Of County Commissioners Upcoming Schedule

All Regular Meetings are held on Tuesday in the County Commission Chambers at 102 Grant Ave.

May 12 at 2 p.m.
May 26 at 2 p.m.
June 9 at 2 p.m.
June 23 at 2 p.m.
July 14 at 2 p.m.
July 28 at 2 p.m.

Upcoming BCC meetings will start at 2 p.m. The Housing Authority Board meeting on the last Tuesday of each month will start at 1 p.m.

All regular meetings are broadcast live at www.santafecountynm.gov and on Comcast Ch. 28 or you can listen live on Que Suave AM810

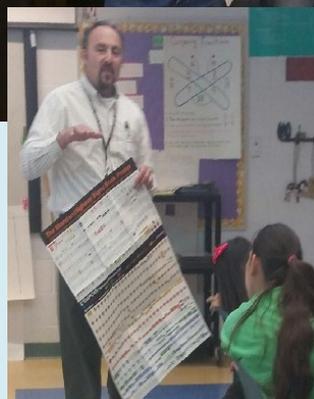
Visit www.santafecountynm.gov and click our events calendar for a full schedule of upcoming meetings, events and closures.

Public Works in the Classroom

To help celebrate National Public Works Week (third week in May) the Santa Fe County Public Works Department created a snow plow painting contest amongst the three school districts in the county.

As part of the contest, Public Works staff went to three different fourth grade classrooms to discuss what each section of Public Works does and why it is important. Public Works staff went to South Mountain Elementary in Edgewood, Atalaya Elementary (in Santa Fe), and Pojoaque Intermediate.

Each class was tasked with creating a Public Works themed painting to paint on the front of a snow plow blade. Public Works dropped off a snow plow blade off at each school for painting and will pick them up on May 11, 2015. They will be taken to the Public Works complex and photographed, and the photos given to the Board of County Commissioners for judging at the May 12, 2015 meeting.



Staff at Pojoaque Intermediate Top Picture (L-R) Adam Leigland, Public Works Director, Olivivar Barela, Solid Waste Utilities Manager, Shane Padilla, Utilities Maintenance Terry J. Lease, Facility Operations and Maintenance Manager, Justine M. Francisco, Utilities Maintenance, Eric Giron, Road Maintenance Superintendent, Johnny Baca, Traffic Manager.

Inmates Donate Artwork for Silent Auction

Wings for LIFE hosted its 20th Anniversary Banquet on April 24, 2015. As part of the event they asked inmates to donate artwork to put in the live and silent auction.



Inmate Bradley Deets and inmate Shawn Martinez at the Santa Fe County Adult Detention Facility donated their art work to the **Wings for Life Silent Auction**. Bradley Deets art work is on a panjo drawn with pen and Shawn Martinez is sketched on a paper with pencil.

The inmates continue to help out in the community and continue to help others in need.

(Top Left) An Aztec princess with a lowrider Bomba by Shawn Martinez

(Bottom Left) Western scene of stage coach robbery by Bradley Deets.

Wings For Life International works at transforming lives to break the generational cycle of incarceration.



251 Pounds of Pills Turned in For Safe Disposal

On Saturday, April 25, 2015 Santa Fe residents turned in 251 pounds of pills to be destroyed. The unused, unwanted or expired medication was collected during the drug take back event hosted by Santa Fe County Community Services Department, New Mexico State Police, Santa Fe County Sheriff's Office, Santa Fe Police and Fire Departments, and the Santa Fe Prevention Alliance.

"Unused prescriptions are the easiest way for kids and others to get drugs to use for purposes other than healing. It is so important to remove this easy access, lock up the medication you need and safely dispose of those prescriptions that are no longer essential," said Rachel O'Connor Director of Santa Fe County Community Services Department.

Over the last two years more than a ton of outdated medication has been collected during these twice a year events in Santa Fe County.

There are now two permanent drop box locations where drugs can be safely disposed. The Santa Fe Police Department has one in their lobby (2515 Camino Entrada) and the Santa Fe Fire Department has one at Station 1 (200 Murales Road). 2515 Camino Entrada

Over 680 Santa Fe County children enrolled in Dolly Parton Imagination Library

Santa Fe County is pleased to announce that United Way of Santa Fe County has enrolled over 680 children to receive free books from the Dolly Parton Imagination Library since program inception.

Due to the amazing community response, Santa Fe County has increased the funding for the program by an additional \$10,000. Originally, Santa Fe County distributed \$50,000 for the program. The additional funding will allow enrollment of up to 725 children by the end of 2015.

"Our goal was to enroll 500 children the first year; we achieved that the first three months," states Rachel O'Connor, Community Services Director with Santa Fe County. "Families are excited about this fabulous new program and have been eager to get their children enrolled," said Katherine Freeman, CEO of Santa Fe County United Way.

The Imagination Library program was founded by Dolly Parton in 1995 to increase reading among young children. The program provides a carefully selected book that arrives in the mail each month from the day the child is born until he/she is 5-years-old. Santa Fe County partnered with United Way of Santa Fe County in December of 2014 to spearhead enrollment efforts and to serve as the "local champion".

In addition, with generous support from the Brindle Foundation, the first shipment of books in Spanish has been sent to 125 young children and their families.

To enroll in the Dolly Parton Imagination Library, please call 505-216-2984.

County Trail Days 2015

Get Up. Get Out. Get Moving.

Santa Fe Open Space, Trails and Parks. Connecting you to the Outdoor Treasures of Santa Fe County.

Santa Fe County Open Space, Trails, and Parks are located in your backyard and we want you to get outside and enjoy them this year. This is the inaugural year for this series of free trail events and we hope you will enjoy the outdoor treasures of Santa Fe County. Santa Fe County, Santa Fe County Open Space and County Open Lands, Trails and Parks Advisory Committee (COLTPAC), collaborated to bring you an amazing series of FREE events at a variety of Santa Fe County properties over the next several months. These events (see full schedule below) are designed to be low impact and casual – to help everyone **Get Up. Get Out. Get Moving.** All you need for these great events are some comfortable walking shoes and a water bottle.

County Trail Days 2015 Upcoming Events

Saturday, May 2, 2015 from 9:30 am -10:30 am

El Camino Real Park River Trail Walk

Saturday, May 9, 2015 from 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Cactus and Succulent Society of New Mexico educational hike at Arroyo Hondo Open Space

Tuesday, May 19, 2015 at 8:30 a.m.

Santa Fe Botanical Gardens hike to Placer Peak in the Ortiz Mountain Preserve

(Note: Maximum 15 attendees, must RSVP. Please contact Maria at melohmann@santafecountynm.gov)

Saturday, May 30, 2015 from 10:30 a.m. – noon

Arroyo Hondo Open Space History of the Area

Saturday, June 6, 2015 at 11 a.m.

Cerrillos Hills State Park



Public Works Out and About

- Public Works staff worked to repair a traffic signal side mount head on Richards Ave. that turned 45 degrees giving motorists on Dinosaur Trail conflicting indications.
- Santa Fe County Public Works Department began emergency road reconstruction efforts to restore a portion of Santa Fe County Road 42. (Picture on right)

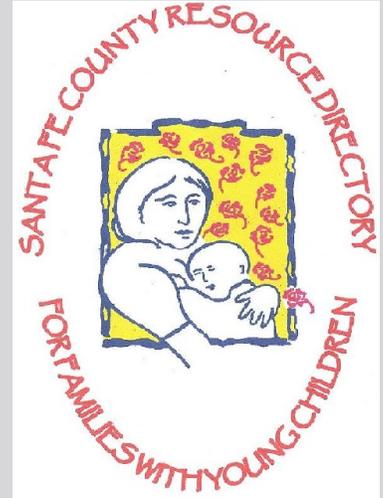


2015 Resource Directory for Families with Young Children Now Available

The Santa Fe County Community Services Department has released the 2015 Santa Fe County Resource Directory for Families with Young Children. The directory is published in both English and Spanish and has a wealth of information regarding where families can turn for support. The directory has information for everything from nutrition to classes to the Mobile Health Van and the County's Health Care Assistance Program. Prenatal care, employment services, and hot-lines for various other topics are also covered.

[Download the Santa Fe County Resource Directory for Families with Young Children »](#)

Copies of the directory are available at the Santa Fe County Community Services Department, 2052 Galisteo Street, Santa Fe, NM 87505 and at various locations around Santa Fe. You can also call (505) 992-9849 to pick up a copy.



What's Happening in Brief at SFC

Business Forum on May 5

The Santa Fe Business Incubator (SFBI) and Santa Fe County teamed up with more than a dozen business assistance organizations to host the second Business Forum event at the Santa Fe Business Incubator, 3900 Paseo del Sol in Santa Fe, 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 5, 2015.

“This business outreach event will assist businesses with whatever questions they may have, ranging from assistance on business plans to financing options to business registrations. We want to help businesses grow in the County and create jobs, and there are many free options available to provide that assistance,” said David Griscom, Economic Development Manager for Santa Fe County.

The Business Forum, which is free and open to the public, specifically targets business owners in the unincorporated rural areas of Santa Fe County, although any business locat-

ed in the City is welcome to attend.

In addition to information about permitting requirements, laws and regulations, business owners or those interested in starting a business can discuss their questions with more than a dozen different providers who offer County-wide services.

May's event will include representatives from these organizations: Santa Fe County, Santa Fe Business Incubator, Los Alamos Connect, Santa Fe Community Foundation, Santa Fe SBDC, NMS-BA-Los Alamos National Laboratory and Sandia National Laboratories, The Loan Fund, Santa Fe Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, WESST, Santa Fe Chamber of Commerce, SCORE, The City of Santa Fe Arts Commission, KIVA Zip Crowd funding and Start up Santa Fe.

Everything You Need to Know about Probate

Probate Judge Shannon Bulman Outreach Event—Everything you will ever need to know about probate!

The event is Friday, May 8, 2015 at 12:30 p.m. at the Eldorado Senior Center, 16 Avenida Torreon, Santa Fe, NM.

(Probate is a legal process that takes place after someone passes away.)

Judge Bulman will help the citizens of Santa Fe County understand the probate process, so they can better organize their own affairs or carry out the duties of administering the estates of loved ones.

Topics of Discussion: Ways to avoid probate, When you need to file a probate, What is involved in filing a probate proceeding? Should I file in Probate Court or District Court? Do I need an attorney? Can I be appointed as Personal Representative? What does a Personal Representative need to do?



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County Clerk’s Office – (505) 986-6280
County Treasurer’s Office – (505) 986-6245
County Sheriff’s Office – (505) 986-2455
SFC Adult Correctional Facility – (505) 428-3861

Other Important Numbers

Building Permits (505) 986-6225
Fire Questions/ Burn Permit (505) 992-3070
Utilities (505) 992-9870
Public Works/Roads (505) 992-3010
Human Resources (505) 992-9880
Community Services (505) 992-9849
Attorney’s Office (505) 326-6279
Teen Court (505) 995-9555
Animal Control (505) 992-1626



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