



# County Manager's Monthly Memo

## From the Santa Fe County Manager

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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.

- March 10 at 2 p.m.
- March 31 at 2 p.m.
- April 14 at 2 p.m.
- April 28 at 2 p.m.
- May 12 at 2 p.m.
- May 26 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](http://www.santafecountynm.gov) and on Comcast Ch. 28 or you can listen live on Que Suave AM810

Visit [www.santafecountynm.gov](http://www.santafecountynm.gov) and click our events calendar for a full schedule of upcoming meetings, events and closures.

## Santa Fe County Receives SAFETY Award

New Mexico Association of Counties (NMAC) presented the 2014 SAFETY Division V (Class A) Award to Santa Fe County for achieving a positive claim trend and the lowest frequency of workers' compensations claims in 2014. The award was presented at the NMAC 2015 Legislative Conference in Santa Fe.

Santa Fe County demonstrated a positive trend in their workers' compensation losses for a county their size over the last three years.

Santa Fe County Risk Management Mark Lujan, said "Santa Fe County employees are making this possible by taking the safety trainings and incorporating them into their work day. If it wasn't for our management support, this would not be possible." He continued,

"It is a countywide commitment to raise safety awareness and it has resulted in not only making the workplace safer, but has reduced costs to the community, through cost savings."



NMAC is a non-profit, nonpartisan association representing and serving New Mexico's 33 counties.

Paula Garcia, President of the NMAC presented Santa Fe County Risk Manager, Mark Lujan with a check for Santa Fe County in the amount of \$7,000, this is reflective of the 2014 reduced Worker's Compensation losses.



## Santa Fe County Recognitions From the Feb. 24, 2015 Board of County Commissioners Meeting



**Left**—Honoring Our Veterans and Service Men and Women.

**Below**— Santa Fe County Finance Division received the Government Financial Officers Association Distinguished Budget Presentation Award to the County of Santa Fe for Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2013.



**Left**—Support of the Equine Culture and the promotion of Santa Fe as a Regional and International Horse Destination.

**Below**—The BCC honored Devin De-Vargas for his 2015 High School Honors Performance Series at Carnegie



## Thank You to Everyone Who Took a Cab Ride Home on Super Bowl Sunday

Super Bowl fans enjoyed the big game and then enjoyed a Cab Ride Home after the exciting conclusion. In total 55 people took 37 cab rides instead of driving on Super Bowl Sunday.

“When faced with the question Drink or Drive on Super Bowl Sunday members of our community did not do both. Drunk driving is completely preventable and the Cab Ride Home program is a very simple way for people to keep themselves safe,” said Lupe Sanchez, DWI Program Coordinator. He continued, “Remember to Think SaFe because after your second DWI arrest you could lose your car and it could be sold at auction.”

The \$5 Cab Ride Home program normally runs on Friday and Saturday nights from 5:30 p.m. to 2:30 a.m. and on certain holidays. For a ride home from a bar or party where alcohol is served dial 505-438-0000.

## Living Wage Set to Increase on March 1, 2015

The County Living Wage will increase to \$10.84 on March 1, 2015, an increase of 1.69%, based on last year's increase of Consumer Price Index (CPI) for western region Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers.

Tipped wages will also increase accordingly from \$3.20 to \$3.25, also effective March 1, 2015.

For more information, including a copy of the Ordinance and how to report a violation visit [www.santafecountynm.gov](http://www.santafecountynm.gov) and click on Living Wage Information, under Hot Topics.

## SFC is Hiring for Public Safety Positions *Detention Officers Upcoming Testing Dates*

Santa Fe County Corrections Department current openings for Detention Officer starting at \$15.40/hr. Santa Fe County offers an extensive healthy benefit package inclusive of medical, dental, and vision insurance. Additionally, Detention Officers are eligible for PERA retirement!

Visit [http://www.santafecountynm.gov/job\\_opportunities](http://www.santafecountynm.gov/job_opportunities) or stop by our Human Resources Office at 949 W. Alameda St., Santa Fe, NM 87501, to submit your application in time for one of our upcoming testing dates.

### Upcoming Testing Dates:

Saturday, March 7, 2015  
Saturday, April 4, 2015  
Saturday, May 2, 2015

For more information on any job opportunity contact our Human Resources Division:  
Phone: (505) 992-9880 or Email: [humanresources@santafecountynm.gov](mailto:humanresources@santafecountynm.gov)  
Human Resources Address: 949 W. Alameda St., Santa Fe, NM



## Santa Fe County Seeks Residents for County Committees

**Transportation Advisory Committee** — The Board of County Commissioners (BCC) is seeking Santa Fe County residents from all areas of the County to serve on the Transportation Advisory Committee. The BCC will appoint a total of 13 members, with multiple residents from each Commission district and one at large member. To view a map of Commission Districts, visit [www.santafecountynm.gov/county\\_commissioners](http://www.santafecountynm.gov/county_commissioners).

The primary purpose of the Transportation Advisory Committee is to review and make recommendations on all elements of transportation, including roadways, trails, bikeways, transit and pedestrian facilities. Make recommendations on road operations and maintenance policies, including road acceptance/abandonment process.

Anyone interested in being appointed to the Transportation Advisory Committee should submit a letter of interest and resume to:

Santa Fe County Public Works  
Attention: Robert Martinez  
425, New Mexico 599 Frontage Road  
Santa Fe, NM 87507  
(505)992-3010 or [robmtz@santafecountynm.gov](mailto:robmtz@santafecountynm.gov)

**Santa Fe County Health Policy and Planning Commission (HPPC)** — Santa Fe County is seeking members for the Health Policy and Planning Commission (HPPC). There is a current vacancy for a member residing within Commission District 1 (Commission District represented by Henry Roybal), for two members residing within Commission District 2 (Commission District represented by Miguel Chavez) and for two members residing within Commission District 5 (Commission District represented by Liz Stefanics).

HPPC members are volunteers appointed by the Santa Fe Board of County Commissioners (BCC) to engage and elicit community input regarding the health care needs of county residents, and to assist the BCC in studying and researching healthcare and related issues.

**DWI Planning Council (DWIPC)** – Santa Fe County is seeking community members with a background in law enforcement, emergency services, media, or courts/judicial to serve on the DWI Planning Council. Members are volunteers appointed by the Santa Fe Board of County Commissioners (BCC).

To view a Commission District map, please visit the Santa Fe County website at [www.santafecountynm.gov/county\\_commissioners](http://www.santafecountynm.gov/county_commissioners).

Anyone interested in being appointed to the DWI Planning Council must attend at least one DWI Planning Council meeting in order to be eligible to be recommended for appointment. The next meeting is scheduled for March 12, 2015.

Anyone interested in being appointed to HPPC or DWIPC should submit a letter of interest and resume to:

Santa Fe County Community Services Department  
Attention: Marie Garcia  
2052 Galisteo Street – Suite A  
Santa Fe, NM 87505  
Phone: (505)-992-9841  
E-Mail: [mgarcia@santafecountynm.gov](mailto:mgarcia@santafecountynm.gov)

# First ARTsmart Group Held at Youth Facility

In February 2015, the first group with ARTsmart was conducted which was funded through the Santa Fe Community Foundation.

The Santa Fe Community Foundation recently partnered with the Santa Fe County Youth Development Center through the Dollars4Schools initiative, as a shared commitment to student success and community collaboration.



Dollars4Schools will provide funding for programs designed to enrich the lives of Santa Fe's youth through education. Dollars4Schools will provide the financial support for ARTsmart programming within the Center for the next 12 months.

## What's Happening in Brief at SFC

Just a reminder The Santa Fe County Community Services Department released \$50,000 to partner with the United Way of Santa Fe County (UWSFC) to bring the **Dolly Parton Imagination Library** to the children and families of Santa Fe County.

The program provides a carefully selected book that arrives in the mailbox, each month from the day the child is born until he/she is 5 years old. Books are selected by a national panel of experts.

For enrollment in the Imagination Library, please call 505-216-2984.

The **Santa Fe County NMSU Cooperative Extension Of-**

**fic** is always offering a variety of workshops, available to the community on a first come, first serve basis. See details below on two upcoming workshops

### Fruit Growers Annual Workshop

The Fruit Growers Annual Workshop which has been scheduled for Wednesday, February 25, 2015 to begin at 8:30 am. At the Santa Fe County Fair Building 229 Rodeo Road, Santa Fe, NM

Please pre-register to ensure that there is enough lunch for all those attending. You may pre-register by going online at: <http://rsvp.nmsu.edu/rsvp/> or call 505-685-4523.

### Backyard Poultry Workshop

When: Thursday, March 26, 2015  
Time: 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

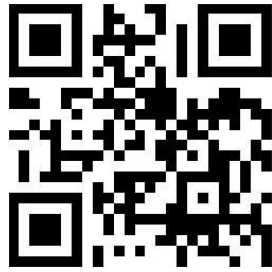
Where: Santa Fe County Fair Grounds, 3229 Rodeo Road

Please join Dr. Gaylene Fassenko, Associate Professor of Animal and Range Sciences New Mexico State University, discusses the ins and outs of raising poultry in an urban setting. It is free to the

public and all are welcomed! Call the Santa Fe County Extension Office for more information 471-4711.



**County Manager  
Katherine Miller**



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102 Grant Ave.  
Santa Fe, NM 87501-2061

### Phone:

Santa Fe County Main Line  
(505) 986-6200

### Frequently Called Numbers:

County Assessor’s Office – (505) 986-6300  
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



### Santa Fe Board of County Commissioners (L-R)

- Henry Roybal (D-1)
- Kathy Holian (D-4)
- Robert A. Anaya (D-3)
- Miguel M. Chavez (D-2)
- Liz Stefanics (D-5)

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