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Santa Fe County Plans to Launch Vote by Appointment, the First Program of Its Kind in New Mexico

Santa Fe County, NM — In partnership with Tyler Tech, the Santa Fe County Clerk's Office is pioneering Vote by Appointment, a new option that lets voters schedule a specific time and location to cast a ballot during early voting at four locations across the county. This is the first rollout of its kind in New Mexico. The goal is simple: make voting easier, reduce wait times, and help more residents participate in the 2025 Regular Local Election and beyond.

Vote by Appointment gives voters the tools to make a plan to vote. Residents choose a participating polling location and a time that fits their schedule, then show up and bypass the walk-in line to check in and vote. When your scheduled time begins, you may enter the appointment line for check-in; before your time slot starts, please use the general waiting area or the walk-in line.

Planning ahead helps prevent last-minute obstacles like work shifts, child care conflicts, transportation delays, and long lines. Campaigns and community groups can lean into this: invite supporters to schedule an appointment, make a plan to vote, and lock in a time that fits their day. Sharing the scheduling link helps voters follow through and increases the odds they cast a ballot.

This option is especially helpful for voters with limited time, including night-shift workers, caregivers, busy professionals, transit-dependent voters, and people who have difficulty standing in line. By reducing time on their feet and time spent waiting, the program removes a physical burden for many voters while keeping all standard voting processes in place.

Where and When to Make an Appointment:

Santa Fe County Clerk's Office

240 Grant Ave, Santa Fe, NM 87501 October 7 – November 1, 2025 Mon – Fri, 8am – 5pm Open one Saturday only: Nov 1, 10am – 6pm Closed Monday, Oct 13 for Indigenous Peoples' Day

Edgewood Fire Station #70

1 Municipal Way, Edgewood, NM 87015

Pojoaque Satellite Office

5 W. Gutierrez, Ste. 9, Pojoaque Pueblo Plaza, 17839 US-84, Santa Fe, NM 87506

Nancy Rodriguez Community Center

1 Prairie Dog Loop, Santa Fe, NM 87507

Expanded Early Voting for the three sites above: October 18 – November 1, 2025

Tues – Fri, 11am – 7pm

Saturdays, 10am – 6pm

How to schedule: Schedule an appointment now or call the Clerk's Office at 505-986-6280 to choose your time and location.

Check-in begins at your appointment start time. Please plan to arrive close to your scheduled time.

Walk-ins still welcome: All polling places continue to serve walk-in voters during posted hours.

The Clerk's Office expects Vote by Appointment to increase voter participation by making voting more predictable and convenient. After the pilot at four locations for this election, Santa Fe County will evaluate expanding appointments to additional sites in future elections.

"Santa Fe County strives to be a trailblazer in election innovation. We are always looking for practical ways to enhance and streamline the voting process so more people can participate," said Clerk Katharine E. Clark.

More details about Vote by Appointment are available online.

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