

NEWS FROM COMMISSIONER LIZ STEFANICS  
DISTRICT 5 - SANTA FE COUNTY  
SEPTEMBER 13, 2011



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSION SUMMARY  
**SANTA FE COUNTY TO LAUNCH NEW PRESCRIPTION DRUG SAVINGS  
PROGRAM**

The Santa Fe Board of County Commissioners (BCC) and Financial Marketing Concepts Inc., (FMC) officially launched the new prescription drug discount program ***Coast2Coast Rx*** during the September 13, 2011 BCC meeting. At the time of the program launch FMC provided information and distributed ***Coast2Coast Rx*** cards.

The ***Coast2Coast Rx*** card is free and may be used at all pharmacy chains and most independent pharmacies in Santa Fe County. It includes over 60,000 drugs in its formulary. Besides the discount on prescriptions, the card also provides up to 50 percent-off of dental, vision and hearing needs and between 50 percent and 80 percent on discounts for lab and imaging tests.

The new card will allow all Santa Fe County residents regardless of income, age, or health status to participate in the program and save on the cost of their medications. In 2011, this program has saved cardholders across the nation an average of 50 percent on the cost of prescription drugs. Pets and residents who live outside the County are also able to take part in the program.

“With healthcare costs on the rise, prescription drug discounts will help ease some of the financial burdens individuals and families are facing at a time when they need it the most,” said County Commission Chair Virginia Vigil.

The ***Coast2Coast Rx*** card will be available for residents at most participating pharmacies, government offices, libraries, County facilities and on the Santa Fe County Mobile Health Van. Residents will also be able to print the Rx card, check their prescription prices and view the nearest participating locations at [www.coast2coastrx.com/santafe](http://www.coast2coastrx.com/santafe) or visit [www.santafecounty.org](http://www.santafecounty.org) and under Hot Topics click on NEW Coast2Coast Rx Prescription Drug Discount Program.

Martin Dettelbach, Chief Marketing Officer of Financial Marketing Concepts, Inc., said, “We are pleased to work with the County to help individuals, their families and pets combat the rising cost of healthcare.” Dettelbach added, “We appreciate what all the County and local pharmacies are doing to help those in need.”

For more information, contact Steve Shepherd, Health and Human Services Director, Santa Fe County at (505) 992-9840 or Alexandra Miller, Director of Communications, Financial Marketing Concepts, Inc. at (720) 317-7280.

*Thanks,*

*Liz*

Below is a summary of the actions taken by the Santa Fe Board of County Commissioners. (BCC) All five Commissioners were present.

The BCC approved the August 9, 2011 minutes

**SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:**

- Santa Fe County officially launched the free Coast2Coast Rx Prescription Drug Card. Marty Dettelbach, chief marketing officer for Financial Marketing Concepts Inc., the Florida-based company that distributes the card provided an overview of the program. For more information on the free card visit [www.santafecounty.org/community\\_services/hhsd/coast2coast](http://www.santafecounty.org/community_services/hhsd/coast2coast)
- The Commission unanimously approved a proclamation honoring the work and life of Shad Ireland and his contribution to kidney disease awareness and prevention
- Certificates of Appreciation were awarded to Lisa Garcia and Lynn Hathaway for their work and contribution to the Maternal and Child Health Planning Council

**MATTERS FROM THE COMMISSION:**

- The Commission unanimously approved a resolution recognizing the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Maternal and Child Health Planning Council
- The Commission unanimously passed a proclamation in honor of Family Day – A Day to Eat Dinner with Your Children
- A proclamation honoring the 299th Fiesta de Santa Fe was unanimously approved

**FINAL ORDERS FOR THE FOLLOWING LAND USE CASES WERE UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED:**

- CDRC Case # V 11-5090 Suzanne Teng Variance (District 2)
- CDRC Case # V 11-5030 Ivan Salcido Variance (District 5)
- CDRC Case #VAR 10-5560 Juan Lozoya Variance (District 3)

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

- Authorization was granted for an agreement with Sierra Detention Systems in the amount of \$483,077 to replace, repair and upgrade the door, intercom and camera systems at the adult detention facility
- An agreement to sell raw water to the Club at Las Campanas as a class wholesale-2 customer of Santa Fe County Utilities was tabled

**BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS:**

- A resolution requesting an increase to the Economic Development Fund to align the Fiscal Year 2012 budget with the available balance for an ARRA grant awarded through the Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department in the amount of \$25,200 was unanimously approved

**PUBLIC WORKS/UTILITIES DEPARTMENT:**

- A purchase agreement for approximately 50 acres of Open Space and Trails land and an accompanying resolution were unanimously passed (4-0) . The purchase price of the property was \$125,000 (Commissioner Holian was not present for the vote)
- Sparling Construction, Inc. was awarded a contract in the amount of \$712,037.50 for the construction of the San Marcos Transfer Station. Construction at the San Marcos Transfer Station is estimated to start on October 1, 2011 and be complete within 60 days
- The Santa Fe County Infrastructure and Capital Improvement Plan (ICIP) for fiscal years 2013-2017 was unanimously passed along with the accompanying resolution authorizing the plan be submitted to the New Mexico Department of Finance (DFA)

#### **MATTERS FROM THE COUNTY MANAGER:**

- Erle Wright provided an update to the BCC on the redistricting process. All maps and information are posted on the Santa Fe County website at [www.santafecounty.org/county\\_commissioners/redistricting](http://www.santafecounty.org/county_commissioners/redistricting), the public is encourage to provide feedback and participate in the redistricting process
- The BCC was provided an update on the 2011 Property Tax Rates established by DFA and asked that an explanation be created to post on the website outlining the process of how rates are set by the DFA

#### **MATTERS FROM THE COUNTY CLERK:**

- Authorization to publish title and general summary of an ordinance amending Ordinance 2009-6, which establishes fees for copies of certain electronic data, was unanimously approved.

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

- BCC Case #MIS 11-5160: The Capitol Grounds Café Restaurant Liquor License, Approved (5-0) (District 5)
- BCC Case #MIS 11-5250: SOL of Santa Fe Liquor License, Approved (5-0) (District 5)
- CDRC Case #V 11-5180: John Robertson Variance, Approved (5-0) (District 5)
- CDRC Case #Z/S 02-4325: La Pradera Master Plan Amendment, Plat and Development Plan, Approved (4-1 Commissioner Mayfield voting against) (District 5)
- CDRC Case#V11-5200: Jesus Garcia-Solis Variance, Denied (5-0) (District 3)

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