



BERNALILLO COUNTY GOVERNMENT

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Financial Services Administrator

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And a Special Thanks to
Our Accounting Department

OVER NINETY YEARS HAVE PASSED SINCE BERNALILLO COUNTY GOVERNMENT WAS CHARTERED BY THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO. The community has grown from an array of small towns and villages scattered along the middle Rio Grande corridor into a modern urban center – a leader in high technology research and the economic engine of the entire state. Yet at the same time, in its unincorporated areas Bernalillo County has been able to retain much of that special rural quality of life that so many of its residents find enchanting.

Consider the magnitude of change this community has experienced. In 1912, when New Mexico became a state, the population of Bernalillo County was just 34,000 with less than four out of every 100 New Mexicans living here. Fewer than half of Bernalillo County's inhabitants resided in what was then the "town" of Albuquerque. Today, Bernalillo County is a thriving metropolitan area with over half a million residents - one in four of all New Mexicans. The latest projections put the County's population at well over 750,000 by the year 2030.

To serve this fast growing community, Bernalillo County has a Commission-Manager form of government and most of the day-to-day administrative duties are delegated to a County Manager. All legislative power within the County is vested in a five-member Board of Commissioners, each of whom is elected to a four-year term from single member districts. The executive function is divided; these powers are shared by the Board and five elected County officials - the Treasurer, Assessor, Clerk, Sheriff and Probate Judge.

Ultimately, county government in the state of New Mexico derives its authority from the State Constitution. Under that constitution, the counties are technically creations of the state legislature and subject to its will. The legislature may prescribe obligations, powers, privileges, and restrictions that local governments must follow.

From a historical perspective, the division of counties in New Mexico can be directly traced to the days of Mexican rule. The first division of New Mexico Territory was made in 1837 when two "partidos" or districts were created. In 1844, New Mexico was redivided into three districts. These districts were further subdivided into areas known as Bernalillo, San Miguel del Bado, Santa Ana, Santa Fe, Rio Arriba, Taos, and Valencia. After New Mexico became a state, the first counties were based on these districts.

In 1875, the New Mexico Territorial Legislature directed the Probate Judge in each county to appoint three Commissioners. The record for the first official session of the Bernalillo County Commission was dated April 3, 1876.

Today, employees of Bernalillo County government strive to provide services critical to residents in the most effective and efficient manner possible. Preserving our diverse cultural heritages, maintaining a balance of old and new, and enhancing the quality of life are the on-going objectives of the Bernalillo County Board of Commissioners.

Bernalillo County Board of Commissioners



Left to right: Teresa L. Córdova, PhD (District 2), E. Tim Cummins (District 4),
Michael Brasher (District 5), Alan B. Armijo (District 1),
and Deanna A. Archuleta (District 3)

Other Elected Officials

Darren White, *Sheriff*
Mary Herrera, *Clerk*

Patrick J. Padilla, *Treasurer*
Mark J. Carrillo, *Assessor*

Merri Rudd, *Probate Judge*



GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

*Distinguished
Budget Presentation
Award*

PRESENTED TO

Bernalillo County

New Mexico

For the Biennium Beginning

July 1, 2004

President

Executive Director

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) presented a Distinguished Budget Presentation Award to Bernalillo County, New Mexico for its biennial budget for the biennium beginning July 1, 2004. In order to receive this award, a governmental unit must publish a budget document that meets program criteria as a policy document, as an operations guide, as a financial plan, and as a communications device.

This award is valid for a period of two years only. We believe our current budget continues to conform to program requirements, and we are submitting it to GFOA to determine its eligibility for another award.



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MISSION STATEMENT

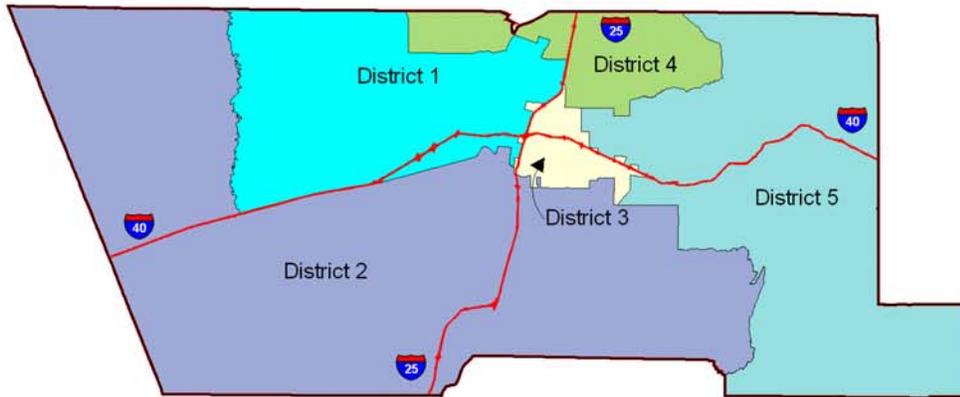
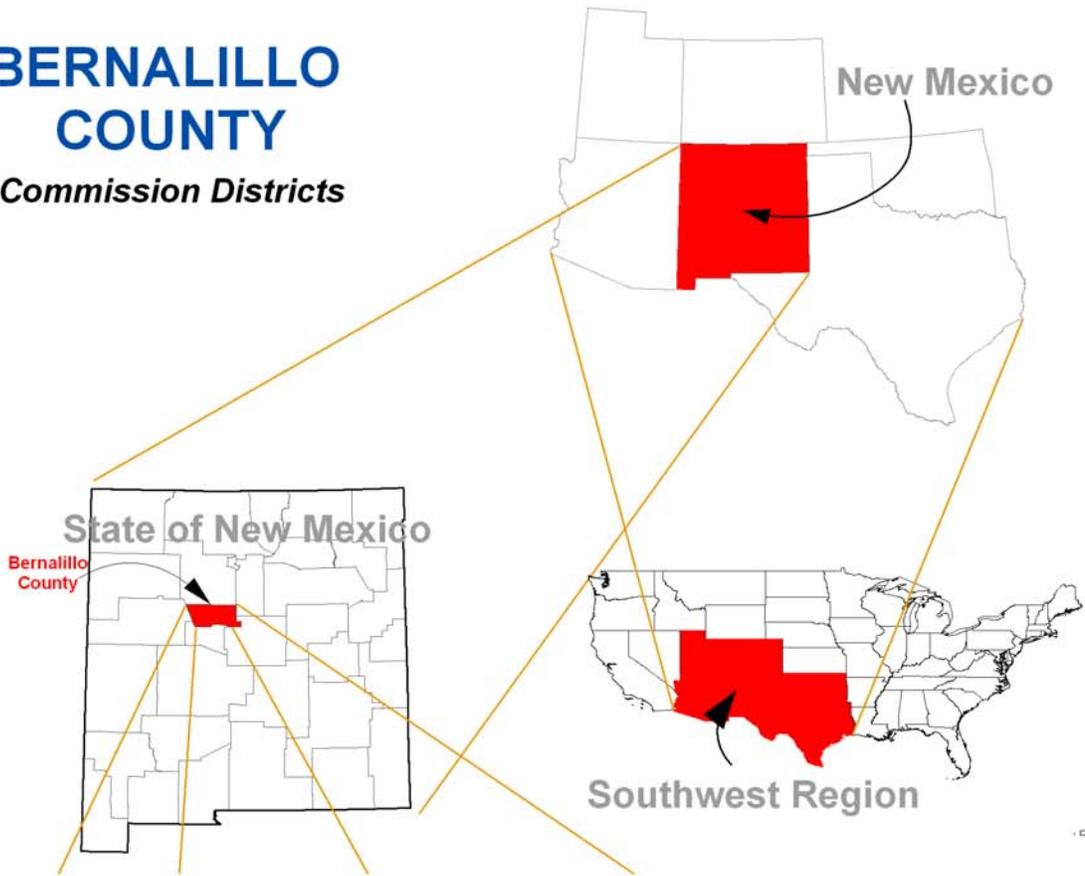
THE MISSION OF BERNALILLO COUNTY GOVERNMENT is to administer laws enacted by the State of New Mexico and carry out all policies and ordinances enacted by the Board of County Commissioners. County government is responsible for providing those services and facilities necessary to promote the welfare and safety of the public.

The County of Bernalillo is a constitutionally mandated entity, deriving powers from the Federal and State governments. In recognition of our responsibilities to the citizens of Bernalillo County, the elected officials and employees pledge the following:

- to courteously and equitably administer all programs, ordinances and laws;
- to provide efficient and effective services;
- to foster open communication between County Government and the Citizens of Bernalillo County;
- to maintain a professional administration through the application of sound personnel and management practices.

BERNALILLO COUNTY

Commission Districts



County Commissioners by District	
	Interstate
	Interstate Numbers
	Bernalillo County Boundary
	District 1 - Alan B. Armijo
	District 2 - Dr. Teresa L. Cordova
	District 3 - Deanna A. Archuleta
	District 4 - E. Tim Cummins
	District 5 - Michael Brasher