



BernCo at a Glance E-newsletter

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CORONAVIRUS [COVID-19]

BERNALILLO COUNTY INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

[Click to visit website](#)

www.BernCo.gov/coronavirus

COVID-19 Public Health Requirements

- Foremost, please stay home if you are sick. Period.
- Masks are mandatory in public, non-compliance can result in a \$100 fine
- Mandatory 14-day isolation period for all out-of-state travel and/or visitors
- Practice social distancing -- be aware of your surroundings and others near you
- Adhere to the six-foot rule and stay at home except as needed for grocery shopping, medical assistance and exercise
- Limit group contact to five or fewer people
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash

New Mexico Department of Health:

- New Mexicans with COVID-19 related questions should call the coronavirus hotline at 855-600-3453
- Non-COVID-19 related questions or concerns, call 833-551-0518
- *****[NMDOH COVID-19 Public Dashboard](#) --** the data dashboard includes county-by-county breakdowns of positive cases by age, gender and ethnicity.

Up-to-date information about state mandates and information:

www.newmexico.gov.

Information and resources from the CDC regarding coronavirus COVID-19:

www.cdc.gov.

CDC fact sheets to read and/or download,

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/communication/factsheets.html>

[NMConnect smartphone app for all New Mexicans](#) (click to learn more)

BernCo Summer Lunch Program Ends Friday, Aug. 7

7 APS continues to offer lunches



Bernalillo County – Bernalillo County will stop its daily summer lunch series on Friday, Aug. 7.

The county has been serving grab-n-go meals at six locations since March. The meals were converted to the grab-n-go style as the state public health order changed in-person distribution and consumption practices due to coronavirus (COVID-19).

The meals were prepared at the Albuquerque Public Schools central kitchen and distributed to the county locations on a daily basis.

Albuquerque Public Schools will continue to distribute lunches to children at locations across the city and county. Information on the program, locations and a schedule are available at www.aps.edu/news/coronavirus/grab-and-go-meals.

Behavioral Health Provider CARES Grant Application

Deadline Extended Through Aug. 9, 2020



The deadline to apply for a Department of Behavioral Health Services [DBHS] CARES grant has been extended to Aug. 9.

The Department of Behavioral Health Services is urging behavioral health providers to apply for the Bernalillo County behavioral health provider CARES grants, which cover emergency funding up to \$10,000 per provider. This grant is for

qualified behavioral health providers to assist with costs associated with interruption caused by the coronavirus (COVID-19). A total of \$1 million is available.

Through the issuance of these funds, Bernalillo County hopes to:

- Increase the access of behavioral health care services to Bernalillo County residents from behavioral health providers during the (COVID-19) pandemic;
- Expand services to minimize the behavioral health impact of COVID-19 among Bernalillo County residents;
- Ensure that behavioral health provider systems have the capacity to handle COVID-19 impacted clients through an expansion of services to address new needs related to the pandemic and the rapid demand for services.

Through this program, the county will offer one-time grants up to \$10,000 to qualifying behavioral health providers to cover costs such as employee wages, vendor bills and telehealth expansions. The \$1 million dollars allocated to this fund, is part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act federal stimulus package.

The link to the application is available at www.bernco.gov/BHcares

The application process is electronic and requires the following documentation be attached to the application:

- W-9 Form
- Active State Organization Registration (Articles of Incorporation)
- New Mexico Secretary of State Certificate of Good Standing
- Organization Financials (applicable 2018 or 2019 tax return or equivalent)
- Staffing Documentation for 2019 or 2018 (W-3 Summary, 1096 or 2019 or 2019 IRS Form 941)
- Updated and Current Property Tax Receipt or Copy of Current Lease

- New Mexico Taxation and Revenue 2020 CRS Documentation
- Current Bernalillo County or City of Albuquerque Business License

The application process will remain open through Aug. 9, 2020 at 5 p.m. or until funds have been exhausted. The first grant payments will go out mid to late August. Regardless of whether a provider is eligible for this program, they may still qualify for other existing assistance programs.

Bernalillo County, Village of To'Hajiilee and State Officials Discuss Urgent Need for Water Supply for Village



Bernalillo County District 1 Commissioner Debbie O'Malley joined forces with state Rep. Harry Garcia, state Sen. Benny Shendo, Village Chapter President Mark Begay, and members of the Village of To'Hajiilee to highlight and demonstrate the urgent need for a sustainable, clean water supply for the village.

The group is working to obtain right of way permissions for the water lines that go through private land. Read more [here](#).

[What to Expect After Appealing Your Notice of Value](#)

Did you appeal your Notice of Value by filing a protest form, and wondered what is the next step? This short video will help show you what you can expect from the Bernalillo County Assessor's Office. The deadline to protest real property assessed values for 2020 was May 29, and since then our appraisal staff have been very busy contacting property owners and working to resolve their protests. In accordance with public health, all

valuation protest board hearings will be held remotely until further notice.



We are virtual this year!

As part of this year's virtual Bosque Chile Festival, organizers are announcing a Chile Casas decorating contest. Residents and businesses are invited to take part in this home/business decorating contest.

Red, green, or Christmas? Contestants can decorate their casas with ristras, piñatas, flags, banners, sidewalk chalk, chile lights, and green and red balloons to show their chile pride. The contest winner will receive a Bosque Chile Festival Disc-It.

There is no cost to participate.

Contest rules:

- Must be a New Mexico resident.
- Be creative by adorning homes with New Mexico chile-themed decorations.
- To enter the contest, complete the online registration form at www.bernco.gov/bosquechilefestival with an accompanying photo by midnight on Aug. 13, 2020.
- All entry photos will be displayed on the Bosque Chile Festival Facebook page, 'Chile Casas' album beginning Aug. 14, 2020.
- Be sure to share entry photos via social media during the weekend of the Bosque Chile Festival using the hashtags: #BCF2020ChileCasas, #BCF2020.
- Winner will be determined by the most "likes" in the 'Chile Casas' album on the Bosque Chile Festival Facebook page.
- Winner to be announced on Monday Aug. 17.

- Winner is responsible for picking up the Disc-It prize in Albuquerque, New Mexico.
- For privacy, BernCo will not include home addresses.

Like and follow the Bosque Chile Festival Facebook page for decorating ideas leading up to the Bosque Chile Festival, www.facebook.com/bosquechilefestival.

More 'Chile Casas' ideas and resources on www.bernco.gov/bosquechilefestival



Backyard Farming Buzz

Weekly Tips & Info for Your Garden



Introducing Backyard Farming Buzz from Bernalillo County Open Space and Gutiérrez Hubbell House! Until we can garden together again in person, Backyard Farming Buzz will bring regular updates to help you schedule and plan your late summer and fall garden activities. Look for the sunflower and bee on the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Facebook page for weather, planting, and planning tips. Let us know what kinds of gardening support would be helpful to you. Happy Growing!

BernCo Public Art - Call for Artists

[BernCo Public Art Announces Call for Photographs for Alvarado Square Art](#)

The Bernalillo County Public Art program is announcing a call for artists to submit photographs for use in the building design of the new county headquarters at Alvarado Square.



Photographs chosen will help create a welcoming environment for customers, county employees and the public. The photographs will be printed in a large scale and used on the walls of Alvarado Square's elevator lobbies, and additional photographs may be used on the windows of the new Bernalillo County Sheriff's Office suite.

The public art program is seeking photographs that represent the story and character of Bernalillo County, including the people, places, landscapes and events of the county.

Chosen photographers will receive \$1,500, with a limit of one photograph per artist. Copies of the winning photographs will also be framed and added to the public art program's permanent collection.

The deadline for submissions is Aug. 31, 2020 by mail or email. Complete submission guidelines are available online at bernco.gov/community-services/current-call-for-entries.aspx. There is no fee to submit a proposal.

[BernCo Arts Board Seeking Qualified Artists for Tiny Home Village Project](#)

The Bernalillo County Arts Board is seeking qualified artists and artist teams interested in creating public art for the Tiny Home Village, now under construction in southeast Albuquerque.

The artwork will be located in the visitor parking area of the facility. Artists are encouraged to include a community outreach process in the design and implementation of the art. The established budget is \$43,000. The project will be participatory and will engage the surrounding community and village residents.



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Virtual Food Preservation Classes

Learn how to extend the life of your summer garden produce by preserving it. Join instructor Cindy Davies, Home Economist with Bernalillo County Cooperative Extension to learn:

- Simple ways to dry foods at home
- How to use the freezer as a tool to preserve foods
- Quick pickling and fresh salsa using what you have

Thursdays at 10 – 11 am

August 20	Freezer Jam and Pesto Sauce
August 27	Fresh Salsa and Quick Pickled Vegetables
September 3	Fruit Leather and Drying Chili

Classes are scheduled through Zoom. [Click link to register for class.](#)

[Click Here to Register for Classes](#)

After registering you will receive an email with link to attend class at scheduled time.

Questions? Contact adunworth@phs.org



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Albuquerque Historical Society



As the New Mexico museums are closed due to the coronavirus (COVID-19), many history organizations are providing free programs.

- **MURALS OF ALBUQUERQUE** (www.murosabq.com) This shows over 130 murals in the ABQ metro area. click on each picture and it shows the mural, gives its title and address, describes the image, and the artists.

- **TRIBUTES TO AUTHOR RUDOLFO ANAYA** (www.anaya.unm.edu) links to his archives at the UNM Center for Southwest Research are available.
 - **The New Mexico History Museum** Has many programs on Facebook and YouTube including The Santa Fe River in NM History presented by William Mee,
 - YouTube: www.YouTube.com/user/NMmuseum
 - Find more visit www.nmhistorymuseum.org
 - Facebook: www.facebook.com/events/3051120368304586/
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THERE IS NO POOP FAIRY SCOOP YOUR POOP



GRAB IT BAG IT TOSS IT



BERNALILLO COUNTY 
WE'RE MORE THAN YOU THINK

Mile-Hi Farmers' Market

Sundays 10am – 1pm

July 5 – Sept. 27, 2020

Alvarado Park
2000 Alvarado Dr. N.E.



Join Us In the Neighborhood

Farm-fresh Produce ~ Baked Foods ~ Jerky
Carvings, Jewelry, Pottery, Soaps, Lotions
and many other wonderful goods!

COVID – 19 precautions



Thank you for reading BernCo at a Glance

For assistance, please contact:

- Metropolitan Detention Center (general inmate info): (505) 839-8700
- Roads and traffic: (505) 848-1504 or (505) 848-1503
- Animal Care Services: (505) 468-PETS
- Property Maintenance (report a park or facility that needs cleanup): (505) 224-2119
- Schedule a large item pick-up: (505) 892-1200
- Department of Behavioral Health Services customer service: (505) 468-1555
- Court of Wills, Estates and Probate (general info): (505) 468-1232
 - Schedule an appointment: call (505) 468-1229 or email, probate@bernco.gov
- Unclaimed & Indigent Cremation Program: (505) 468-7295
- Accounts Payable general inquiries: (505) 468-7020

- All other calls: (505) 468-7777 or email, contactcenter@bernco.gov

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- [Glyphosate Moratorium](#)

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