



# 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](http://www.BernCo.gov/coronavirus)

### Public Health Order Continues to Ease Restrictions

- Foremost, please stay home if you are sick. Period.
- If you go out, wear a face mask
- 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](http://www.newmexico.gov).

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

[www.cdc.gov](http://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)



## Uber Code: SUMMER2020

Rather than drive under the influence, Bernalillo County and Sandoval County residents can open the Uber app and use the code **SUMMER2020** through midnight June 30, 2020. By using the code, riders will receive a credit of up to \$10 off for one trip. The maximum amount of trips available is 3000. First come, first served. The credit can only be used for rides, not Uber Eats, and the discount does not cover tip. All riders are required to wear masks.



**CARES Small Business Grant Application Opens**  
**Monday, June 22**

Bernalillo County small business owners who wish to apply for emergency financial support through the Bernalillo County CARES small business grant for qualified small businesses to assist with costs associated with business interruption caused by required closures due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic will need to be prepared with specific business information and forms.

Through this program, the county will offer one-time grants up to \$10,000 to qualifying small businesses and nonprofits to cover costs such as employee wages, vendor bills, and rent. Five million has been allotted for this fund, which is available as part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act federal stimulus package.

The link to the application will be available Monday morning at 8 a.m. at [www.bernco.gov](http://www.bernco.gov)



## BernCo and Teeniors Collaborate to Offer Free Tech Tutoring for Seniors

*Free Coaching to Help Seniors Close the Digital Divide, Stay Connected During COVID-*

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The Bernalillo County Office of Senior and Social Services is engaging the New Mexico startup Teeniors to help support local senior citizens as they adapt to the digital world during COVID-19.

Up to 30 one-on-one coaching sessions with a live, experienced tutor are available over phone and video calls for Bernalillo County seniors, age 55 and older.

Teeniors will provide virtual tutoring for any senior to receive help on any tech support question they have, from how to text, video call and shop online, to learning new programs like PowerPoint, Zoom and social media.

Teeniors are tech-savvy teens and young adults who help senior citizens, or any-aged person, learn technology through one-on-one, personalized coaching. Teeniors has provided one-on-one tutoring to almost 3,000 seniors in New Mexico, and provided part-time jobs to over 50 teens and young adults. Since the COVID-19 outbreak, Teeniors has pivoted from in-person coaching to 100% virtual coaching.

Seniors who would like to schedule a session can contact Teeniors at (505) 600-1297 or at [teeniors@gmail.com](mailto:teeniors@gmail.com). More information is available online at [www.teeniors.com](http://www.teeniors.com). Spanish speaking coaches are also available upon request.



## BernCo Capital Improvement Plan

Bernalillo County has a continuous, six-year Capital Improvement Plan, which provides a link between the vision and needs of the public and the county's capital expenditure budgets. View this [interactive map](#) for the proposed uses and amounts of the 2020 government obligation bond. For more information visit [www.bernco.gov/cip](http://www.bernco.gov/cip)

## FREE Movies in the Parking Lot Drive-In Edition

Saturdays @ Isleta Amphitheater

Gates open @ 7 p.m. -- Movie begins @ dusk

[Click here for more details](#)

## A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood





## Virtual Summer Recreation

Bernalillo County's Virtual Summer Recreation Programs is now in Week 2 with more videos, lessons, gaming and workouts – something for just about every kid to enjoy!

Read more about what [Bernalillo County Parks, Recreation and Open Space](#) has in store by clicking the story below. And follow their page on Facebook to participate! See flier for details and read this story [here](#)

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## Recent BernCo News Releases

*(click each news release below to read in full)*

### [Bernalillo County is Seeking Artists for Tiny Home Village Project](#)

June 18, 2020 – 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.

Artists residing in New Mexico are invited to apply and must demonstrate: an understanding of Bernalillo County; sensitivity towards the population of the Tiny Home Village and the surrounding community; and experience with community engagement.

The Tiny Home Village will provide a holistic housing intervention for people experiencing homelessness, prioritizing safe and dignified housing within a supported single-site community setting.

The Tiny Home Village is a collaborative project between Bernalillo County, the Albuquerque Indian Center and the City of Albuquerque and is located on the property of the Albuquerque Indian Center, 105 Texas St. SE.

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.

To apply, please see: [https://artist.callforentry.org/festivals\\_unique\\_info.php?ID=78755](https://artist.callforentry.org/festivals_unique_info.php?ID=78755)

### [Bernalillo County's Department of Behavioral Health Services Earns Five National Achievement Awards](#)

June 17, 2020 – Bernalillo County's Department of Behavioral Health Services [DBHS] is excited to announce, five of their programs are being nationally recognized by the National Association of Counties. The five achievement awards honor innovative, effective county government programs that strengthen services for residents.

The following programs will be honored:

- Supportive Aftercare Program: Community Reintegration/ Parks & Recreation Category  
\*Best in Category\*
- Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion [LEAD] Program/ Criminal Justice & Public Safety Category
- Narcan/ Naloxone Harm Reduction Program/ Health Category
- Needle Mapping/ Information Technology
- Youth Transitional Living Services/ Children & Youth

Nationally, awards are given in 18 different categories that reflect the vast, comprehensive services counties provide. The categories include children and youth, criminal justice and public safety, county administration, information technology, health, civic engagement and many

more.

### **Commissioners Approve One-Time Grants for Small Businesses**

June 16, 2020 – Bernalillo County is providing emergency financial support through the Bernalillo County CARES small business grant for qualified small businesses to assist with costs associated with business interruption caused by required closures due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Through this program, the county will offer one-time grants up to \$10,000 to qualifying small businesses and nonprofits to cover costs such as employee wages, vendor bills, and rent. Five million is allotted for this fund, which is available as part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act federal stimulus package.

For a business to qualify, it must have a physical establishment located within Bernalillo County and have one-50 full-time employees, or equivalent part-time employees. Additionally, businesses and organizations must not have received more than \$3 million in taxable receipts per annum. Priority will be given to businesses and organizations that did not receive funds from the Small Business Administration's Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL), Federal Paycheck Protection Program (PPP), or small business assistance funds from the State of New Mexico or the City of Albuquerque. Reimbursement is not required for grant recipients.

The application process will open on June 22, and close on June 29.

Regardless of whether a business is eligible for this program, it may still qualify for other existing assistance programs.

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## **How the 2020 Census Can Impact Communities**

The 2020 Census is your chance to shape your community—and your future.

Fastest and easiest way -- go online to [www.2020Census.gov](http://www.2020Census.gov)



**An accurate census count informs decisions about where to build and where to invest.**

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## **NMSU: BernCo Cooperative Extension Service**

[Click here to register for KIDS classes](#)



## Virtual Gardening Classes

Want to start a garden at home but not sure where to start? Participate in these live and interactive gardening classes led by local specialists and Master Gardeners for fun, learning and community resources!

### **Kid Workshops Wednesdays at 10 am – 10:30 am**

**JUNE 3rd** How to make a garden from things you find in your backyard

**JUNE 17th** All those bugs in my yard- what are they? Will they eat my garden?

[Click Here to Register for Kids Gardening Classes](#)

### **Adult Workshops Thursdays at 6 pm – 7 pm**

**JUNE 4th** Making a low cost garden from things you find in your yard (or from your neighbors)

**JUNE 11th** Tomatoes and chiles: how to take care of them so they stay healthy and produce lots

**JUNE 18th** Foraging and finding: how you can find tasty things to eat from plants in your yard and neighborhood

**JUNE 25th** Successful summer gardening (how to save on your water bill) in our hot dry climate

[Click Here to Register for Adult Gardening Classes](#)

Classes are scheduled through Zoom. Click link to register for class. After registering you will receive an email with link to attend class at scheduled time

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# NMSU Cooperative Extension Service

## KEYS TO EMBRACING AGING



**An Online Workshop Series  
Thursdays, 11:30am - 12:30pm**

Register at: <https://aces.nmsu.edu/family/aging>

We're all aging — but whether we do so gracefully is up to us! Join your NMSU Extension Family and Consumer Sciences Team to learn 12 keys to help you grow old successfully and with increased longevity. No matter your age, you can take steps now to make growing older a positive, joyful, and exciting experience!

### June 18

- ♦ Intro and Positive Attitude
- ♦ Eating Smart and Healthy

### June 25

- ♦ Physical Activity
- ♦ Brain Activity

### July 2 Holiday break

### July 9

- ♦ Social Activity
- ♦ Tuning Into the Times

### July 16

- ♦ Safety
- ♦ Know Your Health Numbers

### July 23

- ♦ Stress Management
- ♦ Financial Affairs

### July 30

- ♦ Sleep
- ♦ Taking Time for You



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# SLIM & STRONG: CRAFTING A HEALTHY LIFESTYLE

- Join us for six weeks and enjoy a wonderful journey of living well.
- Wednesdays, June 17-July 29 (no session in 7/1) 10:00-11:15 AM

Do you have a desire to live your life within a healthy weight range for your age? Do you want to be resilient mentally and emotionally and strong physically? Do you want to live a healthy lifestyle for the long term? If so, Slim and Strong will provide the long term thinking changes and behavior changes necessary to craft a healthy lifestyle.

- June 17 - Why Craft a Healthy Lifestyle?
- June 24 - Eating Powerful Food
- July 8 - Change Your Mind
- July 15 - No More Deprivation!
- July 22 - Managing Your Emotions
- July 29 - Be Your Own Coach

\*After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meetings.hu

- For more information, please contact Dianne Christensen at [dianneec@nmsu.edu](mailto:dianneec@nmsu.edu) or 505-243-1386.



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BAG IT  
TOSS IT**



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WE'RE MORE THAN YOU THINK

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](mailto: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](mailto:contactcenter@bernco.gov)

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- [Glyphosate Moratorium](#)

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