

County Manager's Monthly Update

LOS ALAMOS COUNTY

AUGUST - 2018

This update contains information about Los Alamos County, and is intended to keep you informed regarding key issues, the status of various capital projects, employee recognitions and significant events that have occurred during the past several weeks. This update is distributed on a monthly basis; however the County maintains a website at www.losalamosnm.us where you can also check for periodic updates on the issues outlined below as well as other current topics. In the event that you have questions concerning the information in this update, or any other questions about Los Alamos County activities, please feel free to contact the County Manager at (505) 663-1750, or via lacmanager@lacnm.us.

COMMUNICATIONS & PUBLIC RELATIONS DIVISION

The PIO supported the launch of MUNIS in the month of July with public outreach. Staff from various departments and the Change Management Team had a table set up in the lobby to help customers in order to assist the Customer Care Center in the first two weeks of implementation. Work continues this month on a variety of seasonal items such as ads and materials for the County Fair and Rodeo, Council's Meet/Greet tent at the Fair, and preparing for the Season of Arts and Culture booklet being published soon. Data was collected for Graphic Design and Photo/Video work orders at the close of FY18. A total of 890 work orders for departments and elected officials were processed through C&PR from June 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. The bulk of these orders (762) were for graphic design of brochures, booklets, ads, flyers, rack cards or other related items. The PIO is supporting the DOE/NNSA project for the NM502 and NM4 road construction project by sharing out press releases through County channels. The PIO has provided input on outreach plans for a variety of projects such as the HVAC Library Construction project and other Council items such as outreach for populating the new community development advisory board. The PIO assisted Economic Development with scope of work and deliverables related to the consultant working on the Brand Action Plan. Work with the Discoveries Action Team (DAT) continues to be supported by C&PR through meeting facilitation, public outreach and advertising. The next DAT meeting is August 16 at 11 a.m. at Fuller Lodge.

COMMUNITY SERVICE DEPARTMENT

Aquatics

Splash-N-Dash – July 11th, 72 participants, 384 visits:

Adults and youth enjoyed these mini contests to prepare triathletes for the annual Los Alamos Triathlons.



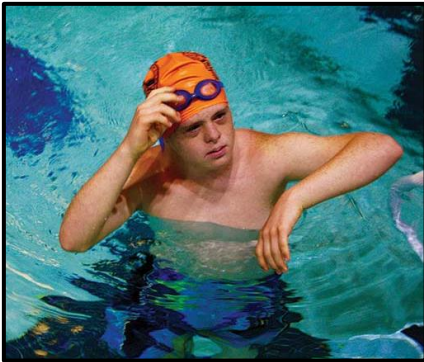
Rocket Fueled Family Fun Night – July 13th, 40 participants:

This year's event included diving for treasure (coins), the bounce house, and a cannonball contest with great prize bags for the winners.



Special Olympics – July 16th, 50 participants & 75 spectators:

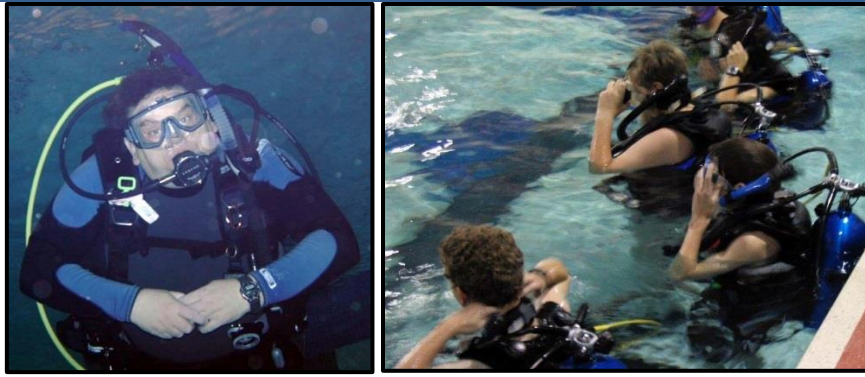
The Walkup Aquatic Center played host to swimmers from across northern New Mexico who came together to compete at this meet which was the culmination of a year's worth of hard work and training. Each event was timed, competitive, and every race ended in big smiles from both the competitors and spectators.



Scuba Diving Certification – July 20th & 21st, 5 participants

A PADI Open Water certification class was held at the Aquatic Center. This is an introductory course to scuba diving, and participants first get to try out their skills in the pool before heading out to open waters.





Shark Week – July 22nd – 27th, 60 participants:

The Aquatic Center was taken over by shark floats in the pool, and for those who didn't want to go in the water with the scary beasts, shark movies and popcorn were available on Tuesday and Wednesday in the classroom.



Recreation

4th of July Activities at Overlook Park – July 4th, 500+ participants:

Water balloons, a 7-foot unicorn sprinkler and other sprinklers, giant games, hot dogs, popcorn and cold refreshments rounded out alternative 4th of July activities at Overlook Park.





Mud Volleyball Tournament – July 7th, 120 participants & 60 spectators

It was a beautiful day for 12 teams to compete for the title of Mud Volleyball Champion. “Team Spuds” went all the way to take this very tough tournament from some equally competitive teams.



ScienceFest – July 11th – July 15th

This community signature event kicked off with a Movie in the Park at Ashley Pond with over 300 attendees. This was followed by multiple activities around town throughout the week, Festival Day in downtown Los Alamos on Saturday, and wrapped up the festivities with a viewing of “The Martian” on Sunday Night at Bathtub Row Brewing.



King of the Hill RC Race Series – July 13th – 15th, 30+ drivers and 75+ spectators:

The Overlook Park RC track, or, Overlook Raceway, was packed full of cars, crews and spectators from New Mexico and Colorado.



Movies in the Parks – July 18th, 180 participants:

Library Services hosted the showing of “Coco” at Urban Park with stories and crafts before the movie.



Rio Arriba County Fair Outdoor Movie – July 25th, 160 participants:

The Los Alamos County Fair and Rio Arriba County Fair committees have been working together to allow LAC 4-H participants to join the Rio Arriba 4-H and show their animals. As part of this collaborative relationship the committees also worked together to bring an outdoor movie to the Rio Arriba Fair.



Border Wars RC Racing Series – July 26th – 29th, 40+ drivers and 100+ spectators:

The “Overlook Raceway” hosted the second race of a five race series moves between Colorado (Longmont & Colorado Springs), Texas (Amarillo & El Paso), and New Mexico (Albuquerque & Los Alamos).



Los Alamos Triathlons – July 28th, LA & JR Tri – 163; Kids Tri – 51 participants:

Another great race day with participants ranging from 3 to 77 years old. Thank you to everyone who helps support this race including the Los Alamos Police Department, Traffic & Streets Division, the Los Alamos Auxiliary Fire Brigade, and the many community volunteers.





Los Alamos Summer Concert Series – July 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th, 160 participants:

The summer rains may have dampened a few nights, yet concert goers continue to enjoy the music and vendors.



Golf

New Tee Line, Top Dressing & Greens Rolling – 100% Complete:

Maintenance staff continues the upkeep of the Course for daily and tournament play, and installed the new tee line on the Golf Course driving range.



Parks

Wind Sculptures at Mesa Public Library – 100% Complete:

Parks Crews installed the Wind Sculptures created by Mark White Fine Art in Santa Fe, at Mesa Public Library near the Skate Park. These pieces acquired through the County's Art in Public Places Board.



Guaje Pines Columbarium & Landscaping – 100% Complete:

Construction of the columbarium, a structure where urns will be stored, is complete. The compartments that hold the urns, will be available for purchase in the coming months.



Open Space

Secondary Trailhead Kiosks – 100% Complete

Two secondary trail kiosks were installed at Los Alamos Mesa and Kwage Mesa trailheads. Next steps are to install updated trailhead maps.



Los Alamos County Fire Restrictions – July 19th, Back to Baseline Restrictions:

NEWS RELEASE



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Los Alamos County Fire Restrictions

Los Alamos, New Mexico—

Baseline Restrictions:

- Fireworks and incendiary devices are never allowed on federal public lands.
- Outdoor burning on public land in Los Alamos County is only allowed in approved fire rings at Camp May Campground.
- National Parks, Monuments, Preserves and Wildlife Refuges host year-round fire restrictions. Contact Bandelier National Park and Valles Caldera if you plan to visit for specific restrictions.

Follow the USFS and NM State Forestry Restrictions when outside of the municipality of Los Alamos. Visit www.nmforestry.com or <https://firerestrictions.us/> for more information.

Library



Tatiana Klimov Art Opening – July 12th, 262 attendees:

The Gallery has had more than 1,100 visitors in July. This show will be the last one in the Upstairs Art Gallery until Mesa Public Library reopens after the library improvements project.

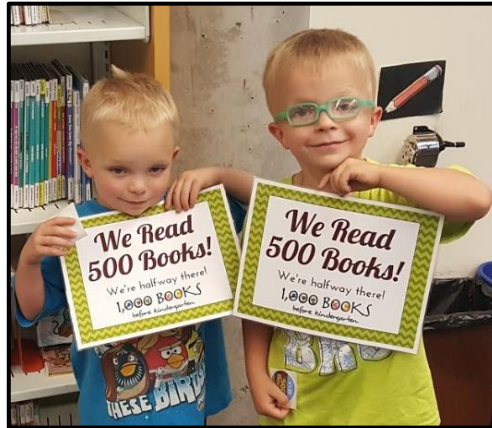
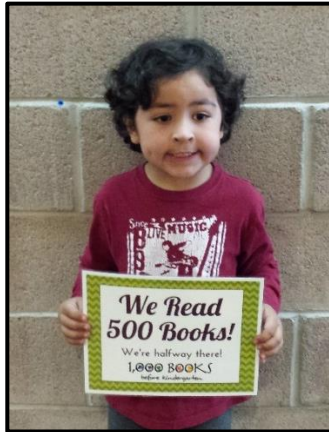
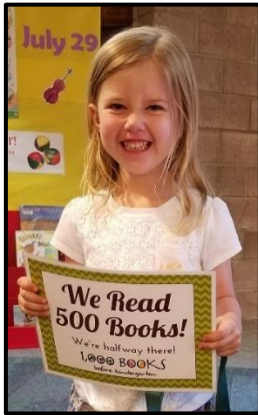
Summer Reading, 2,103 people attended programs in July:

21 special programs for children, youth and teens were added to the 28 regularly scheduled programs in July. Hundreds of happy kids and their families took part in programs called “Iconic” (for fans), “Llama, Llama,” “Unplugged” and “Who Was” (a biography program). Joy Charles and Melissa Mackey were joined by world-renowned trumpeter Jon Barnes to present a live music Family Dance Party on July 26. 59 people attended the Family Dance Party.



1000 Books Before Kindergarten:

229 children have registered with our 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program, and of those 29 have reached the half-way point in their reading journey.



Art Camp Students – July 25th & August 1st, 17 attendees:

Two classes of young architecture students from Fuller Lodge Art Center's Art Camp visited Mesa Public Library in July.



Hogwarts Day – July 28th, approximately 500 attendees:

People of all ages attended the fun celebrations at Mesa Public Library. Staff and volunteers made a massive effort to entertain the masses.



HVAC Project:

Considerable construction work was accomplished in front of Mesa Public Library on July 24th through 27th. Patrons enjoyed watching the precision work of the operator as he dug a very deep hole where the air intake for the new heating and air-conditioning units will be located.



Social Services

Fused Glass Art Workshops at the YMCA Teen Center – July 11th & 25th, 13 participants:

Glass art instructor Joanne Kozuchowski brings to the classroom over 12 years of experience working with glass. She is a strong proponent of art as a way to decompress and express oneself. She leads a relaxed, welcoming workshop where teens can feel free to follow their imagination and work at their own pace.



Cultural Services

Summer Family Evenings at the Nature Center

- July 11th – Los Alamos Makers, 42 attendees



- July 18th – Goats, 230 attendees



- July 25th – Harrell House of Natural Oddities, 110 attendees



Electric Vehicle Show at the Nature Center, July 14th, 350 attendees



Construct Your Own Virtual World, July 13th, 68 attendees:

Councilor Rick Reiss's son spoke about video game creation during this event at the Nature Center.



COUNTY CLERK

Outreach and Education – Voter Registration Drive Night at Movies in the Park

On June 27 County Clerk Naomi Maestas, with Elections Manager Gloria Maestas and Deputy Clerk Victoria Martinez, in conjunction with the Recreation Division of the Community Services Department, held a voter registration drive event at Movies in the Park. Clerk Maestas and staff manned a table, gathering voter registrations and providing information on the upcoming General Election and all other services provided by the County Clerk's Office.



Outreach and Education – Fourth of July Naturalization Ceremony at Bandelier National Monument:

On July 4 County Clerk Naomi Maestas, with Senior Deputy Clerk Francella Montoya, were honored to attend this year's Naturalization Ceremony at Bandelier National Monument, where they witnessed the swearing in of new citizens and provided voter registration services.



Outreach and Education – International Association of Government Officials (iGO):

County Clerk Naomi Maestas attended the 2018 iGO Annual Conference in Reno, Nevada July 18-20. Clerk Maestas had the honor of carrying in the New Mexico state flag during the opening ceremonies, and was able to network and share ideas with colleagues from across the U.S. and internationally. *(shown below with Denver's Director of Elections Amber McReynolds)*



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Administration Division

Transportation Board:

The Transportation Board meets the first Thursday of the month at 5:30 p.m. Meetings are held at 1000 Central Avenue, Room #110.

🚦 The July 12th Transportation Board meeting was cancelled.

Airport Division

Perimeter Fence Project:



The Los Alamos Airport issued a request for bids to replace the existing perimeter fence adjacent to highway 502 and Airport Road. Bids were received on June 13th. Due to recent increases in steel prices, the apparent low bid amount was more than available grant funding. Airport staff is working with the FAA and NMDOT to secure additional funding and/or rescoping of the project. If funding/re-scoping is successful, construction is expected to begin later this fall and completed by the end of the year.

New Aircraft Hangar Construction:



Hangar construction was temporally delayed due some changes in the International Building Codes requirements for wind loads. The county contracted the necessary engineering analysis and submitted the results to the state. The state has determined the building meets the applicable requirements and has reissued the building permit. Construction has resumed is the project is expected to be completed by the end of the summer.

Mowing Operations:



Tall vegetation on an airfield attracts wildlife that can be hazardous to aircraft operations. The USDA noted in its February 2017, Wildlife Damage Management Technical Series, "Collisions between aircraft and wildlife (wildlife strikes) are common occurrences. Wildlife strikes are not only numerous, but also costly. Estimates suggest that wildlife strikes cost the civil aviation industry in the U.S. up to \$625 million annually, and nearly 500 people have been killed in wildlife strikes worldwide. Most wildlife strikes occur in the airport environment: 72 percent of all strikes occur when the aircraft is 500 ft or less above ground level, and 41 percent of strikes occur when the aircraft is on the ground during landing or takeoff. Thus, management efforts to reduce wildlife hazards are focused at the airport." The most effective technique for reducing wildlife hazards at airports is reducing/controlling attractants. Therefore, in an effort to mitigate wildlife hazards, Streets and Airport staff conduct frequent mowing operations on the airfield throughout the growing season.

Custodial Division

- ✚ The Custodial Division supported 226 events during the month of July.
- ✚ Our vacant custodial position was filled on July 16 so our division is now fully staffed.
- ✚ The wood in the Justice Center courtrooms was treated and resealed.
- ✚ Two staff assisted with another successful ScienceFest which for the first time had their beer garden and booths on the patio and grass at Fuller Lodge.

Engineering & Project Management Division

Server Room Cooling Improvements:

This project improves the reliability of the server room cooling. The curtains that separate the hot side and the cold side of the server racks were installed in February. The controls work was completed early April. The engineer analyzed the performance data after the modifications were made to the server room and controls to see if installing the bypass valve in the condensing unit would be warranted. The purpose of the bypass valve is to reduce compressor cycling. It was determined that these valves would be installed. This installation has been delayed due to the contractor's staff availability. The valves will be installed on August 1st and then August 8th on each of the two condenser units. To ensure redundancy of the cooling system, a week has been included between each installation to confirm a smooth operation before working on the second cooling system.

Municipal Building HVAC:

The work on improving the restrictions in the HVAC ducts started on July 3rd on the 1st floor at Customer Care. Customer Care staff was relocated into the Boards and Commissions Room. Staff was initially stationed in the lobby to help direct the public to Customer Care. Service has carried on as usual with no disruption in service. Work is being carried out at night and on weekends to install an additional duct Customer Care and in the Community Development Department and Public Works suite. Beginning on July 25, the contractor will be working on the 3rd floor in three locations. Work is planned to continue on nights and weekends to avoid interference with normal business hours and not disturb employees with the construction noise and the occasional need to shut down the HVAC to work in the ducts. Jaynes is about a week ahead of schedule and is expected to complete the work mid-August.

Fire Station 6 Restroom Remodels:

The restrooms at Fire Station 6 (Airport) will be refurbished as it has been a little over 10 years since they were last re-done and are looking worn. Riskin and Associates, one of the County's on-call architects, completed design. Staff is holding off on advertising the project until FS3 is underway to see if any funding will be needed or if FS6 can move forward. This should be decided by October hopefully.

Fire Station 3:

The project includes reroofing, as well as a new wall system, window replacement and HVAC system modifications to better insulate and control the temperature in the bunkrooms. Bids were received, and awarded to Kha'po construction by Council at the July 10th meeting. Paper work is in the process and a Notice to Proceed is pending, work is anticipated to begin in late August/early September.

Mesa Library HVAC Improvements:

The project was re-bid and subsequently awarded May 22 to replace the entire HVAC system, change the fluorescent lighting to LED, clean the duct work and tint the large skylight. The project was awarded to Mick Rich Contractors, and a Notice to Proceed date has been set for July 2.

The main public area of the library is scheduled to be closed from August 20th to December 3. Work is scheduled to begin on the new air intake and possibly for the new electrical service the week of July 23. Public Works and Community Services Department staff are working closely to provide alternative accommodations to the public so that many library services are mostly maintained during this time. Library staff is in the process of planning and packing for the move to the other locations (Fuller Lodge 2nd Floor West Wing for Youth Services and White Rock Branch Library) in anticipation of the August 20th closure date. Some programs will occur in Fuller Lodge, others at the WRBL as well as Ashley Pond bandstand. There may be one or two additional days where the entire library is closed as the electric service is switched, public notice will be given in advance for this work.

Water Production Air Conditioner Replacement:

The original air conditioner for the SCADA area has failed. Temporary measures were put in place to maintain the proper temperature for the computers. Trane was contracted through the County's On-Call Contractor contract to remove the inoperable AC units and replace them with a new and larger unit. Work was completed in July.

Canyon Rim Trail Phase 3:

The easements for DOE property along the preliminary alignment were approved by Council on March 22nd. The County has been working with the consultant to prepare to obtain easements with the private owners within the project limits between Knecht Street and the 20th Street Extension. A presentation was made on July 11th to the membership at the American Legion, one of the properties where an acquisition is needed. We anticipate a response from them in August following their next board meeting.

Canyon Rim Trail Underpass:

The project was awarded federal FY2018 funding under the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) for project study and design in the amount of \$320,000 and FY2020 TAP funding for project construction in the amount of \$2,020,000 for a total award of \$2,340,000.

A kick-off meeting with Wilson and Company was held on April 26 to begin the design process for this project. Preliminary Alignments have been received by staff. The first public meeting was held July 26th at the Arts in Public Places Board, followed up by a presentation to the Transportation Board and Parks & Recreation Board in early August to discuss the scoping report and conceptual design.

North Mesa Phase 2 Improvements (Cumbres del Sol Subdivision):



The North Mesa pavement rehabilitation project is located on Camino(s) Manzana/Mora/Cereza. The project entails new compacted base, new asphalt throughout, and intermittent concrete sidewalk, drive pads, curb & gutter, ADA curb ramps, as needed. Construction began the week of July 9, 2018 and Star Paving worked on removing drive pads, sidewalk and curb & gutter along Camino Mora and Camino Cereza. Concrete was poured on Friday July 20, 2018. Juan Rael, Project Manager met with several residents within the project limits to explain the impacts in front of their residences. 48-hour notice is given to those residents affected by the drive pad construction. Demolition and new concrete will continue along

Camino Mora and Camino Cereza before moving to Camino Manzana. The concrete work will be first on all streets, then the milling and paving operation will commence. Asphalt milling is anticipated to start in late August.

DP Road and Utility Infrastructure Improvements Project:

The USDOT BUILD (Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development) Grant application was submitted on July 19, 2018, for the DP Road and Utility Infrastructure Improvements Project. The request was for \$5 million for new asphalt road surfacing, pavement markings, concrete sidewalks, curb and gutter, ADA curb ramps, drive pads, storm drains, street lighting, and landscaping improvements. One million dollars was also requested for the replacement of the existing utilities (gas, water and electric) that will be impacted by the roadway construction. The grant awards are scheduled to be announced by December 18, 2018.

Future Projects:

- NM 4/East Jemez Rd. (Truck Route) Intersection: Staff continues to work with DOE, NMDOT Bandelier, and Army Corps of Engineers to program, design and construct intersection upgrades to improve capacity and safety. The USACE has entered into a design contract with Bohannon Huston, a civil design consultant, to study and design the intersection. A follow-up meeting with all stakeholders is expected to be held in mid-August.
- NM 502 Reconstruction, Knecht St. to Tewa Loop: Staff continues to coordinate with NMDOT on this state lead project. NMDOT bid the project for a third time on December 15th and received no bidders. The County awaits further information from NMDOT management on the future of the project.

Environmental Services Division

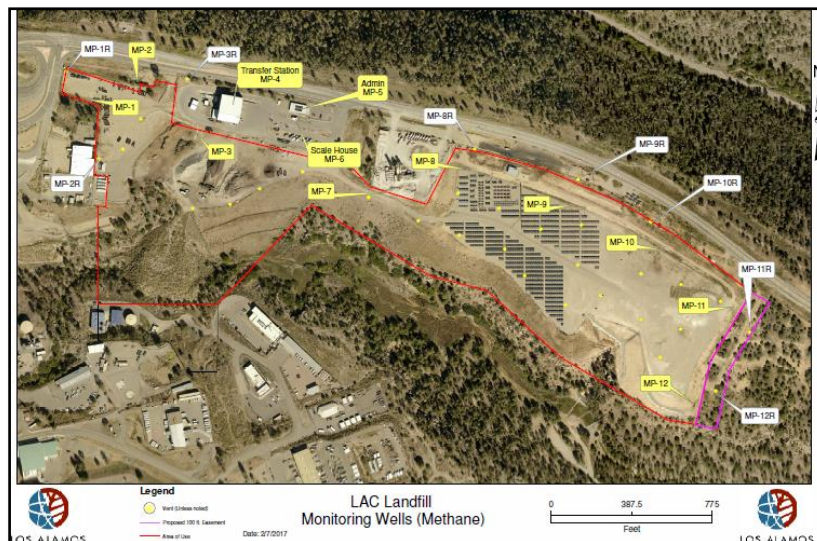
Los Alamos County Landfill Gas (LFG) Update:

A construction contractor, AEG/Tetra Tech, has completed construction of the permanent methane gas extraction system, technically referred to as the LAC Landfill Gas Collection and Control System. The Gas Collection and Control System was started up on July 13, 2018, and is designed to keep methane gas from migrating off site.



This is a summary of results for June 2018 methane monitoring for the Los Alamos County closed landfill.

1. The monitoring probes near the boundary of the landfill ranged in methane concentrations from 0.0 (MP-10R) to 10.5 (MP-11R) percent gas in air. Only Probe MP-11R exceeded the 5 percent gas in air limit this month.
2. The LFG vents and gas probes previously monitored and tracked during our monthly compliance monitoring at Los Alamos are not part of this month's data. These extraction locations have been recently decommissioned in preparation for the site's transition to the permanent GCCS system scheduled for startup on July 10, 2018.



Curbside Yard Trimmings Roll Cart Update:



The yard trimmings roll cart program began on July 9, 2018. Environmental Services staff delivered over 2,500 roll carts, this is nearly 35% of the residential customer base. By implementing the yard trimming roll cart, Los Alamos residents have an opportunity to divert 14% of our waste stream from the landfill each year. The diversion efforts have the potential to divert 1,107 tons of yard trimmings annually and will reduce hauling and disposal costs, greenhouse gas emissions, and provide high-quality garden and landscaping materials for residents.

The first week of collection Environmental Services collected over 17 tons of yard material and is expecting that number to

increase as the program expands.

Training:

Environmental Services staff participated in an Asbestos Awareness training provided by DC Environmental. The training was provided to ensure staff had the knowledge and training to identify asbestos containing material before it is brought to the transfer station for disposal.

Recruitment:



We would like to welcome our new operator Isaac Quintana to our team.

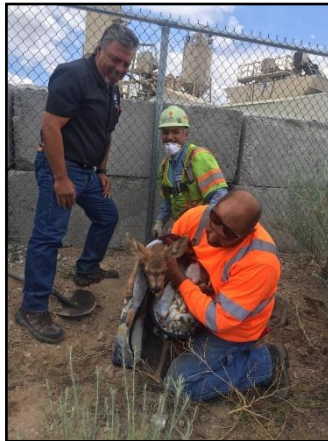
2018 Science Fest:



On July 18th Environmental Services hosted a booth at Science Fest. Below members of the Environmental Sustainability Board educated the public about the road to zero waste. Zero Waste is a new initiative Environmental Services is promoting in an effort to reduce the amount of waste sent to the landfill.

Wildlife:

Lead Equipment Operator Derrick Voight and Senior Equipment Operator John Mascarenas rescued a deer fawn that was stuck in the fence between the landfill and Los Alamos Transit Mix. We would like to thank Derrick and John for their kind action



Residential Sustainability Report



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Service Period: June 2018

Recyclables Collected: 85.26 tons
 Trash Collected: 437.29 tons
 Yard Trimmings Collected: 33.37 tons
 Total Material Collected: 555.92 tons



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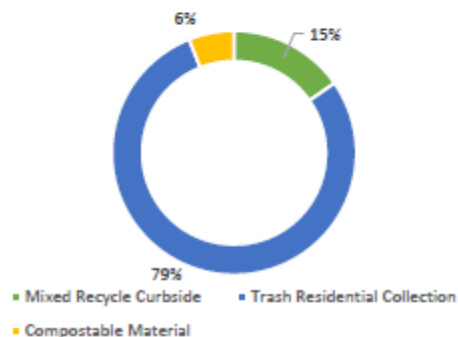
Monthly Collection Report

May Diversion Rate: 17%

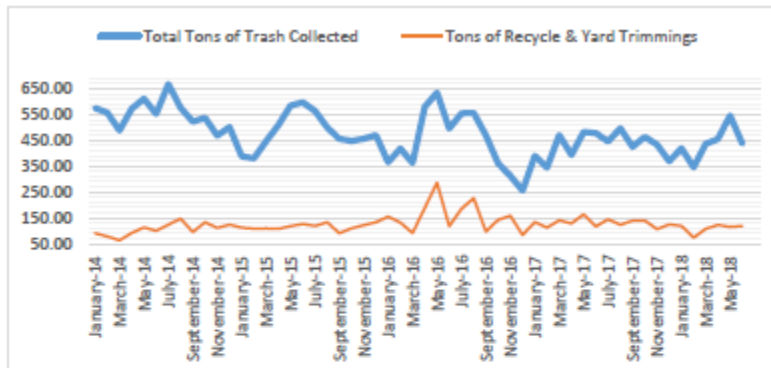
June Diversion Rate: 21%

A 23% Increase in Diversion

The *diversion rate* is the percent of materials recycled and composted.

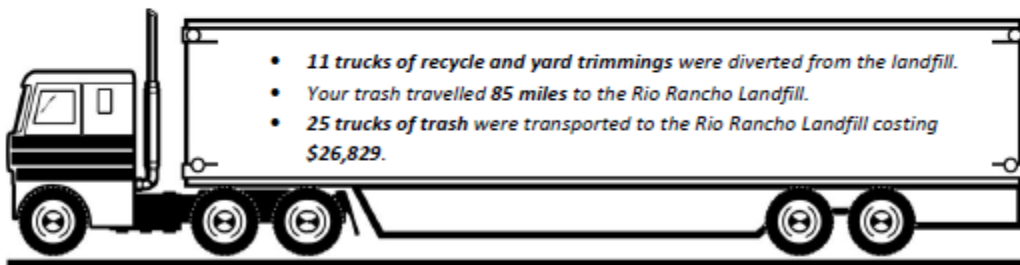


Month by Month Recycling Comparison



Benefits of Recycling

Recycling of aluminum cans saves 95% of the energy required to make the same amount of aluminum from its virgin source. One ton of recycled aluminum saves 14,000 kilowatt hours (Kwh) of energy, 40 barrels of oil, 238 million Btu's of energy, and 10 cubic yards of landfill space.



- 11 trucks of recycle and yard trimmings were diverted from the landfill.
- Your trash travelled 85 miles to the Rio Rancho Landfill.
- 25 trucks of trash were transported to the Rio Rancho Landfill costing \$26,829.

Facilities Division

Airport Hangar Electrical System:



Facilities Division electricians are working to make modifications to the electrical system in an existing airplane hangar recently purchased by the County. The work will not require new fixtures or outlets - but conduit and new connectors are being installed to bring the facility up to current electrical code.

Pajarito Complex Security Gate:



An automated operator has been installed on the new gate designed to better secure PCS buildings #1, #4, and #5 located outside the yard. The gate is now programmed for automated closure to prevent entry during the overnight hours and on weekends. Vehicles needing to exit from within the gate can now do so without the need to stop and unlock the chain previously used to secure the gate after hours.

Golf Course Patio Enclosure Repair



The patio enclosure at Cottonwood on the Greens suffered damage from a burst of extremely high wind such that the pictured exit door was completely blown off the frame and several windows in the canvass siding were stressed to the point of beginning to tear apart. Facilities Division staff worked to purchase the necessary hardware to repair the door and reinforced stitching was done to the canvass around window areas where necessary.

Mesa Library Elevator Refurbishment:



Concurrent with the HVAC renovations to occur during the Mesa Library closure (beginning on August 20th) the elevator that has serviced the building since its opening will be completely refurbished with new mechanical equipment and technology. The process will take three to four weeks, but since the timing will coincide with the planned closure, patrons will not be inconvenienced by this needed improvement.

Fleet Division

New Trucks:

Environmental Services received two new trucks in July. The new trucks will be utilized for route collection including collection of the new yard trimmings roll-carts. In the coming weeks the trucks will be adorned with art from the winners of the competition held through Los Alamos Public Schools.



A new attachment for the Airport tractor was received, it will be used to keep the runway clear of dust and debris.

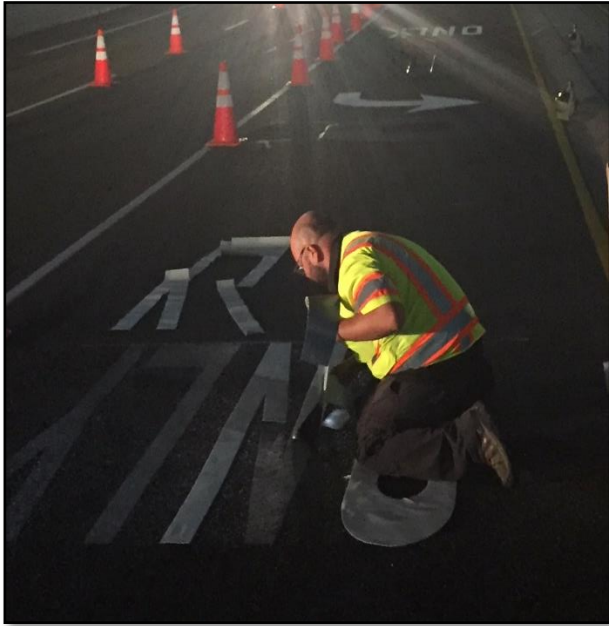


Two bikes have been added to the Bike at Work Fleet. These two bikes were acquired by Jon Bulthuis and repaired/painted by John Roberts. We are currently have a total of five bikes and building up the fleet gradually. These bikes are placed at the Municipal building for now but can be located to other County Facilities as needed.

Traffic & Streets Division



Crews installed signs and pavement markings at the new Atomic City Transit stop at East Jemez Road.



Crews were up early installing pavement markings on Diamond and Central. Traffic Electricians have continued with the ACT shelter lighting project. They trenched for conduit at a bus shelter on Sherwood.

Traffic Electricians transported more streetlight poles to and from Albuquerque for powder coating. This is part of the Central Avenue lighting project. An accident occurred on Central Ave. near the aquatic center that damaged two of the poles which have been replaced. One of the poles was able to be salvaged and re-powder coated, the other was damaged beyond repair.



In response to a citizen request, Streets crew cleared a drainage easement at the end of San Juan on Barranca Mesa.

Crews assisted GWS with a water main break on Arizona Crews resumed construction efforts for the airport hangar on Wednesday, July 18th.

Pavement Preservation Program – Material has been delivered in anticipation of crack sealing operations starting in White Rock.

Transit Division



The Transit Division is well into the 2018 Bandelier Shuttles season which started on May 17, 2018 and will continue through October 17, 2018. Shuttle service is provided seven days a week with 30 minutes Monday through Friday and 20-minute service Saturday and Sunday.

Additional ridership numbers for the month of June are available. A total of 21,122 trips and 13,771 miles were performed for the month of June. For the 2018 Bandelier season a total of 33,401 trips have been performed.

*Keep your ride simple...
Get on the Bus!*

Dump the Pump
JUNE 21, 2018
RIDE PUBLIC TRANSIT

Now it's even easier to dump the pump and ride on Atomic City Transit with the new ACTracker!

- FIND your bus on our service map in real time
- SIGN UP for service and departure alerts
- LOCATE the nearest bus stop

Download the ACTracker "myStop" app for iPhone, or go online to www.AtomicCityTransit.com from any mobile device or computer and click on the ACTracker link.

ACTracker
AtomicCityTransit.com

661-RIDE (7433)

One June 21, 2018, Atomic City Transit celebrated "Dump the Pump" day, promoting the use of public transportation. Thank you Los Alamos County riders.

Science Fest was held July 14, 2018 with ACT providing shuttle service around the downtown area to include the Nature Center.

Date	Route	Adult	Student	Senior	Bike	Lift	Unlinked Passenger Trips
7/14/18	Science Fest	37	18	-	-	-	55
7/14/18	Total Ridership	37	18	-	-	-	55



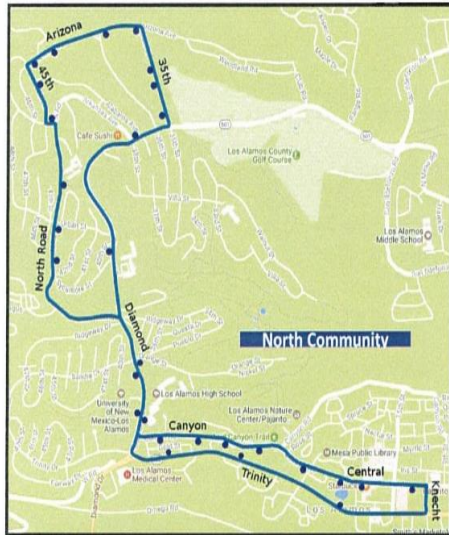
On April 5, 2018 the Transportation Board approved phase one of Atomic City Transit Bus Stop Improvement Plan.



With hard work from the Public Works, Engineering Division, phase one is starting with Route 6, specifically bus stops located on San Ildefonso Rd.

Route 6 - Bus Stop #336 (San Ildefonso Rd. & Camino Redondo). Additional improvements will continue with Route 2T in the White Rock area.

2018 Friday Night Concert Bus Service

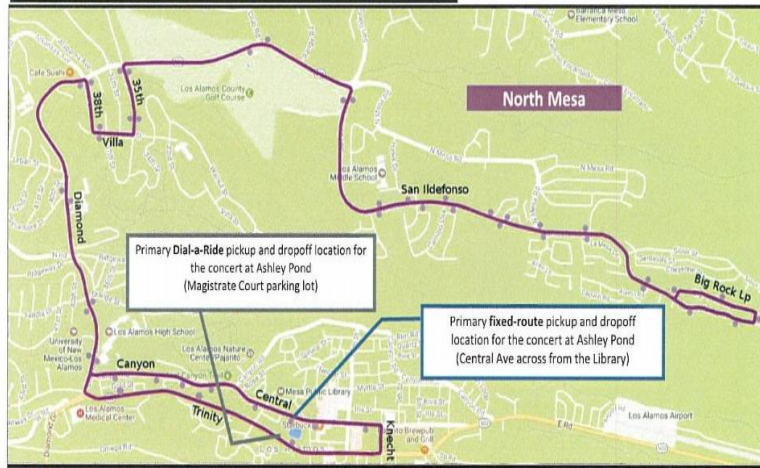


North Mesa										
Central & Mesa Library	Central 15th	Trinity 20th	Diamond & Orange	Villa 37th	San Ildefonso & Mid School	Stoneview & Big Rock Lp	San Ildefonso & Mid School	Villa 37th	Diamond & Sandia	Canyon & Gold St
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Friday Night Concert service is an extension of our fixed routes. If you would like to arrive at Ashley Pond prior to the times listed above, please see our regular fixed route schedules at www.AtomicCityTransit.com

Dial-a-Ride service is available for Los Alamos and White Rock locations that are not served by these routes from 6:30 PM to 10:30 PM. Reservations are taken up to one day in advance.

North Community										
Central & Mesa Library	Central 15th	Trinity 20th	Diamond & Orange	Yucca & North Rd	Arizona & 35th	Diamond & Sandia	Canyon & Gold St	Central & Mesa Library		
6:35 p	6:36 p	6:38 p	6:40 p	6:44 p	6:47 p	6:51 p	6:52 p	6:54 p		
7:05 p	7:06 p	7:08 p	7:10 p	7:14 p	7:17 p	7:21 p	7:22 p	7:24 p		
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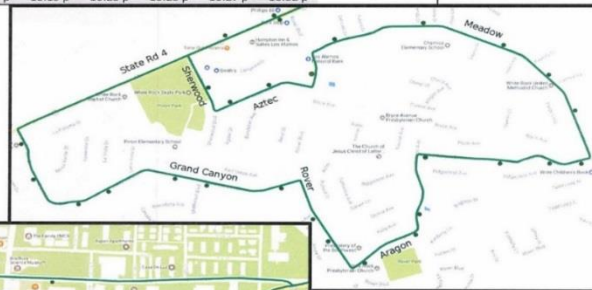


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where discoveries are made

Effective May 2018

Schedules for North Mesa and North Community are above and White Rock service is below. Dial-A-Ride services have also been extended for locations not served by a fixed route buses. Contact the Atomic City Transit administrative office at (505) 661-7433 to request a ride.

White Rock									
Central & Mesa Library	Central 15th	SR 4 & Sherwood (Visitor Center)	Grand Canyon & Sherwood	Aragon & Rover	Grand Canyon & Meadow	Sherwood & Post Office	Trinity 20th	Central & Mesa Library	
7:40 p	7:41 p	7:54 p	7:58 p	8:00 p	8:02 p	8:07 p	8:22 p	8:23 p	
8:25 p	8:26 p	8:39 p	8:43 p	8:45 p	8:47 p	8:52 p	9:07 p	9:08 p	
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Funding provided by the Los Alamos DWI Planning Council



With the first few concerts well underway below are some ridership information and the season is off to a great start. Come enjoy the concerts with safe transportation.

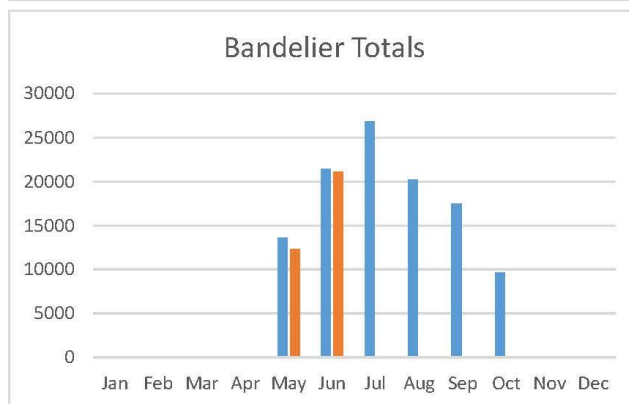
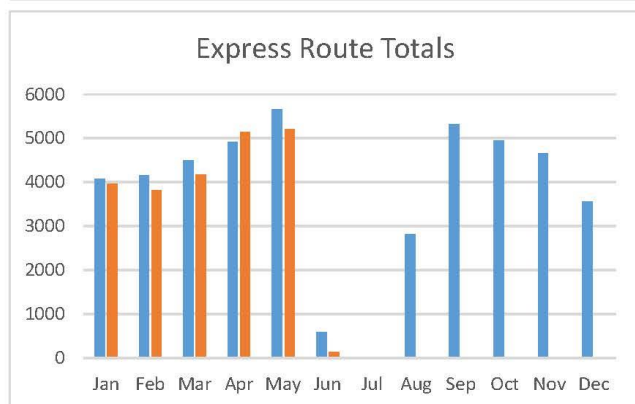
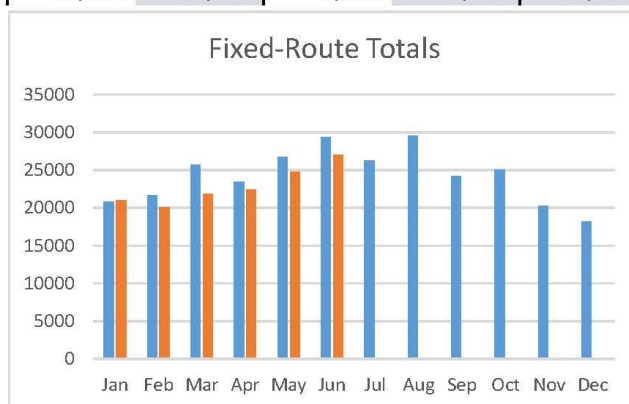
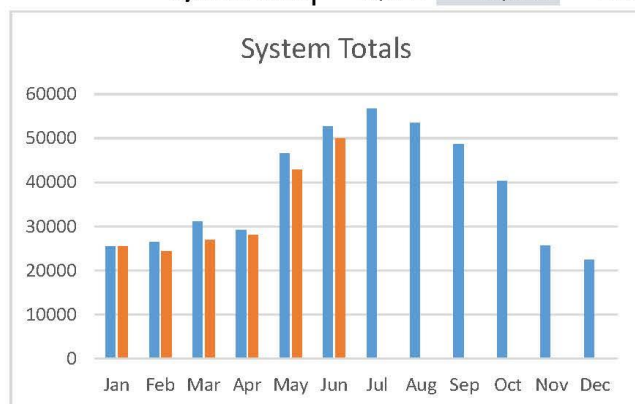
Date	Route	Adult	Student	Senior	Bike	Lift	Unlinked Passenger Trips
5/25/18	Concert Total	36	15	13	-	-	6
6/1/18	Concert Total	48	36	9	-	-	9
6/8/18	Concert Total	76	48	2	1	1	128
6/15/18	Concert Total	48	41	8	1		98
6/22/18	Concert Total	78	16	1	1		96
6/29/18	Concert Total	38	32	3			73
7/06/18	Concert Total	49	40	4	3		96
7/13/18	Concert Total	11	10	1	3		25
7/20/18	Concert Total *canceled due to rain	24	8	1			33



June 2018 Ridership Report

LOS ALAMOS

Route	June Trips			Jun. Rev. Miles		Jun. Rev. Hours		YTD Trips
	2017	2018	% Chg	2017	2018	2017	2018	2018
1 Downtown	9,336	8,151	-12.7%	3,965	3,785	328.5	313.6	32,685
2M White Rock - Main Hill	3,804	3,350	-11.9%	7,895	7,537	297.7	284.2	15,439
2T White Rock - Truck Rt	2,431	2,068	-14.9%	7,285	6,954	287.1	274.1	9,788
2P White Rock - Peak	-	350	0.0%	-	314	-	53.6	2,715
3 Central / Canyon	3,413	3,020	-11.5%	5,591	5,337	279.4	266.7	17,189
4 North Community	3,104	3,208	3.4%	4,051	3,867	286.0	273.0	15,330
5 Barranca Mesa	1,915	1,660	-13.3%	4,451	4,249	283.4	270.6	9,689
6 North Mesa	5,320	5,000	-6.0%	6,306	6,019	426.4	407.1	33,767
Fixed-route subtotal	29,323	26,807	-8.6%	39,545	38,061	2,188.6	2,142.7	136,602
7 North Mesa Expr	309	60	-80.6%	32	16	1.8	0.9	5,856
8 North Community Expr	85	26	-69.4%	13	6	0.9	0.4	4,011
9 Aspen Expr	81	34	-58.0%	10	5	0.7	0.4	3,939
10 Barranca Expr	63	-	0.0%	17	8	1.0	0.5	4,943
11 White Rock Expr	48	8	-83.3%	34	17	1.3	0.7	3,664
Express route subtotal	586	128	-78.2%	105	53	5.8	2.9	22,413
12 Bandelier	21,444	21,122	-1.5%	13,771	13,973	537.2	545.1	33,401
Dial-a-Ride	93	88	-5.4%	638	769	41.0	45.1	554
ACT Assist	526	420	-20.2%	4,227	3,379	277.6	184.0	2,571
Special Services	649	1,261	94.3%	337	1,806	37.6	98.2	1,611
System total	52,621	49,826	-5.3%	58,623	58,041	3,088	3,018	197,152



■ 2017 ■ 2018

Total Passenger Trips to Date: 4,944,147

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Building Safety Division

Seven (7) commercial permits were issued in July, with a total valuation of \$75,422.00, compared to twelve (12) permits issued in July 2017, with a total valuation of \$143,965.00.

Seventy-four (74) residential permits were issued in July 2018, with a total valuation of \$1,511,246.00 compared to fifty-three (53) permits issued in July 2017, with a total valuation of \$505,690.00.



Contractors Meeting at Fuller Lodge
Tuesday, July 17th

Twenty-two (22) people attended the monthly *Contractors Meeting* on July 17th. A presentation was given by Frank A. Kozeliski of Count on Concrete. The topic of the presentation was "Basics of Reinforced Concrete."

Commercial Updates:

Santa Fe Imaging is finishing up work to get their Certificate of Occupancy



Code Compliance:

Before and after pictures with code compliance intervention



Before



After



Before



After



Before



After

Housing and Special Projects Division



Home Rehabilitation Project (Los Alamos)

Removal of old furnace in preparation for a new unit

Housing Rehabilitation Program (Home Renewal Program):

For the 2017 program, work has been completed on 6 homes and work is underway on 3 other homes. Site visits for eligible applicants for the 2018 program were completed in July by the Los Alamos Housing Partnership. Project scopes will be completed in August and then contractors will be selected.

Homebuyer Assistance Program:

Six home purchases have been completed in July and two more are anticipated for August. Three new applications for down payment assistance are expected to be reviewed by the Loan Review Committee in August. The program's application period will remain open as long as funds are available.

Affordable Housing Multi-Family Development:

The "Canyon Walk Apartments" a planned 70 affordable rental units at 120 DP Road has been awarded low income housing tax credits by the State to be used towards acquiring private financing for the project. It is anticipated that the developer, Bethel Development Inc. will enter into a development agreement with the County this fall. The agreement will include the donation of the land from the County to the project for affordable housing. It is expected that Bethel will submit for a building permit application to begin construction by late 2018 or early 2019.

Planning Division

Planning and Zoning Commission:



P&Z Chair Terry Priestly and Commissioner Ashley Mamula

At their July 25th meeting, the Planning and Zoning Commission (P&Z) reviewed a close-to-final draft of the new Sign Ordinance and bade farewell to Ashley Mamula. Commissioner Mamula, who has served on P&Z for over five years, is temporarily relocating with her family to Washington, D.C.

Business License and Building Permit Review:

Planning Division staff reviewed and acted on 7 Business License applications and 42 Building Permits in the month of July.

Other:

Planning Division staff collaborated with the Engineering Division of the Public Works Department on developing a final draft ordinance for “Addressing and Road Naming,” to be presented to Council in August.

Staff continued to provide support for the A-19/Mirador subdivision prior to recordation of that plat, and worked with developers on pre-application requirements for several other potential projects.

Special Projects Section

Building Safety Division Accreditation:

Provided technical support to Code Compliance and Building Inspectors on the accreditation documents.

Boards and Commissions:

Continued training with Community Services Department staff for the handover of the oversight of the Boards and Commissions to the CDD Department.

Community Development Advisory Board:

Interviews were scheduled for the new Community Development Advisory Board (CDAB). A draft agenda was developed and board member packets for the first meeting were sent out for the first meeting which is scheduled for August 20, 2018.

Business Licenses:

Processed 25 Business Licenses.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Branding • The fourth ***Discoveries Action Team (DAT) meeting*** was held Thursday, July 19 at Fuller Lodge in the Pajarito Room from 11AM-12:30PM. The following are some of the key ideas for place making and place marketing:

D.A.T. IDEAS IN ACTION

1. Use Atomic City Transit (ACT) to bring Bandelier visitors to Los Alamos.

ACT Manager Annette Granillo joined the “place making” group to address the group’s quest to expand the Bandelier Shuttle service from White Rock (WR) and Bandelier to include a Los Alamos townsite stop. Annette reported that a ***rack card*** has been developed for Bandelier Shuttle riders that features the bus schedule/routes to Los Alamos, with clear directions regarding transfer times and locations to get visitors to Los Alamos and back to the White Rock Visitor Center. Bandelier Shuttle drivers and

other ACT drivers are being trained to promote and explain the WR-LA service. ACT will be monitoring rack card distribution and customer feedback.

In addition to the rack card, ACT buses are also equipped with an “**annunciator**” system that can be programmed to announce sound bites at key times during the Bandelier Shuttle ride. ACT and the CMO are working with the tourism marketing services consultant to develop the sound bite language to promote attractions, services and experiences “up the hill” in Los Alamos.

2. *Develop a Discovery Trail between Los Alamos and Ghost Ranch*

D.A.T. members are working with CMO staff to explore creation of an itinerary and map of interesting places to visit and experience from the Los Alamos County area to the Ghost Ranch area. Trail development will be coordinated with other efforts, including the statewide Atomic Trail proposed during the last legislative session.

3. *Improve and promote the Los Alamos community event/program calendar services.*

As owners of the current community event/program calendar—fyilosalamos.com—the Los Alamos Commerce and Development Corporation (LACDC) and Los Alamos MainStreet are taking the following steps improve the system.

- Researching new products and vendors to provide a new platform that makes it more user-friendly to both event/program planners and visitors/community members.
- Provide training on new system for event/program planners.
- Use all available media to increase awareness and use of the new community calendar system, including posters, banners, ads and fliers promoting fyilosalamos that will be placed in the MainStreet kiosks, on LA Live ad screens, on overpasses, in print, digital and broadcast media, and through e-blasts to Los Alamos MainStreet, Creative District and Chamber of Commerce lists.
- Explore development of an at-a-click “fyilosalamos.com” button for placement on all attraction/hospitality websites.
- Create an easy-reference printed piece of top 10 events/programs for retail businesses to display or reference.

4. *Use social media platforms to promote the Los Alamos community brand.*

- Partner with Los Alamos High School, after school starts, to challenge students to develop Snapchat filters for Los Alamos community brand hashtags: #livelosalamos, #worklosalamos, #playlosalamos and #staylosalamos.
- “Like/”Follow” and “Share” news and photos, including community brand hashtags, on the Facebook and Instagram sites of colleagues, friends and the general public.
- “Like,” “Follow,” “Share” and “Post” the Los Alamos community brand hashtags on The Iconic White Rock” Facebook page.

The next Discoveries Action Team meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 16 at the Fuller Lodge Pajarito Room, 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Lunch will be served! Contact discover@lacnm.us to indicate your interest and RSVP for lunch so we can be sure to have enough for everyone! Encourage a friend to do the same!

Mark Your Calendar with Future Discoveries Action Team Meetings to be held on the third Thursday of each month over the lunch hour (11AM-12:30PM) at the **Pajarito Cliffs Site in the Building 1 Conference Room**: Sep 20, Oct 18, Nov 15 and Dec 20.

BRAG ABOUT BRANDING

Whenever you realize you’re having an “**aha moment**,” share it!!! Send it to kelly.stewart@lacnm.us and I’ll help you get it out there!

Remember, on any on-line or social media, please use any of the following hashtags that best apply to your message:

#LiveLosAlamos #WorkLosAlamos #PlayLosAlamos #StayLosAlamos
#LearnLosAlamos #SafeLosAlamos #GiveLosAlamos #lovelosalamos #100ahamoments

Then, always follow that action-oriented hashtag with: “#wherediscoveriesaremade and #NewMexicoTrue (This aligns your message with bigger efforts that will provide Los Alamos more positive exposure!)

Spread the Love! Go to Instagram and check out **@LoveLosAlamos**, the new account started by three members of the FY17-FY18 Leadership Los Alamos class! The concept is simple: post photos of the things you love about Los Alamos, then hashtag #lovelosalamos #wherediscoveriesaremade! Instagrammers—spread the love! And if you haven’t got an Instagram account, this is a good reason to join!!

Los Alamos Film Office • A commercial shoot for Elle (France) magazine, incorporating drone, video and photography, was filmed at White Rock Overlook Point and Pajarito Mountain on August 6-8. **#filmlosalamos**

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Aug 25 – Environmental Services, the ESB and Zero Waste Los Alamos – hosted info booth Bear Festival, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Nature Center

Aug 21 - Council Work Session, 6:00 p.m., Fire Station No. 3, White Rock

Aug 28 – Council Regular Session, 6:00 p.m., Council Chambers

KUDOS & FYI

From: Pauline Schneider [mailto:Director@losalamosseniorcenter.com]

Sent: Monday, July 02, 2018 4:04 PM

Thank you all so much. I had the chance to try out a new unit as I drove one of our wheelchair vehicles to Santa Fe on Friday afternoon. The reception on both ends was superb – such a difference! This will make communicating to our White Rock drivers immensely better! Thank you so much!
Pauline & the LARSO Transportation staff

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How Do You Like Us Now?

Over the past year, Community Development Department staff has worked hard to improve program delivery and customer service. Please let us know how we are doing. But, don't stop there, let us know what we can do better.

I came to Community Development for:

- ☐ Planning/Zoning ☒ Codes Compliance ☐ Building Safety ☐ Business License ☐ Housing
☒ Permits

How do you rate your experience today? On a scale of 1 to 4 with: 4-Excellent 3-Good 2-Fair 1-Poor

The professionalism of staff today is a: 4

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The knowledge of the CDD staff is a: 4

My issue was resolved in a respectful and courteous manner: yes!

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Very courteous staff!

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Lenora was amazing throughout the entire process. She made getting a permit extremely easy. Thank you and your staff for everything. Very positive experience.

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Lenora = Awesome. Pay her more! Joe = Great Also.
THANK YOU

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Customer service by CDD staff today is a: _____

The knowledge of the CDD staff is a: Very good & very professional

My issue was resolved in a respectful and courteous manner: Yes!

If you would like to add comments or suggestions for improvement, please take a moment to do so:

I haven't had to come into the County very often, but every time I have all the staff has been very professional.
I am very please with the county.

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My issue was resolved in a respectful and courteous manner: ABSOLUTELY

If you would like to add comments or suggestions for improvement, please take a moment to do so:

LENORA WAS KNOWLEDGABLE, POLITE AND VERY HELPFUL.