

# JUNE 2025



*Airplane Static Display at the Airport Open House, June 28*



*The kids enjoyed learning about Fire Safety for the Safety Town Event, June 2025*

## COUNTY MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT

LOS ALAMOS

## INTRODUCTION

The County Manager's Monthly Report provides updates on key programs and projects, County financials and metrics that help track how the staff are serving the community.

## NOTE FROM THE COUNTY MANAGER

June was an amazing start to the summer activities. Summer concerts continue to be well attended with the weather mostly cooperating and ScienceFest was a huge success. We count our local blessings while we support those who are struggling with flooding events in Ruidoso, NM and Texas. If you want to help, many organizations like the Lincoln County Community Foundation are coordinating donations.

June Council meetings were full of agenda items that supported their strategic goals and ongoing operations including the following highlights:

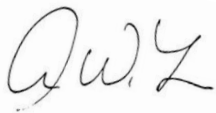
- Heard a presentation on the Los Alamos MainStreet program
- Approved a service agreement with the Historical Society to operate the History Museum and Archives
- Adopted an ordinance increasing electric service rates and charges
- Adopted an ordinance to increase sewage service rates
- Accepted \$700K from the New Mexico Environmental Department Clean Water State Revolving Loan Program for the Bayo Non-Potable Booster Rehabilitation project
- Supported the Rio Arriba County Nursing Home Facility construction with an additional \$2.7M from the Regional Fund
- Approved the design for the Ice Rink permanent cover structure
- Approved the purchase of property to re-align Longview Drive in White Rock
- Received an update from the Art in Public Places Board Chair
- Received an update from the Historic Preservation Board Chair
- Received an update on the Council's strategic goal – Economic Vitality
- Received interim report from Council's Inclusivity task force
- Approved land use action to move forward the new Fire Station 4 project
- Approved allocation of \$1M to Los Alamos Public Schools for the access road reconstruction at Pinon Elementary school
- Approved the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Los Alamos Firefighters Association

If you would like to see more about the council and their boards and commissions, please visit ([link](#)) to view meeting agendas, videos and minutes.

This month, I will also share some of my June activities as a County Manager. I had the opportunity to:

- June 1 – attended the J. Robert Oppenheimer Annual Scholarship Award Dinner
- June 3 – attended the monthly meeting with NNSA Site Office and DOE-EM leadership
- June 5 – attended monthly Tri-Party working group with our Fire Department leadership, NNSA site office contract manager, and Triad Fire Protection Office leadership regarding the Cooperative Agreement
- June 7 – attended ChamberFest
- June 10 – had final negotiation conversation with fire union representative
- June 11 – met with Canyon Walk and Bluffs management with Representative Chandler and Chair Cull
- June 13<sup>th</sup> – met with Pueblo de San Ildefonso Administrator John Gonzales
- June 20 – attended Congresswoman Theresa Leger-Fernandez and State Representative Christine Chandler town hall at Fuller Lodge
- June 20 – attended ScienceFest evening market and concert at Ashley Pond
- June 23 – attended LACDC Board meeting
- June 28 – attended Airport open house
- June 30 – met with local property owner regarding economic development possibilities

I will end this note, as always, with appreciation and gratitude for those who work tirelessly for the community - our staff, our community partners and volunteers. Thank you for all that you do and the many ways you make Los Alamos a special place and have a safe summer season.



Anne Laurent  
County Manager

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## COMMUNICATION AND ENGAGEMENT

### General County

Social Media Engagement  
(Facebook, Instagram, and Next Door):  
Impressions: 219,991  
Interactions: 3,032  
Impressions/Interactions =  
Engagement: 1.4% (Industry average is  
between 1 – 3.5%)

Top LACO performing post: Spring Fling  
was Flung (posted June 11)

Post Impressions: 13,211  
Interactions: 186  
Positive: 96%; Negative: 0%

### County Line, Bottom Line, Sustainability, Off the Shelf Newsletter

Subscribers: 4,477  
Open Rate: 52%

### Record Management

Records requested: 223  
Carryovers from previous month: 16  
Records pulled for review: 43410  
Boxes intake for storage: 8  
Internal requests: 4  
Records provided: 4  
Permit requests: 6

### Clerk's Office

Records & Filings: 262  
eRecordings: 68  
Marriage Licenses: 11  
Probate Cases: 4  
Council County / Board Meetings: 3  
Total Registered Voters: 16,101  
Voter Record Transactions: 1,199  
Social Media Posts: 1  
Facebook Followers: 626  
Instagram Followers: 375  
Threads Followers: 75  
X Followers: 139  
Customer Visits: 73

### Community Development Department

@LosAlamosCountyCommunityDevelop  
mentDepartment Facebook  
Followers to date: 783  
Reached this month: 271  
Content interaction this month: 15

### Community Services Department

New Social Media Followers: 74  
E-Activity Spring Guide Reads: 126  
E-Activity Summer Guide Reads: 442  
Alcohol Permits: 1

### Environmental Services

Social Media Followers: 1.3k

### Fire Department

New Social Media Followers: 8 IG, 16  
FB)

## **Public Meetings**

A public meeting was held at the Transportation Board meeting on June 5 to discuss the feasibility of extending the Canyon Rim Trail west past Ashley Pond towards Diamond Drive. This topic will be presented to the County Council in August for further discussion.

## **INTERGOVERNMENTAL, TRIBAL, AND REGIONAL RELATIONS**

### **State**

The team is excited to share that Danielle Miera from the Clerk's office recently returned from the International Association of Government Officials (IGO) Annual Conference, held in Kansas City, Missouri. This opportunity was made possible through a competitive scholarship she was awarded. The IGO Conference brings together government officials from across the country to share ideas, explore best practices, and strengthen leadership in areas such as elections, records management, and public service. Danielle attended workshops on office efficiency, voter outreach, and legislative updates, and connected with peers from a wide range of counties and jurisdictions.

### **Federal**

Request for Proposals (RFP) for state and federal lobbyist services were opened to the public. Both RFPs had successful attendance at the pre-proposal conferences. They will be completed later in the month.

The Intergovernmental Affairs Manager (IAM) attended the NACo Annual Conference with Councilors Ryti and Reagor. Councilor Ryti's policy submissions to NACo were adopted by the organization as part of their policy agenda. Additionally, the IAM was elected to be the Vice President of the National Association of County Intergovernmental Relations Officers, an affiliate organization of NACo.

### **Tribal and Regional**

Various Council policy priorities were submitted to the New Mexico Municipal League (NMML) and the New Mexico Counties for consideration to be added to those organizations' policy agendas. They were not adopted by the NMML. The medical compacts priority is under consideration for adoption later this year.

# FISCAL STEWARDSHIP

## Financial Overview

The Finance and Procurement team worked diligently with internal users to prepare for the fiscal year end of June 30, 2025. The Deputy CFO, Business and ERP Manager, and Chief Purchasing Officer performed a seamless year end crossover to open Fiscal Year 2026

## Procurement Stats

FY 25 YTD Stats:

- 1597 Purchase Orders Issued
- 796 PO Change Orders
- 3527 Inventory Pick Tickets
- 104 Agreements Completed
- 31 Amendments Completed
- 891 Solicitations/Amendments in Progress

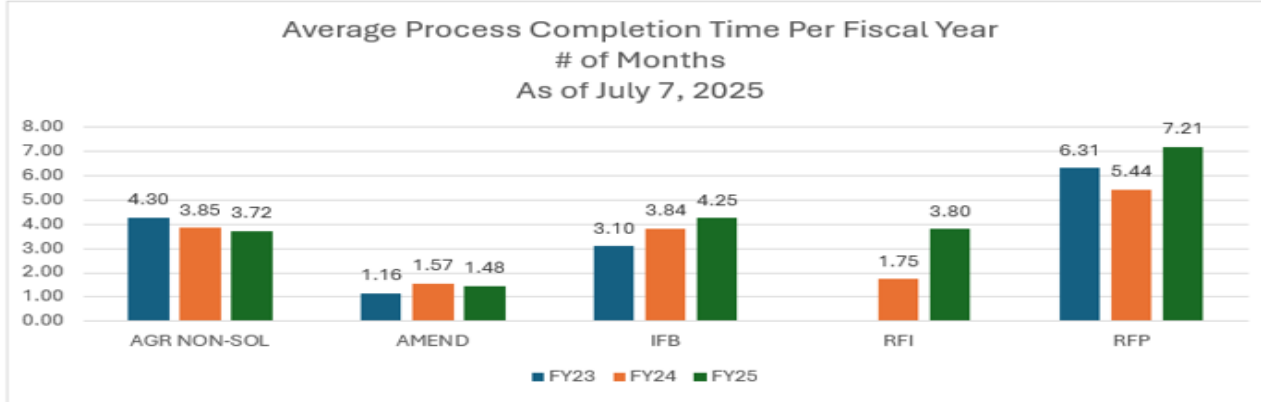
## Trends:

- Purchase Orders decreased from 1699 (FY24) to 1597 (FY25)
- PO Change Orders increased from 736 to 796
- Inventory Pick Tickets Processed & Delivered decreased from 3772 to 3527
- Agreements Completed decreased 110 to 104
- Amendments Completed decreased from 53 to 37
- Solicitations/Agreements/Amendments in Progress increased from 65 to 91
- Anticipated Projects decreased from 59 to 36
- Property Disposal Requests Received increased from 58 to 62

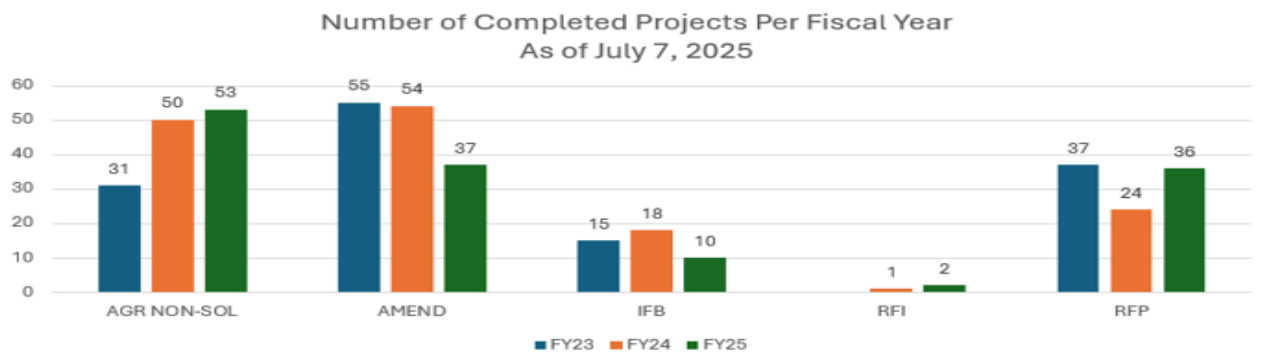
June 2025				June 2024	
Accounts	Number of	Dollar Amount	Variance	Number of	Dollar Amount
Receivable	Transactions		Over Prior	Transactions	
			Year		
			Increase		
			(Decrease)		
Gross Receipts Tax Received	4	\$ 5,859,162.99	-30.08%	4	\$ 7,621,489.14
Electronic Payments Received (EPAY)	38	\$ 5,326,847.89	-42.77%	32	\$ 7,605,054.20
Property Tax Received	259	\$355,759.58	-90%	254	\$ 675,737.70
Lodgers Tax Received	5	\$41,083.45	-12%	5	\$ 46,160.95
<b>Accounts Payable</b>					
Number of Invoices Paid	600	\$ 21,752,506.82	7%	727	\$ 20,293,104.34
Wire Payments Processed	29	\$ 8,218,726.71	32%	28	\$ 5,555,789.31
Electronic Fund Transfers (EFT) Processed	165	\$ 5,120,559.59	-12%	189	\$ 5,732,476.35
Normal Print Checks Processed	254	\$ 8,413,220.52	-7%	272	\$ 9,004,838.68
<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>448</b>	<b>\$ 21,752,506.82</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>489</b>	<b>\$ 20,293,104.34</b>
P-Card Transactions	1,148	\$ 507,796.81	4%	1,375	\$ 532,275.76

This data does not reflect all different types of formal solicitations, procurements, and agreement activities tracked on the Procurement Dashboard. The data has been filtered to only show the more common types of formal solicitations and agreements.

AVERAGE PROCESS COMPLETION TIME				# OF PROJECTS COMPLETE BY FISCAL YEAR			
Status (Multiple Items) ▼				Status (Multiple Items) ▼			
Average of PROCESS TIME - MONTHS		Column Labels		PROJECTS COMPLETE		Row Labels	
Row Labels	FY23	FY24	FY25	FY23	FY24	FY25	Total
AGR NON-SOL	4.30	3.85	3.72	31	50	53	134
AMEND	1.16	1.57	1.48	55	54	37	146
IFB	3.10	3.84	4.25	15	18	10	43
RFI		1.75	3.80		1	2	3
RFP	6.31	5.44	7.21	37	24	36	97
<b>Total</b>				<b>138</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>423</b>



*The longest and shortest outliers in each FY have been removed to provide more accurate averages. This chart reflects only those projects that were completed from start to finish. It does not reflect projects that were cancelled midway or where there were no proposals or bids submitted.*



## EFFECTIVE, EFFICIENT, AND RELIABLE SERVICES

### CLERK

#### Update

At the Clerk’s Office, the team understands that accurate and reliable voter records are a vital part of the election process. That’s why the team has recently undertaken a project to ensure the physical records- specifically, the paper voter registration cards are accounted for and correspond to entries in the online voter registration system.

This isn’t a full audit or a detailed record-by-record comparison, but rather a practical effort to confirm that for every registered voter in the database. The team also has a

physical copy of their voter registration card on file. These physical records remain an important part of the documentation process and serve as a reliable backup to the digital database.

The process has involved going through batches of registrations and simply confirming the team can locate the original paper voter card associated with each record. If the team comes across a registration without a corresponding physical card, it is flagged and followed up as needed to ensure the files are complete. This kind of verification helps the team stay organized, identify any gaps or misfiles, and prepare the office for smoother operations during future elections.

Maintaining both physical and digital records may seem old-fashioned in a digital age, but it's an important part of the checks and balances that ensure the records are thorough and accessible. It also places the team to respond quickly to any questions or challenges about voter registrations that may arise during an election cycle.

This behind-the-scenes work is part of ongoing team-effort to support transparency, accountability, and preparedness. While most voters may never see this part of the process, it's a vital function that helps the Clerk's Office operate efficiently and uphold the integrity of the registration system.

Thank you to the community for their continued trust and support as the team continues to carry out this important record-keeping work.

### **Connecting with the Public**

Last week, County Clerk Redondo spent the morning at the local farmers market as part of the office's ongoing outreach efforts. It was a great opportunity to connect with residents, answer questions about voter registration, and share information about the many services the Clerk's Office provides.

From election info to recording services, the booth offered a casual, accessible way for community members to engage with local government. Thank you to everyone who stopped by to say hello- the team always appreciate the chance to hear from you directly!

Keep an eye on more community events where you can meet the Clerk's Office team and learn more about how the team can serve you. For more information, visit the Clerk's webpage at [www.losalamosnm.us/clerk](http://www.losalamosnm.us/clerk), or contact the office at 505.662.8010. The office is located at 1000 Central Avenue, Suite 240, and staff is always happy to assist with any inquiries.



## Upcoming Events

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|------------------|--|
| July 4, 2025     | County Clerk's Office closed in observance of Independence Day |
| July 8, 2025     | County Council Meeting   |
| July 15, 2025    | County Council Work Session                                    |
| July 21-23, 2025 | New Mexico Clerk's Affiliate Retreat                           |
| July 29, 2025    | County Council Meeting   |

## HUMAN RESOURCES

### Updates

Collective Bargaining with the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) has concluded and the new Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) is in effect from July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2029.

In partnership with the County Manager's office, HR continues to work on finalizing reviewing, revising, and developing the Compensation Policy

Risk Management has been working on FY26 insurance renewals.

The introduction of the NEO Safety training week has been quite successful and a great improvement in compliance numbers. Training Compliance remains high; the team continues to collaborate closely with staff to maintain workplace safety and compliance.

Risk Management and the Attorney's office are working with LAFD to offer Code of Conduct training to all fire shifts.

Following the Council's approval of the FY26 budget in April, the Compensation Team is leading the FY26 Annual Increase Process. The team has begun planning and working on the implementation of annual increases, which will take effect on July 6<sup>th</sup>, the first full pay period of July.

The team is optimistic that Class 14 of the LAC Leadership Academy will commence in Fall 2025.

The team has been working with Santa Fe Community College to provide leadership and professional development opportunities for FY2026.

The Employee Recognition Committee hosted the Spring Fling event at Fuller Lodge on June 11<sup>th</sup> for all employees with a great turnout! Thank you, employees, for all your hard work and dedication to the County!

## PLANNING

### June Stats

Permits Reviewed: 40

Planning Inspections Conducted: 13

Business Licenses Reviewed: 11

Development Applications Processed: 9

### Updates

In June, the new Fire Station 4 project advanced through the land use approval process and received final approval from County Council. This critical public safety investment aligns with the County's Strategic Goals, supporting Operational Excellence by delivering effective, efficient, and reliable services, and enhancing Quality of Life through improved public safety infrastructure.

### Upcoming

July 9, 2025, Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting

July 23, 2025, Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting

August 6, 2025, Historic Preservation Advisory Board Meeting

## INFRASTRUCTURE ASSET MANAGEMENT

### INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

#### Infrastructure Update

**.gov Domain Transition Testing:** Initiated internal testing phases for the upcoming .gov domain transition within the IM department. Efforts focused on identifying and proactively addressing potential issues to ensure a smooth rollout organization wide.

**Disaster Recovery Site Network Upgrade:** Systems Team replaced an aging network switch at the Disaster Recovery (DR) site that was contributing to recurring nightly network congestion. This upgrade has improved performance and stability across the network.

#### Application Update

Got Westnet station alerting implemented

CAD (PD) interfaces for First Due and WestNet completed

Migrated ClubPropher (Golf Course s/w) to new database

Resolved with Tyler Tech a View issue in Munis databases

SQL Archive (old ERP system data ) Server updated extending life

Yer-end Munis backup saved

Began work on the following projects:

Migrating TABFusion (RIM) to cloud version

Tested 2 factor authentication for ExecuTime access – expected to roll out this month

Facilitated with HR improvements to Branier (LAC training) portal

Completed installation of the new Dispatch emergency call recording system.

#### June Stats

517 New Service Desk Tickets

0 Open tickets

517 Closed Tickets

### AIRPORT

Take-offs and Landings - The heat has come to NNM, limited most general aviation activities to the morning hours, yet operations were up, with a recorded a total of 359 take-offs and landings for the month, a 20% increase from May. Classic Air Medical accounted for 179 of those operations, with other commercial and general aviation activity remaining consistent with recent months.

## Operations for the Month of June

The weeds were too high to ignore any longer so with the help of Traffic & Streets and the new high school intern, Jason Rodgers, we fired up the weed eaters, zero-turn mower, and the John Deere tractor and spent many hours listening to podcasts while chipping away at the unruly 30 acres of mowing. No airplanes were damaged in the process.

A contract is moving forward with a local contractor to construct eight T-hangars near the fuel farm at the airport. The project is currently scheduled for the July 29 Council agenda. If approved, construction is expected to begin this fall, with completion targeted for the end of May 2026. This project is a critical step in advancing the Airport Master Plan, which has been in development for over 12 years. Once the new hangars are complete, aircraft can be relocated from the aging west end hangars, allowing for future development of that area.



*Airplane Static Display at the Airport Open House*

The **Los Alamos Airport Open House** on Saturday June 28th was a resounding success, drawing an estimated 1,000 visitors from the community and surrounding region, some flew in from as far as Mountain Air in the south and Del Norte, Co to the north. The event featured educational displays, flight simulators, and hands-on activities for all ages. Children especially enjoyed building and launching their own paper rockets using a compressed air launch pad, while attendees witnessed aerial demonstrations of motorized paragliders, a powered hang glider (trike), and lots of remote-controlled (RC) planes and LANL drones. The new KLAM pilot digital photo wall debuted in the terminal, showcasing local and visiting aircraft and engaging the public with real-time submissions. This was a real community event, and would like to thank the participating partners: Experimental Aircraft Association, Classic Air Medical, New Mexico Pilots

Association, LANL, FAA, Civil Air Patrol, Los Alamos Aeromodelers, Chris Dahl-Bredine Photography, Los Alamos Fire Department and all the local and visiting pilots.



## FACILITIES

### June Stats:

Current Work Orders in Queue: 154

New Work Orders Since Last Report: 94

Completed Work Orders: 94

After hours: 3

Emergency: 2

No additional updates to report for June 2025

## CUSTODIAL

### June Stats

Fuller Lodge – 56

White Rock Activity Center – 19

White Rock Fire Station #3 – 2

Betty Ehart Senior Center (BESC) – 28

White Rock Town Hall – 0

Municipal Building - 45

### Updates

The Custodial Division continues to promote innovative approaches, conscientious stewardship and outstanding customer service while delivering clean and safe results to the County.

The Division also promotes outstanding customer service support through the Fuller Lodge Reservations Office, helping customers reserve and plan their events at County indoor facilities.

Reservations for the month of June increased slightly from May because of graduation parties and weddings.

## FLEET

### June Stats

Work Orders Entered – 243

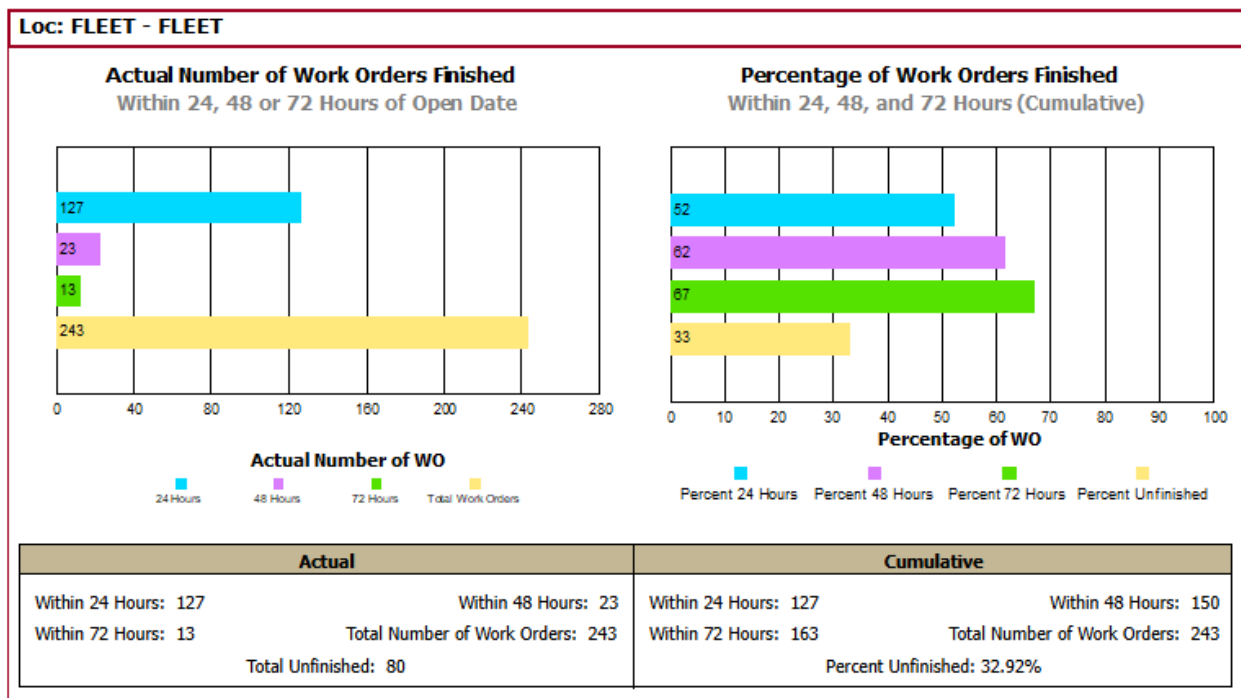
Work Orders Completed within 72 Hours - 163

Work Orders remain open – 17

Work Orders that are considered Preventive Maintenance – 46

Work Orders Repairs – 196

Work Orders for Accidents – 1



The Fleet staff has been working diligently to upgrade select county vehicles with new fuel modules ahead of the fuel tank monitoring software update. The team is currently about 25% complete and aim to have the majority of the upgrades finished before the switchover. In addition, the team is actively working on updating the service agreements related to these upgrades.

Fleet plans to initiate department meetings to address any concerns, discuss fleet-related issues, and explore ways to improve customer service. These meetings will also serve as an ideal opportunity to begin conversations about FY26 vehicle replacements and departmental needs ahead of the ordering process.

## TRAFFIC AND STREETS

### June Stats

Customer Calls – 73

Permits Processed – 19

Permits Extended – 4

Work orders received – 20

Work orders completed – 5

Locates – 129

Asphalt used – 3.5 yards

Per Patch used – 120 lbs

Linear Miles Striped – 100,620

Lights and Fixtures that were replaced – 6

Special Events Support – 1 – Nature Center's Annual Earth Day

### Update

Staff have been working with Brightly Software Inc. to implement a new work order system called Asset Essentials. Through ongoing training, staff are learning to enter and manage data within the system, which will improve the efficiency of work order tracking and provide the capability to generate detailed reports as needed. The project is being led by Traffic Manager Aaron Park.

Crews provided traffic control support for recent community events, including Chamber Fest, the Night Market, and Discovery Day. The team is now preparing to assist with traffic control for the upcoming 4th of July Drone Show at Ashley Pond.

Crews collaborated to install new wayfinding poles and signs throughout the community. The signs and markings crew have been busy striping roadways and recently began work on County-owned parking lots, starting with the lots at the PEEC Nature Center, Rover Park, and Overlook Park. Additional striping of school zones, curbs, and the remaining parking lots is scheduled for July. Meanwhile, traffic electricians completed maintenance on school and fire station flashers in both the Townsite and White Rock, including the replacement of solar batteries. Traffic electricians installed a radio, conductors and hardware on top of the water tower in Quemazon.

Streets crews recently completed several projects throughout the community, including re-paving Terry Lane and repairing a sidewalk on 35th Street. The team also swept the sidewalks at the Mirador Subdivision and provided sand for Chamber Fest. In addition, crews cleared Russian olive trees at the PEEC Nature Center and began mowing at the airport, along with performing right-of-way maintenance and mowing in the Townsite area.

## EMPLOYEE RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION

### June Highlights

There were 40 new hires in June. 26 out of the 40 are Summer Students hired for the Summer Internship program which will end on August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025, 3 out of the 40 are Police Corporals, and 7 promotions processed in June.

The Recruitment Team continues to provide excellent Customer Service to all the departments within the County and assist in Recruitment needs.

### Current Vacancies ([link](#))

10 job postings are currently listed on the LAC website:

Lifeguard Trainee or Lifeguard- Regular, Arborist, Lifeguard Casual, Transit Operator Trainee/Operator 1 and 2, Golf/Ice Maintenance Assistant Superintendent, Management Analyst – Procurement, Recreation Program Manager – Aquatics, Business Operations Manager, Parks Maint Const Spec 2, Aquatics Maint Specialist 1, 2, or 3.

## HOUSING

WASHINGTON, DC – June 23, 2025

Existing Home Sales Forecast Revised Lower in Latest Outlook. Existing single-family home sales are forecast at 4.14 million units for 2025, down slightly from last month's forecast of 4.24 million units, according to the [June 2025 Economic and Housing Outlook](#) from the Fannie Mae (FNMA/OTCQB) Economic and Strategic Research (ESR) Group. Revisions to the home sales forecast were driven in part by the ESR Group's higher expectations for mortgage rates, which are now predicted to end 2025 and 2026 at 6.5% and 6.1%, respectively. The latest outlook also projects real gross domestic product growing at 1.4% in 2025 and 2.2% in 2026 on a Q4/Q4 basis

## Updates

**20th Street Development Solicitation:** County staff and RBMM development are finalizing the cost estimates for on-site and off-site improvements. The development team anticipates having the final development agreement in the coming weeks. [Goals: Downtown Revitalization, Local Business, Housing.]

**Affordable Housing Service Providers:** The Housing Trust and County staff closed the first Home Rehabilitation Program loan in the first week of June. A ribbon cutting was held on June 25<sup>th</sup> to officially open The Housing Trust office, located at 1910 Trinity Drive, in the First National 1870 branch office.

Los Alamos County Housing, Housing New Mexico, and their partner agency, Central New Mexico Housing Corporation, are rolling out the NM EnergySmart Weatherization Program targeted at low-, and moderate-income households in the community. This program will increase weatherization and energy efficiency in participating homes. We hope to roll this program out in mid-July.

**9<sup>th</sup> Street Deed Restriction Acquisition:** The County Council approved the acquisition of 87 deed restrictions to preserve units for residents making at or below 45% AMI. The final closing date is June 30, 2025.

**North Mesa Update:** Wilson and Company have completed the draft study with the exception of final analysis of the North Mesa sewer drops. The draft report sans sewer drop analysis will be provided to County staff on June 13<sup>th</sup>, for review and consideration. Final deliverables are expected in late June or early July depending on the final sewer drop analysis.

The final report will determine system upgrades required to serve the site with utilities and how to mitigate impacts on the transportation system. In addition, the data will provide preliminary cost estimates for the work. [Goals: Housing, Intergovernmental Relations.]

**A-8-A:** Staff will update the Council at an upcoming closed session to discuss the opportunities and financial challenges to developing the A8A parcel. Staff are engaged in discussions with the development group on alternate financing models for the project. The selected proposal continues to focus on deed restricted 'missing middle' affordable housing and incorporates a variety of unit types

## LOCAL BUSINESS

### **Real Estate Reuse and Development Training**

On June 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, Dr. Sasser attended an online training hosted by the International Economic Council. The session provided case studies on local government real estate reuse projects.

### **Local Business Sustainability Program**

On June 11<sup>th</sup>, Barela and Sasser met with other departments in the county to begin working on a plan to create a sustainability program for local businesses.

### **Mainstreet Futures Meeting**

On June 9<sup>th</sup>, Sasser and Barela attended the Mainstreet Futures meeting at the LACDC conference room. *[1.1 Communication and Engagement; 3.2 Local Business]*

### **Chamber Business Breakfast**

On June 12, Barela and Felton attended the Chamber Business Breakfast on video storytelling by Jane Bernard. The workshop focused on how businesses and nonprofits can use storytelling to help sell their product or get people to join their organization. Following the breakfast, Felton attended an additional photography workshop by the Chamber and Bernard. *[1.1 communication and Engagement; 3.2 Local Business]*

### **The Housing Trust Ribbon Cutting**

On June 25, Barela, Felton, and Osborn attended the ribbon cutting event for The Housing Trust inside First National 1870. *[1.1 Communication and Engagement; 3.2 Local Business]*

**Retail LEDA and White Rock MRA-** Barela and Sasser continue meeting with the legal and financial department to pull together these new programs for the County.

**New Mexico Film Liaison Training** – In June, Felton completed the AFCI course for film liaisons throughout New Mexico. The course highlighted ways to speak with people in the industry, how to market your area for filming, etc. *[3.2 Local Business; 1.1 Communication and Engagement]*

### **Small Business Finance Fair: Grants**

On June 17<sup>th</sup>, Barela attended Santa Fe's Small Business Finance Fair to meet different entities about available grants for New Mexico Small Business owners. *[3.2 Local Business; 1.1 Communication and Engagement]*

**Small Business Outreach-** Barela met with **25** small businesses this month. Barela consistently heard from small businesses regarding concerns over the high cost of rents and the lack of maintenance and upkeep of the buildings by local property owners. *[3.2 Local Business; 1.1 Communication and Engagement]*

## DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION

### June Stats

**LEDA and MRA Application Process-** Barela and Sasser met several times while working to process a retail LEDA application.

### Vacant Building Project

Throughout June, Barela and Felton continued to work on a project to identify vacant buildings in downtown Los Alamos and White Rock. This effort is combined with GIS at the County to help identify the right businesses when someone calls 9-1-1. *[1.1 Communication and Engagement; 3.2 Local Business]*

### Tourism Marketing Services RFP

Throughout June, Felton worked with procurement to outline the next Tourism Marketing Services RFP. Following the conversations, it was determined the RFP would be advertised in July. *[1.1 Communication and Engagement; 3.4 Tourism and Special Events]*

### Summer Influencer through NMTrue

On June 13, Felton met with the summer influencer upon her arrival to Los Alamos County. During the meeting, Felton confirmed the influencer knew the history of Los Alamos County and answered any questions as needed. The influencer was the fourth and final one to visit in 2024-2025 as a part of the NMTrue Grant. *[1.1 Communication and Engagement; 3.4 Tourism and Special Events]*

### ScienceFest Publicity

On June 20, Felton took videos and photos of ScienceFest for KOB to help Los Alamos MainStreet get the word out about their event. *[1.1 Communication and Engagement; 3.4 Tourism and Special Events]*

### Bradbury Science Museum Homestead Exhibit Opening

On June 25, Barela and Felton attended the Homestead Exhibit Opening as a part of ScienceFest. *[1.1 Communication and Engagement; 3.4 Tourism and Special Events]*

### **MAPR Anniversary Planning Meetings**

Felton, along with other members from the County, met with Manhattan Project National Historical Park – Los Alamos twice in June to discuss event planning for the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the park coming up in November. The group continues to meet as needed to help plan any events/activities for the anniversary. *[1.1 Communication and Engagement; 3.4 Tourism and Special Events]*

### **Hotel/Inn Meetings**

Throughout the second half of June, Barela and Felton met with three hotel/inn general managers in Los Alamos County. The team discussed how the County could help support their operations and endeavors. In July, Barela and Felton anticipate meeting with other current hotel/inn general managers. *[1.1 Communication and Engagement; 3.2 Local Business; 3.4 Tourism and Special Events]*

### **Distribution of 2025 Adventure Guide & Summer Activity Guide**

Through the second half of June, Felton and Sasser distributed the 2025 Adventure Guide and Summer Activity Guide throughout the region. This was done through drop-offs and shipping the guides to further away communities who requested the material. In addition to the two's efforts, Discover Los Alamos also assisted in distribution of the 2025 Adventure Guide in the Santa Fe region through their contractor. *[1.1 Communication and Engagement; 3.4 Tourism and Special Events]*

### **NMTrue Grant**

EDD continues with advertising initiatives through the NMTrue Grant. In June, this included a published article at <https://www.newmexico.org/blog/post/atomic-summer/>. In addition, Felton met with NMTrue CoOp FY26 Onboarding call. *[3.4 Tourism]*

## **EDUCATIONAL, ARTS, CULTURAL, & HISTORICAL AMENITIES**

### **Upcoming Nature Center Programs**

PEEC Events to Look Forward to in August 2025

One Sky – August 1, 2025

Explore – August 2, 2025

Bird Walk at Los Luceros – August 3, 2025

Night Sky in August– August 5, 2025

Fantastic Fractals– August 8, 2025

Unveiling the Invisible Universe– August 9, 2025

Stellar Lifecycles– August 12, 2025

Forward to the Moon– August 16, 2025

Wildflower Walk– August 18, 2025

Bear Dinner – August 22, 2025

Bear Fest– August 23, 2025

River of Bears– August 23, 2025

Tree Climbing for Science + Conservation– August 26, 2025

Fantastic Fractals – August 30, 2025

### **Library June Stats:**

83 Public Programs and Events

1,730 Total Program Attendance

24,018 Physical Items Circulated

10,043 Digital Items Circulated

34,061 Total Items Circulated

### **Update**

June kicked off the library's busiest seasons of the year, marked by high circulation numbers, increased foot traffic, vibrant and plentiful programming, and the launch of the annual Summer Reading Program.

The programming in June included many new offerings with several adult program series, Creative Studio, plane travel practice, and circus art workshops by Wise Fool. Patrons were also thrilled to welcome back fan favorites including Read books with Pride, the Stuffed Animal Sleepover, the White Rock Reading with... program, Clan Tinker and Strike a Pose yoga.

Mesa Public Library recently unveiled a new bike rack, a skateboard/scooter rack with locks, and a repair station equipped with bike maintenance tools and an air pump. All equipment is conveniently located under the drive-through overhang. A second repair station is scheduled for installation outside the White Rock Branch Library in July.

The annual Summer Reading Program is off to a strong start, with June participation across all three reading levels nearly matching last year's two-month total. With the program running through the end of July, there's still plenty of time to sign up, explore library resources, read, and win prizes.

The Step Up gallery opened the show, Earth is the Magnet of the Sky by Catherine Eaton Skinner with an opening reception and artist talk on June 14. The exhibit was visited by over 250 guests during the last two weeks of June. The exhibit is open through July 24.

In late July, the Library will celebrate the 10th anniversary of the White Rock Branch Library with several events including an author talk by Hampton Sides, and a Street Fair for kids of all ages.

Library staff have many projects in the making including the annual Comic-Con event, Atomicon, , the outdoor classroom space at the Mesa Public Library, and the recording of a series of videos featuring economic development and business resources for the new library website.

## TOURISM AND SPECIAL EVENTS

### June Stats

#### **@VisitLosAlamos Facebook:**

15,551 followers to date

54,346 reached in June 2025

1,218 engagements in June 2025

#### **@VisitLosAlamos Instagram:**

1,482 followers to date

54,346 reached in June 2025

335 engagements in June 2025

#### **Visitlosalamos.org Website:**

44,968 Users

18,984 Engaged Sessions

26 seconds Average Engagement Time/Session

### Visitor Center Visitation

**Los Alamos:** 2,085 in June 2025

**White Rock:** 1,011 in June 2025

### Updates

#### **Comprehensive Economic Development Steering Committee**

On June 3rd, Dr. Sasser met with the CEDS Committee conducting a work session for the regional economic plan. *[1.1 Communication and Engagement; 3.2 Local Business; 3.4 Tourism and Special Events]*

#### **Council Presentation**

On June 10<sup>th</sup>, Dr. Sasser presented to council an Economic Vitality Update. *[1.1 Communication and Engagement; 3.2 Local Business; 3.4 Tourism and Special Events]*

### **Atomic 66 Tech Conference**

On June 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>, Dr. Sasser attended a state wide meeting for training on how local governments can support tech start-up companies. Dr. Sasser engaged with NM Start-Up, NM Grants, and venture capitalist organizations that support tech start-ups. Dr. Sasser is planning to work with these organizations to create a series of tech start-up workshops in Los Alamos this fall. *[1.1 Communication and Engagement; 3.2 Local Business; 3.4 Tourism and Special Events]*

### **Economic Development Round Table**

On June 17<sup>th</sup>, Dr. Sasser participated in a regional round table hosted by the Regional Development Corporation and discussed regional efforts for tourism, vacant building inventories, and funding for small businesses. *[1.1 Communication and Engagement; 3.2 Local Business; 3.4 Tourism and Special Events]*

### **Rural Summit for Economic Development**

From June 22<sup>nd</sup> until June 25<sup>th</sup>, Dr. Sasser participated in the first economic development summit hosted by the International Council of Economic Development that focused solely on rural economic development. There she was introduced to the Rural Innovation Network, Smart Nation, and other organizations and resources to support economic development. She also participated in a tribal track which highlighted techniques between local governments and tribal nations in development projects.

### **Regional Council of Government Board Meeting**

On June 26, Dr. Sasser engaged with regional partners for a meeting in Red River, NM. The meeting was hosted by the community of Red River and included a project and infrastructure tour by Mayor Calhoun. Dr. Sasser while there met with the Economic Development Administrator of Red River. The Administrator shared with Dr. Sasser some resources for car and motorcycle rallies and educated her on how it's utilized for the Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP). This program provided the town of Red River land to develop a recreational area. *[1.1 Communication and Engagement; 3.2 Local Business; 3.4 Tourism and Special Events]*

## **COMMUNITY BROADBAND**

Weekly status meetings continued this month with the Bonfire team for the Community Broadband Network (CBN) project, as well as the weekly meeting with the San Ildefonso Pueblo staff related to their middle mile fiber project on which we are collaborating. "Low Level Design" work on the CBN is ramping up, including ongoing coordination with Public Works and Utilities. Trenching and installing conduit on the third

and final section of the San Ildefonso project along east NM502 has been on hold, pending completion of the NMDOT permit process. For the section of the project where installation of conduit and handholes has been completed, the contractor is now beginning to place the fiber inside. A long-term services agreement with the County for the use and operation of a portion of the new 11-mile middle.

## HEALTH, WELLBEING, AND SOCIAL SERVICES

### **June Stats**

6 Contractor Public Programs and Events  
580 People Attended Programs and Events

### **Updates**

No updates for June 2025

### **Social Services Contractors**

#### **Los Alamos Retired and Senior Organization (LARSO)**

##### **Taos Opera Singers – June 6, 2025**

In collaboration with the Taos Opera Institute Summer Student Program, LARSO hosted four students who performed a diverse selection of opera pieces for the Los Alamos community. The event had 52 participants.

**Upcoming Event: No big events in August**

#### **Teen Center**

##### **Freshman Welcome Event – June 4, 2025**

The Teen Center hosted its annual Welcome BBQ for incoming freshmen, featuring grilled food, ice cream, and interactive activities. Attendees explored the center's VR equipment, gaming consoles, and music performance space. The event had 60 participants.

**Upcoming Event: Back to School BBQ – 2pm August 8<sup>th</sup>**

#### **Family Strengths Network (FSN)**

##### **Summer Splash – June 20–21, 2025**

FSN held its annual Summer Splash event with various water-based activities, including slip-n-slides, kiddie pools, and reusable water balloons. The event marked the final play date before the center's July closure. The event had 151 participants.

**Upcoming Event: Family Strengths Network will reopen August 1**

#### **Los Alamos Family Council's Youth Activity Centers (YAC)**

##### **YAC Run/Walk Club – June 5, 2025**

YAC launched a Run/Walk Club to promote physical fitness, with participants logging miles around Ashley Pond and earning rewards for personal achievements. Some students have already surpassed 20 miles. The event had 20 participants.

**Upcoming Event: History Tuesday Collaboration with the Los Alamos Historical Society**

**Las Cumbres Community Services (LC)**

**Drop-in Developmental Playgroup – June 2, 5, 9, 12, 16, 19, 23, 26, 30, 2025**

LC's developmental playgroups offered families access to early childhood professionals and opportunities to build community. A new afternoon session was added to accommodate working parents. The program had 196 participants throughout the month.

**Upcoming Event: Ongoing programs with added support group guest speakers**

## INCLUSION, ACCESS, AND BELONGING

The Inclusivity Task Force met once in June. The Task Force worked on their interim report to Council at the June meeting and took action to recommend to Council that the term of the Task Force be extended to February 28, 2026. The Task Force continued to meet in their assigned working groups. Chair Lueninghoner, presented the interim report to the County Council on June 24, 2025. The Council approved the extension of the Task Force term to February 28, 2026.

## MOBILITY

**Atomic City Transit June Stats**

Unlinked Passenger Trips (UPT – 20,367

Fixed-Route UPT – 19,966

Demand-Response UPT – 401

Special UPT – 0

Service Days – 21

UPT per Service Day – 907

UPT per Service Mile – 0.52

Service Disruptions – 3

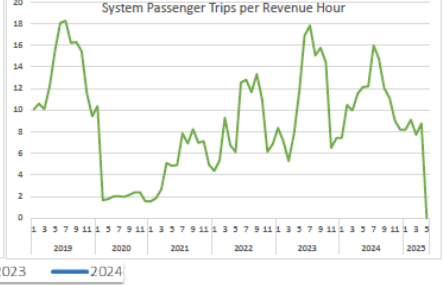
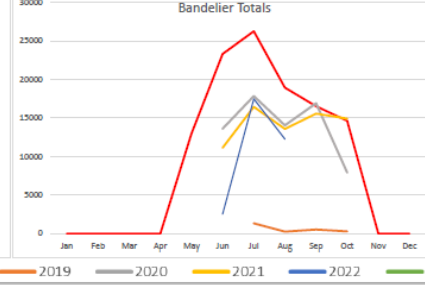
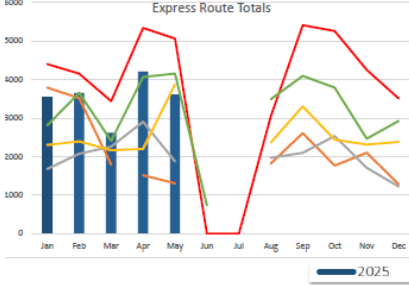
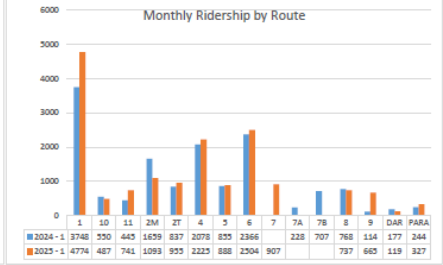
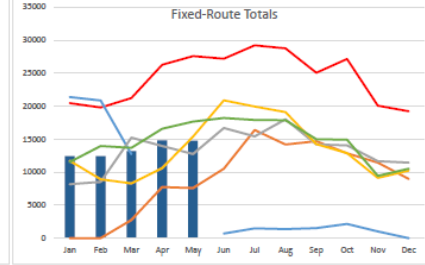
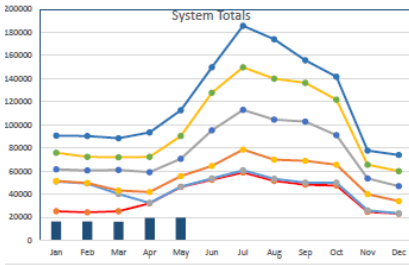
On-time Timepoint Departures – 86.0%

On-time Paratransit Trips – 98.1%

Buses with Defective ITS Systems – 21%

Customer Complaints – 2

Route	Trips						% Chg						May Rev. Miles		May Rev. Hours		May YTD Trips		Month YOY % Chg (from 2024)	Svc Days	
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	(from 2019)	(from 2020)	(from 2021)	(from 2022)	(from 2023)	(from 2024)	2024	2025	2024	2025	2024			2025
1 Downtown	6,379	-	2,024	3,225	6,256	6,527	5,290	-17%	-	161%	64%	-15%	-19%	5,381	4,368	286	329	26,774	24,396	-9%	21
2M White Rock - Main Hill	2,970	-	1,000	2,618	-	-	1,664	-44%	-	66%	-36%	-	-	7,860	-	298	-	2,053	7,564	268%	21
2T White Rock - Truck Rt	1,995	-	530	912	2,082	2,321	1,170	-41%	-	121%	28%	-44%	-50%	7,341	7,341	287	287	9,225	5,342	-42%	21
3 Central / Canyon	3,259	-	720	1,742	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%	-
4 North Community	3,780	-	1,132	842	2,754	3,449	2,250	-40%	-	99%	167%	-18%	-35%	4,266	4,265	286	286	14,090	11,371	-19%	21
5 Barranca Mesa	2,039	-	602	471	1,123	1,392	1,084	-47%	-	80%	130%	-3%	-22%	3,993	3,993	283	283	5,597	4,420	-21%	21
6 North Mesa	6,848	-	1,596	2,942	3,178	3,971	3,332	-51%	-	109%	13%	5%	-16%	5,126	6,178	358	426	15,689	14,609	-7%	21
<b>Fixed-route subtotal</b>	<b>27,591</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,604</b>	<b>12,752</b>	<b>15,393</b>	<b>17,660</b>	<b>14,790</b>	<b>-46%</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>95%</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>-4%</b>	<b>-16%</b>	<b>26,107</b>	<b>34,006</b>	<b>1,501</b>	<b>1,909</b>	<b>73,428</b>	<b>67,702</b>	<b>-8%</b>	
7 North Mesa Expr	1,316	-	594	595	1,267	922	906	-31%	-	53%	52%	-2%	-2%	309	140	21	7	4,941	4,365	-12%	16
8 North Community Expr	922	-	147	428	897	894	962	4%	-	554%	125%	7%	8%	141	141	10	10	4,226	4,258	1%	21
9 Aspen Expr	918	-	193	312	347	672	564	-39%	-	192%	81%	63%	-16%	215	215	10	10	1,603	3,202	100%	21
10 Barranca Expr	1,041	-	335	169	676	814	593	-43%	-	77%	251%	-12%	-27%	185	162	11	10	3,068	2,622	-15%	21
11 White Rock Expr	865	-	37	374	684	852	587	-32%	-	1486%	57%	-14%	-31%	374	374	15	15	3,254	3,175	-2%	17
<b>Express route subtotal</b>	<b>5,062</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,306</b>	<b>1,878</b>	<b>3,871</b>	<b>4,154</b>	<b>3,612</b>	<b>-29%</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>177%</b>	<b>92%</b>	<b>-7%</b>	<b>-13%</b>	<b>1,225</b>	<b>1,034</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>17,092</b>	<b>17,622</b>	<b>3%</b>	
12 Bandlerier	12,953	-	-	-	-	-	1,109	-91%	-	-	-	-	-	-	96	-	91	-	1,109	0%	13
Dial-a-Ride	86	-	63	58	139	132	68	-21%	-	8%	17%	-51%	-48%	921	446	68	22	779	471	-40%	21
ACT Assist	453	51	120	175	250	307	333	-26%	553%	178%	90%	33%	8%	3,035	3,309	193	205	1,418	327	-77%	22
Special Services	209	254	-	264	385	141	455	118%	-	79%	72%	18%	223%	393	630	17	29	177	527	198%	7
<b>System total</b>	<b>46,354</b>	<b>305</b>	<b>9,093</b>	<b>15,127</b>	<b>20,038</b>	<b>22,394</b>	<b>20,367</b>	<b>-56%</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6578%</b>	<b>124%</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>-9%</b>	<b>31,682</b>	<b>39,521</b>	<b>1,845</b>	<b>2,306</b>	<b>92,894</b>	<b>87,758</b>	<b>-6%</b>	<b>21</b>

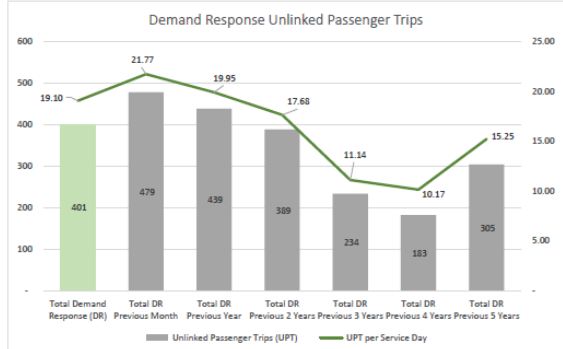


Total Passenger Trips to Date: 6,721,899

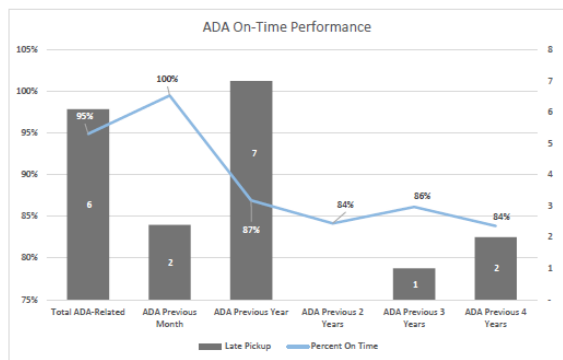
Significant Service Adjustments and Special Events

- All Month: Due to staffing shortages, Rt 3 did not operate (Rt 1 provided service to Camino Entrada area).
- May 24: Senior Appreciation Night Special Service
- May 30: Last day of Express service as school year closes

May 2025	Total Demand Response (DR)	Total DR Previous Month	Total DR Previous Year	Total ADA-Related	Total DAR	Total DAR-Special
<b>NTD Service Information</b>						
Vehicles Operated in Max Service	2	2	2	2	2	-
Unlinked Passenger Trips (UPT)	401	479	439	333	68	-
UPT Ambulatory	232	466	393	169	63	-
UPT Non-Ambulatory	169	13	46	164	5	-
UPT Evening DAR	237	53	58	190	47	-
UPT Daytime DAR	164	-	66	143	21	-
UPT Regional-Linked	204	153	259	170	34	-
Companions	-	-	-	-	-	-
PCAs	-	-	35	-	-	-
Total Vehicle Miles (VM)	4,898	4,764	4,903	4,158	739	-
Total Vehicle Hours (VH)	379	403	397	319	60	-
Total Revenue Miles (RM)	3,756	3,836	3,956	3,309	446	-
Total Revenue Hours (RH)	227	274	261	205	22	-
Regional-linked Miles	2,106	2,117	2,844	1,750	355	-
Regional-linked Hours	73	15	101	62	10	-
Passenger Miles	3,756	2,329	3,526	3,309	446	-
Passenger Hours	227	132	142	205	22	-
Service Days	21	22	22	21	21	-
Weekdays	21	22	22	21	21	-
UPT per RM	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	-
UPT per RH	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.6	3.1	-
UPT per Service Day	19.1	21.8	20.0	15.9	3.2	-
UPT per Weekday	19.1	21.8	20.0	3.4	3.2	-



Scheduling Stats						
Subscription	-	-	134	-	-	-
One Way Trips Requested	538	706	573	470	68	-
One Way Trips Performed	387	479	404	327	60	-
Advance Reservation	-	-	275	-	-	-
Same Day Reservation	-	-	124	-	-	-
Avg. Minutes to board	4	2	0	3	0	-
Avg. Minutes to Disembark	-	1	0	-	-	-



Capacity Metrics						
Missed Trip (Due to Vehicle Late)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trips On Time	393	476	356	327	66	-
Percent On Time	102%	99%	88%	95%	100%	-
Early Offer	-	-	10	-	-	-
Late Offer	-	-	7	-	-	-
Late Pickup	8	2	14	6	2	-
Excessively Late Pickup (>15m after window)	-	-	2	-	-	-
Late Dropoff (drop after 5m before Appt.)	-	-	9	-	-	-
Excessively Late Dropoff (>10m after Appt.)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Early Pickup	-	-	34	-	-	-
Excessively Early Pickup (>15m before window)	-	-	1	-	-	-
Early Dropoff (>30m before Appt.)	-	-	19	-	-	-
Excessively Early Dropoff (>45m before Appt.)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trip Over 45 min	-	-	5	-	-	-
Trip Over 60 min	-	-	-	-	-	-
Over Fixed-Route Duration Est.	-	-	10	-	-	-
>15m Over Fixed-Route Duration Est.	-	-	2	-	-	-


## Update

Consistent with the Short-Range Transit Plan, strategic priority to service enhancements, capital improvements, and institutional strategies to enhance public transit services in Los Alamos County the Atomic City Transit (ACT) Division has been actively managing multiple design and implement recommendations. Atomic City Transit continues to evaluate the capability to increase mobility for Los Alamos County residents and employees and/or make public transit services more efficient. Atomic City Transit also provided service for SummerFest on June 14, 2025, from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm with 30-minute service. Everyone enjoyed the event with fun and safe transportation.


ACT participated with children to engage in hands-on activities, public safety interaction, and controlled safety situations they may encounter at school, home, and/or in the community.






Atomic City Transit (ACT) is pleased to announce a new, convenient way to book on-demand bus rides: MyRide. MyRide is a free app that Los Alamos citizens can use to request free door-to-door service. Users can make same-day requests, and rides are provided on a first-come, first-served basis. In addition to calling to request a ride, ACT Assist users now have the option to book paratransit service through MyRide too.



# Where's the bus?



Download **myStop** for real-time location on all bus routes.

MYSTOP APP      GOOGLE PLAY      APPLE STORE

MONDAY - FRIDAY 5:00 AM - 9:00 PM  
505-661-RIDE | ATOMICCITYTRANSIT.COM



## On-Demand Services

Use **MyRide** to book door-to-door rides.

Download **MyRide** or call **505-661-RIDE**  
Same-day requests only.  
First come, first serve.

Monday-Friday  
5:15 am-6:00 am  
6:30 pm-9:00 pm



MYRIDE APP



GOOGLE PLAY



APPLE STORE



Use **MyRide** to book **ACT Assist** rides.

Requires **application approval**.  
Book up to 2 weeks in advance.  
Monday-Friday, 6:00 am-7:30 pm

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## OPEN SPACE, PARKS, AND RECREATION

### ADMINISTRATION

CSD and County staff recently participated in a training session on Understanding & Utilizing Performance Measurements, facilitated by Strategic Government Resources. The training covered essential topics such as the role of performance management, defining and categorizing metrics, developing department-specific indicators, integrating these metrics into strategic management, and effective data tracking.

Eric Thelander, the artist behind the Solar Tree sculpture outside the Muni building, recently refreshed its paint and upgraded the solar components.

Bob Davis, creator of the Industrial Machine sculpture at the Eco Building, completed repairs and restored its motion features, revitalizing the artwork.

Understanding and Utilizing Performance Measures- 23 staff attended

CSD Director attended the First Judicial Court System Intercept workshop

### **Hunting for Gravitational Waves with Radio Telescopes – June 10, 2025**

An in-person presentation explaining how astronomers are using radio telescopes and pulsars to detect gravitational waves from merging supermassive black holes. The event had 34 participants.

### **Summer Family Evening: Befriending Bugs! – June 18, 2025**

An in-person presentation by the Santa Fe Reptile & Bug Museum where families met live bugs and other creepy crawlies. The event had 43 participants.

### **Electric Vehicle Show – June 21, 2025**

An in-person event showcasing a wide range of electric vehicles and solar car races, presented in partnership with Los Alamos County Department of Public Utilities during ScienceFest Discovery Day. Approximately 1,200 participants attended.

### **Searching for David Roberts in Navajo Country – June 24, 2025**

An in-person and live-streamed presentation retracing David Roberts' journey through the canyons of Navajo Mountain in search of Chief Hoskinini's 1863 hiding place, presented in partnership with the Los Alamos Mountaineers. The event had 104 participants.

## **OPEN SPACE, PARKS AND TRAILS**

### **June Stats**

248 Parks Acres maintained

8 Repairs due to Vandalism

0 Volunteer Hours Worked in Parks

32 Volunteer Hours Worked in Trails

6 Funeral Services

4 Headstone/ Niche Installations

0 Memorial Bench Installation

## Updates

The Parks and Open Space team is working on the following items.

**AGR24-950**, OpenGov Asset Management Software for the Parks and Open Space Division will begin implementation in White Rock. The system is being used to track work task across the landscape. It is anticipated to implement the software in Los Alamos in August 2025.

**RFP25-37**, Guaje Pines Cemetery Master Plan process will begin March 2025. The contractor, Sloane Consulting Group, will be conducting a site visit on March 26 - 27, 2025, for data collection and staff discussions. A community survey closed on May 30 seeking community feedback. Three public engagement meetings were held with community members.

**IFB28-18** - Athletic Field Renovations approved by County Council on 11/19/24. This is a three-year sports field renovation plan to address field leveling/laser grading, replacement of sod and irrigation adjustments will begin May 23, 2025. Contractor was issued a job order with the ability to proceed on May 19, 2025, for staging and field renovation to begin May 23, 2025. The project is underway at all locations with a substantial completion date of August 31, 2025.

**AGR24-23**, Site Southwest Open Space and Trails Management plan is in the final stages. The contractor has conducted multiple community engagement meetings and is working on final reviews and edits of the plan.

**IFB25-36**, Contractor LA Landscaping and More will lead the renovations at both sites, which include the demolition and construction of a new basketball court at East Park and demolition and construction of tennis and pickleball courts at North Mesa Park with an estimated completion date of September 30, 2025. This project began on March 5, 2025, and is on target.

## RECREATION

### June Stats:

Program and Events – 834

People Attended Programs and Events – 4,827

Open Gym Program – 1,240

Vendors – 92

People Utilizing the Ice Rink – 2,860

People Utilizing the Gold Course – 0 (closed)

## **Update**

### **Movies in the Park – June 4, 2025**

The first scheduled Movie in the Park was canceled due to weather. A makeup date is currently being planned

### **Teen Center Pool Take Over – June 6, 2025**

In collaboration with the Teen Center, Recreation hosted a teen-only swim night featuring access to the Leisure Lagoon, an inflatable obstacle course, and food provided by Teen Center staff.

### **High Mountain Mud Fest – June 7, 2025**

Recreation hosted the annual Mud Volleyball Tournament, featuring 7 co-ed teams of 12 players. Team Spuds claimed the victory for 2025.

### **Summer Concerts – June 6, 13, 20, 27, 2025**

The Summer Concert Series featured an average of 23 food vendors and 8 non-food vendors each week. Weather conditions were mostly favorable, and 90% of vendors registered for the full 2025 series.

### **Gymkhana – June 10 and 24, 2025**

Recreation's horse games series at North Mesa Brewer Arena included events like Barrel Racing and Pole Bending. Only 2 riders participated on June 10 due to poor weather; the June 24 event was postponed to July 1 due to rain.

### **Splash and Dash – June 11 and 25, 2025**

Recreation continued its bi-weekly Splash & Dash swim-run series at the Aquatic Center and Canyon Road. The June events averaged 15–20 participants and provided triathlon training for all ages.

### **Saturday Roller Skate Nights – June 14 and 28, 2025**

The Ice Rink's Saturday skate nights saw strong turnout with approximately 50 participants at each event.

### **Movies in the Park – June 18, 2025**

Recreation hosted a successful outdoor movie night at Rover Park in White Rock. About 125 people attended to watch the new *Wonka* movie, with lawn games and popcorn available.

### **Thursday Roller Skate Night – June 19, 2025**

Recreation launched Thursday night skate events at the Ice Rink for the summer. The first event drew approximately 55 attendees.

### **Discovery Day @ ScienceFest – June 21, 2025**

Recreation staff participated in Discovery Day at ScienceFest by distributing Summer Guidebooks and offering lawn games for all ages.

### **Teen Center Roller Skate Night – June 23, 2025**

The Teen Center hosted a teen-only skate night at the Ice Rink, with music from a local DJ and a fun, exclusive environment for teens.

### **Inservice Training – June 29, 2025**

Walkup Aquatic Center staff reviewed first aid care, water rescues, and cleaning procedures on Sunday June 29.

### **Connecting with the Public**

In June 2025, the Los Alamos County Recreation Division engaged the community through a diverse mix of outdoor, athletic, and family-friendly events. By offering inclusive and accessible programming across multiple venues, from parks and the Aquatic Center to the Ice Rink and arena grounds. Recreation staff created welcoming spaces for youth, families, and adults to gather, be active, and have fun. Aquatics, this month was full of public certification classes including lifeguard recertifications and instructor training, totaling 18 new aquatic personnel.

### **Looking Ahead:**

Gymkhana (End of Spring Series) – July 1, 2025

Lagoon Closed for Annual Maintenance – August 2, 2025

Main Pool Early Closure (Side Closure) – August 2, 2025

4th of July Concert and Drone Show – July 4, 2025

Movie in the Park – July 9 and 23, 2025

Summer Concert Series – July 11, 18, and 25, 2025

Roller Skating Events – July 12, 17, 26, and 31, 2025

Special Olympics Area Meet – July 13, 2025

Splash & Dash (End of Series) – July 16, 2025

Adult, Jr., and Kids Triathlons – July 19, 2025

Sunday Hours for Lagoon – July 27, 2025



*Aquatic Training Certification*



*Aquatic Training Certification*



*Aquatic Training Certification*



*Gymkhana*



*High Mountain Mud Fest*



*Summer Concert Series*



*Movies in the Park*



*Step Up Gallery talk with Catherine Eaton Skinner*



*Creative Studio: horns and mushroom hat.*



*Bike repair station in use!*



*1st Adult Summer winner*

## PUBLIC SAFETY

### BUILDING SAFETY

There were a total of 3 Commercial Building permits that were issued in June 2025 with a total valuation of \$68,284.58

There were a total of 74 Residential Building permits that were issued in June 2025 with a total valuation of \$1,812,907.74

2 Certificate of Occupancies was issued in June 2025.

166 Building Inspections took place in June 2025.

### CODE ENFORCEMENT

47 Code Cases closed during June 2025

58 Code Cases were opened in June 2025

### FIRE

#### June Stats

154 EMS Calls

27 False Alarm Calls

23 Service Calls

14 Good Intent Calls

11 Hazardous Condition Calls (No Fire)

4 Fire Calls

9 Community Outreach/Education Events

2 IPRA Requests

6 Wildfire Home Assessments

#### Updates

#### Public Education

On Wednesday, June 4, 2025, the Wildland Division participated in WESST Fest, an outreach event hosted at Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL). This event provided an excellent opportunity to engage directly with LANL employees and the broader communities on topics related to wildfire preparedness and fire department operations. During the event, Wildland Division staff interacted with attendees by answering questions about day-to-day operations, fire apparatus, and current mitigation strategies.

We continued to promote the Home Assessment Program throughout Los Alamos County and also offered fire safety tips and assessment guidance to residents from surrounding communities.

A significant portion of outreach centered on fire history education, specifically the Cerro Grande Fire. To continue to commemorate the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Cerro Grande fire, LAFD personnel distributed over 200 informational books related to the fire, which helped initiate meaningful conversations about lessons learned and the importance of ongoing wildfire preparedness.

### **Celebrating the Team: Employee Recognition Week at Los Alamos Fire Department**

The Los Alamos Fire Department proudly celebrated Employee Recognition Week with a special show of appreciation for the dedicated staff. In honor of their hard work and commitment to the community, lunches were provided to all personnel across all three shifts at Fire Station 2.

Rudy's Barbecue catered for food, giving staff an opportunity to enjoy a meal together. This gesture not only recognized the daily efforts of the firefighters and support staff but also reinforced the strong sense of camaraderie and teamwork that defines the department.



## **BurnBot Mitigation Project for Los Alamos**

On Thursday, June 26, 2025, the Los Alamos Fire Department participated in the kickoff meeting for the BurnBot project. This meeting marked the formal launch of planning and coordination efforts for the successful implementation of this innovative robotic mastication technology. Discussions focused on key logistics, timelines and interagency collaboration necessary to ensure the project moves forward in a seamless and efficient manner. This initial meeting laid a solid foundation for coordinated efforts between all stakeholders. LAFD looks forward to continuing the momentum as the LAFD Wildland Division integrates BurnBot into the wildland mitigation program.



## **Active Assailant Training**

Throughout the month of June 2025, the Los Alamos Fire Department (LAFD) has actively collaborated with Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) Protective Force and the Los Alamos Police Department (LAPD) to conduct a series of joint training exercises focused on strengthening Active Assailant response capabilities on LANL property.

These integrated training sessions were designed to enhance interagency coordination and tactical response in the event of an active assailant incident. Participating crews received hands-on instruction and participated in realistic drills at LANL's Technical Area 16 CEPA Training Center.

Training topics included:

- Establishment of Unified Command
- Delivery of Direct Threat Care
- Hemorrhage Control Techniques

- Law Enforcement Identification and Communication Protocols
- Rescue Task Force Formation
- Triage and Extrication of the Injured
- Scene Preservation for Investigative Integrity

The collaborative effort demonstrates the shared dedication of LAFD, LANL Protective Force, and LAPD to ensure a swift, coordinated, and effective response to high-risk incidents on federal property and within the local community.

## ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

In June, Environmental Sustainability Board members continued researching the potential impact of a single-use plastic bag fee, as requested by the County Council. They also heard a presentation from Heidi Rogers, former ESB member, regarding her work on planetary health and the impacts of climate change. In support of electrifying the County’s vehicle fleet and planning community-wide EV charging infrastructure the County hosted two days of site visits with Stantec, the County’s consultant and reviewed electrical capacity and site layouts at County facilities. The EV Survey is open through July 31. The County also issued an RFP for climate action marketing and engagement services and received 11 proposals that are currently being evaluated. Staff, ESB members, and the Los Alamos Sustainability Alliance shared local initiatives at Farmer’s Market and Science Fest. Additionally, two interviews to fill vacancies on the Environmental Sustainability Board were conducted. Staff also applied for the NMDOT EVSE DC Fast Charging Grant to purchase two DC Fast Charging equipment to be located at Mesa Public Library.

## WASTE MANAGEMENT

### **Environmental Services June Stats**

Customer Service Emails – 64  
 Roll Cart Requests – 91  
 Household Hazardous Waste Customers - 144  
 Recycle Coach App Users – 2,438  
 Recycle Coach App Interactions – 14,404  
 Overlook Visitors – 232  
 Transfer Station Visitors – 2,933  
 Yard Trimming Participants – 5,381

## Update

As part of the "Operation Save the Bears" initiative, Environmental Services delivered 260 dumpsters to the business community and 1,000 roll carts to residential customers during the first wave of the program. In December 2024, Environmental Services received an additional 1,154 Kodiak Bear-Resistant Carts and has since distributed more than 850 to residents that requested one.

Bear sightings are on the rise, and we've received an increasing number of reports about trash carts being raided. To help prevent wildlife encounters and keep the neighborhoods safe, residents are encouraged to consider using bear-resistant trash carts. If you're interested in requesting one, please visit [www.losalamosnm.us/gogreen](http://www.losalamosnm.us/gogreen) to submit a request.

Environmental Services proudly partnered with the Office of Sustainability Management to host an interactive and educational booth at ScienceFest on Saturday, June 21, 2025. Management Analyst Joshua Levings engaged residents with a fun and informative "Recycle Game," helping participants learn how to sort their recyclables correctly. In addition, he demonstrated how to download and navigate the Recycle Coach app—an easy-to-use tool that provides personalized recycling reminders, collection schedules, and helpful waste disposal tips. The app is available for free on both the Apple App Store and Google Play.



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Senior Equipment Operator **Humberto Sinaloa** brought the world of waste collection to life for young readers at the White Rock Library on June 25. Children from age 4 through 4th grade were treated to a fun and educational story time, followed by an exciting hands-on experience. After listening to engaging stories, the kids had the unique opportunity to step outside and operate the cart-lifting boom on a real residential collection truck. This marks the second year that Environmental Services has proudly participated in this inspiring community program, sparking curiosity and encouraging environmental awareness in the next generation.



# Residential Sustainability Report

Service Period: May 2025

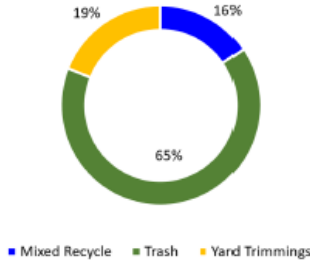


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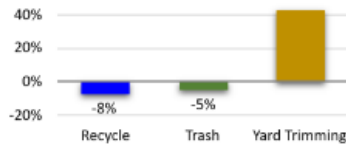
May Diversion Rate: 35%

The diversion rate is the percent of recyclable and compostable material diverted from the landfill.

## Monthly Collection Report

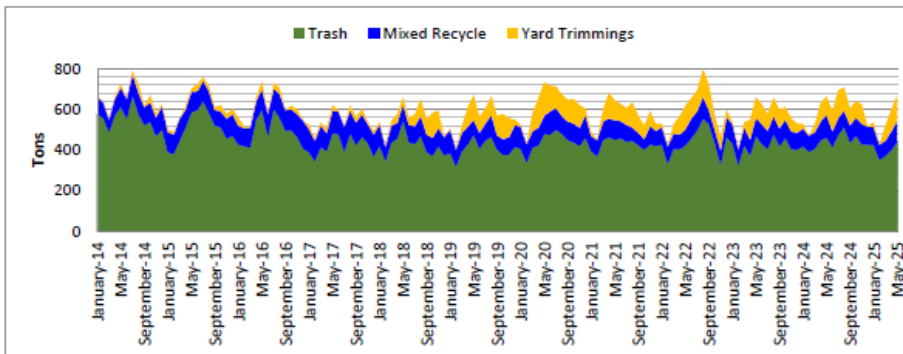


## % Change Previous Year

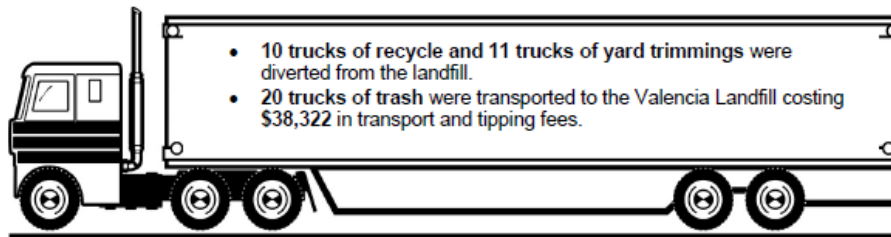


	May-24	May-25
Yard Trimming	88.73	127.10
Recycle	112.61	104.07
Trash	462.35	439.28

In May by recycling and composting Los Alamos County reduced GHG emissions by ~606 tons\*



In 2025 by recycling and composting Los Alamos County reduced GHG emissions by ~2,155 tons\*



For more information contact Environmental Services Division at 505.662.8163 or email [solidwaste@lacnm.us](mailto:solidwaste@lacnm.us)  
\*GHG emissions calculated using <https://www.stopwaste.co/calculator>

## PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

### BUILDING FACILITIES

Los Alamos County is working on a variety of projects that support quality of life, infrastructure, and economic development initiatives.

On June 10, the County Council approved the design development of a mono-sloped frame cover structure for the Ice Rink in conjunction with the programmed floor replacement.

On June 24, County Council approved an amendment to the Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map that enables the expansion of the current fire station 4 site to accommodate a new fire station 4.

The Contractor is nearing the completion of the project to install charging infrastructure for the new electric golf carts fleet at the golf course garage.

Work continues at the Ice Rink to install the chiller replacement. Contractors completed the connection of the chiller to the floor mains. Also, the stand for the air-cooled air condenser has been set in place. Connection of the chiller main panel to the building electric supply has been completed.

***Anthony Strain**, Capital Projects & Facilities Project Manager, stands with the new fleet of 100% electric golf carts at the Los Alamos County Golf Course. Mr. Strain executed the retro fit of the electrical service in the building to accommodate the charging systems for the fleet. As part of the County's commitment to sustainability and reducing its carbon footprint, the gas-powered fleet has officially been replaced with electric carts.*



### **Capital Improvement Projects Updates – Engineering**

Los Alamos County is working on a variety of projects that support quality of life, infrastructure, and economic development initiatives. A summary of the project and additional information can be found on the website– <https://lacnm.com/PW-Projects>.

Project Name	Dept(s)	Update
<b>DP Road Phase II</b>	PW	The project reached substantial completion on June 18 with the roadway and pedestrian infrastructure complete. The contractor will continue working on the remaining tasks to complete the project by the end of July. The project scope includes new sewer and gas lines, electric conduit, storm drain, concrete replacement, and full reconstruction of roadway.
<b>NM-4 Crossing and Multi-Use Trail</b>	PW	This project will create an at-grade crossing of NM State Road 4 in White Rock at the Mirador Subdivision and provide both new multi-use trail infrastructure and reconstructed trail infrastructure in the Pinon Park area. The county received grant funding from NMDOT for this project with design being finalized by Bohannon Huston Inc. The project will be advertised for construction later this year with construction anticipated to begin in late 2025 and continue through 2026.
<b>Trinity Drive Safety and ADA</b>	PW	A resolution of support was made by Council on September 10 approving a Hybrid Road Diet, one of the alternatives presented by the engineer. The design is being finalized with construction anticipated to begin in late 2025 and continue through 2026.
<b>Finch Street</b>	PW	This project design was completed by an on-call engineering firm. The project is anticipated to be advertised for bids in late 2025. Council approved an agreement with the Los Alamos Medical Center for the transfer of land for the construction of the Finch Street project in August 2023. Construction is anticipated to begin in late 2025 and continue through 2026.
<b>Canyon Rim Trail Phase III</b>	PW	The project design and right-of-way (ROW) acquisitions are underway from Knecht Street to 15th Street. The design is being completed by an on-call engineering firm. The project is anticipated to be advertised for bids in Fall 2025 with construction occurring in 2026. Completion of the trail design from 15th Street to 20th Street is pending ROW acquisitions.

<b>Bathtub Row-Peach Nectar</b>	PW	Construction continues by TLC Plumbing and Utility after a winter suspension and is anticipated for completion in late Summer 2025. This is a joint project with the Department of Public Utilities and includes full road reconstruction along with utility upgrades.
<b>Denver Steels Phase II</b>	PW	This project design is being finalized by staff. This is a joint project with the Department of Public Utilities and includes full road reconstruction along with utility upgrades. The project is anticipated to begin construction in late 2025 and continue through 2026.

**Capital Improvement Projects Updates - Facilities**

A summary of the project and additional information can be found at the County website – <https://www.losalamosnm.us/Government/Departments-and-Divisions/Public-Works/Capital-Projects-Facilities-Division-Projects>.

	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Dept</b>	<b>Update</b>
1	<b>Golf Course Electric Cart Conversion</b>	PW, CSD	Construction progresses nearing completion.
2	<b>Asset Management Software for Facilities</b>	PW	Staff continue the verification of asset naming and locations on the floor plans.
3	<b>Benchmarking Building Utility Consumption</b>	PW	No activities to report in May.
4	<b>Emergency Dispatch CRAC Unit</b>	PD	Design professional determined CRAC unit location based on weight and structural considerations. Design development will continue through July.
5	<b>Women’s Dormitory Building Renovation</b>	PW	Site plan approved. Architect is working on design documentation required the State Historical Preservation Office Review.
6	<b>Capital Outlay Grant Application for Betty Ehart Senior Center</b>	PW, CSD, AS-FIN	Results from application review expected after April 2025.
7	<b>Customer Care Service Electrical Connection to</b>	PW, DPU	Project completed in June

	<b>Emergency Power</b>		
8	<b>Golf Course Site Improvements</b>	PW, CSD	Project team continue monitoring grass growth and overall course conditions.
9	<b>Ice Rink Temporary Chiller</b>	PW, CSD	Final Pay App approved for payment. The project is in closeout phase.
10	<b>Ice Rink Permanent Chiller Replacement</b>	PW, CSD	Contractors built the piping connecting the chiller to the floor mains. Also, the connection of the chiller to the main electrical power and the rough in of air sensors have been completed. The stand for the air condenser is now in place.
11	<b>Ice Rink Floor Replacement and Shade Structure</b>	PW, CSD	On June 10, County Council approved moving forward with design development of the mono-sloped pre-engineered structure.
12	<b>Fire Station 3 Snow Melt System Replacement</b>	PW, FD	On-call contractor is preparing a cost proposal for this project.
13	<b>Emergency Operations Center (EOC)</b>	PW, PD, FD	Grant funding was suspended by Department of Homeland Security. County Emergency Management will seek alternative funding and grants for this project.
14	<b>Fire Station 4 Replacement</b>	PW, FD	On June 24, Council approved the amendment of the Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map (Case No. CPA-2025-0009) transferring approximately 18,735 square feet from "Open Space - Passive" to "Institutional," to accommodate the new Fire Station 4 at the current Fire Station 4 site.
15	<b>Mesa Public Library Siding Replacement</b>	PW	Contractor and staff identified an installation method that prevents the developments of cracks on the siding. This method will be implemented in the following weeks to correct some siding panels that show cracking.
16	<b>Aquatic Center Olympic Pool Restoration</b>	PW, CSD	Materials submittal review process is expected to start in July.
17	<b>Betty Ehart Senior Center Renovation</b>	PW, CSD	Schematic design is in progress.

18	<b>Los Alamos Little Theatre Fire Suppression and Asbestos Abatement.</b>	PW, CSD	Asbestos abatement has been completed. Contractor is finalizing building drawings for permits review.
19	<b>Betty Ehart Senior Center HVAC Replacement</b>	PW, CSD	The consultant is preparing a cost proposal to develop construction documents and construction administration.
20	<b>Installation of EV chargers</b>	Sustainability, PW	Task order and project budget for this project are scheduled on the consent agenda at the July 8 Council Regular meeting.
21	<b>Fire Station 3 Showers Renovation</b>	PW, FD	Task Order executed. Project is anticipated to kick off in July.
22	<b>Aquatic Center Pool Replacement Pumps Design</b>	PW, CSD	Retro-commissioning agent inspected the pool pumps and piping on site. A report documenting the findings is in progress.
23	<b>PCS Fuel Farm Upgrades</b>	PW	Contractor completed excavation and laying out conduit necessary for the upgrades. Electrical work is in progress.
24	<b>Justice Center Parking Lot Lights Replacement</b>	PW	Staff is evaluating alternatives to procure electrical contractor services for this project.
25	<b>PCS Salt Bins Rust Correction</b>	PW	Design consultant anticipates turning in July.
26	<b>PCS Bus Canopy Snowmelt System</b>	PW	First design deliverable submitted for County review. Staff selected the preferred option to capture rain and snowmelt from the canopy.
27	<b>Brewer Arena Grandstand</b>	PW/ CSD	Design consultant is preparing a project cost estimate. Staff reviewed the 90% design drawings and is preparing comments for the designer.
28	<b>Social Services Action Center</b>	PW/ CSD	CPF staff is collaborating with Social Services Division to document the Action Center space needs.
29	<b>Justice Center Rainwater Drain Correction</b>	PD/ PW	CPF staff is waiting for cost proposals from contractors.

## ROADS

The DP Road Phase II project reached substantial completion on June 18 with all roadway paving, sidewalks and utility work complete.



Design work for multiple projects was completed in June including Denver Steels Phase II, Trinity Drive Safety Project, and the NM-4 Crossing and Multi-use Project. The next steps involve preparing to advertise these projects for construction.

A public meeting was held at the Transportation Board meeting on June 5 to discuss the feasibility of extending the Canyon Rim Trail west past Ashley Pond towards Diamond Drive. This topic will be presented to the County Council in August for further discussion.

An update on the Pedestrian Master Plan will be presented to County Council on July 17 with adoption anticipated in August.

Ongoing construction projects like Bathtub Row and DP Road require consistent outreach to the public including impacted residents, businesses, Los Alamos Public Schools, and LANL/DOE. This coordination is critical to successful project execution.

Staff successfully applied for and were awarded grant funding for upcoming pavement preservation projects on North Mesa. This project is anticipated to take place in late summer/fall 2025.

Staff are also actively involved in reviewing developer applications, conducting inspections, approval of construction permits, and design reviews. Some recent project reviews include the Guesthouse Hotel at the old Hilltop House site, Women's Dormitory Building, Hills Apartments/35th Street Realignment project, Cañada Bonita, Century Bank, Sherwood Rounds off Longview Drive, Arbolada and the redevelopment of the Motel 6 building.

## NEW STAFF & PROMOTIONS

### **Cassandra Purdy, HR Analyst II**

The Human Resources team is pleased to announce that Cassandra Purdy has joined the Benefits team as an HR Analyst 2. Cassandra brings a wealth of experience in Human Resources, and the team is thrilled to have her on board.



### **Karen Holmes and Mo Charnot, Library Associates**

**Karen Holmes** is a license attorney and recently did a stint in the publishing world. She has ghostwritten two books and edited several others, while home-schooling her children along the way. She enjoys reading, being in nature, binge-watching the Great British Baking Show and getting lost in a good research rabbit hole.

**Mo Charnot** is a former writer for the Santa Fe Reporter, primarily writing about local education. She also enjoys writing fiction in their free time. Mo is a horror enthusiast for books and movies and has two cats, named Tally and Luna.



**Chris McRae, Network Architect**

We are pleased to announce the promotion of Chris McRae from Senior IT Infrastructure Coordinator to Network Architect. In this new role, he will lead the design and development of scalable, secure, and high-performing network solutions to support the growing infrastructure needs. Chris has consistently demonstrated strong technical expertise, leadership, and a proactive approach to problem-solving. This well-deserved promotion reflects his dedication and continued contributions to the success of the IT operations.



**Henry (Kelso) Street and Joshua Cowan**

Atomic City Transit would like to welcome Henry (Kelso) Street and Joshua Cowan, Transit Operator Trainees. They are working on all the new hire training, and soon you will find them on route providing service to the community. Help us welcome both Kelso and Joshua on your next bus ride.



**Time Walker-Foster, John Stricklan, Henry P. Roybal, Vicente Martinez**

### **Welcome to the Team!**

We are thrilled to introduce the new team members in the Public Works department. Their arrival marks an exciting chapter for the team, and we can't wait to see the fresh perspectives and skills they'll bring to the projects and the services we provide.

- Tim Walker-Foster - Project Manager with the Capital Projects & Facilities Division
- John Stricklan - Engineering Project Manager with the Engineering Division
- Henry P. Roybal - Project Manager with the Engineering Division
- Vicente Martinez - Facilities Manager with the Capital Projects & Facilities Division

## **ANNIVERSARIES**

Congratulations to the following individuals on their service anniversaries with Los Alamos County:

### **5 years**

James A. Martinez

### **10 years**

Jacqueline Archibold

## 15 years

Marisha Ballew  
Robert Stephens  
Jaime Gonzales

Atomic City Transit would like to extend heartfelt congratulations to the following employees on their employment anniversaries in May

- Jason Lucero – 3 years of service
- Mekelis Talachy – 3 years of service
- Austin Cox – 2 years of service
- Javier Gastelum – 1 year of service

## RETIREMENT

Congratulations to the following individuals on their retirement from Los Alamos County:

- Harold Harrison (Department of Public Utilities)
- Steve Saiz (Fire Department)
- Olivia Li (Information Management)



**Barb Ricci, RIM Program Manager**

Barb Ricci, RIM Program Manager begins her retirement from the County after 16 years of service! Barb was instrumental in the design of the County's current archiving system of preservation of records and has embodied dedication and ethics in the preservation of historic records. She will be greatly missed, and her legacy will be greatly appreciated.



**Gabriella Martinez, Student Intern**

We're excited to welcome Gabriella Martinez to the Clerk's Office team as a Student Intern! Gabriella first joined us as a poll worker, where she impressed everyone with her dedication and professionalism. Now, she's taken on a broader role in the office, eager to learn all aspects of the work, from elections and records to customer service and community outreach.

What makes Gabriella's commitment even more impressive is that she balances two other jobs (one with Los Alamos Public Schools and another with the YMCA) both focused on supporting local youth. As if that weren't enough, she'll also be starting her senior year at Los Alamos High School this fall.

Gabriella brings energy, curiosity, and a strong work ethic to everything she does. We're thrilled to have her on board and look forward to helping her grow in her journey through public service.



**Alicia Garcia & Jeffrey Culin, Procurement Ops Managers**

Special recognition and kudos goes out to Procurement Operations Managers, Alicia Garcia and Jeffrey Culin who led their teams with extensive inventory counts and close-outs for warehouse operations. Their extra efforts and dedication to accuracy are what help keep up zero audit findings in this highly audited area, a true tribute to their internal controls and dedication to operational excellence.



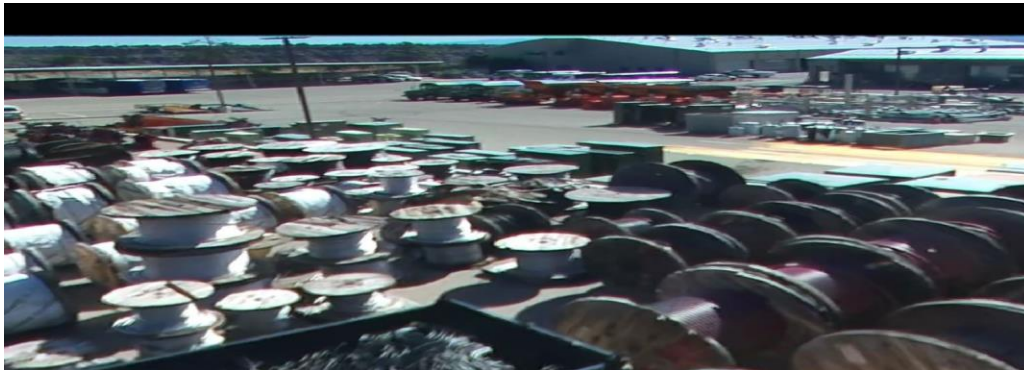
**Teo Ortega, System Administrator**

Kudos to Teo Ortega for leading the ongoing transition to the new dot gov domain name. Teo's coordination with internal IM teams, Senior Management, and external application vendors has been instrumental in keeping this phased rollout on track. His communication and collaborative approach are helping ensure a smooth and effective transition for the entire organization. Great work and thank you for your continued efforts on this critical initiative!

**Sam Martinez, Lineman Supervisor & James Suazo, Journeyman Lineman**

Procurement would also like to give a big shoutout to DPU Lineman Sam Martinez and James Suazo with their assistance with a large effort in cleanup of Electrical Wire at the PCS site.

Before:



After:





On June 30<sup>th</sup>, the collective bargaining agreement (CBA) was signed by Los Alamos County and International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) Local 3279 President and attested by County Clerk Redondo. This contract wrapped up over 8 months of negotiations including a holiday break and many key members from both union and management teams.



The Public Works Department hosts a cornhole tournament each year during the annual employee picnic, with employees traditionally bringing their personal boards from home. This year, the **Environmental Services Team** took a creative approach by building new boards using plywood and 2x4s from the reuse pile at the Eco Station. The logo stickers were donated by Fleet, as they couldn't be used on vehicles due to adhesive issues.



**Benjamin Vigil, Traffic and Streets Division**

He began as an Equipment Operator and has since been promoted to Senior Equipment Operator. In his first year competing in the Equipment Rodeo, he earned **1st place in the backhoe event**. This year, he proudly brought home **two 2nd place plaques for the excavator and skid steer**, as well as a **3rd place plaque for the backhoe**. Benjamin has represented the department with great skill and professionalism. Great job Benjamin!

### **Louise Romero, Management Analyst**

-----Original Message-----

From: Jody Benson

Sent: Tuesday, July 1, 2025, 11:04 AM

To: Romero, Louise B. <lb.romero@lacnm.us>

Cc: ~County Council <~CountyCouncil@lacnm.us>

Subject: Re: Denver Steels Road construction

Thank you! Once again, thank you and the County for your services. We who live here are grateful for your efficiency and expertise.

Jody Benson

**LAFD** received a request to go over to Montessori Elementary School and cool off the kids in a fun way using Fire Engine 3. The kids had a blast and enjoyed the kickoff of Summer 2025 with the LAFD staff. Kudos and a big “Thank You” to the crew at Station 3 for making it a great time to the Montessori Students, Staff, and parents



**Congratulations to the following team members who earned Recognition Coins this month!** Your hard work directly contributes to advancing the goals and enhancing the quality of life for all residents. Thank you for your exceptional efforts and for being an inspiring part of the team:

- **Barb Ricci** – (Records Information Management)
- **Jason Romero** – (Department of Public Works)
- **Brenda Bartlett** – (Department of Public Works-Facilities)

### **Library Kudos**

A couple traveling from Missouri to Denver came to the Clan Tynker performance. They were delighted to have used the library earlier in the day, loved the program, and commented that "this is clearly a town that loves its library!"

A patron was very appreciative of the new bike racks installed at MPL, especially the repair station which she thought was an "amazing" addition.

Adult patron said” Whoever wrote this year’s adult challenge for the summer reading, gets 5 stars. I am almost done since these challenges feel like they were written for me,

so much fun! .... I like the various options. As someone that is not big on social interactions and my experience with book clubs has been negative overall, I like the various options so I can decide how social I want to be in completing the challenge. For some I am pushing my comfort zone and others fit squarely into some of my favorite things to do.

Patron said the Creative Studio program was great and having lots of student staff was very helpful.



**ACT** is proud to join Frontrunner Bus in celebrating the sale of its 1,000th bus! To mark the occasion, Frontrunner invited customers to submit 10–15 second selfie videos. All submissions were put to a vote — and ACT’s support video won 1st place!