



BERNCO at a Glance

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Much needed pool renovations have recently been completed at Rio Grande High School

COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

First Wednesday of month
Wednesday, June 3, 9 a.m.

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR HEARING

Second Tuesday of month
Tuesday, June 9, 9 a.m.

BERNALILLO COUNTY COMMISSION MEETINGS

TIDD Board Meeting
Tuesday, June 9, 4 p.m.

Administrative Meeting
Tuesday, June 9, 5 p.m.

Special Zoning Meeting
for Santolina Master Plan
Tuesday, June 16, 1 p.m.

Administrative Meeting
Tuesday, June 23, 5 p.m.

*Meetings are held in the
Vincent E. Griego Chambers
in the basement of the
City/County Government Bldg.
One Civic Plaza
Fifth Street and Marquette NW*

County offices
will be closed on Friday,
July 3 in observance of the
Independence Day holiday.

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It's a Splash Bash!

Bernalillo County is proud to unveil a totally rebuilt Rio Grande Indoor Pool for the 2015 summer swimming season.



And we are having a pool party to celebrate!
Join us on Sunday, June 7 from noon to 5 p.m. for music, food, and fun! A donation of non-perishable foods or a can opener is kindly suggested in lieu of the pool admission fee.

This pool is the only indoor swimming pool in Bernalillo County's Aquatics Program, and is located on the campus of Rio Grande High School, 2312 Arenal Road SW.

Bernalillo County built a new pool so that it will be safe for recreational and competitive swimmers, meet current building and Americans with Disabilities Act requirements, and be more energy efficient. Renovations included a completely new pool designed to provide the high school swim team with a home pool that meets competition standards. In addition to a new pool, the building received a new tube slide, roof, heating, cooling and ventilation systems.

Visit www.bernco.gov/aquatics for more information and pool hours.

Gateway Growers Market Thursday Evenings at Gateway Park

South Valley MainStreet hosts the Gateway Growers Market **every Thursday from 5 – 8 p.m.** at Gateway Park, 100 Isleta Blvd. SW. Catch dinner from a food truck or enjoy entertainment provided by local bands while stocking up on local produce and specialty products. For added convenience, the market now accepts SNAP and WIC.

For more information, contact Richard Meadows at rmeadows@bernco.gov or by phone at (505) 217-2484.

Think local, buy local.



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WE'RE MORE THAN YOU THINK

Gateway Grower's Market
An Initiative of South Valley MainStreet

Begins May 14!
Fresh locally grown produce, plants, and arts/crafts

Every Thursday evening, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.
at Gateway Park
100 Isleta Blvd SW (Bridge Blvd and Isleta Blvd)

WE ACCEPT SNAP AND WIC

For more information contact:
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South Valley MainStreet • 318 Isleta Blvd SW
rmeadows@bernco.gov
(505) 217-2484

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New slide at the Rio Grande Pool

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(505) 468-7100

Visit www.bernco.gov
for more information

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New Animal Care Facility Public Meeting Scheduled

The Bernalillo County Animal Care Services Department and the Fleet and Facilities Management Department invite the public to an open house presentation about the new animal care facility due to be built soon.



The public meeting will take place on **Thursday, June 11, 2015 at 6 p.m.** at the Bernalillo County Public Works campus, 2400 Broadway Blvd. SE, Building N, conference rooms A and B.

BDA Architects will be on hand with initial drawings and site plans, and will answer questions regarding the project as will staff from the Facilities Construction Program.



Representatives from the Bernalillo County Animal Care Services Department will also speak about the future programming of the animal care center and its benefits for the community.

Design Your Community by Attending a Parks, Recreation & Open Space Facilities Master Plan Public Meeting

Bernalillo County Parks and Recreation is currently updating the Parks, Recreation & Open Space Facilities Master Plan 2015 - 2030.

This plan will provide a 15-year roadmap for the development of future parks, recreation and open space facilities. Mark your calendar to attend one of the public meetings.

The meetings schedule is:

Monday, June 8, 6 p.m.

Bernalillo County Sheriff's North Area Command Center, 6900 Fourth St. NW

Wednesday, June 10, 6 p.m.

Keshet Performance Space, 4121 Cutler Ave. NE

Tuesday, June 16, 6 p.m.

Raymond G. Sanchez Community Center, 9800 Fourth St. NW

Wednesday, June 17, 6 p.m.

Los Vecinos Community Center, 478 ½ Old Hwy. 66, Tijeras, NM

Thursday, June 18, 6 p.m.

Westside Community Center, 1250 Isleta Blvd. SW

The draft Parks, Recreation & Open Space Facilities Master Plan 2015-2030 is available for review and citizens are encouraged to participate by taking the online survey at www.bernco.gov/ParksRecreationMasterPlan.

Comments and feedback can be emailed to parksplan@bernco.gov or for more information, please call (505) 468-1418.

A Waste Management, Inc. Message and Service Update

Bernalillo County residents, thank you for your patience over the past few weeks as we began a major reroute project for the area. It is a huge undertaking and as with most major changes, working out the kinks is a part of the process. We apologize for any inconvenience Bernalillo County residents may have encountered and ask for your patience as we work through temporary service issues that may arise.

The reroute puts us on a better path for continuous improvement, allowing us to provide better service to our communities over the long-term. By creating more effective routes, we will be able to provide more consistent pick-up times and fewer, shorter delays due to issues such as inclement weather, etc.



To ensure you receive notifications related to your service, please verify that your service address, billing address, email and phone number are accurate in our records. You can update your data or get information about your service by giving us a call at (505) 892-1200.

We value our relationship with Bernalillo County and thank you for choosing Waste Management, Inc. Our goal is to provide you with the best service possible.

The Scoop on Organic Waste

Did you know that 97 percent of food waste ends up in landfills each year? It's true, and reducing food waste actually starts on grocery shopping day.

Just think of it, if you only buy the ingredients you know you'll need and use, you are ensuring unused food won't go into the garbage. Think about how you can use your leftovers in advance of meal prep, like bringing them in for lunch at work or incorporating them into another meal later in the week.

However, when you do have scraps of fruits and veggies or even pieces of stale bread, coffee grounds, paper coffee filters or eggshells, consider backyard composting as an option to throwing them away.

You can learn more about organic waste by visiting: www.Recyclebank.com/organic-waste.

If you're not already recycling in Bernalillo County, call Waste Management, Inc. today at (505) 892-1200, and request a cart so you can start recycling immediately. Recycling is already part of your service and there's no additional charge to recycle!



Mural at the Rio Grande Pool

BernCo Hotline Numbers

**TO REPORT A ROAD
MAINTENANCE
ISSUE:**
(505) 848-1503
(505) 848-1504

**TO REPORT
GRAFFITI:**
(505) 24-ERASE
or (505) 243-7273

**PARK WATCH
PROGRAM:**
(505) 468-7777

Or send an email to:
ContactCenter@bernco.gov

BERNCO WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA HANDLES

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www.BernCo.gov

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UPCOMING BERNCO COMMUNITY EVENTS AND MEETINGS

South Valley MainStreet Listening Session

Saturday, June 6
10 a.m. – Noon

National Hispanic Cultural
Center
1701 Fourth St. SW

Topic: *Final Input on Public
Art Concepts*

Rio Grande Indoor Pool Grand Re-opening

Sunday, June 7
Noon - 5p.m.

Rio Grande High School Pool
2300 Arenal Road SW

BernCo Bernie Children's Book Launch and Book Signing

Wednesday, June 10
1 p.m.

Keshet Center for the Arts
4121 Cutler Ave. NE

Bernalillo County Animal Care Facility Public Meeting

Thursday, June 11
6 p.m.

Bernalillo County
Public Works
2400 Broadway Blvd. SE
Building N
Conference rooms A and B

Be Prepared for Heavy Rainstorms

When we get rain in Bernalillo County, it can come in very intense storms. By staying prepared, you can prevent damage to your home and property. Here are some things that you can do:

- 1) **Know Your Risk!** Bernalillo County provides a flood zone map information service of the latest information on where FEMA flood zones are located. Visit www.bernco.gov for the mapping information.
- 2) **Clear All Debris from Storm Water Flow Paths.** This includes rain gutters, storm drain inlets and channel beds. Fencing that crosses a flow path should have all debris removed so that the water can flow freely.
- 3) **Clean Sediment from Storm Water Ponds.** If your property includes a storm water detention/retention pond, check for sediment accumulation and make sure the outlet is clear of debris so that it will function properly.
- 4) **Be Aware of the Weather.** Pay attention to forecasts and plan your day accordingly.
- 5) **Never Cross Flowing Arroyos.** Due to the nature of our soils, steep arroyo slopes and high flow velocities, erosion can cause big changes in the ground surface, which cannot be seen under the flowing water.
- 6) **If You Experience Flooding,** sandbags can be a quick method of slowing down the flow of water. Sandbags are available at all Bernalillo County fire stations.



For more information, contact Don Briggs, Bernalillo County Floodplain Administrator at (505) 848-1511 or by email at drbriggs@bernco.gov. If you live in the City of Albuquerque, contact Rudy Rael at (505) 924-3977 or by email at rrael@cabq.gov.

Talk to Us!

Bernalillo County wants to hear from you! Your views are important to us. Sign up to speak at meetings, provide comments on proposed ordinances and topics of interest at BernCo.gov.

The proposed ordinances listed below are those which have been brought before the Bernalillo County Board of Commissioners and are currently in the public comment period:

- Code of Conduct Ordinance Amendment
- "Complete Streets" Ordinance Addition
- Management Oversight System for Bernalillo County Detention Facilities

Visit us online at www.BernCo.gov or reach us by phone at (505) 468-7000. Follow us on Twitter @BernCounty and Facebook at **Bernalillo County NM**. Thank you!