



Town of Bernalillo

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PRESS RELEASE: Message from the Mayor of Bernalillo regarding COVID-19

Bernalillo, NM – March 15, 2020

Dear Bernalillo residents and neighbors:

The current situation in our state and country calls for us to make adjustments in our lives and behaviors. The health and safety of our community is our highest priority. We continue to monitor the impact of COVID-19 (the coronavirus) in our community, in conjunction with state officials. As new information becomes available, we will make additional adjustments to our operations.

Staff who are ill are expected to stay home. We request that members of the public monitor their own health and follow public health recommendations. We strongly request that everyone follow all those recommendations including social distancing. We are diligently cleaning and sanitizing offices and all public spaces. We encourage everyone who can accomplish needs over the phone or internet to do so. Essential services remain open to meet your needs.

Effective Monday, March 16th, we will close the Martha Liebert Public Library and our Recreation Center, through March 31st. This is subject to change as we will reevaluate the situation daily. At this time, all other departments will remain open. We will also cancel or postpone all other Town events through March 31st, except for Town Council meeting on March 23rd.

Bernalillo Public Schools are offering grab and go breakfast and lunch Monday through Friday at all schools, and at Rotary Park 9:00-10:00 am. Visit their website (bernalillo-schools.org) or Facebook page for details. Also contact Sandoval County for availability of lunches from their Senior Program.

We ask that everyone follow public health recommendations. **Please prepare, don't panic, and most importantly: be kind to one another.** Please check our website and Facebook page for updates. We are in communication with the Governor's office and the NM Department of Health on a daily basis in order to make decisions based on solid information. The New Mexico Department of Health website (nmhealth.org) is the place for accurate, up to date information.

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Coronavirus hotline health-related questions: **855-600-3453**

Coronavirus hotline for family support and non-health-related questions: **833-551-0518**