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New Murals in MainStreet Districts

The "Greetings from Carlsbad" mural by <u>Artbyfish</u> looks great!

Lovington MainStreet's Central Alley Graffiti Mural Contest voting ends today! Raton MainStreet's summer intern, Kira Medina, is working on their newest mural!



Mural by River Insilan





Capital Outlay Public Infrastructure Updates

Belen's new streetlights, benches, and sidewalks on Becker Ave. are looking fantastic thanks to the <u>City of</u> <u>Belen & Belen MainStreet</u> <u>Partnership</u>!

Photo Credit: <u>City of Belen</u>



Gallup's <u>Coal Avenue</u> <u>Commons</u> placemaking project has transformed two blocks of Coal Avenue into a vibrant plaza street!

Photo Credit: <u>Gallup</u> <u>MainStreet Arts & Cultural</u> District



Tucumcari MainStreet's Great Blocks project helped make their downtown more pedestrian-friendly with new sidewalks, lighting, landscaping, and seating!

Photo Credit: Arlene Winfrey



T or C Maker's Market August 22, 2021

Shop small, shop local at the T or C Maker's Market on Sunday, August 22! Meet emerging small businesses while enjoying live music and indulgent bites.



Los Alamos Retail Accelerator Program

Los Alamos MainStreet, in partnership with New Mexico MainStreet, the Los Alamos Chamber of Commerce, and through a New Mexico Economic Development Department LEADS Grant, is spearheading a Los Alamos Retail Accelerator program Fall & Winter 2021!

The outcome of this program will be an increase in independent retail stores in Los Alamos' downtown core. The deadline to apply is August 27, 2021.



Community-Driven Public Art in Las Cruces

The <u>Las Cruces Museum of Art</u> has a new mural by local artist Coy Lowther - one of <u>Downtown Las</u> <u>Cruces Partnership</u>'s recent *Ventanas Vivas* winners!

The mural features the Organ Mountains, as well as a Gila monster covered in small artworks created by community members.



State Reimplements Indoor Mask Mandate

New Mexico re-implemented a statewide requirement that **facemasks be worn in all public indoor spaces** with only limited exceptions, and regardless of vaccination status, to stem the state's rising tide of COVID-19 infections and hospitalizations.



New Mexicans can learn more about COVID-19 vaccines

and schedule an appointment at <u>VaccineNM.org</u>. Through the month of August, any New Mexican receiving a first or second shot of Pfizer or Moderna, or a first-and-only shot of Johnson & Johnson, will receive \$100!

Silver City MainStreet Launches Downtown Passport Program On August 28, 2021 Silver City MainStreet will launch their *Downtown Passport* program for youth (ages 12 and under) at the Maker's Market at Main Street Plaza! Downtown Passport Giving Kids a Safe and Fun way to explore Downtown The *Downtown Passport* has ten downtown business Here's how it works: destinations that each "traveler" must go to and have Pick up passport at the Visitor Center Go to each merchant to have your passport stamped their passport stamped. After August 28, passports can between Aug 28 to Dec 31, 2021 When you have all of the stamps on your passport, go to the Visitor Center for your \$5 MainStreet Gift Certificate be picked up at the Visitor Center located a 201 N. Hudson Street in Silver City. Must be 12 or under Once the passport is completed and returned to the Visitor Center, the "traveler" will receive a \$5 Main Street Gift Certificate. The Downtown Passport is a fun way to walk around downtown, get exercise, and learn about local businesses. The gift certificate is good at almost all downtown businesses. The program will run through December 2021 and was funded by the Wells Fargo Foundation.

<u>Silver City MainStreet</u>'s *Taste of Downtown* September 4, 2021

Take a bite out of downtown Silver City on Labor Day weekend, as chefs serve up their culinary delights for the 21St annual Taste of Downtown!

Walk around downtown on Saturday, September 4 from 11:30 am to 2:30 pm and get delicious tastes from 12 eateries. Restaurants, a local brewery, and specialty food establishments are offering delicious, sweet and savory tastes for only \$20 a ticket.

This is an annual fundraising event for <u>Silver City</u> <u>MainStreet</u>. There will also be four gift basket drawings for ticket holders only. The gift baskets have values of up to \$174. The Silver City Museum Store donated two wonderful baskets, Single Socks donated a fun "basket," and Morning Star donated an outdoor themed basket.



The Silver City Museum store has great gifts for all ages, Single Socks is a community thrift store that donates proceeds to fight hunger in our community, and Morning Star is a wonderful downtown outdoor outfitter.

San Juan Jazz Society and The City of Farmington present the 1 st Annual Farmington Jazz Festival

August 28, 2021

The Farmington Jazz Festival will feature the San Juan Jazz Society Combo, Broke With Expensive Taste and headliner Julia Keefe, Indigenous Jazz Vocalist from Brooklyn, NY.

This FREE event will be hosted outdoors at Civic Center. Seating will be provided and the public is encouraged to sit on the grass or bring their own chairs.

Don't miss this amazing event! Food trucks and a gated bar will be available.



2021 Levitt Amp Gallup Music Series Through September 23, 2021

Gallup MainStreet Arts & Cultural District, in

partnership with City of Gallup, is excited to announce the headliners for the 2021 Levitt AMP Gallup Music Series, sponsored by the Mimi & Mortimer Levitt Foundation!

Concerts are every Thursday, 8/12-9/23 at the El Morro Theatre. Watch live in-person or on the live stream!



New Mexico Emergency Rental Assistance Program

Are you having trouble paying your rent or utility bills?

If you were fired, suspended, had your work hours reduced, or experienced other financial hardship due to COVID-19, help is available at <u>renthelpnm.org</u> or 1-833-485-1334.



Opportunities

Events

- 2022 Main Street Now Conference Call for Proposals
- 2021 New Mexico Organic Farming Conference

Aug. 27, 2021

• <u>Santa Fe Community Foundation Fall</u> <u>Cycle</u> (Santa Fe, Rio Arriba, San Miguel or Mora Counties) Aug. 30, 2021

• <u>Outdoor Recreation Trails+ Grant</u> Aug. 31, 2021

<u>America Walks Community Change</u>
<u>Grants</u>
Opens Sept. 2021

• <u>New Mexico FundIt</u> Sept. 13, 2021

<u>2022 Great American Main Street</u>
<u>Award</u>
Sept. 15, 2021

<u>Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian</u>
<u>Program</u>
Sept. 24, 2021

• <u>T-Mobile Hometown Grant Program</u> Sept. 30, 2021

• <u>Grants Promote Diversity in the</u> <u>Performing Arts</u> Sept. 30, 2021

 <u>Nusenda Foundation's Community</u> <u>Rewards[®] program</u>
Oct. 1, 2021

• <u>Small Town America Civic Volunteer</u> <u>Award</u> (population less than 25K) Oct. 15, 2021

 <u>Build Back Better Regional Challenge</u> (EDA)
Oct. 19, 2021

 <u>Statewide Planning, Research and</u> <u>Networks Grants</u> (EDA)
Oct. 31, 2021 Through Aug. 23, 2021

Infrastructure Capital Improvement

Plan (ICIP) Virtual Training Series:

- Aging & Long-Term Services, 8/23
- Finance Authority Public Lending Opportunities, 8/24
- Local Government Road Fund and Transportation Project Fund, 8/25
- FUNDIT, Economic Recovery & Renewable Energy, 8/26
- How the ICIP affects funding in New Mexico Tribal Communities, 8/27
- Tourism Infrastructure, 8/30
- Capital Outlay Request Form, 9/28

• <u>NM Recovery Series: USDA Disaster</u> <u>Assistance and Loans Programs</u> Aug. 31, 2021

 AARP Livable Communities Workshop: Engaging Older Adults Sept. 22-23, 2021

<u>Vacant, Abandoned, and Deteriorated</u>
<u>Properties Training Academy</u>
Sept. 28, 2021

• <u>New Mexico Outdoor Economics</u> <u>Conference</u> - Farmington Sept. 30-Oct. 1, 2021

• <u>NMMS Fall Institute</u> - Farmington Oct. 20- 22, 2021

• <u>NMMS Winter Conference</u> - Santa Fe Feb. 2-4, 2022

• <u>2022 Main Street Now Conference</u> -Richmond, VA May 16-18, 2022

More events

<u>Good Jobs Challenge</u> (EDA)

Jan. 26, 2022

• <u>Economic Adjustment Assistance</u> <u>Grants</u> (EDA) March 15, 2022

• <u>Indigenous Communities Program</u> (EDA) March 15, 2022

<u>Travel, Tourism and Outdoor</u>
<u>Recreation Program</u> (EDA)
March 15, 2022

¹² Submit your stories & events to our newsletter by emailing info@nmmainstreet.org.

New Mexico MainStreet (NMMS) develops local capacity to engage people, rebuild places & grow the entrepreneurial, creative & business environment resulting in economically thriving downtowns, greater business & employment opportunities and a higher quality of life.

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