

THE VILLAGE OF TIJERAS NEWSLETTER

"With pride in our past, and faith in our future."

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LETTER FROM THE MAYOR

Jake Bruton

I am pleased to announce the Village of Tijeras is bringing back the Cleanup Saturday event. This event provides a convenient opportunity for Village residents to responsibly dispose of otherwise difficult to dispose of waste.

Swing by Village Hall on Saturday, September 26 starting at 8:00 a.m. We will have four large containers available for general waste disposal, plus one container specifically for tires. A special thanks to East Mountain Disposal and their contractor, Universal Waste, for providing the containers.

Please be aware that the following items are prohibited:

- Heavy items such as gravel, rocks, and dirt;
- Hazardous materials including paint, chemicals, pesticides, animal carcasses, batteries, and appliances containing freon; and
- Tires, except in the specified container.

Please bring this page of the newsletter with you so we can easily confirm you are a resident of the Village. We will accept drop-offs until the containers are full. Plan to come early, as we expect containers to fill up quickly! Please don't forget to wear a mask.



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PUBLIC WIFI HOTSPOTS IN THE VILLAGE

Councilor Maxine Wilson, Mayor Pro Tempore

As many of you know, Albuquerque Public Schools decided earlier this year to postpone reopening schools until January 2021. To assist students who are learning from home, Albuquerque Public Schools and the City of Albuquerque have worked to provide free WiFi hotspots at a number of locations in and around the city.

Two such locations are the East Mountain Library and Los Vecinos Community Center. Free wireless internet service will be accessible in the library's parking lot every day from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. At Los Vecinos, service is available Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The network name is "COAFreeWireless" and there is no password required to join. Simply bring a WiFi-enabled device such as a laptop, tablet, or smart phone.

While the expansion of the city's WiFi hotspot network is primarily intended to serve students during distance learning, the services are freely available to the public. Please remember to follow social distancing guidelines while accessing the public WiFi.



Welcoming our new Meal Site Assistant Eileen Gonzales

The Village is pleased to announce Eileen Gonzales joined us as our new Meal Site Assistant on Monday, September 14. She will assist Rita and Flori in distributing grab-and-go meals at the Senior Center. Eileen is a lifelong resident of Tijeras and will likely be a familiar face to many of you. When you see her, be sure to give her a warm welcome!



WE ARE LOOKING TO GROW OUR TEAM!

The Village has two new employment opportunities

At the Village Council meeting on September 8, the Council approved the hiring of two part-time, temporary positions: a Building Screener and a Receptionist/Document Retention Assistant.

As the Village looks toward reopening Village Hall to the public later this fall, the **Building Screener** will be essential to ensuring we do so in a manner that is safe and that complies with all public health guidelines. The Building Screener will be stationed near the entrance of Village Hall and will greet all visitors to the building, screen them for fever and other COVID-19 symptoms, and record basic contact information for contact tracing purposes. The Building Screener may be asked to perform additional duties as needed. A high school diploma or equivalent is required. The compensation for this position is \$10.00 per hour.

In addition to performing clerical duties such as answering the phone and providing information to Village residents, the **Receptionist/Document Retention Assistant** will assist staff in the important work of scanning and digitally filing Village records. A high school diploma or equivalent is required. Experience with Laserfiche software or general document retention practices is preferred. The compensation for this position is \$10.00 per hour.

If you or someone you know is interested in either of the positions, applications are available at www.villageoftijeras.com. Send your application and resume to Deputy Clerk Nick Kennedy at nkennedy@villageoftijeras.com.



Small Business Grant Program

The Village has received over \$11,000 in federal CARES Act funds to administer a grant program for small business negatively impacted by the pandemic. Expect more information about this exciting opportunity in the coming weeks!