

Youth Livestock Shows Can Go On! Youth livestock shows fall under the current public health order definition of “outdoor recreational facilities.” This allows counties to operate its facilities as long as they comply with the rules for COVID-Safe Practices with these requirements:

- Adhere to COVID-Safe Practices for all employees (pg 9); Adhere to Required COVID-Safe Practices for Retail Establishments (pg 11); Conduct events virtually to the greatest extent possible; All food/beverage services must adhere to the COVID-Safe Practices for Restaurants (pg 12); Buffet-style food/beverage service not permitted; Discontinue all merchant and retail vendors
- Entering and Exiting of Livestock: Permit only one trailer for loading/unloading in an area at a time; Allow for extra pen spacing between livestock; Limit tack to minimum; Exiting must be coordinated to support social distancing
- Conducting Shows: Limit attendance to participants and immediate families; Livestock on grounds no longer than necessary; Limit class size to support social distancing; No hand shaking or personal contact with other exhibitors, judge, or ring help. Complete rules here [Youth Livestock pg 46-47](#)

Shortened Schedule Risks 2020 Census Accuracy

The U.S. Census Bureau cut its data collection schedule a month short as legislation that would have extended the national deadline stalls in Congress. This is worrisome for New Mexico as we have almost 20% of the population in hard-to-count communities, including minorities and immigrants. New Mexico is one of 10 states currently trailing its 2010 self-response rate, which was a 60% participation rate, the nation's second-lowest. Our goal for the 2020 Census is to exceed that response rate, while county complete count committees continue to aggressively pivot their outreach strategies in ways to gain more self-responses working around COVID-19 restrictions.

As of Monday, **47% of NM households** had not yet responded to the census questionnaire. The count determines how \$1.5 trillion in federal spending is distributed nationwide and how many congressional districts each state gets.

Each person not counted could mean a loss of \$3,700 per person per year. **Just a 1% undercount could mean NM loses @\$1 billion in federal funds over the next 10 years.** Dollars go to Medicare, Medicaid, SNAP, schools, hospitals, fire stations, road repairs, and child programs. Let's Count NM.

Link to NMC Meetings [Annual Calendar](#)
NMC Loss Prevention Trainings Link to [RSVP](#)

- Fri. Aug 7 NMC Board of Directors meeting 10:30 a.m. Otero County /Zoom
- Wed. Aug 19-20 NMCIA Board meeting 8:30 a.m. NMC Santa Fe office TBD
- Wed. Sept. 9 Legislative Initiatives Review w/Legislative Committee 11 a.m. NMC Santa Fe office TBD
- Mon. Sept. 21-25 NM EDGE Classes Albuquerque Online
- Tue. Sept. 29 LP Webinar Cyber Security—What Every User Should Know
- Thur. Oct. 1-2 NMC Board of Directors Legislative meeting 2 p.m. & Board meeting 8:30 a.m. Rio Arriba County TBD
- Wed. Oct. 7 LP Webinar On-the-Job Training and Field Training Officers (Detention)
- Thur. Oct. 22-23 Virtual Wildland Urban Fire Summit
- Wed. Oct. 28-29 NMCIA Retreat & Board meeting TBD
- Thur. Nov. 5 NMC Executive Committee meeting 2 p.m. NMC Santa Fe office TBD
- Fri. Nov. 6 NMC/NMML Joint Legislative Meeting 9 a.m. Santa Fe County TBD

NM Counties 2020 Census Response Rate



Update Leave Non-Response Follow Up Begins August 11, 2020 ending September 30, 2020 (New end date)

NEW! [2020 Census Total Self-Response by State/County/City Rankings](#)

NEW! [Subsidized Housing Map Response](#)

[View 2020 Response Rate Dashboard](#)

Need 71,760 more NM households to respond in 55 days!

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Call for Equitable Parks, Green Spaces Grant

Deadline **Wed Sept 9, 2020 1 p.m. MDT**
 Vital role in social, economic, and physical well-being; For small/midsize cities parks/green spaces in low-income communities; can be partnership between up to three organizations; Up to \$400,000; [Apply HERE](#)

Wed Aug 12 Webinar [FirstNet in New Mexico—The Future of Public Safety Broadband](#)

2-3 p.m. MDT
 Questions, contact Thomas L. Randall, FirstNet Senior Public Safety Advisor
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- Learn: FirstNet Authority, how it was established, buildout to future enhancements to public safety communications
- Hear: AT&T update on New Mexico plan
- Hear: Future of Public Safety Broadband

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Serving the Future—Building a next-gen public sector workforce

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 By 2022, over 60% of global GDP will be digitized. Local government must modernize operations to work smarter, recruit and retain better talent, and respond faster to ever-changing constituent demands.

- Increase workforce productivity and efficiency
- Modernize hiring and onboarding to capture top talent
- Empower employees to drive loyalty, passion, and performance

By clearly communicating the values and community benefits, governments can revitalize their brand. 38% of job candidates turn to friends, family, and colleagues to find new jobs.

RESOURCES FOR COUNTIES

Grant Awards Announcement Supporting 11 Economic Development Projects & 3 Solo-Entrepreneur Programs

Recipients of the Local Economic Assistance & Development Support Program (LEADS) grants in FY 2020 resulted in:

100 new jobs in **Rio Rancho**; six new jobs created by entrepreneurs in **San Juan County**; two new outdoor recreation businesses in **Farmington**; five new businesses in **Santa Fe**; five rural counties received training specific to successful rural entrepreneurship resulting in 28 businesses accessing \$312,600 in capital; 10 new food businesses in the **South Valley**; 422 new jobs in **Doña Ana County**, along with \$14.9 million in new payroll; and 125 new jobs in **Lovington** for hemp production.

Thur Aug 6 [How Counties Use CARES ACT \\$\\$ to Support Local Economies](#) Noon-1 p.m.

Thur Aug 6 [NACo Membership Call-Update on Federal COVID-19 policy](#) 2 p.m. MDT

Thur Aug 13 [NACo Tech Xchange FirstNet w/ AT&T-COVID-19](#) Noon-1 p.m.

Wed Aug 19 [How Counties Invest CARES Act \\$\\$ in Social Safety Net Services](#) Noon-1 p.m.