

Due to the COVID-19 outbreak and the effort to “flatten the curve” to help stem its spread, most events on the Gallup Sun Community Calendar have been canceled.

Octavia Fellin Public Library (115 W. Hill Ave.) and the Children’s Library (200 W. Aztec Ave.) have shut down and all of their events have been canceled.

The library is providing a form with a QR code to request items for check-out.

The check out limit has been increased to 30 days for library materials and the return date has been extended to May 1.

Live videos are available daily on Facebook for technology classes, online workshops, Story time and other programs.

Research services are available online and over the phone.

Check [ofpl.online/collections](https://ofpl.online/collections) for promotion of digital resources.

You can also visit social media, [@galluplibrary](https://twitter.com/galluplibrary) or [ofpl.online](https://ofpl.online) for up-to-date information.

The Grey Area: Mandatory Student Training set for April 2 has been postponed. An undergraduate general session is currently scheduled for 2 pm May 1 at SSTC 200 at UNM-Gallup (705 Gurley Ave.).

The SBDC office at UNM Gallup is closed through April 5. It is set to re-open April 6 at 8 am.

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Low cost Spay and Neuter Days at the Gallup-McKinley County Humane Society (1315 Hamilton Rd., Gallup) have been postponed. Procedures are still being conducted, however they are scheduled out through May 1. For the time being no new spay and neuter surgeries are being scheduled. The phones are still active and emergency calls will receive a response, and the crew continues feeding the animals at the shelter. However, Cosy Balok, Supervisor for Animal Control for the City of Gallup is asking people to hold onto animals and contact their own veterinarians if there is a medical need. Only animals who must be euthanized will be taken in. Since the Gallup-McKinley County Humane Society is a no-kill shelter, only animals who cannot be saved are euthanized. Throughout the year, the shelter has sent more than 3,500 animals to larger locations in Arizona, Utah and Colorado for adoptions. Those facilities are not taking transported animals at this time. In order to remain a no-kill facility, the shelter needs to provide enough space for the animals currently in its care. For more information, gmchumanesociety@gmail.com; (505) 863-2616

The City of Gallup has closed all municipally-owned playgrounds, including Bubany Park, Father Dunston Park, Ford Canyon Park Playground, Hadden Park, Indian Hills Playground, Mossman Park, Oliva Park, Playground of Dreams, Red Rock Park Playground, Sky City Park, Stagecoach Mini-Park and Viro Circle Park. In addition all citywide gazebos and public picnic shelters are closed to the public. All outdoor sports fields and trails are remaining open to the public. If you have questions about previously scheduled outdoor recreation events, please call the City of Gallup Parks and Recreation Department at (505) 726-5492.

In addition, the following City Parks are also closed, Ford Canyon Sports Fields, Sports Complex, Indian Hills Ball Field, Tee Ball Field (behind Harold Runnels), Father Dunston Ball Field, Tony Dorsett Football Field and Walking Track, All City of Gallup tennis Courts and Basketball Courts, Gallup Skate Park, Gallup Dog Park.

The Fox Run Golf Course is closed. At this time all online booking, cart rentals, and range balls will be suspended until further notice. For more information: malcala@gallupnm.gov; (505) 863-9224.

Gallup McKinley County Schools will hold a Board Meeting March 30 from 1 pm-2 pm at the GMCS Student Support Center (640 Boardman). This meeting was moved from Navajo Mid School.

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Gallup Downtown Night Out, scheduled for March 28 is canceled. For more information: [downtownnightout.com](http://downtownnightout.com)

Cibola General Hospital and Cibola Family Health Center, will postpone all events until further notice for the safety of the community.

Through April 5, the Gallup Small Business Development Center office at UNM Gallup is closed. Staff will be available by email: [cjarvison@unm.edu](mailto:cjarvison@unm.edu) and [jlee04@unm.edu](mailto:jlee04@unm.edu)

Gallup Solar which usually hosts free community classes and presentations about all things solar on Wednesdays from 6 pm to 8 pm at 113 E. Logan is currently not scheduling meetings due to COVID-19.

All Rockin J Reawakenings public events are canceled through April 10. This includes all Public Canine Compadres Trainings, all Public Self-Defense classes and our end-of-the-month Comradery Get-Together, our early April Comradery Get-Together, and unfortunately what would have been our 2nd Annual Easter Egg Hunt. They are still available by email/phone/etc for VSO assistance, and Canine Compadres support. In person support, if necessary, may be arranged. You may contact them at: [reawakeningsinc@gmail.com](mailto:reawakeningsinc@gmail.com)

City of Gallup Community Providers meeting for April 30 may be canceled (updates forthcoming).

There is no school at GMCS between March 13 and April 3. The Student Support Center will be closed due to the Emergency Declaration from Governor Lujan Grisham. All sites will receive extensive cleaning on April 2-3, so facilities are ready to re-open on April 6.

The following facilities are closed until further notice. Facility staff are on-call:

- El Morro Theatre and Events Center

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- Red Rock Park Convention Center
  
- Aquatic Center
  
- Gallup Senior Center (Meals are available on drive-thru or delivery capacity. Transportation is limited to doctor-recommended appointments. Call (505)722-4740 for more information.
  
- Cecil Garcia Fitness Center (March rates will be prorated and all future billing is suspended until the facility reopens.)
  
- Larry Brian Mitchell Recreation Center
  
- Harold Runnels Athletic Complex

The City of Gallup Customer Care area at 110 W. Aztec Ave. will be closed to the public. No in-person payment will be accepted at this site. You may pay your utility payments in the following ways:

1. Drop money orders or checks in our outside drop box at 110 W. Aztec Ave.
  
2. Call the automated billing line at (505) 726-4218
  
3. Access your account online for new customer applications and bill payment at [utilities.gallupnm.gov](http://utilities.gallupnm.gov)

**4. Mail payments to City of Gallup Utilities, PO Box 1400, Gallup NM 87305**

For the safety and security of all employees, all guests to City Hall and the Gallup Joint Utilities facilities must visit the security desk at 110 W. Aztec Ave.

Guests will be required to use hand sanitizer upon arrival and security will contact the appropriate department. If the department is available, security personnel will escort you to that department.

Gallup McKinley County Schools are closed.

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Gallup McKinley County Schools will hold a Board Meeting March 30 from 1 pm-2 pm at the GMCS Student Support Center (640 Boardman). This meeting was moved from Navajo Mid School.

There are several hotlines you can call to discuss your health and if you are concerned about symptoms of COVID-19:

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- Rehoboth McKinley Medical Center's hotline is (505) 236-1074.

- Gallup Indian Medical Center's hotline is: (505) 726-5897.

- For additional information on the City of Gallup's responses to COVID-19 visit [www.gallupnm.gov](http://www.gallupnm.gov)

- For further information about the State of New Mexico Health Department's response and actions, visit [cv.nmhealth.org](http://cv.nmhealth.org).

- For information from CDC on the national and international outbreak, preventative measures and more visit [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)

- The Office of the Governor has set up a coronavirus hotline and is encouraging individuals

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who are sick to call it for a pre-assessment prior to heading to their healthcare provider. That number is (855) 600-3453. To read the governor's Public Health Order, visit <https://nmhealth.org/publication/view/help/5668/>

The City would also like to remind citizens to share information with individuals who do not use the internet.

- Please call (505) 863-1254 for more information about available City services.