



Town of Ignacio

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Newsletter

Upcoming Events

PLEASE NOTE:

The regular Town Board Meeting is the second Monday of each month.

Town Board Meeting

Mon, March 11, 2024

6:00 PM

Abel F. Atencio Community Room
and via Remote Public Meeting

Planning Commission Meeting

Wed, April 03, 2024

5:30 PM

Abel F. Atencio Community Room

Town Hall Hours of Operation

Town Hall is open to the public from 9 AM - 4 PM Monday through Friday. We look forward to serving you. Please do not come into the office if you have cold-like symptoms, are running a fever, and/or are not feeling well.

Spring Forward

Daylight Savings Time begins on Sunday, March 10, 2024, at 2 AM. Please make sure to set your clocks 1 hour forward.

Rock Creek Housing Project

The Town is working on new affordable workforce housing and is now opening the qualification process to interested home owners. There are income qualification requirements and Homes Fund, a Durango housing non-profit, is working with interested buyers. Homes are planned for completion in August/September of this year at the Rock Creek Housing Project located off Quichas Hill Avenue. Several home sizes are available for all personal needs. All interested homeowners are encouraged to contact Homes Fund for qualifying details: <https://homesfund.org> or call (970) 259-1418. You can also contact Town Hall with any questions.



April 02, 2024 Regular Municipal Election Cancelled

The election is cancelled due to lack of candidates. The Town Clerk is seeking letters of interest from qualified electors within the Town of Ignacio who would be willing to accept a 2 year appointment from the Town Board of Trustees to serve as a Trustee until the next Regular Municipal Election. This appointment will take place after the Trustees who have been declared elected have been sworn in. Please submit letters to Town Hall, 540 Goddard Avenue.

If you smell natural gas

in your home or business, leave immediately! Do not turn light switches on or off, especially in the area you smell gas. Do not use your cell phone until you are outside and can no longer smell any gas. Call 911, the Fire Department (970-563-9501), or Dispatch (970-563-4401) if you smell gas at any time.

Si huele gas natural

en su casa o negocio, salga inmediatamente, sin pagar los interruptores de las luces, especialmente en el área que se siente olor a gas. ESPERAR a usar su teléfono celular hasta que ya no pueda oler el gas. Llame al número local de emergencias (911), al Departamento de Bomberos (970-563-9501), o diligencia al número 970-563-4401, si siente olor a gas en cualquier momento.

Southwest Colorado Education Collaborative

Career Launch Southwest (CLSW) is a virtual tool sponsored by the Southwest Colorado Education Collaborative that connects industry with our region's students to promote workforce development and offers work-based learning experiences. Any business or organization that wants to participate to help expand work learning opportunities in Southwest Colorado is eligible to participate. Please go to [Careerlaunchsw.org](https://careerlaunchsw.org) to register for free or contact Katie Miller at kmiller@swcoedcollaborative.org or (970) 420-6766.

Low-income Energy Assistance Program

The Low-income Energy Assistance Program (LEAP) began on November 1 and will run through April 30, 2024. LEAP is a federally funded program and is administered by Discover Goodwill of Southern and Western Colorado. It is designed to help eligible low-income households with winter home heating costs. To apply, go to <https://cdhs.colorado.gov/leap>. If you received assistance last year, you need to reapply this year.

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Carbon Monoxide & Smoke Detectors

According to Colorado State Law, every home must have Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detectors installed. The smoke alarms must be installed both inside and outside of each sleeping room. Battery operated units should have a new battery installed every six (6) months.

Call 811 Before You Dig

Whether digging a few inches or a few feet, Colorado 811 **MUST** be called to locate underground utility lines prior to any dirt being moved.

Online Payments

You can pay your Town utility bill **ONLINE!** Go to the Town's website townofignacio.colorado.gov and look for the "Pay Your Bill Online" link at the bottom of the home page. You will be charged a fee of \$1.00 for electronic checks, and \$0.75 + 2.25% of the transaction for debit or credit payments.

You can mail your payment to:
PO Box 459
Ignacio, CO 81137
or drop it in the night drop box (no cash, please). If you have a cash payment, you can visit Town Hall between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM Monday through Friday. Thanks!

ELHI Community Center

Dancing Spirit Community Arts Center (970-563-4600)

-Wheel Throwing Class: Wednesdays 1:30 - 4PM

-Open Studio/Studio Membership: Wednesdays & Saturdays 10AM - 1PM

-Intro to Clay and Hand Building: Saturdays 1:30 - 3PM

-Individual Wheel Throwing Instruction & extra clay are also available

Health Safety Community (Cora: 970-903-4813)

-Basic Life Support/Heartsaver Skills Checks: Mondays 4:30 - 6:30 PM (call or text to schedule)

-Heartsaver First Aid/CPR/AED In Person Certification Classes: Last Saturday of the month 9AM - 5PM (call or text to schedule)

Ignite Gymnastics (970-403-2636)

-March Madness: first 10 NEW students at any class or level, \$25 tuition for the month

-Bronze-Platinum competition in Grand Junction, CO: March 9-10

-Gold-Platinum competition in Montrose, CO: March 15

-State meet begins the first week in April - cheer on our gymnasts!

-Medal count as of 02/19/2024 (all levels): 18 Gold, 14 Silver, & 23 Bronze. CONGRATS!

JT's Studio (Jessica: 480-818-0779)

-Card Making Class in Room 21, Mondays 2 - 6PM

Pine River Shares

-FREE food distribution every 2nd Saturday of the month (March 9th, 11AM - 12PM)

SoCoCAA Youth Services (grades 6 - 12; (970) 759-2011)

-Ignacio Youth Services: Monday - Thursday, after school until 6PM

-Friday activities, call the number above for more information

The Clothing Closet

-Open for FREE clothes shopping (for all ages) Tuesdays & Fridays, 10AM - 2PM

Ignacio Community Library

Women's History Month Chautauqua Speaker: March 26, 2024 at 6PM - Colorado Humanities' Chautauqua Speakers Bureau brings engaging living history presentations to libraries, schools, and other organizations throughout Colorado!

Big Brother Big Sisters of SW Colorado

Do you know someone who would be a great mentor for a local youth? Big Brothers Big Sisters of SW Colorado is now enrolling volunteers (18+) in the communities of Ignacio and Bayfield. "Bigs" commit to one year, and work with program staff to find the best match possible. Coordinate with your "Little" (ages 6-17) and their family to choose your activities and schedule together, striving to meet for at least 4 hours per month. Have fun while helping a youth reach their full potential! For more information, contact Ryan at (970) 507-1277 or ryan@bbig.org. Begin your enrollment by visiting: bbig.org/mentor/

Southern Colorado Community Action Agency (SoCoCAA)

-Ignacio Early Learning Program: Substitute Teacher - \$15.79/hr - Open Until Filled

-Road Runner Transit: Transit Driver - \$18.94/hr - Open Until Filled

ICB Operator - \$22.76/hr - Open Until Filled

Bus Cleaner/Building Maintenance - \$18.94/hr - Open Until Filled

Division Director - \$62,483-\$75,275/yr - Open Until Filled (Up to \$5,000 in relocation expenses available)

-Multi-systemic Therapy (MST): Community Based Therapy - \$51,917-\$56,950/yr - Open Until Filled (MA Degree or within 1 year of finishing Master's Degree in Social Work, Counseling or other behavioral health related field required. Up to \$5,000 relocation expense available.)

To apply, please visit www.sococaa.org or call (970) 563-4517