



Town of Ignacio Newsletter

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Upcoming Events

PLEASE NOTE:

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

Town Board Meeting

Mon, July 11, 2022

6:00 PM

Abel F. Atencio Community Room and
via Remote Public Meeting

Town Hall Hours of Operation

Town Hall is now open to the public from 9 AM to 4 PM Monday through Friday. We look forward to serving you. Please do not come into the office if you are not well.

Service Opportunity

Do you love your community? Do you want to influence the vision and direction of the Town of Ignacio? Now you can! There are multiple openings on the Planning Commission and Board of Adjustment. To learn more about these two opportunities, please visit our website (townofignacio.colorado.gov), hover your mouse over Town Departments / Planning Department, and select the designated link. You can download an application from the Applications, Forms and Licenses page of our website. Once your completed application is received, it will be submitted to the Town Board for review. Individuals who currently own a business or property within Ignacio town limits, but do not live within the town limits, can still serve. You will be notified when your application is up for review, as the Town Board will want to talk with you. If you have any questions, please contact Town Hall.



Town of Ignacio Employment Opportunity

The Town of Ignacio is seeking applicants for a Maintenance Worker I or II. This position is full-time, with a comprehensive benefits package and a salary range of \$17.00-\$24.00/hr, depending on qualifications. Applications and job descriptions are available at townofignacio.colorado.gov or in person at Town Hall. Completed applications may be delivered to Town Hall, mailed to PO Box 459, Ignacio, CO 81137, or emailed to tdunton@townofignacio.com; this position will remain open until filled. The Town is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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.



Mosquito Control

Vector Disease Control is contracted through the Town of Ignacio as your mosquito control provider. Please call VDC (970-560-6637) to report mosquito problems. It is important to remove standing water, where mosquitos lay eggs. Vector Disease Control treats water with larvacide and fogs streets and alleys when mosquitos are present.

2021 Water Quality Reports

The 2021 Water Quality Report is now available on the Town website (townofignacio.colorado.gov). It has also been posted at Town Hall, the Library, and the Post Office. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Town Hall.

Creating Connections Month

Social psychologists define loneliness as the gap between the social connections you would like to have and those you feel you experience. The Town Board issued a proclamation designating June 2022 as "Creating Connections Month." You can foster connections through simple gestures. Smile at every person you pass, call an isolated elder, or host a potluck for your neighborhood. Encourage yourself and others around you to restructure your lives around people instead of work productivity and social media. Our Town is here and present.

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 numero 970-563-4401, si siente olor a gas en cualquier momento.



Safety Reminder

Please remember to always lock your car and never leave valuables in it, especially not in plain view. This will prevent thieves from having easy access to your valuable items.

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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.

Town Burn Pile

To drop off your tree limbs, grass clippings and other organic material at the Burn Pile, please call the on-call number (970-759-3660) to set an appointment. Please note that if the ground is muddy, access to the Burn Pile will be closed until conditions are satisfactory.

Online Payments

You can pay your Town utility bill **ONLINE!** Go to the Town's website town-of-ignacio.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 10 AM and 2 PM Monday through Friday. Thanks!

Southern Colorado Community Action Agency

Southern Colorado Community Action Agency (SoCoCAA) is actively seeking Board members. Members do not need to live in Ignacio. If interested, please call (970) 563-4517 or email Lori Niewold, Executive Director: lniewold@sococaa.org.

SoCoCAA is hiring for the following positions: Addiction Specialist; Bus Driver; Clerical/Dispatch; Celebrating Healthy Community Program Manager; Monitoring Technician Substitute; Program Coordinator for Youth Services; Substitute Teachers. Please go to www.sococaa.org to submit your application or call 970-563-4517.

Employment Opportunity

The ELHI Community Center in Ignacio, CO, is seeking a highly motivated person for the position of Facilities Manager/Administrator. The candidate will have numerous duties and responsibilities to ensure efficient and effective operations of the office, building and grounds, including administrative support, communications, site and tenant management, coordination, scheduling and clerical tasks. Must have strong leadership skills to manage staff, volunteers, partnerships and events. This position will be a 40 hour per week job with some flexibility for event coverage. A complete job description and application are available online at <https://www.theelhiignacio.org>. The ELHI Center is a drug and alcohol-free workplace, in accordance with Ignacio School District policies. Salary is \$42,000/Annually DOQ/DOE. Applicants must submit a job application, cover letter, and a resume to: elhiboard@gmail.com. Job will be open until filled.

Ignacio Community Library

The Ignacio library music series part 2 is July 9 at 5:30 to 7:00pm. Enjoy live music and local food vendors. Can even checkout Friends of the library book sale during the event.

Wednesdays at 3:00 p.m. & Saturdays at 10:00 a.m. at the Library: Idea Lab STEM Class. Learn the basics of design and software options for creating and producing documents for work or fun. The class will use open source and free software sources. This class is for all ages but children under 9 need to be accompanied by an adult.

IELP

Ignacio Early Learning Program is enrolling for the 2022-2023 school year. We serve children 2-5 years old. Please call 970-563-0681 to enroll.

San Juan Basin Health Department

Women, Infants and Children Update: Would you like to have access to low cost, locally grown produce this summer? Would you like that produce delivered to Ignacio? If you have children 5 and under or are pregnant you can qualify to get low cost weekly produce shares through participation in the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Program. If at least 4 Ignacio WIC families sign up, the produce can be delivered to the Ignacio area. More benefits of enrolling in the WIC program include a debit card to buy healthy foods, individualized nutrition counseling, breastfeeding support and more. WIC is easier than ever as all appointments are being conducted over the phone right now. For more information call the San Juan Basin Public Health WIC office at 970-335-2018 or go to: www.sjbpublichealth.org/WIC.

Pine River Shares

FREE food bags for kids! Pick up a bag of kid-friendly food on Fridays between 9 AM and 5 PM at ELHI Community Center, 115 Ute Street in Ignacio. Call 970-884-6040 for more information. Pine River Shares also provides family food bags at ELHI on Saturdays between 11 AM and 1 PM.

Free Legal Clinics

La Plata County is offering free legal clinics on the second Friday of each month, 4-5 PM at Ignacio Community Library. Please call 970-563-9287 if you would like to attend.

Homebuyer Education Classes

HomesFund offers free first-time homebuyer education classes in La Plata County. You have the opportunity to qualify for Down-Payment Assistance Funds by attending one of these classes. To register, go to: <https://homesfund.org/attend-a-class>.