Planning in a Crazy Year – APA NM Year in Review 2020

By John Valdez, APA-NM President | president@apa-nm.org

What were you doing on March 9, 2020? I was having a conversation with a colleague about our upcoming March Madness pool when our director walked down the hall telling us to pack up our computers because we were locking down. Shortly thereafter, our IT people were making sure we had NetExtender properly installed while passing mouse batteries into our hands. It was surreal but surely, we would be back in a couple of weeks, right?

When presented with the new world of COVID-19, planners did what they do best. They used the creative and adaptive skills the profession requires and re-imagined ways to engage our public. We went virtual in almost every aspect of our jobs from sitting in public hearings from our home offices to utilizing surveys to obtain project input. For those of us who work around the state or region, we found we could attend meetings in Las Cruces, Farmington, and Clovis all in the same day. We attended conferences and talks from our computers, tablets, and phones. In short, we kept planning.

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But it was not without its challenges, particularly for those of us who had staff reports to write while ensuring our kids were able to log on to their online school. People outside the field started asking planners what COVID meant for the built environment and our communities. How will they change? Will wider sidewalks conducive to social distancing become part of our urban design? Will work from home become permanent and what will it mean for our transportation systems and commercial office space? Will people ever get on light rail or a bus again? And what role will planners have in designing the post pandemic world?

Nearly a year from that day in March, we remain mired in this COVID Pandemic but we do have reason to hope. Vaccinations are rolling out. As of this writing, New Mexico’s infection rate has dropped dramatically from three months ago. We are beginning to make plans to re-open our schools and businesses. We are starting to hear stories of resiliency from our fellow New Mexicans. We celebrate those who have recovered while we think about and mourn those who this virus took from us.

While COVID played a significant role in our lives, we would be remiss if we did not acknowledge other 2020 events. The social justice movement brought on by George Floyd’s death in Minnesota begs us to reflect on how we are incorporating equity in our planning work and how we can better listen to our fellow citizens. It comes back to planning our streets, neighborhoods, communities, and regions in a manner that benefits everyone while addressing lingering issues that unfortunately persist today.

We begin 2021 as we left 2020. Many of us are still virtual, businesses are partially open, we are still masked, and socially distant. The APA National is committed to conducting much of its business online, which means we won’t be going to Boston for National Conference. APA-New Mexico continues to conduct our own business virtually as we gear up for various initiatives throughout the year. Some key highlights from our ongoing work plan include:

- Continuing our Stories of Resilience Project (see page 9) with the commencement of community interviews
- Planning for our 2021 Chapter Conference
- Putting out a call for our 2021 Awards
- Continuing to cultivate our strategic partnerships
- Supporting planners and planning in New Mexico through promotion, letters of support, professional development

Hopefully this year we’ll all be able to get out more and enjoy company and our beautiful state again!
As a small chapter, we do have challenges but we will not let that hinder us from supporting planners and good planning taking place in this State. As we anticipated, our membership has dropped off from this time last year as the chart below shows. We have lost 54 members and we strive to increase our membership as much as possible, though we understand budgets may be tight for public sector planners.

We have members in every corner of the state and some out of state/country. The majority of our planners work in the public sector but we also have many in private consultation, non-profits, and non-traditional planning areas.

As we move forward, please watch our list serve for upcoming announcements and even calls for involvement. We understand everyone is busy but we want to provide our members various ways to get involved with the chapter. Our meetings are open to everyone and typically occur the last Friday’s of the month at noon. Please do not hesitate to reach out to the Board for ways APA-NM can continue to support planners in our State.

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Conference Recap and 2020 Chapter Awards

By Rachel Hertzman, APA-NM Secretary & John Valdez, APA-NM President

It all started with an email with “Howdy Y’all” in the subject line. Thus was born the multi-state Cross Chapter Collaborative Conference or APAC3 for short. As every APA chapter wrestled with holding a conference in the age of Corona Virus, we realized that technology could provide opportunity. Our friends in the Texas Chapter contacted their border states and together, we realized that via the power of live streaming, conferences could transcend state lines. New Mexico APA, together with our partners in Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Arkansas, and Louisiana started meeting regularly to conceptualize how a multi-state virtual conference could take place. What followed was a remarkable effort of collaboration between our states.

The 2020 multi-chapter conference gathered a critical set of planning tools and resources for those who were fortunate to attend. The virtual forum was a pivot for reframing the pandemic into a set of solvable, albeit wicked, planning problems. Sessions topics varied widely, ranging from crisis mitigation techniques, incrementalism, and resilience to foundations of shared knowledge; from established institutional standards to recent trends and data methodologies; from collective information processing to concrete implementation methodologies and informal professional networks. Some highlights stood out:

Technical Adaptation: Simply in its successful virtual execution, the 2020 multi-state conference provided an opportunity to showcase emerging, critical planning keystones. The need for virtual gathering spaces and communications platforms and procedures propagated a wealth of creative, technical advances. This silver lining allowed New Mexico planners to join with our colleagues and neighbors from diverse geographic origins, as we examined issues relating to COVID-19 as well as non-pandemic planning matters.

Name Dropping: With an opening presentation by Gil Penalosa, a close from Mitch Silver, and range of thoughtful and provocative sessions in between, cyberspace was ripe with inspiration, innovation, and sage experience. A variety of Southwestern planning celebrities, students, and everyday planners were on tap to discuss and present on all current things planning.

New Mexico Presenters: James Kolberg (MRCOG), Kendra Montanari (MRCOG), Nathan Masek (MRCOG), and Tara Cok (MRCOG), Rosemary Dudley (Sites Southwest), Samantha Mendez (Village of Ruidoso), Timothy Dodge (Village of Ruidoso), Phyllis Taylor (Sites Southwest), Kizito Wijenje (Albuquerque Public Schools), Elizabeth Halpin (past Albuquerque Public Schools), Alex Ochoa (Village of Los Lunas), Erin Callahan (Village of Los Lunas), Joni Palmer (UNM), Lucy Gent Foma (Santa Fe County), James Foty (Groundwork Studio), Anna Linden Weller (EMNRD), Paul Sittig (NMDOT).

Revenues: This was the most lucrative conference in NM history, with earnings close to $20,000, thanks to the savvy financial management skills of APA-NM Treasurer Tom Menicucci. An effective MOU with our generous partners in Texas and their ability to leverage participants, partners, sponsors, and funding led to increased revenues.

Universality and Networking: While virtual sessions were an opportunity for planners to learn and multi-task conference sessions with work priorities, virtual happy hours and the awards presentation allowed our communities much needed down-time. The Kansas-New Mexico happy hour was capped with some virtual night caps and quarantinis while APA-NM President John Valdez’s and APA-NM Conference Chair Merideth Hildreth’s articulate announced the 2020 New Mexico planning awards and winners.
2020 APA New Mexico Awards
List of Awardees

With 16 nominations, the committee faced some difficult choices this year. Because the cornerstones of our yearly awards include encouraging participation, rewarding professional excellence, and showcasing good work, the committee decided to increase the number of award categories to highlight effective planning implementation.

STUDENT PLANNING PROJECT

*Neighborhood Stabilization and Empowerment: Assessment Tools, Intervention Strategies, and Policy Recommendations for Livable, Just, Sustainable Neighborhoods in Roswell, New Mexico and Beyond*, Merideth Hildreth, M.A., AICP; City of Roswell; Tufts University Urban and Environmental Policy and Planning

*Menikānaehkem – Community Rebuilders (CRP 570 Indigenous Planning Sustainability Institute)*, University of New Mexico, Department of Community and Regional Planning, Professor Ted Jojola, PhD

*UNM Project: Santa Fe Railyard Performance Center Parcel*, University of New Mexico School of Architecture and Planning students in CRP330 and GES330, Introduction to Urban Design, Spring 2020; Smith Gent LLC and Gent Foma Family: the Railyard Performance Center in Santa Fe, NM. Joni m palmer, PhD, Visiting Assistant Professor

EXCELLENCE IN PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

*Ruidoso: Living in Nature’s Playground, Comprehensive Plan Update 2019*, Sites Southwest, Village of Ruidoso’s Staff

*Las Cruces Active Transportation Plan*, City of Las Cruces, Toole Design, Molzen Corbin

LONG RANGE PLANNING

*Statewide Urban Forestry Management Plan*, Groundwork Studio, New Mexico State Forestry, Urban and Community Forestry Program, Van Citters Preservation


PLANNEROFTHE YEAR

*Richard Meadows*, Technical Planning Manager, Bernalillo County Technical Services Department

INNOVATION IN PLANNING

*Regional Transportation Safety Plan Program*, New Mexico Department of Transportation, Multimodal Planning & Programs Bureau, City of Gallup, City of Española, Wilson & Company

*Albuquerque Development Process Manual (DPM)*, Dekker Perich Sabatini; Bohannon Huston; City of Albuquerque Planning Department

*New Mexico Junior College Campus Master Plan Update (2018)*, Dekker Perich Sabatini

*Gallup Land Development Standards Update*, Dekker Perich Sabatini, Bohannon Huston, City of Gallup

EQUITY IN PLANNING

*International District Urban Agriculture Plan*, Albuquerque, NM, Groundwork Studio, Bernalillo County

*Tiny Home Village*, Albuquerque, NM, Consensus Planning, Bernalillo County Planning Department, Baker Architecture

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Meet Richard Meadows – APA-NM’s 2020 Planner of the Year

By John Valdez, APA-NM President & James Foty, APA-NM PDO

Richard Meadows is the Technical Planning Manager for Bernalillo County Public Works. He has been at the County for the last 12 years and previously worked in Tribal planning, private consulting, and several other planning areas. Due to his achievements over the course of his career, he was nominated by his peers and awarded APA-NM’s Planner of the Year for 2020. The following is a short Q&A with Richard on his interests, passions, and advice for young planners.

When did you realize you wanted to become a planner and was there an instance, situation, or issue that made you realize that planning was the profession for you?

Richard has always wanted to be a planner, going all the back to childhood when he would build miniature towns in his backyard. As a teenager, he enjoyed drawing maps of cities and imagining new places and neighborhoods. As a college student at New Mexico State University, he decided that he was more interested in urban planning and the variety of roles that the field offers after first exploring architecture. After graduating from the University of Arizona with a masters in planning degree, Richard worked as a Tribal Planner in Arizona and later in New Mexico. Since then, he has explored many other planning avenues including private consulting, housing, and land use planning before transitioning to his current role as a transportation planner at Bernalillo County.

What is the most challenging aspect of being a planner to you?

Throughout Richard’s career, a common thread for him has been finding the best way to relate planning projects and recommendations back to the community’s needs and desires. He sees it as an ongoing test for planners to ask: are the projects, processes, and strategies we’re using improving our communities and benefiting most people? And, if not, how can we do things better?

Related to these questions is the ongoing challenge of learning how to listen to all the different voices within a community and balance potentially competing interests and needs. In addition to being able to listen and respond to the different interests in a community, Richard has had to had to find ways to balance his planning knowledge and expertise with the sometimes divergent interests of multiple stakeholders. As Richard has learned, being able to do this well takes time, experience, and commitment.

“Richard listens. He is empathetic and kind. He is a consummate team player who you want on your side. Collaboration is second nature. He is extremely intelligent and patient and is more than willing to lead and mentor younger professionals who are interested and want to practice quality planning.”

-Clay Campbell, Bernalillo County

What were the special challenges you faced this past year due to COVID-19?

Richard has found working from home and the transition to Zoom meetings have worked out well overall. However, as many planners have experienced in the past year, Richard has found that it has been hard to conduct effective and representative public outreach during the pandemic. Due to the limitations on in-person meetings and events, he and his team have had to get creative
with public engagement strategies and utilize more online tools.

For example, Richard has been the project manager for Bernalillo County’s El Camino Real Trail Project that began in early 2020. The team for the project initially planned several in-person community meetings and events but had to pivot to online meetings and a more extensive project website because of the pandemic. As a result, the consultant for the project has created a virtual project tour to share the history of the trail and neighborhoods it passes through with community members. Although moving to online engagement has created challenges and come with some limitations, it has also allowed the project team to post content (including public meeting materials) that stakeholders can access on their own time.

**What area or planning issue are you most passionate about and why?**

Richard has always been passionate about finding ways to innovate to ensure that planning projects benefit our communities and the people living in them. As a result, he has been interested in pursuing new ways of doing things and moving forward, especially as the planning field has evolved over the last 30 years. Richard is currently interested in planning projects that consider and address the impacts of development, including climate change implications. In the future, Richard would like to learn more about economic development planning and ways to integrate transportation planning projects with effective economic development strategies.

Richard is also passionate about capital planning and seeing projects come to fruition. Although he is modest when talking about his accomplishments, he has overseen the planning of several large-scale transportation projects within Bernalillo County and been instrumental in securing funding for many of them in the past decade.

**What is your proudest achievement as a planner thus far in your career?**

Richard really enjoyed working on the Bridge Boulevard Corridor Plan with a diverse, multi-disciplinary project team and multiple County Departments. Since the plan was adopted, many of the recommendations have been implemented, including some of the roadway improvements and the formation of the South Valley Main Street.

Earlier in his career as a young planner, Richard worked on the General Plan and a Specific Area Plan for the Tohono O’odham community of San Xavier outside of Tucson. Many years later, he went back and was pleased to see how these plans had been implemented as envisioned in the plans he had worked on years before.

**Do you have any career advice for young planners or those considering entering the field?**

Richard’s advice to young planners is to remember that planning is not just about doing one thing such as zoning or land use – it’s a diverse field with many different career paths to explore. He encourages young planners to explore different facets that interest them and be open to career possibilities as they emerge.

**What do you do to unwind from the rigors of work?**

Outside of work, Richard enjoys gardening, walking his three dogs (two chihuahuas and a pitbull mix), getting out in nature, hiking, camping, riding his bike, and spending time with family.
Memorial to Dely Alcántara

By Dr. Ted Jojola | tjojola@unm.edu

Dr. Adelamar Alcántara, affectionately known as "Dely" to her family friends and colleagues, was born on January 19, 1948 in Moncada, Tarlac, Philippines. Her doctorate in sociology and demography was from the University of Hawaii, East-West Center. In 1982, she moved to the state as the NM state demographer eventually becoming the Director of the Geospatial and Population Studies program which she established at UNM in 2011. She also held the rank of Research Professor in the Community and Regional Planning Department.

As demographer, she was the first person to predict that NM would become a majority-minority state in the 1990s. Her population estimates became the gold-standard for policy development. In 2010, for example, her estimates came within 24 people of the official US Census count. She worked studiously with LUCA partners to identify missing households resulting in hundreds of millions of federal dollars being reclaimed over the decades.

She was also a fierce advocate of social justice and equity, especially for Asian-Americans. She was instrumental in having the NM legislature declare an official Asian-American day. She won numerous community awards for her advocacy. In 2006, she founded the NM Asian Family Center specifically to provide support for victims and survivors of domestic violence and related services to members of the Asian and Pacific islands community. She also served as president of the NM Filipino American Foundation, was founder of the Filipino American Community Council and was co-founder of the Rio Grande chapter of the Filipino American National Historical Society.

While President of the NM Bataan-Corregidor Memorial Foundation she mobilized statewide support to complete a memorial in Albuquerque’s Bataan park, something she felt strongly about, as her father was a Bataan death march survivor. In 2017, one of her last major accomplishments was the founding of a preschool Montessori school in her home town in the Philippines. The school is dedicated to her late son; the Manoa Alcántara Jojola International Center for Arts and Language (MAJICAL).

A few months after receiving the Dolores Huerta Si Se Puede award, Dely passed away unexpectedly in November of 2019. For her numerous accomplishments, the City of Albuquerque posthumously proclaimed December as Adelamar ‘Dely’ N. Alcántara month. Both the NM State Senate and House also declared April 1, 2020 “Adelamar ‘Dely’ N. Alcántara Remembrance Day.

She is survived by her husband of 44 years, Dr. Theodore (Ted) Jojola who is a Distinguished Professor and Regents’ Professor of Community and Regional Planning in the School of Architecture and Planning, UNM. Two memorial trusts in her name have been established at the Albuquerque Community Foundation. One is in support of NM Filipino cultural activities and the other is in support of the NM Asian Family Center.
Back in April of 2020, as we all struggled to adjust to the unprecedented changes brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic, the APA-NM Board began to discuss ways we could help as a Chapter. As the long-term implications of COVID-19 were still unclear and seemed overwhelming, we began to discuss the possibility of creating a special project to help planners better understand the effects of the pandemic on their communities. At the time, we were already hearing stories from people on how they (and their communities) were staying resilience in the face of the multiple challenges posed by COVID-19. It seemed that these stories of resilience were at the heart of everyone’s experience, and that sharing them would help more people grapple with a difficult time.

From this initial idea to collect and share stories of resilience, our Chapter applied for and received funding from APA National (via a Chapter President’s Council Grant) and the New Mexico Resiliency Alliance to hire five UNM students to carry out this project. After forming the student team in the fall of 2020, we began meeting regularly starting in November of 2020. Since then, the students have taken the lead on refining the initial project plan, conducting research, and designing and implementing an engagement strategy to hear from people around the state.

Where We Are Now

We are currently in the story collecting phase of the project and are seeking to hear from people around the state via a short survey where people can submit stories and artwork (via resiliencenm.org), individual interviews, and group storytelling sessions (focus groups). The survey is currently open until the beginning of March and we will be holding interviews and group storytelling sessions in February and early March. Although we’d love to hear from people around New Mexico, we have also focused on eight communities due to time limitations: Albuquerque, Las Cruces, Santa Fe, Roswell, Gallup, Las Vegas, Truth or Consequences, and Pueblo Communities. Together, these communities represent eight different counties and a wide-range of income levels, peoples, and a diversity of perspectives. We hope these communities will provide a broad spectrum of stories to help each New Mexican feel represented and included.

What’s Next

Once we have heard from and collected stories of resilience, we plan to compile the stories, photos, artwork, and lessons into a booklet and online resource to share. We hope that the stories and other resources will help to reveal the resilience of our communities during the pandemic and highlight some of the positive things that have happened in an otherwise difficult year.

Learn More & Contribute

Please visit resiliencenm.org to learn more about the project and learn about upcoming storytelling sessions. You can also email us at: stories@apa-nm.org
HopeWorks has served Albuquerque’s homeless population at its Downtown Albuquerque location between Third and Fourth Streets, just north of Mountain Road for many years. It is a lifeline for individuals who need food, behavioral and mental health, case management, employment counseling, and other vital life services. HopeWorks currently operates a day shelter on Third Street and provides housing vouchers at scattered sites throughout Albuquerque.

It took several years of planning, visiting permanent supportive housing facilities in other cities, and securing funding for the design and development of Hope Village, a permanent supportive housing project in the Wells Park neighborhood. Hope Village is the redevelopment of a vacant and blighted site with a new facility that will add value to this area of Albuquerque and provide housing for a vulnerable “hardest to house” population. The project has been designed as a “single site”, 42-unit, permanent supportive housing project that includes behavioral health and lifesaving support services for chronically homeless people with mental illness and addiction issues, and identified as high utilizers of emergency medical services.

The building features “trauma-informed design” with 1-bedroom, 400-square foot residential units on the second and third floors of the building, and common areas, behavioral health and case management services, and a security office on the first floor. Outdoor spaces include a shaded courtyard, community garden area, a safe space for individuals that need additional time to transition from living outside to living indoors, and parking. Hope Village is collocated on the HopeWorks campus with the existing day shelter, which is planned for rehabilitation.
As part of our core value of giving back to our community, and to help address the growing homeless population in Albuquerque, Consensus Planning worked for three years as a member of the Hope Village team of HopeWorks, YES Housing, Mullen Heller Architects, and the City of Albuquerque Department of Family and Community Services. The planners provided project entitlement services; interpretation of the zoning, design, and development requirements contained in the City’s Integrated Development Ordinance (IDO); and worked with City Council staff on changes to the IDO as this project type did not fit neatly into the typical zoning box. For instance, the IDO required 60% glazing on the first floor facing Third Street. However, that area of the building contained behavioral health offices where clients would go for counseling, and as such, would be inappropriate to contain storefront windows. The team came up with design alternatives to meet the City’s goal for engaging pedestrians at the street level.

Our firm also provided assistance on the Development Agreement as it related to neighborhood engagement and relations (first time this has been done on a City of Albuquerque project), preparation of the “Good Neighbor Agreement”, extensive coordination and facilitation of meetings with nearby neighborhood associations over a 3-year time period, and landscape design services. Neighborhood input at the 30% schematic design was the impetus for several changes to the building and site design, which along with the “Neighbor Relations” and “Good Neighbor” agreements, helped to instill trust between the project team and the neighborhood.

Hope Village is designed to take 42 people off the streets of Albuquerque and bring them inside to live in their own apartment with dignity and services to assist them in life skills and becoming more productive community members. Hope Village is the first project of its kind in New Mexico and will serve as a model for how chronic homelessness can be effectively addressed not only in Albuquerque, but across the country. The project was jointly funded by the City of Albuquerque, Bernalillo County, and the New Mexico Mortgage Finance Authority, and is currently under construction with an anticipated opening in August 2021.
Everyone will remember 2020 for reasons both bad and good. One of the things that I will remember is how Western Planner validated its mission and vision: to provide a network to share information and education about the unique aspects of planning in the West, and to unite planning professionals separated by the great expanses of the West.

This year, 2020, has presented challenges like no other in our history. Shortly after our board met in March, the pandemic manifested changes and disruptions to every facet of life. Nevertheless, we persisted in publishing our monthly journal, presenting high-caliber articles on topics about planning during the pandemic. Western Planner Board members Shelly Wade and Sherwin Racehorse spearheaded the effort to establish a Tribal and Indigenous Planning Division at APA. The board continued to meet regularly addressing the business of the association, including filling vacant positions from constituent planning organizations. While our much-anticipated North Dakota conference will be rescheduled for 2022, Western Planner continues working with APA Arizona for holding a joint multi-state conference this coming August 2021 in Scottsdale. The theme is Breaking Boundaries/Creating Connections.

Western Planner remains the planner’s network connecting the great spaces and places of the West. We encompass the “1-person office” and state planning organizations, and everything in between. We are committed to provide a strong and active group working to build up the Western places and communities because we share an understanding of the issues that we share: water, public lands, tribal relationships, resource extraction, inequality, and social justice, and sustaining biodiversity and our wide-open spaces. You are not alone; we are here for you.

The Western Planner could not survive and operate without supporting state organizations such as APA New Mexico. These partnerships and contributions help expand and sustain our organization. Our goal is to communicate regularly and help us understand how we can best support even the most remote planners.

Western Planner depends on the individual contributions of members—writing articles, providing job postings, engaging with one another online, sponsoring, and donating. Moving forward, we will continue expanding our network and supporting it as described in our strategic plan—all with the focus on strengthening the Western Planner network.

The current online issue of the Western Planner Journal features articles about revitalizing western downtowns, including pop-up businesses and main street initiatives, and brownfield remediation. Brittany Skelton from Ketchum, Idaho provides insights about her experiences in her article, Downtown Revitalization: Strengthened by Relationships. Our featured planner is a new member-at-large on the Western Planner Board, Genevieve Peartree, in Flagstaff, Arizona.

My term as Western Planner president is ending, but I will remain on the board representing APA New Mexico. As I have often said, there is great value in being part of a network that transcends formal connections and results in friendships borne of shared experiences, celebrating building better communities. What we have experienced during 2020 reminds us that you and I are part of that network. Let us work in the coming year to build up the West, together as our plans define the “next normal.” Please stay well!
Other Less Exciting News

AICP UPDATES
We have partnered with the APA Texas Chapter to host two AICP workshops this year. These workshops will be led by the Texas PDO, along with the PDO from Louisiana, Kansas, and Oklahoma. The first will be held on February 27th from 12:00pm to 4:00pm and the second will be held in September or October. We also hope to offer at least two events that will be eligible for CM credits (see calendar below).

NEW CHAPTER WEBSITE
Last year we updated the Chapter website (www.apa-nm.org) from a troublesome Wix site to a more modern Wordpress site. Since the new website has gone live, we have posted notices for over 40 planning jobs around the state as well as information about events, AICP info, and updates about local planning projects. Oh, and we also created social media accounts and will be posting regular TikTok videos.

UNM PARTNERSHIP & ACCREDITATION
Since last year, we have been working to strengthen our partnership with APA UNM and the Community and Regional Planning (CRP) program at UNM. This has included participating in discussions with UNM students and faculty, as well as taking part in the CRP’s current accreditation process. In addition, thanks to the APA UNM student representatives, Aaron Moore and Maren Neldam, two Meet the Planners events have been scheduled for the Spring Semester. The first was held on February 26th and a second one is planned for March 9th at 11:30. Check our website for details.

2020 FOOD DRIVE
Due to the pandemic, more families than ever have faced food insecurity. Last April and May, our Chapter partnered with Roadrunner Food Bank to raise $1,318 in funds from Chapter members. We plan to hold another food drive campaign this year.

2021 EVENTS CALENDAR

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Current Job Postings

URBAN & REGIONAL PLANNER - ADVANCED (NMDOT)
Closes: 3/9/2021
Link: https://www.spo.state.nm.us/
The NMDOT is currently accepting applications for a planner to administer the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) in the Multimodal Planning and Programs Bureau (formerly the Statewide Planning Bureau) of the Planning Division. The position is a Pay Band 65 and the annual salary range is $33,720 – $58,673.

ASSOCIATE PLANNER (CITY OF FARMINGTON)
Closes: Open Until Filled
Link: https://fmtn.applicantpro.com/jobs/1603392.html
This professional position is responsible for assisting in the administration of the City's Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG), and performs a variety of routine and complex administrative, technical and professional work in the Community Works Department. Using excellent customer service skills, establishes and...

URBAN PLANNER (DEKKER PERICH SABATINI)
Closes: Open Until Filled
Link: https://www.dpsdesign.org/careers/urban-planner
Dekker/Perich/Sabatini is a company of designers, architects, planners, and engineers intent on breaking down the walls that stand between people and progress. Location: Albuquerque, NM Experience: 2-5 years...

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