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## RGI Newsletter - Sept 30th

### Notes from the Steering Committee

*Where Would You Like To Meet in 2026?*

*Give us some suggestions where our meetings could be held in 2026! The Los Duranes Community Center is still an option but if you'd prefer a more casual location, such as a brewery, restaurant, your house, or some other location, we would love to see your suggestions! Please send your ideas to [rio.grande.indivisible@gmail.com](mailto:rio.grande.indivisible@gmail.com)*

*Steve Smith, Sharon Sharp, Riki Palmer and Benita Terrell*

### RGI Meeting Calendar

#### **Oct 14th**

- [Kristin Wood Hegner](#), APS candidate District 7
- Mariel Nanasi of [New Energy Economy](#)

#### **Oct 21st**

- Kathy Moseley, Vice Chair, Bernalillo Co Democratic Party
- Colton Newman, City Council Candidate Dist 9

#### **Ongoing**

Fridays at [The Daily Grind](#) just to hang out and get to know each another. 10:00 a.m.

**Sept 23rd Highlights** from meeting with City Council Candidates, Teresa Garcia, Dist 3 and Ahern Griego, Dist 1

## ELECTION INFORMATION

### October 7, 2025

**Absentee ballots** mailed; Request [here](#)

Last day to register to vote online or on paper.

Early Voting and Same Day Registration begins  
at the **Clerk's Annex** 1500 Lomas Blvd., NW, Suite A  
Monday–Friday 8:00-5:00p

### October 13, 2025

Indigenous People's Day - Voting closed at the Clerk's Annex.

### October 18 – November 1, 2025

Early Voting and Same Day Registration opens at all  
**early voting locations**.

Most sites open Monday–Saturday 10:00-7:00p

### October 21, 2025

Last day to request an absentee ballot.

### November 4, 2025

Election Day! All sites open from 7:00-7:00p

SDR available at **all locations**.

Absentee ballots due by 7:00p

## KNOW YOUR DISTRICT

[City Council](#)

[APS School Board](#)

## APS SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS

[APS Progressive Candidate Profiles](#)

# CANVASSING OPPORTUNITIES

## City Council Candidates (RGI Makes No Endorsements)

**WEDNESDAY  
& SATURDAY  
CANVASS**  
WITH **Athenea ALLEN**  
ABQ City Council District 5

LET'S DEFEAT REPUBLICAN  
DAN LEWIS!

WEDNESDAYS 5:30PM-8PM  
SATURDAYS 10AM-1PM

for more info or to RSVP, email  
volsatheneaforabq@gmail.com

Paid for by Athenea for ABQ  
10815 Venticello Drive SW, Albuquerque, NM 87114



**COLTON  
NEWMAN**

ABQ City Council District 9 Democrat



**VOLUNTEER TODAY!**

**DOOR KNOCK  
WITH TERESA!**

On the Following Saturdays:

- September 27<sup>th</sup> 4-7 pm
- October 4<sup>th</sup> 4-7 pm
- October 11<sup>th</sup> 4-7 pm
- October 18<sup>th</sup> 4-7 pm
- October 25<sup>th</sup> 4-7 pm
- November 1<sup>st</sup> 4-7 pm

10801 Cenote Rd SW,  
Albuquerque, NM 87121

**Sign Up Today!**

**TERESA  
GARCIA**

DEMOCRAT FOR  
CITY COUNCIL  
DISTRICT 3



**Vote  
Christopher  
Sedillo**

Albuquerque City  
Council, District 3  
*"Choice for Change"*



**Daniel  
LEIVA**

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 1

I'm Daniel Leiva, a lifelong Albuquerque resident and proud member of the Westside community.

I'm running for City Council to help build a stronger, safer future for the community that means so much to me.






**Ahern Griego**  
Candidate for Albuquerque City Council  
District 1  
[griegoforalbuquerque.com](http://griegoforalbuquerque.com)

## APS School Board Candidates

(RGI Makes No Endorsements)



**WALK WITH FRIENDS OF**  
**REBECCA**  
*for*  
**ABQ PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
*Join us as we talk to our neighbors about new leadership for APS!*  
**SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS @ 3 PM**  
**RSVP FOR MEET-UP LOCATION**

**RSVP AND JOIN US!**  
**(505) 690-6740**

**DEMOCRAT**  
**REBECCA BETZEN**  
A voice we can trust.  
**FOR APS SCHOOL BOARD | DISTRICT 3**

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**Join A Canvass Near You!**  
**Leads & Drivers Needed**  
Text 505-347-2726 with questions or to RSVP

**KRISTIN WOOD-HEGNER**  
**FOR ABQ SCHOOL BOARD**

**Volunteer Schedule (As of 9/28)**  
Short briefing & training provided. Times may be changed or added.  
\*- Polling Canvass/Lit Drop \*- Leads Needed

UNITY DAYS	TEAM CANVASS TIME	LOCATION
Miles of Support Balloon Watch	Saturday 10/4	Burritos : 6 - 8 AM North Domingo Baca (Dam)
Drive to Stop Book Bans	Saturday 10/4	Huddle @ 8-9 AM
Walk to Protect Students	Saturday 10/4	Huddle @ 9:15 AM
Drive to Stop Book Bans	Sunday 10/5	Huddle @ 9 AM
Walk For Safe Schools	Sunday 10/5	Huddle @ 12 PM
Walk For Teachers	Saturday 10/11	Huddle @ 3 PM
Drive to Stop Book Bans	Saturday 10/11	Huddle @ 4:30 PM
Walk for A Better APS	Sunday 10/12	Huddle @ 10:30 AM
Walk for Teachers	Sunday 10/12	Huddle @ 12 PM
Walk for Kristin!	Saturday 10/18	Huddle @ 10 AM
Drive for Kristin!	Saturday 10/18	Huddle @ 4:30 PM
Drive for Special Education	Sunday 10/19	Huddle @ 10:30 AM
Walk for All Kids	Sunday 10/19	Huddle @ 12 PM

**SAVE THE DATE:**  
**REVEL IN EDUCATION:**  
Candidate Karaoke Night! October 16th  
**MILES OF SUPPORT VISIBILITY WALK:**  
Early Vote Visibility: October 10th  
**TURN THE DISTRICT ORANGE!**  
Join Our Sign & Visibility Team!  
For More Details Text: 505-347-2726



Do you work weekends?  
Not an Early Bird?  
Walk in the Evening!  
Pickup Literature & Walk at Your Own Pace

**Prepare for your canvass:**  
1 RSVP to 505-347-2726 or team lead

2 Download MiniVan  


Please Bring:  
-Walking Shoes  
-A Charged Smart Phone  
-Sun Protection!  
-Water Bottle  
-A Friend or Driver!

**WALK WITH ISAAC FLORES**  
*for APS BOARD DISTRICT 3*

**STUDENTS ARE PEOPLE NOT NUMBERS**

 505-289-3924
 FloresForAPS.com



**WALK WITH WARIGIA!**  
Every Sat and Sun from 3-6pm



  
**Margaret "Warigia" BOWMAN**  
APS SCHOOL BOARD • DISTRICT 6  
Contact: campaign@warigiaforaps.com



## TAKE ACTION

Text Elected Officials

Make 5 Calls



[Protest Calendar](#)

[Shop Ethically](#)

## THINGS YOU CAN DO THIS WEEK

- Contact all of our congressional representatives and tell them to [stand strong and withhold any support for a funding bill](#) that's bad for Americans—it's down to the wire and we don't want a repeat of the last funding fight.
- Check out this [factsheet](#) on Trump's "spending shenanigans."
- Tell Governor Grisham to [keep science in policymaking](#) by only signing into law science-based public policies that preserve state transparency.
- Read, sign, and share a petition to [impeach and remove RFK Jr](#) or his menacing and deadly acts against humanity.
- Sign a petition to [oppose public lands seizure](#) in New Mexico.
- Tell your Representative to support separation of Church and State [CLICK HERE](#).
- [CLICK HERE](#) to ask the governor & legislators to include the interstate compacts for health care workers in a special session!

## Contact your NM Senator and House Rep today supporting Healthcare compacts!!!

As many of you know the Governor has called a special session for next week. Recently we have learned that she is working hard to get the Healthcare Compacts (aka medical compacts) included in the agenda but the Democratic Legislative leadership is resisting this request. Here's where the power of Indivisibles comes in.

If you are interested in broader access to doctors and healthcare professionals please consider writing Javier Martinez, Speaker of the House

([Javier.martinez@nmlegis.gov](mailto:Javier.martinez@nmlegis.gov)) and Peter Wirth ([peter.wirth@nmlegis.gov](mailto:peter.wirth@nmlegis.gov)) and urging them to support putting the compacts on the agenda for the upcoming special session. Please also copy your communications to your own Senator and Representative.

Why is it important to do this? New Mexico has a doctor shortage and the waits for consultations, treatments and appointments are sometimes months away and getting longer. Passing the medical compacts will make it possible to have access to out of state doctors, specialists and medical professionals thru telehealth and on occasional visits to NM. States who participate have been shown to increase licensure 10-15%. (43 states participate including the states bordering NM)

But there is another more timely reason for Democrats to pass the medical compacts in the special session. New Mexico could lose out on millions of dollars simply because Democrats refuse to consider and pass the medical compacts in the special session. Losing out could inevitably mean closing of rural clinics and hospitals. The money being granted could be a lifeline for rural New Mexico – literally.

If you don't know your legislators, [click here](#) to find them

To find contact information for your State Senator, [click here](#)

To find contact information for your House Rep, [click here](#)

# THINK NEW MEXICO

*A Results-Oriented Think Tank Serving New Mexicans*



**[Learn about New Mexico policy initiatives and education reform.](#)**



HEALTHY CLIMATE  
NEW MEXICO  
Health Professionals for Climate Action



Excessive heat in the workplace is one cause of heat stroke and even death. An OSHA proposal would require heat illness prevention measures like providing cool water and shady rest areas for breaks.

**SUPPORT WORKER  
PROTECTION RULES!**  
**SCAN TO SIGN THE PETITION**  
OR VISIT:  
**WWW.SAFEWORK4ALL.ORG**



¿APOYAS LAS LEYES DE PROTECCIÓN  
A LOS TRABAJADORES?  
¡ESCANEA PARA FIRMAR LA PETICIÓN!



## UPCOMING Marches and Rallies

MARCH AGAINST TYRANNY



# NO KINGS ALBUQUERQUE

10.18.25

12 PM

Meet on Central Ave  
Between 2nd & 8th

March starts at  
2<sup>nd</sup> & Central Ave



Scan to register and for  
more info



***DETAILS!!!***



Gather between 2nd and 8th street at noon. Wear good shoes, bring water, wear a hat, enjoy the fall weather! Coming from out of town? The **Railrunner drops you just one block from the starting point**—easy access for all! Not marching? Then bring a chair and line the route to show your support as we pass by.

### **March Route**

- North on 2nd Street
- West on Lomas
- South on 6th Street
- Back to Central Ave (Approx. 1.5 miles)

### **Peaceful March Guidelines**

- No weapons allowed
- Do not engage with counter-protestors
- Heed advice from Peacekeepers
- Attend at your own risk

## ***WAYS TO HELP OUT at No Kings!!***

- To distribute signs and collect donations during the march, sign up [HERE](#).
- If people ask why you're marching on October 18th for No Kings Day 2.0 and you're unsure how to answer, look at our talking points [HERE](#).
- For all info and TRAININGS related to NKD2 check [HERE](#). Watch replays, sign up for more training. You will learn a LOT!
- Be a Chant Leader! Chant Leaders will need to attend a Chant Leader Briefing on **Sunday, October 12, 1 PM at Civic Plaza** (we'll meet at 3rd Street and Marquette). Sign up [HERE](#) (only 20 are needed, so first come, first served)

## Monday, Oct 20th 4PM Ranked Choice Voting Rally

On rally outside Albuquerque City Hall to show support for **Ranked Choice Voting**, and then go inside to deliver **public comment** at the 5:00 PM City Council meeting.

This is the last City Council meeting before the election. It could be the decider in building support for Rank Choice Voting. If lots of people show up, it will send a clear message that Albuquerque is ready for a fairer, more representative democracy. [RSVP Here.](#)



**RCV Rally!**

- Rally in support of Ranked Choice Voting in Albuquerque
- Hear from community leaders and elected officials
- March inside to give public comment at the 5:00 PM Council Meeting
- Join others taking action for a stronger local democracy

**MONDAY**  
**OCTOBER 20<sup>TH</sup> @ 4 PM**

**Civic Plaza –**  
**Outside City Hall**

## WEEKLY PROTESTS



**RESIST TYRANNY TUESDAYS**

SAVE OUR DEMOCRACY FROM TRUMP AND FASCISM!

INDIVISIBLE ALBUQUERQUE

WE HAVE SIGNS OR YOU CAN BRING YOUR OWN

TUESDAYS 12-1 PM  
WINTER HOURS  
4TH AND LOMAS  
ALBUQUERQUE

Rally with us each week



**VETERANS FOR PEACE**

**AFGE RISE**

**Save Our VA Sundays**

Rally every Sunday to support our Veterans and oppose the dismantling of services provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs. Veterans deserve our best.

**WHEN:** Every Sunday, Noon to 1 PM  
**WHERE:** Albuquerque VAMC, Gibson Blvd SE & San Mateo Blvd SE

Register [HERE](#) or just show up!

**\*\*ORGANIZED BY VETERANS FOR PEACE AND THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES\*\***



Join us to  
**RESIST TYRANNY**  
every Saturday @ 9:00 a.m.  
*weather permitting*  
Assemble at the  
southeast corner of  
US-550 and NM-528

Bring your own sign  
(and maybe one for someone else!)  
invite your friends and family!

You can park nearby for free at the Social Security Administration Building  
at 4433 Jager Way NE, Rio Rancho or on the street along Jager Way.



*We are peaceful protestors and ask  
that you observe local ordinances  
and traffic rules.  
Participate at your own risk.*



**SATURDAYS**  
**NEW SUMMER HOURS**  
**9 AM TO 10:30 AM**  
**TESLA**  
**FAKEDOWN**



**BERNALILLO/RIO RANCHO, NEW MEXICO**  
**Turning up the heat just got a whole lot cooler!**



**TUESDAYS, 11-12:00**

Make some good trouble and protest the chaos, divisiveness, and cruelty of Donny-2-Dolls' wreckage. Protesters gather in the NE Heights on the corners of Montgomery and Juan Tabo.

**WON'T BACK  
DOWN  
WEDNESDAYS**

**EVERY WEEK ON THE  
PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE  
BY WINROCK MALL  
9AM TO 10AM**

**PARKING BY THE MOVIE  
THEATRE**

**"THE HISTORY OF  
LIBERTY IS A  
HISTORY OF  
RESISTANCE."**

WOODROW WILSON



**REFUSE TO BE  
SILENCED**

**FIGHT FASCISM**  
**FRIDAYS**

**JOIN US TO DEMAND DEMOCRACY OVER  
DICTATORSHIP!**

**EVERY FRIDAY**

**4:30PM TO 7:30PM**

**CORNERS OF WYOMING AND PASEO DEL NORTE**

**WHEN INJUSTICE BECOMES LAW,  
RESISTANCE BECOMES DUTY!**





## ABQ Resistance At Work Pop-Up Protests over the Freeway





Learn more about INDIVISIBLE  
through online talks and presentations

INDIVISIBLE



**WHAT'S THE PLAN?**


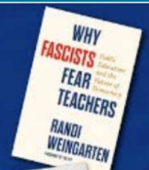
Join Indivisible's Co-Founders Ezra and Leah  
for a live discussion about this new congress  
and how to prepare for what's to come.

INDIVISIBLE

**FRONTLINE IN THE FIGHT:  
WHY FASCISTS FEAR TEACHERS**

Join Randi Weingarten, President of the  
American Federation of Teachers, for a powerful  
conversation on how teachers defend truth,  
resist disinformation, and protect democracy.

Tuesday, September 30 @ 7:30pm ET



RANDI WEINGARTEN  
PRESIDENT OF THE AMERICAN  
FEDERATION OF TEACHERS



## IN THE NEWS

Messaging the Shutdown

Republicans Run 8 of America's 10

Poorest

States. Maybe

They Should Stop.

## On a Lighter Note

Federal Troops Arrive in Portland and Immediately Form

Bands The Borowitz Report