

# BERTHOUD INFOCUS

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

All meetings take place in Berthoud Town Hall at 807 Mountain Ave. unless otherwise noted. View agendas and meeting minutes at [berthoud.org/government/trustee-docs](http://berthoud.org/government/trustee-docs).

### NOVEMBER

- 1 Youth Advisory Commission**  
6:00 p.m.
- 7 P.O.R.T. Committee Meeting**  
6:15 p.m.
- 12 VETERAN'S DAY**  
Town Hall Closed
- 13 Tree Advisory Committee**  
6:00 p.m.
- 13 Board of Trustees Meeting**  
6:30 p.m.
- 15 Coffee with a Cop**  
2:00 p.m. at Da Bean
- 15 Planning Commission Meeting**  
7:00 p.m.
- 19 Historic Preservation Meeting**  
5:30 p.m.
- 20 Board of Trustees Meeting**  
6:30 p.m.
- 25 & 26 THANKSGIVING**  
Town Hall Closed
- 29 Planning Commission Meeting**  
7:00 p.m.

## BERTHOUD GOES SMOKE FREE NOV. 10

With the health, safety and well-being of Berthoud residents and visitors as its top priority, the Town Council has passed an ordinance to ban smoking – including tobacco, marijuana and electronic smoking devices – in public places. In addition, smoking is banned within a 15-foot perimeter outside of the entrances of all buildings and facilities located within Berthoud. Anyone found in violation of this ordinance could face a fine.

### SMOKING WILL BE PROHIBITED IN:

- Restaurants, food service establishments and bars
- Public buildings and meeting places
- Any public transportation owned or operated by the Town of Berthoud
- Healthcare facilities including but not limited to hospitals, healthcare clinics and doctor's offices
- Restrooms, lobbies and hallways of common areas, whether private or public
- Bowling alleys and billiard or pool halls
- All of Berthoud's parks, trails and open spaces.

Secondhand smoke can cause serious health concerns, and the FDA has found that the vapor from electronic smoking devices contains toxic chemicals and carcinogens. Reports from Healthy Kids Colorado has found that youth vaping rates in Larimer County have reached 32%. The Berthoud High School and Middle School Resource Officers have grown increasingly concerned about youth vaping, and school staff and law enforcement are working to obtain education materials about vaping and sign designs to help educate citizens and visitors about the new rule.




While smoking is banned in public places, it is still permitted within private residences and automobiles, retail tobacco businesses and any private businesses not open to the public.

Many Colorado cities, towns and municipalities have passed similar ordinances, including Fort Collins, Boulder and parts of Denver, who have all successfully decreased smoking within their most popular downtown destinations, making them safer for everyone.

For more information on the smoking ban or to read the ordinance, visit [Berthoud.org/SmokingOrdinance](http://Berthoud.org/SmokingOrdinance).

# WHAT NOT TO FLUSH DOWN YOUR PIPES

What goes down your pipes doesn't disappear – it connects to the Town's sewer system, making its way through pipes and pumps to our wastewater treatment facility. To keep this system functioning smoothly and avoid clogs and backups in our town (and in your home), make sure you're not flushing any of the items below – even the ones marked as flushable.

 <b>DIAPERS</b>	 <b>WIPES</b>	 <b>FACIAL TISSUE</b>
 <b>TOILET BOWL SCRUB PADS</b>	 <b>DENTAL FLOSS</b>	 <b>NAPKINS AND PAPER TOWELS</b>
 <b>FEMININE HYGIENE PRODUCTS</b>	 <b>MEDICINE</b>	 <b>FOOD PRODUCTS, ESPECIALLY GREASE, FAT AND OIL</b>

## SUPPORT YOUR COMMUNITY: SHOP BERTHOUD

Give the gift that gives back to your town by shopping local this holiday season

The benefits of shopping at local businesses last long after the cash register is closed and the holiday rush is over. Berthoud businesses circulate and recirculate a far greater percentage of revenue locally compared to chains or online retailers, leading to greater wealth and more jobs in the community.



There are so many good reasons to shop local. Here are just a few:

### Boost the Berthoud economy.

Every dollar you spend at a local business returns three times more money to the local economy than one spent at a chain, and almost 50 times more than buying from an online mega-retailer.

### Create local jobs.

Local shops and retailers usually employ people who live in the area – meaning more jobs for your friends, family and neighbors.

### Make your shopping sustainable.

Independently-owned businesses consume less land, use less fossil fuels to transport their products and are located closer to their customers – creating less traffic and air pollution, and reducing packaging waste.

### Support local resources.

Local businesses generate more tax revenue per sales dollar, giving the Town more resources to put towards schools, infrastructure, parks and recreation and all the great things that make Berthoud an amazing place to live.

To help add to the fun, participate in the Small Business Saturday Scavenger Hunt! The event encourages residents to visit local businesses, get their holiday shopping done and qualify to win cash prizes. Participating stores will even have special offers available to shoppers.

Learn more online at [berthoudcolorado.com](http://berthoudcolorado.com)



## COMMUNITY STATS SEP 2018

**811 SAFETY CALLS** 

ANIMAL CALLS.....	20
CITIZEN ASSISTS.....	36
CODE VIOLATION.....	28
TRAFFIC STOPS.....	63
VEHICLE CRASHES.....	21

 **87 PERMITS ISSUED**

**67 NEW SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES**

**VALUATION: \$15,673,103**

**SALES TAX COLLECTED**



**SEP 2018: \$409,415**  
SEP 2017: \$224,099

**SALES TAX YTD 2018:**  
**\$3,257,865**



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