

The Keller Administration Progress Report



Making Albuquerque more safe, innovative, and inclusive

TACKLE CRIME FROM ALL SIDES

GOAL: Tackle Crime.

PROGRESS MADE:

- Reversed worst-in-the-nation property crime rates—auto theft, burglary and robbery.
- Initiated weekly anti-crime operations—over 2,000 arrests, 445 recovered firearms, and 219 recovered stolen vehicles.
- Created Metro 15—arrested 65 drivers of crime; which kept offenders off the streets.
- Tripled the homicide unit from 5 detectives to 14 detectives and 2 sergeants.
- Invested in gunshot detection technology to more effectively target gun violence.
- Targeted dangerous issues like speeding and drag racing.

GOAL: Build up the ranks at APD to address the staffing shortage.

PROGRESS MADE:

- On track to bring in 100 new officers to the ranks at APD each year.

GOAL: Embrace the DOJ reform process and encourage culture change at APD.

PROGRESS MADE:

- Took swift action to re-vamp Albuquerque Police Department's use of force policy with advocates, DOJ, and APOA.
- Replaced APD leaders actively working against reform.
- Created the innovative Superintendent of Reform position to focus on reform, discipline, and training.
- Created the first-of-its-kind Department of Community Safety to send trained professionals to non-violent 911 calls.

- Interrupted the cycle of violent crime through the proven Violence Intervention Program (VIP), which tackles the root causes of crime.

GOAL: Clear the rape kit backlog at APD.

PROGRESS MADE:

- Ended the decades-long rape kit backlog, once and for all, in just 3 years.

CREATE AN ECONOMY THAT WORKS FOR EVERYONE

GOAL: Boost support for local small businesses.

PROGRESS MADE:

- Established the Small Business Development Office to support entrepreneurs and businesses.
- Established a Buy Local Initiative, giving preference to local vendors for City procurement.
- Supported incentives for local businesses like Bueno Foods, Los Poblanos, and Build with Robots so they can stay in Albuquerque while they expand.

GOAL: Attract businesses to create good-paying jobs in sectors where we have a competitive advantage.

PROGRESS MADE:

- Brought thousands of jobs online through global companies like Facebook, Netflix, NBC Universal, and Amazon.
- Inked deal with Group Therion to bring the company to the Sunport Aviation Center of Excellence (ACE) with 1000+ jobs and a 4.1M sq ft satellite manufacturing facility.

GOAL: Bolster Albuquerque's economy.

PROGRESS MADE:

- Created Albuquerque's own 'new deal': \$200M in new streets and sidewalks on the Westside, two new community centers along Route 66, an expansion at Explora for teenagers, and a new library in the International District.
- Pushed through \$200M in transformative infrastructure projects in East Downtown and Nob Hill and supportive housing at Central and Unser.

MAKING ALBUQUERQUE MORE INCLUSIVE BY CHAMPIONING OUR MULTICULTURAL HISTORY

GOAL: Embed equity into all levels at City Hall.

PROGRESS MADE:

- Created, the first ever, Office of Equity and Inclusion—supporting training efforts and centering equity in all levels of government.
- Brought Albuquerque to the forefront of support for asylum seekers and refugees, including unequivocal support of families separated during the border crisis.
- Making public transportation more accessible by allowing free fares for seniors, veterans, and students.
- Removed barriers related to immigration status—language access, disability, and transportation—in COVID testing and vaccine distribution.
- Hired Liaisons to African American and Native American Businesses and Communities.

CHARTING THE PATH FORWARD ON HOMELESSNESS

GOAL: Create compassionate options for the unhoused.

PROGRESS MADE:

- Created the City's first Division of Housing and Homelessness.
- Purchased Gibson Health Hub, which will serve as the cornerstone of the Gateway Centers, the largest investment for the unhoused in modern history.
- Doubled the number of people being served by the City's homeless support system.
- Kept the Westside Emergency Housing Shelter (WEHC) open 24/7 with meals, medical services, and transportation.
- Opened five wellness hotels for families and individuals during the pandemic.

- Created fast-track to housing for families to get into their own homes.

KEEPING KIDS SAFE AND ENGAGED

GOAL: Make sure that kids have access to programming that keeps them safe and engaged.

PROGRESS MADE:

- Added (pre-pandemic) \$1M for Youth Programs with more than 40,000 youth in out-of-school time programs.
- Increased summer youth hiring to over 1,000 staff.
- Provided half a million hours of free childcare for frontline workers during the pandemic.
- Provided \$100M in neighborhood safety and family investments with new streetlights, ADA accessibility, crosswalks, parks, community centers, and libraries in our historic and underserved communities.

CREATING A SUSTAINABLE CITY FOR CURRENT AND FUTURE GENERATIONS

GOAL: Position Albuquerque as a leading resilient, equitable, and sustainable community.

PROGRESS MADE:

- Awarded one of the Top 10 Sustainable Cities in the country.
- Established Albuquerque to be 100% renewable by 2025.
- Established the City's first Sustainability Office and launched Green Team to expand sustainability across departments.
- Signed the Paris Agreement.
- Installed 38 solar projects at City buildings and 18 electric vehicle charging stations.
- Won Bloomberg American Cities Climate Challenge funding for sustainability efforts.
- Transitioned to more sustainable LED street lights and updated sustainable building codes.
- Led the Solar Direct project to achieve over 80% renewable energy use by Fall 2021.
- Purchased the first electric vehicles and buses.
- Enacted a "Zero Emissions First" fleet vehicle adoption policy.
- Completed and adopted the 2021 Climate Action Plan.