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# Town of San Luis

## N E W S L E T T E R

February 2021 — FREE

### Celebrating Love

For those old enough to remember the following 1965 song, its message still has truth for our world today...

*What the world needs now is love, sweet love, it's the only thing that there's just too little of.*

*What the world needs now is love, sweet love, no not just for some, but for everyone.*

All of us have seen a lot of changes in the world in 2020. The United States has seen rioting in some of our major cities with the burning of buildings and businesses. People have lost their livelihoods with the COVID-19 lockdowns. Many have lost loved ones or friends because of the pandemic. Political dramas are still being played out in the media and at United States capital. There is a polarization of political beliefs pitting many folks against each other. It's enough to be discouraged for the future of our world.

Perhaps what the world does need is love, sweet love. How about our Town? Could we all use a little more love in our lives? How can we bring more love into our lives?

Most of us humans are quick to complain or gossip when we see something we don't like. What if we stepped up to help and get involved instead? What if we reach out a helping hand to our neighbors in need? What would happen if we chose loving kindness instead of unforgiveness and hatred? Could this change our lives for the better?



To quote Martin Luther King...  
"Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that."

And, another old saying, "What you give out to the world comes back to you ten fold." Meaning, if you want more love in your life, give out love. If you want more kindness, give out kindness. If you want more hate, give out hate. What you give out to the world is what you get back.

Perhaps this Valentine's Day we choose to reach out in love to our partners, family, neighbors and co-workers. Maybe, just maybe, there is truth to the wisdom of those who have come before us encouraging choosing to love instead. It could be a fun experiment to see if our lives change to the positive. Choosing to love? Let's give it a try and see!

"I found it is the small things, everyday deeds by ordinary folk that keeps the darkness at bay."

—Gandalf

## Town Plaza Designs - Pick your favorite at [facebook.com/thetownofsanluisco](https://facebook.com/thetownofsanluisco)

### Town Plaza Design #1:

The two half-circle design creates a more intimate setting for smaller gatherings. This design allows more covered sitting areas in the hot summers and open-air table space for cooler days to bring your lunch or sit and have a cup of coffee with friends in the fresh mountain air. The half-circle on the left allows for small concert gatherings and the circle on the right encourages small social gathering for locals and a place for weary travelers to sit and rest for a while.

Behind the right half-circle is space for vendor carts or trucks and local entrepreneurs to set up shop to sell food items, creating a local town food court. When not being used for concerts or gatherings, plenty of tables with umbrellas will



adorn the space to become the place for locals to socialize with family and friends. A large fireplace, an orno, and a BBQ pit will be available for use as well. The house to the left will be a local coffee shop to include an Air BnB space for town visitors.

On the right, the Town Hall welcome center will open to the Town Plaza for easy visitor access to the restrooms and for more Town of San Luis information to encourage visitors to explore the Oldest Town in Colorado.



### Town Plaza Design #2:

This design is a more open space design to accommodate larger gatherings for dances and concerts. A large fire pit adorns the center court for those chilly evening gatherings. Covered shade areas are

available for vendors or for sitting areas during the hot summer days. This space can also be used for outdoor movie nights, town gatherings and meetings, or a place to hang out with family and friends. The small concert stage at the front allows for

local musicians to perform.

When not being used for gatherings, tables and chairs will scatter the open area to encourage socializing with family and friends. Although not pictured, behind the plaza is space for vendor carts or trucks and local entrepreneurs to set up shop to sell food items, creating a local town food court.

On the right, the Town Hall Welcome Center will open to the Town Plaza for easy visitor access to the restrooms and for more information to encourage visitors to explore the Oldest Town in Colorado. The idea behind this design is to create a place for locals to hang out and create community.

Visit [facebook.com/townofsanluisco](https://facebook.com/townofsanluisco) to pick your favorite or visit [www.slvplaces.org/san-luis-community](http://www.slvplaces.org/san-luis-community), click on San Luis to take the survey.

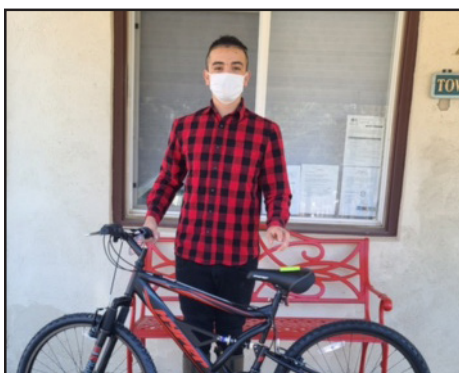
## 2021 Winter Coloring Contest Winners

*Congratulations to the ten children  
who entered and won the  
2021 Winter Coloring Contest!*

Yes, everyone who entered won a bike thanks to the following generous donors: Annette and Steve Carino; Robert and Evelyn Martinez of Painted Sage; Kathy Keegan of San Luis; Casa de Santa Maria; Kathy and Charlie Jaquez; GT's Trash; La Casa Canna Bis, Inc; Brother's Keeper's Motorcycle Club; 101 Bar & Grill, Cordova Construction; J&J Self Storage and the Town of San Luis!



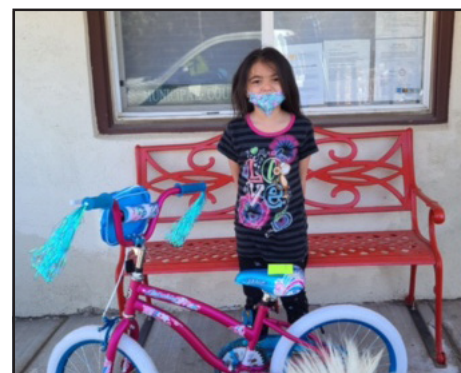
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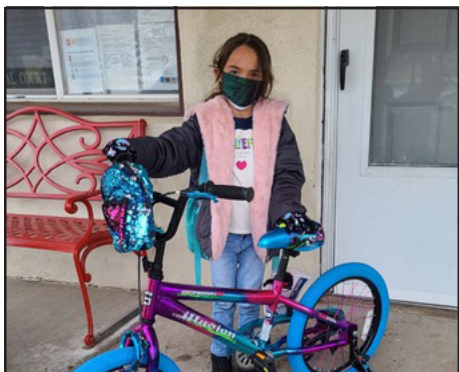
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## Be a Secret Valentine



Just for fun, choose someone in our community and leave a secret valentine for them at their door or place of work this February 14th!

Maybe choose someone you admire as a friend, co-worker or someone who could use some cheering up! Maybe choose an elderly neighbor or child that could use some encouragement.

What a great way to show someone you care about them. Some ideas: send a Valentine's Day card with a Starbucks gift card, leave chocolates or flowers...be creative!

## Town Hall Meetings

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### Town Hall Meeting

**6:00 pm**

The 2nd Tuesday  
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### Work Sessions

**6:00 pm**

The 1st Tuesday  
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## Support San Luis Businesses

<b>ASC Electronics</b>	672-0362
<b>BeLeaf Wellness</b>	206-3361
<b>Family Dollar</b>	672-0377
<b>Carson Construction</b>	298-0727
<b>Central Oil</b>	672-3840
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<b>J&amp;J Self Storage</b>	672-3660
<b>La Casa Canna Bis</b>	672-4220
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<b>Painted Sage</b>	(303) 919-9937
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## Invitation to Bid

Notice is hereby given that the Town of San Luis will receive sealed bids in the office of the Town Clerk, P.O. Box 200, San Luis, Colorado 81152, no later than Monday, November 30th, 2020 at 4:00 pm for contract work to snow plow the Town of San Luis streets and roadways.

Bids shall be made in accordance with the following requirements for bidders.

1. The contractor must live in the Town of San Luis and provide their own snow plow equipment.

2. Start time of 5:30 am or earlier, if possible, on snow days until work is complete.

3. Contractor will be paid on a per hour basis and must be available on all snow days.

4. Snow route map will be provided.

5. The Town will not be liable for maintenance on personal equipment and accidents.

6. Prices shall exclude all taxes as the Town of San Luis is tax exempt. The Town of San Luis Board of Trustees reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

For questions or to schedule a site visit call (719) 672-3321.

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