



MANAGER'S REPORT

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INTRODUCTION

The Town of Telluride Manager's Report provides a comprehensive overview of the efforts, projects, and priorities shaping our community. Compiled by the Town Manager and department leaders, this report offers transparency and insight into municipal operations and is a resource for residents to stay informed about the work happening across Town departments. This report embodies the Town's commitment to open communication and a collaborative approach to addressing the needs of our residents, businesses, and visitors.

The Manager's Office oversees the town's strategic goals, partnerships, and policies to align projects with Telluride's values. It also comprises the following divisions:

- Communications keeps the public updated on town news, events, and developments through clear and timely outreach.
- Housing Development addresses affordable housing needs by managing current projects and planning for new housing solutions.
- Sustainability focuses on environmental initiatives, including renewable energy, waste reduction, and climate resiliency.

Clerk's Department manages town records, public meetings, elections, and licensing, ensuring transparency and accessibility in municipal processes.

Community Services manages town facilities and amenities to provide a clean, welcoming environment for all. Community Services also includes the following divisions:

- Childcare provides high-quality, accessible childcare services to support local families and foster community growth.
- Facilities Maintenance ensures that town-owned buildings and assets are well-maintained and safe for public use.
- Rental Housing manages town-owned rental units, offering affordable housing options to eligible residents and monitoring tenant satisfaction.

The Finance Department oversees the town's budget, financial planning, and fiscal policies, safeguarding Telluride's financial health and ensuring responsible stewardship of public funds.

The Historic Preservation, Building, and Planning Department protects Telluride's architectural heritage while ensuring sustainable development through comprehensive planning and regulatory oversight.

Marshal's Department is dedicated to maintaining public safety, focusing on law enforcement, crime prevention, and community engagement to enhance the well-being of residents and visitors.

Parks and Recreation supports Telluride's outdoor lifestyle by maintaining parks, recreational facilities, and special events.

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Public Works maintains essential infrastructure, including streets, utilities, and water systems, ensuring safe and functional public spaces. It includes the following divisions:

- Streets and Sidewalks keeps town roads and sidewalks in safe, navigable condition through regular maintenance, upgrades, and seasonal work.
- Transit and Transportation works to improve public transit, road safety, and sustainable travel options within the town.
- Water and Wastewater oversees the town's water quality and treatment systems, ensuring clean drinking water and responsible wastewater management.

This Manager's Report serves as a snapshot of the town's ongoing projects, achievements, and future goals. By sharing updates from each department, the report enables residents to understand how Telluride's municipal government operates and how each division contributes to the town's mission and values. Our goal is for this report to be an open invitation to all residents to engage with their local government, stay informed, and participate in Telluride's continuous growth and improvement. Thank you for your interest in Telluride's future and for supporting a strong, connected community.



MANAGER'S OFFICE

In this week's Manager's Report, the Town of Telluride updates the public on several initiatives across departments:

Communications and Sustainability:

Highlights surrounding new Town Merchant Meetings, the Manager's Report, and Composting.

Housing Development: Updates on affordable housing projects, including Shandoka Building F, Voodoo Affordable Housing, and the Canyonlands/Townhouse partnership.

Community Services: Inaugural Rental Housing Tenant Survey is underway through Friday, February 28.

Marshal's Department: 2025 Telluride Marshal's Department Calendar is available.

Public Works: Main street accessibility project overview, snow removal background

Parks and Recreation: Key team bonding and training sessions.

Communications

- **Town of Telluride Merchant Meetings:** The Town hosted its first bi-monthly Telluride Merchant Meetings on Tuesday, February 11, to discuss a variety of topics, including parking, Noel Night, 2025 parklets, the Town's Main Street accessibility project, and more. The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, April 8 at 1 pm. More information at bit.ly/totmerchantmtgs.
- **Manager's Report:** The 2025 Manager's Reports are now being published on the Town of Telluride website for review anytime. Visit bit.ly/totmanager, then select Manager's Report.

Sustainability

- **Compost Incentive:** Bruin Waste Management continues to offer curbside composting services for HOA and commercial accounts, with USDA grant funds still available to support infrastructure upgrades, such as new enclosures for compost containers and monthly service fees. Community members interested in this program should visit the Bruin Waste Management website and select "San Miguel County" for more details. The Town is pleased to see multiple HOAs, businesses, and the Telluride School District participating in this initiative, reinforcing the community's commitment to sustainability.

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Housing Development

- The Town of Telluride continues to make significant progress on several impactful housing and development projects, aimed at addressing community needs and supporting long-term growth:
- **Canyonlands/Townhouse Public-Private Partnership**
 - The project includes approximately 28-29 rental units, 8 for-sale deed-restricted units, and 3 free-market units. Initial approvals are complete, and building permits have been submitted. Construction is expected to take one year after permit issuance.
- **Virginia Placer Phases 2A & 2B**
 - Phase 2A consists of 9 units primarily for town operational needs (on-call, temporary, recruitment, seasonal, and long-term housing).
 - Phase 2B is estimated to provide 10-12 rental units. The project has HARC approval, with the second reading of the financing ordinance scheduled for February 4th.
- **Shandoka Building F**
 - Phase 1: Completed, featuring the remodel/refresh of 9 existing rental units and the addition of 3 new studio rental units. Move-ins are complete, and the project is under its warranty period.
 - Phase 2: This phase includes the remodel/refresh of 14 existing rental units, the expansion of 2-3 existing units, and the addition of 3 new studio rental units. Construction is underway, with expected completion by November 2025.
- **Lot L Redevelopment**
 - Planned to include 30-40 housing units, a 900-vehicle parking structure, 2,000 sq. ft. of transit-oriented commercial space, and a childcare site. A preliminary planning and cost estimation process is scheduled for 2025, with mid-year completion targeted for the financing approach.
- **Chair 7/Carhenge Redevelopment**
 - The proposed redevelopment includes 200-300 housing units, 10,000-20,000 sq. ft. of commercial space, and community-supporting accommodations. Phase 2 planning and preliminary engineering are advancing, with conceptual PUD and subdivision applications expected mid-year.
- **Voodoo Employee Rental Housing Project**
 - Completed with 27 rental housing units and 3,600 sq. ft. of commercial space, which includes a Youth Center in the Shed. The commercial space is leased, and Youth Center Shed improvements are ongoing.



COMMUNITY SERVICES

Rental Housing

- **Inaugural Rental Housing Tenant Survey:** The Town has launched its inaugural Rental Housing Tenant Survey to gather feedback from residents living in Town-managed rental housing. This survey will help identify areas for improvement, set benchmarks, and ensure the Town is meeting the needs of its tenants. Responses will guide future housing initiatives and policy decisions.

PARKS & REC

Recreation

- **Self-Defense Training:** Officer Jimmy Moody led a self-defense course for the Parks & Recreation team on February 6, with assistance from Chief Comte. This training provided valuable skills and awareness for staff safety.
- **Learn to Curl Clinic:** Parks & Recreation Directors participated in a Learn to Curl clinic on February 13, hosted by the Telluride Curling Club. A big thank you to Megan and J.D. Wise for organizing this fun and educational experience!

MARSHAL'S DEPARTMENT

2025 Telluride Marshal's Calendar: The Blue Calendar

Amp up your year like never before with the Telluride Marshal's Department 2025 Calendar! Each month showcases legendary album covers reimaged as creative PSAs. From the hits reminding you to properly dispose of unused medication to keeping our crosswalks safe, this calendar hits all the right notes.

The best part? Every purchase supports the [Marshal's Department Scholarship Fund](#), helping local students achieve their goals.

 Price: \$30

 Shipping: \$9

 Pickup Location: Marshal's Department

Order now: bit.ly/marshals2025

the blue calendar



PUBLIC WORKS

Streets & Sidewalks

- **Colorado Avenue Bump-Out Accessibility Ramps:** Public Works will continue working with businesses along Colorado Avenue to coordinate the construction of bump-out accessibility ramps, scheduled to begin this April. KSK, a contractor based in Grand Junction, has been awarded the project. The Town will provide updates and collaborate with businesses to minimize disruptions during construction.
- **Snow Removal:** The Town of Telluride's Public Works Department has begun regular winter snow removal operations. Daily plowing schedules, including parking restrictions, will be posted by 5:00 p.m. the evening prior, with vehicles required to be moved by 7:00 a.m. to avoid ticketing or towing.
 - Residents can sign up for text notifications by texting 'SNOW' to 38276. Priority streets such as W. 145 Spur Hwy., W. Colorado Ave., and school bus routes are cleared first, followed by secondary streets and alleys. Sidewalks must be cleared within 12 hours of snowfall, and snow should not be pushed back into streets to prevent hazardous conditions. Additional information and schedules are available at bit.ly/totstreets.

