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## **Kit Carson Internet Installs Additional Wi-Fi Hotspots to Serve Its Members. KCEC Now Has a Total of 21 Wi-Fi Hotspots**

**Taos, NM - Kit Carson Internet (KCI)** has recently installed approximately three additional free Wi-Fi hotspots in the Questa/Costilla area. KCI continues to address the demand for high speed internet to students, teachers and the elderly and low-income families. KCI has installed a total of 21 free Wi-Fi hotspots for every member to utilize, including free access at Taos & Picuris Pueblos. The KCI hotspots provide the ability to stream online classes, host video conference meetings or fill out application forms.

The year 2020 will go down in our history books as one of the most trying years in the history of not only our nation but the world! So many of our traditions have been interrupted in ways we never dreamed possible as it has affected the way we meet together as people. KCI serves multiple school districts, UNM-Taos and Northern NM College. Majority of the graduating students don't have internet access to finish their online courses; which limits their capability to graduate. The KCI free Wi-Fi hotspots, installed in all KCI's rural service territories, have the bandwidth to provide speeds for any online application/services.

Most low-income families and elderly don't have the tools needed to fill out electronic forms or utilize online services. KCI's hotspots are intended for our communities to have equal and fair access to these online services. KCI encourages the public to utilize these Wi-Fi hotspots. KCI encourages social distancing, according to the recommendations from the Governor.

"Providing essential services to our students, elderly and low-income families is our main priority. Kit Carson Electric Cooperative (KCEC) understands that the people that need internet connections may be a neighbor, relative or friend. It's our duty to provide these services and we want everyone to know that their Co-op is taking pivotal steps to reduce the impact of this pandemic" says Luis A. Reyes Jr., CEO of KCEC

During the initial beginning of COVID-19 pandemic, KCI installed fourteen Wi-Fi hotspots in their service territory for the public to utilize that encompass all of KCI's territory. KCI has analyzed the need for service and continues to add free Wi-Fi hotspots to rural areas. The COVID-19 pandemic

has affected everyone and KCI wants to ensure our communities that we are in this together. KCI will continue to provide reliable and high-quality services.

Below are the following free Wi-Fi spots. The passwords for the locations are:

**SSID: Kit Carson Guest Wi-Fi Hours of Operation 7AM – 9PM**

**Password: Kite@rson2020**

**Amalia Community Center  
Costilla Community Center  
Questa Kit Carson Office  
Red River Library  
Kit Carson Park (Adjacent)**

**Fred Baca Park (Adjacent)  
Eco Park (Adjacent)  
Talpa Community Center  
Penasco - San Antonio de Padua Catholic Church  
Penasco Housing (NHRA)**

**Angel Fire Ihub Bldg  
Eagle Nest Park  
El Rito West Library  
KIT CARSON COOP PARKING LOT  
Vadito Community Center  
Questa Housing Authority  
Picuris Pueblo Administration office  
Arroyo Seco Community Center  
Taos Pueblo Red Willow Clinic  
Taos Pueblo Senior Center  
Taos Pueblo Headstart**

#### **About Kit Carson Electric Cooperative**

Formed in 1944, Kit Carson is a member owned electric distribution cooperative in northern New Mexico and is the second largest cooperative in the state. Kit Carson is one of 16 electric cooperatives that serve rural New Mexico communities, serving nearly 30,000 members in Taos, Colfax and Rio Arriba counties. **To learn more about Kit Carson, visit [www.kitcarson.com](http://www.kitcarson.com).**



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Wi-Fi Hot Spots

