

# SAN JUAN COUNTY, UTAH BUSINESS & PERSONAL RELOCATION INFORMATION

Utah's Canyon Country

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# LET US INTRODUCE OURSELVES

**Welcome to San Juan County** — where unlimited recreational opportunities and pleasant small towns await! Nicknamed Utah’s Canyon Country, San Juan County is an outdoor haven where you can recharge and renew your sense of adventure. From mountains to monuments, hiking trails to walkable towns, from camping trips in mountain meadows or desert canyons to quiet evenings on your own back porch, welcome to our little slice of paradise.

Located in the southeastern corner of Utah, San Juan County makes up the northwest portion of the Four Corners Region. As the largest county in Utah and the 24th largest in the United States, it’s full of visually striking, one-of-a-kind landscapes. Populated by clear, bright skies and star-studded nights create stunning backdrops to the towering mountain ranges, deep sandstone canyons and sweeping mesas. The clean, fresh air offers incredible views for miles as well as the perfect conditions to explore the incredible parks and recreational areas that makeup San Juan County like Canyonlands National Park, Hovenweep, Bears Ears and Natural Bridges National Monuments, Glen Canyon National Recreation Area, Edge of the Cedars State Park, Goosenecks State Park and many more.

Beyond the many venues of outdoor activities, there are plenty of organized recreation opportunities like indoor swimming, city hiking trails, softball leagues and the Hideout Golf Club — Utah’s highest elevation golf course that includes 60-foot elevation changes.

Wintertime also offers unique seasonal activities including cross country skiing, snowmobiling, backcountry skiing and snowshoeing. The Abajo Mountain’s Dalton Springs and La Sal Mountain’s Geyser Pass are stunning locations to spend time exploring on a pair of skis or snowshoes.

All of our communities are spread out between phenomenal mountain peaks that reach 13,000 feet in elevation to desert floors that rest at 3,000 feet. Each community is made up of a small, tight-knit group of fewer than 4,000 residents. Monument Valley, Mexican Hat, Spanish Valley, and Bluff sit in the desert-scapes, while Blanding, Monticello and La Sal are mountain and plateau communities. Settle into our inviting communities that offer peaceful environments, for a relaxing lifestyle that moves at its own pace.

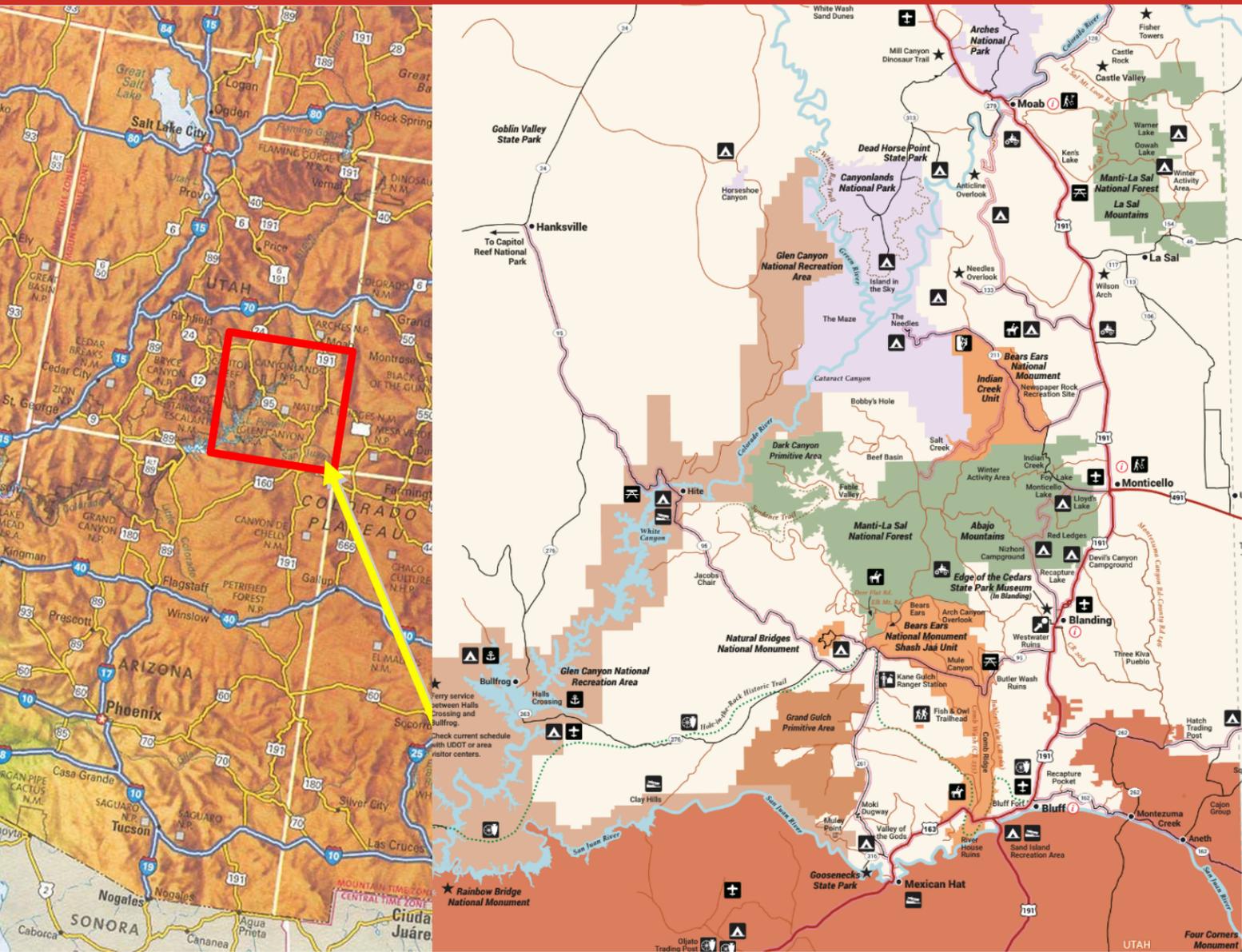


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# SAN JUAN COUNTY, UTAH

# BRIEF HISTORY OF SAN JUAN COUNTY



**San Juan County, the Four Corners Region of the western states.**

Located in the southeast corner of Utah, between Interstate 70 to the north and Interstate 40 to the south.

San Juan County is as rich in its history and heritage as it is in red rock deserts. Each piece or era of its history is etched into the heart of our people and communities.

Evidence of people populating Utah's Canyon Country reaches as far back as 11,000 years ago. The Ancestral Pueblo people maintained quaint communities and farms from A.D. 400 to A.D. 1250. Around A.D. 1300 the Ute Mountain Ute, Piute and Navajo people established their own communities here. Spanish exploration began a few hundred years later as documented by Juan Maria de Rivera in 1765. By July 1776, the Franciscan fathers Dominguez and Escalante traveled through searching for a route from Sante Fe, New Mexico to California. The trail paved by the two fathers was later followed by traders, and trappers as they converged upon the Great Salt Lake Valley. The trail was later documented by trappers George C. Yount and William Wolfskill and the path became known as the Old Spanish Trail. The trail entered Southeastern Utah at the Colorado/Utah state line and followed East Canyon northwest to Hatch and Looking Glass Rock, continuing northward toward Moab.

Starting in the late 1800s cowboys, outlaws, ranchers and farmers began arriving and settling homesteads. The Navajo Nation was established in 1868 and the Ute Mountain Ute community of White Mesa was created in 1920. San Juan County was officially separated from Iron, Sevier and Piute counties in 1880 and became a culturally-rich home to many Native Americans, Hispanic ranchers and Mormon pioneers.

San Juan County's economy revolved around mining which began around the 1800s. Copper and gold were what initially attracted prospectors to the San Juan River at Mexican Hat and Gold Queen Basin in the Abajo Mountains. However, it was uranium and vanadium that made the most economic impact. Uranium was first used

for pigments in dyes, inks, stained glass and ceramics, but scientific advancements grew, eventually leading to the discovery of the invisible rays that emanated from the ore. The ore was used to make fine steel and a major discovery in 1898 showed uranium ore contained a new radioactive element named 'radium' which led researchers to consider the new element as a treatment for cancers. Mining stayed small-scale until America entered into World War II, which increased demand for vanadium. By 1944, the demand slowed down and the mining industry was looking bleak, until the 1950s when there became a heightened interest in nuclear weapons. This boom is what really helped solidify the many communities in San Juan County, and many of the families who benefited from the boom still reside in our beloved county.

Several museums have been erected to highlight the rich history of San Juan County. The Frontier Museum displays the history of Monticello and the surrounding area offering a glimpse of life on the Great Sage Plain in the latter part of the 1800s and the early part of the 1900s. The Bluff Fort Historic Site is a great place to see what life was like for the pioneers who settled the town of Bluff. Blanding is home to the Edge of the Cedars Museum which hosts pieces of the amazing history of the Ancestral people who dwelled here. Blanding is also home to the Dinosaur Museum where visitors can see incredible life-like sculptures of the dinosaurs who once roamed Utah's Canyon Country and beyond. North of Monticello is Hole-In-The-Rock Home Museum which is carved into a sandstone bluff. Our history and heritage is important to the Indigenous, Hispanic and Anglo populations that make up our county and is etched into the very heart of our communities.

# SAN JUAN COUNTY COMMUNITIES

San Juan County is made of multiple small yet vibrant communities. Our population consists of multiple cultural groups including Navajo, Ute Mountain Ute, Hispanic and Anglo residents. The majority live in one of our eleven communities in the county with smaller numbers scattered throughout on farms and ranches, the Ute Mountain Ute Reservation or the Diné (Navajo) Nation. For more demographic information on each community visit the state website.

 [utah.gov](http://utah.gov)

Let us introduce you to our communities starting from the north and working our way south.

**Spanish Valley** is a residential area at the northern border of the county. It is tied closely, both economically and socially, with Grand County.

**Population: 545 per ACS 2022 5-year estimates**

**Elevation: 5,000 feet**

**La Sal** is a village on the flank of the La Sal Mountains. It is thirteen miles west of the Utah/ Colorado border and forty-two miles northeast of Monticello via US Highway 191 and Utah Highway 46. The area was first settled by ranchers and has survived uranium, oil and gas boom/ bust cycles.

**Population: 270 per ACS 2022 5-year estimates**

**Elevation: 7,000 feet**

**Monticello**, the county seat, is at the junction of US Highways 191 and 491. The town is nestled against the eastern side of the Abajo or Blue Mountains. Wheat fields spread out from the community to the north, east and south. Ten miles to the north the desert begins. Monticello supports an indoor public swimming pool, built in 2010, five public parks, a lighted sports field and eighteen-hole golf course (The Hideout Golf Club). The community has been designated as an Enterprise Zone by the State of Utah.

**Population: 2393 per ACS 2022 5-year estimates**

**Elevation: 7,069 feet**

 [monticelloutah.org](http://monticelloutah.org)

**Eastland** is eleven miles east of Monticello on US Highway 491 and four miles south on County Road 312 (Horsehead). The community was settled in the 1920s by wheat and bean farmers and today is surrounded by cultivated fields. No amenities.

**Estimated 2000 population: 130**

**Elevation: 7,020 feet**

**Blanding**, the largest community in the county, is twenty-one miles south of Monticello on US Highway 191. Home to Utah State University Blanding Campus, the community supports a public swimming pool, public parks and a lighted sports field. Edge of the Cedars State Park & Museum houses an extensive collection of ancient Pueblo artifacts. Blanding is also home to the Dinosaur Museum which features life-size, realistic dinosaur models, fossils and skeletons.

**Population: 3229 per ACS 2022 5-year estimates**

**Elevation: 6,036 feet**

 [blanding-ut.gov](http://blanding-ut.gov)

**White Mesa**, founded in 1953, is on the White Mesa Ute Mountain Ute Reservation and is thirteen miles south of Blanding on US Highway 191. Governed by the White Mesa Ute Mountain Ute Council, which is roughly akin to the Anglo city council, the reservation is a sub-agency of the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe which is headquartered one hundred miles east in Towaoc (Toy' ahk), Colorado.

**Population: 60 per ACS 2022 5-year estimates**

**Elevation: 6,200 feet**

 [utemountainutetribe.com](http://utemountainutetribe.com)

**Bluff** The town rests beneath sandstone bluffs that give the community its name. Many of the original sandstone homes from the Victorian era are still in use in Bluff. The community is on the banks of the San Juan River just twenty-six miles south of Blanding on US Highway 191. Bluff was the first Anglo community in the county and was built on a much older community site. Remnants of the Ancestral Pueblo culture exist largely in the area. The community supports a community center, multiple parks, two visitor centers, and hosts multiple annual community events such as the Bluff Arts Festival and Bluff Balloon Festival.

**Population: 250 per Town of Bluff Official Count**

**Elevation: 4,380 feet**

 [townofbluff.org](http://townofbluff.org)

**Montezuma Creek** was annexed to the Navajo Nation in the 1950s in exchange for tribal land which today is covered by the waters of Lake Powell. Montezuma Creek is fifteen miles east of Bluff on Utah Highway 262 and Hovenweep National Monument is twenty miles northeast of the community. They also have the Aneth Oil Field nearby which economically supports the community. The UNHS clinic in Montezuma Creek is a significant health benefit and among the biggest employers in San Juan County. The high school recently updated the track around the football field.

**Population: 272 per ACS 2022 5-year estimates**

**Elevation: 4,300 feet**

**Aneth** is the base of the Aneth Oil Field which is one of the major producing fields in the western U.S. It is approximately ten miles west of the Utah/Colorado border and six miles east of Montezuma Creek on Utah Highway 262. Aneth is also home to a Navajo Chapter headquarters, the Aneth Community School and a Navajo/ Bureau of Indian Affairs boarding school. Aneth also has a Chapter House, Senior Center and Aneth Judicial District Courthouse.

**Population: 1828 per ACS 2022 5-year estimates**

**Elevation: 4,300 feet**

 [aneth.navajochapters.org](http://aneth.navajochapters.org)

**Mexican Hat** is nestled amid deep, red sandstone cliffs and lies west of Bluff on US Highway 163. With the community being on the north bank of the San Juan River, the area is a launch site for San Juan River trips. Mexican Hat is named for the inverted sandstone sombrero which rises as a lone sentinel north of the community on the east side of the highway. The community hosts several trading posts, motels and restaurants.

**Population: 22 per ACS 2022 5-year estimates**

**Elevation: 4,350 feet**

**Halchita**, a Navajo word meaning 'the red lands', is on the south side of the San Juan River.

**2021 population: 408**

**Elevation: 4,350 feet**

# SAN JUAN COUNTY COMMUNITIES

**Monument Valley** is situated along the southern border of Utah and harbors extraordinary sandstone monoliths. The valley is twenty-five miles southwest of Mexican Hat on US Highway 163. Monument Valley Navajo Tribal Park and historic Goulding’s Lodge are both major employers in the valley. There is also a UNHS clinic, elementary school and Oljato Chapter House in Monument Valley.  
**Population: 729 per ACS 2022 5-year estimates**  
**Elevation: 5,200 feet.**

**Oljato**, nine miles west of Monument Valley on County Road 420, is a tiny Navajo community and Tribal Chapter headquarters with a traditional trading post at its center. Oljato Trading Post is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.  
**Elevation: 5,200 feet**  
[oljato.navajochapters.org](http://oljato.navajochapters.org)

**Navajo Mountain** is the most remote community in the county. It is only thirty-five air miles from Monument Valley but more than one hundred road miles via US Highway 163, US Highway 160, Arizona Highway 98 and Indian Highway 16. Navajo Mountain is a Navajo Chapter headquarters and the trailhead for the foot trail to Rainbow Bridge on Lake Powell.  
**Population: 663 per ACS 2022 5-year estimates**  
**Elevation: 6,500 feet**  
[navajomountain.navajochapters.org](http://navajomountain.navajochapters.org)

**Halls Crossing** is on the shore of Lake Powell. It is a small community of people who are employed at the lake. The community has a small multi-graded school, post office/ convenience store and all of Lake Powell as a playground.  
**2000 Population: 89**  
**Elevation: 3,604 feet**  
[lakepowell.com](http://lakepowell.com)

## REAL ESTATE

The median cost of a three-bedroom home is estimated at around \$387,000. The following agencies can assist with a real estate selection and purchase.

**Anasazi Realty**  
[anasazirealty.com](http://anasazirealty.com)

**Countywide Realty**  
**Monticello Office**  
 16 East 200 South  
 Monticello, UT 84535  
 ☎ 435-587-3166

**David Carpenter, eXp Realty**  
 David Carpenter, *Associate Broker*  
[exprealty.com](http://exprealty.com)

# CLIMATE

San Juan County has almost a mile of difference of elevation change throughout its communities making the climate vary between each area. High elevation communities like La Sal and Monticello sit at 7,000 feet while Bluff and Lake Powell rest at 4,000 and 3,000 feet respectively. Our wide range of elevation means our landscapes are quite diverse and beautiful, ranging from expansive desert to beautiful alpine mountains.

The elevation changes do affect the overall climate, but as a whole, the county experiences mostly clear, sunny days throughout the year. Summer will produce the occasional thunderstorm with drenching desert rains, strong winds and hail. Winter historically brings snow to our higher elevation communities. Our average growing season is from June 1 to October 1 with our lower elevation communities lasting a little longer. Overall, San Juan County has beautiful weather year-round.

4,000 Feet	High Temp.	Low Temp.	Precipitation	Snow
Spring	66°	35°	.5"	0
Summer	91.5°	59°	.47"	0
Fall	80°	46.6°	.83"	0
Winter	50°	24.7°	.53"	.67"
Annual Avg.	71.7°	41.1°	6.68"	2.8"
7,000 Feet	High Temp.	Low Temp.	Precipitation	Snow
Spring	53°F	27.5°F	1.07"	6.5"
Summer	78°F	47°F	1.22"	.8"
Fall	67.5°F	38.3°F	1.70"	.9"
Winter	39°F	17.3°F	1.45"	13.7"
Annual Avg.	59.3°F	32.4°F	16.26"	69.9"

# INDIGENOUS PEOPLES OF SAN JUAN COUNTY

San Juan County is home to both the Navajo, or Diné, and the Ute Mountain Ute people who have called this area home since about A.D. 1300.

The **Navajo** tribal government was established in 1923 to meet the increasing demands of oil companies wishing to lease Navajo land for exploration. Many Navajo artisans create exquisite silverwork, basketry and weaving which are recognized throughout the world.

[navajo-nsn.gov](http://navajo-nsn.gov)

The **Ute Mountain Ute** community of White Mesa is a sub-agency of the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe which is headquartered in Towaoc, Colorado. Ute Mountain Ute crafts-people make beautiful beaded items as well as traditional cradleboards and flutes which have been used by native people for centuries.

[utemountainutetribe.com](http://utemountainutetribe.com)

## GENERAL INFORMATION

San Juan County, on the Colorado Plateau in the southeastern corner of Utah, is the largest county in the state and one of the largest in the nation, encompassing 8,103 square miles or 5,154,534 acres of high desert, sandstone canyons and timbered mountains. The Colorado River, one of the nation's major river systems, forms most of the western boundary of San Juan County with the remainder defined by the Green River, one of the tributaries to the Colorado. The eastern border lies along the Utah/Colorado state line, the southern border along the Utah/Arizona state line, and the northern border abuts Grand County, Utah.

San Juan County is known worldwide for its beauty and diversity including colorful sandstone canyons and deserts, Ancestral Pueblo remnants and contemporary Native American culture, the culture of the old west, intriguing geologic formations, Lake Powell, national parks and monuments, state parks, mountains and lakes and three major rivers.

**Privately held land in San Juan County is only 8% of the total area. 91% of the land base is managed by government or tribal agencies as per the following table:**

Management Agency	Acres Managed	% of Total Acres
Bureau of Land Management (federal)	2,074,247	41%
Indian Nations (tribal government)	1,220,846	23%
National Park Service (federal)	587,375	10%
US Forest Service (federal)	450,549	9%
State of Utah	406,415	8%
Private Ownership	406,367	8%
Private Indian Trust Lands (not tribal)	25,117	1%

# SAN JUAN SCHOOL DISTRICT

200 North Main Street, Blanding, UT 84511 | ☎ 435-678-1200 | 🌐 [sjsd.org](http://sjsd.org)

## Elementary Schools

**Blanding Elementary**  
302 South 100 West  
☎ 435-678-1871

**Bluff Elementary**  
200 W. Main  
☎ 435-678-1296

**La Sal ~ K-2**  
State Highway 146  
☎ 435-678-1292

**Montezuma Creek Elementary**  
1270 E Hwy 162  
☎ 435-678-1261

**Monticello ~ K-6**  
197 North 200 West  
☎ 435-678-1180

**Tse'Bii'Nidzisgai Elementary  
Preschool-6th grade**  
10 West Medical Drive  
(Monument Valley)  
☎ 435-678-1286

## Middle & High Schools

**Albert R. Lyman Middle**  
535 North 100 East (Blanding)  
☎ 435-678-1101

**Monticello High**  
148 South 200 West  
☎ 435-587-2465

**Monument Valley ~ 7-12**  
100 North Cougar Lane  
☎ 435-678-1208

**Navajo Mountain ~ 9-12**  
Navajo Highway 16  
(Tonalea, AZ)  
☎ 435-678-1287

**San Juan (Blanding) ~ 9-12**  
311 North 100 East  
☎ 435-678-1301

**Whitehorse  
(Montezuma Creek) ~ 7-12**  
300 West 100 North  
☎ 435-678-1854

## Colleges & Universities

**In Blanding:** Utah State University – Blanding Campus at 639 West 100 South, is a branch of the main campus located in Logan, Utah. The college offers all the way up to PhD degrees. The campus can be reached at 435-678-2072 or [usu.edu](http://usu.edu). The college campus is also home to the Blanding Arts & Events Center — 435-678-8103. [statewide.usu.edu/blanding/baec](http://statewide.usu.edu/blanding/baec). The University offers certificates, Associates, Bachelors and Masters Degrees.

**USU Blanding address:** 576 W 200 S, Blanding, UT 84511

**USU Phone:** 435-678-2201

**USU Website:** [statewide.usu.edu/blanding](http://statewide.usu.edu/blanding)

**Arts and Events Center:** 435-678-8150

**In Monticello:** Utah State University offers classes up to PhD level course work at 164 South 200 West and can be contacted at 435-587-3316 or [usu.edu](http://usu.edu).

**Monticello USU address:** 248 S 100 E, Monticello, UT 84535

**Monticello USU phone:** 435-678-2201

**Monticello USU website:** [statewide.usu.edu/monticello](http://statewide.usu.edu/monticello)

# HEALTHCARE

**San Juan Hospital** is a licensed critical access hospital located in Monticello. The hospital offers a full spectrum of services including: inpatient hospitalization, critical care services, general and orthopedic surgery, obstetrical services, CT, MRI, X-Ray. Ultrasound, echocardiography and full-spectrum laboratory services. In addition to the hospital, San Juan Health operates three outpatient family practice clinics, seeing all patients from pediatrics to geriatrics in Monticello, Blanding and Spanish Valley. Consulting physicians hold regular clinics in cardiology, gynecology, ophthalmology, orthopedics and podiatry. In 2019, San Juan Hospital was recognized as a top 20 rural hospital in the nation for patient satisfaction by the National Rural Health Association. San Juan Hospital is located at 364 West 100 North in Monticello, P.O. Box 308, Monticello, Utah 84535.

📞 435-587-2116  
 🌐 [sanjuanhealth.org](http://sanjuanhealth.org)

**Monticello Clinic** - 435-587-5054 380 West 100 North  
**Blanding Clinic** - 435-678-2254 735 South 200 West  
**Spanish Valley Clinic** - 435-419-9210 5555 Old Airport Road

**Blue Mountain Hospital** is located in Blanding and offers inpatient hospitalization, surgical care, critical care, obstetrical services, laboratory, radiology, CT scan and physical therapy. The facility is located at 802 South 200 West in Blanding.

📞 435-678-3993  
 🌐 [bmh.utah.gov](http://bmh.utah.gov)

**San Juan Public Health**, located at 735 S 200 W Suite 2 in Blanding, works within the community to create healthy

## UNHS Locations

**Blanding Family Practice Community Health Center**  
**Blanding Family Dental**  
**Blanding Family Practice Chiropractic**  
**Blanding Family Vision Clinic**  
**Gentle Ironhawk Shelter**

All of the above are located at 910 S. 300 W, Blanding, UT 84511  
 📞 435-678-0700  
**Hours of Operation:** 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. M-Th & 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Friday

lifestyles for the residents of San Juan County. The health department provides many public health services which include WIC, birth and death certificates, food handler permits, health inspections and more.

📞 435-587-3838  
 🌐 [sanjuanpublichealth.org](http://sanjuanpublichealth.org)

Long-term and nursing home care is provided by the Four Corners Regional Care Center, 818 North 400 West in Blanding and can be reached at (435) 678-2251.

**San Juan Emergency Medical Service**, phone: 435-587-3225 ext. 3310, operates from Monticello, Blanding, Montezuma Creek, Bluff, Mexican Hat and Monument Valley.

Utah Navajo Health System (UNHS) is a not-for-profit Community Health Center providing medical, dental and behavioral health care to the Utah Navajo. They provide primary health care to men, women and children, regardless of citizenship status, nationality or ability to pay. UNHS also provides optometry, chiropractic, dental, pharmacy, non-emergency patient transportation, behavioral health services and EMS services. In the event of an emergency call 911. All EMS services are dispatched from the San Juan County Sheriff's Office Dispatch Center in Monticello. EMT's are certified by the State of Utah, Bureau of EMS. San Juan County EMS also provides courses for County Sheriff's Office Dispatchers. EMT's are HAZMAT Awareness level trained. San Juan County EMS has a mutual aid agreement with Grand County EMS. Additional services are coordinated with the following air ambulance services: Classic Helicopter Services, Care Flight, Air Care One, St. Mary's Hospital, and Farmington Regional Medical Center.

**Monument Valley Community Health Center**  
 📞 435-727-3000 (Clinic)  
 📞 435-727-3004 (Dental)  
 30 West Medical Drive, Monument Valley, 84536  
**Hours of Operation:** 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. M-Th  
 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Friday

# HEALTHCARE

## Navajo Mountain Community Health Center

📞 928-672-2494  
 #2 Rainbow Road, Navajo Mountain. UT 86044  
**Hours of Operation:** 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. M-Th  
 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Friday  
 (Telephone Visits only - Provider not on site)

## San Juan Family Dental

📞 435-587-2528  
 217 South 100 West, Monticello, UT 84535  
**Hours of Operation:** 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. M-Th

## Montezuma Creek Community Health Center

📞 435-651-3000 (Front Desk)  
 📞 435-678-0530 (Dental)  
 1478 East Highway 162, Montezuma Creek, UT 84534-0130  
**Hours of Operation:** 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. M-Th & 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Fri

## Navajo Mountain Community Health Center

📞 928-672-2494  
 #2 Rainbow Road, Navajo Mountain. UT 86044  
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# AREA SERVICES

Services available vary within each community. The city of Monticello provides water, sewer and solid waste collection. Gas and electrical are available, but are not provided by the city of Monticello. The city of Blanding provides water, sewer, solid waste collection, natural gas and electric service. Both communities operate solid waste transfer stations. Residents living outside city limits maintain private wells and septic systems. The county operates solid waste transfer stations in La Sal, White Mesa, Bluff, Mexican Hat and Monument Valley where residents may deposit trash for a fee.

Eastland does not provide city services but does maintain a well and provides water to Eastland residents. White Mesa provides water. Water is available in Bluff through the Bluff Waterworks Special Service District. Montezuma Creek provides both water and sewer. Water is available in Aneth. Water and sewer are available in Mexican Hat and Halchita. The Navajo Tribal Utility Authority provides water and

electricity to some areas of the Navajo Nation lying within San Juan County. Water is supplied at Navajo Mountain. Navajo Chapters operate transfer stations at various points on the reservation.

The county provides library services. Post Offices serve each of the communities except Eastland, White Mesa, Halchita and Oljato. Wells Fargo Northwest NA, Desert Rivers Credit Union, Zions First National Bank and San Juan Credit Union provide full banking services. All four banks maintain offices and automatic teller machines in Blanding. Zion's First National Bank, Desert Rivers Credit Union and San Juan Credit Union also have offices in Monticello. A variety of federal programs are available in the county for low-interest loans on homes and agricultural acreage. A number of credit unions are also available to residents of the county.

🌐 [sanjuancounty.org](http://sanjuancounty.org)

## Post Offices and Postal Service

### Post Offices with Boxes

La Sal  
 Monticello  
 Bluff  
 Montezuma Creek

### Contracted Mailboxes

White Mesa  
 Mexican Hat  
 Monument Valley

### Street Delivery or Post Office Box

Blanding

### Home Delivery

East of Monticello

# COMMERCIAL ZONES

For available commercial spaces and business opportunities in Monticello, Blanding and Bluff, reach out to the municipality staff for more information.

## Monticello

**Kaeden Kulow**  
Monticello City Manager  
✉ [kaeden@monticelloutah.org](mailto:kaeden@monticelloutah.org)  
☎ 435-587-2271  
🌐 [monticelloutah.org](http://monticelloutah.org)

## Blanding

**Brett Hosler**  
Community Development Director &  
Building Official  
✉ [bhosler@blanding-ut.gov](mailto:bhosler@blanding-ut.gov)  
☎ 435-678-2791  
🌐 [blanding-ut.gov](http://blanding-ut.gov)

## Bluff

**Erin Nelson**  
Bluff City Manager  
✉ [manager@townofbluff.org](mailto:manager@townofbluff.org)  
☎ 435-672-9990



# BUSINESS FINANCING

## Enterprise Zone Tax Incentives and Business Assistance

Business growth in San Juan County primarily comes from existing businesses expanding. Many small businesses have also established themselves in the county, serving clients at both local and distant locations. With an online presence, businesses have been able to contribute even more to our communities' economic growth.

San Juan County Economic Development maintains programs to assist businesses in utilizing resources through

county and state agencies. The San Juan County Economic Development office will work with all interested business parties to provide assistance in opening or expanding a business ([sanjuancounty.org/econdev](http://sanjuancounty.org/econdev)).

The Small Business Development Center at the Utah State University — Blanding Campus ([usu.edu](http://usu.edu)) will also assist business owners with the development of a business plan and offers business training.

# AIR SERVICE

**Monticello Airport**, 6,000-foot paved runway, a beacon, medium intensity runway lights and hangars; Lo Lead and Jet A fuels, 24-hour fueling service, seasonal charter flights.

☎ 435-587-2271  
Identifier: U43 | Radio Frequency: 122.8

**Blanding Municipal Airport**, 5,700-foot paved runway, a beacon, medium intensity runway lights and hangars, minor airframe and engine repair, Lo Lead and Jet A fuels, charter flights, 24 hours fueling service, air freight, air ambulance, courtesy vehicle available.

☎ 801-828-7211  
Identifier: BDG | Radio Frequency: 122.8

**Bluff Airport**, airstrip with 3,000 paved and 1,000-foot dirt runway, no lights or fuel available.

☎ 435-672-2281  
Identifier: 66 V | Radio Frequency: 122.9

Limited but regular commercial passenger air service is in Moab, Utah and Cortez, Colorado. Full schedule flights from Durango and Grand Junction, Colorado and Farmington, New Mexico provide excellent regular connection with major air service in Denver, Colorado; Albuquerque, New Mexico; Phoenix, Arizona and Salt Lake City, Utah.

**Cal Black Memorial Airport**, 5,700-foot paved runway, beacon, low / medium / high-intensity runway lights, twenty tie-downs, no hangars, Lo Lead, Jet A, automobile, solar-powered.

☎ 435-485-0024  
Identifier: U96 | Radio Frequency: 123.0

**Monument Valley Airport**, 3,800-foot paved runway, no beacon, no runway lights, airport is unattended, tie-downs, no other amenities. Identifier: UT25. Radio Frequency: 122.9. Airport is private and you assume all risks, permission required prior to landing — call 435-727-3225 ahead and also email a copy of insurance to [gouldings@gouldings.com](mailto:gouldings@gouldings.com), statement of tail number and estimated date and time of arrival.

☎ 435-727-3225  
Identifier: UT25 | Radio Frequency: 122.9

# TAXES & UTILITY INFORMATION

## Utilities

### Monticello

#### Telephone and Internet

##### Precis Communications

Customer Service:

☎ 800-924-7662 toll-free

##### River Canyon Wireless

611 S. Main

Moab, Utah 84532

☎ 435-259-8319

🌐 rivercanyonwireless.com

##### Emery Telcom

17 South 300 East

Monticello, UT 84535

☎ 435-298-8023

🌐 emerytelcom.com

##### Frontier Communications

☎ 1-833-685-3007

🌐 frontierbundles.com

#### Water/ Sewer/Garbage

##### City of Monticello

17 North 100 East

P.O. Box 457

Monticello, UT 84535

☎ 435-587-2271

#### Electricity

##### Empire Electric

☎ 970-565-4444

🌐 www.eea.coop

#### Natural Gas

##### Dominion Energy

Monticello, UT 84535

☎ 800-323-5517 toll-free

🌐 dominionenergy.com

### Blanding

#### Telephone and Internet

##### Emery Telcom

17 South 300 East

Monticello, UT 84535

☎ 435-298-8023

🌐 emerytelcom.com

##### Frontier Communications

☎ 1-833-685-3007

🌐 frontierbundles.com

#### Internet

##### Bears Ears Wireless

☎ 435-459-2615

🌐 bearsearswireless.com

#### Water/Sewer/Garbage/ Electricity/Natural Gas

##### City of Blanding

50 East 100 South

Blanding, UT 84511

☎ 435-678-2791

### Bluff

#### Water

##### Bluff Water Works Service District

☎ 435-672-2203

#### Electric

##### Rocky Mountain Power

☎ 1-888-221-7070

🌐 rockymountainpower.net

#### Trash

##### Helgerson Property Management

☎ 608-632-7901

#### Recycling

##### Bluff Community Foundation

✉ bluffcommunityfoundation@gmail.com

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##### Bluff Planning and Zoning

🌐 townofbluff.org/planning-zoning

# TAXES & UTILITY INFORMATION

## State Income Tax

State Income Tax is computed on a sliding scale with standard deductions.

🌐 [utah.gov](http://utah.gov)

## County / State Motor Vehicle Registration

Passenger vehicle, boats, motorcycles and ATV registration is assessed according to vehicle age. Registration fee for motorhomes, mobile home and large transport trucks are registered per Blue Book assessment.

## Property Tax

Depending on location in the county property tax is computed at \$.011 to \$.018 times the taxable value of the property. 2021 Tax Rates by Area ([utah.gov](http://utah.gov))

## Sales Tax

Sales Tax in unincorporated areas of the county is 6.35%. Sales Tax in Monticello is 6.75%. Sales Tax in Blanding is 6.75%. Sales Tax in Bluff is 7.45%. Sales Tax is not collected by the State of Utah on the Navajo or Ute Mountain Ute Nations. [4th Quarter 2021 Utah Sales Tax Rates- Combined List](#)

# TAX INFORMATION FOR THE NAVAJO NATION

## [tax.navajo-nsn.gov](http://tax.navajo-nsn.gov) | Navajo Tax Commission: 928-871-6681

The Navajo Nation levies taxes in the following areas: Oil & Gas Severance, Possessory Interest, Business Activity, Construction Activity, Hotel Occupancy, and Fuel. The Nation does not levy franchise, income, or unemployment taxes for members of the Navajo Nation.



