

## CITY OF RIO COMMUNITIES

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USPS ZIP Code District Manager For New Mexico 4949 Van Buren Street, Room 211C Phoenix, Arizona, 85026-9900

The City of Rio Communities (as a municipality with a population nearing 5,000) repeats its request to designate a separate zip code for our incorporated community. **We also request a meeting** to discuss the process and paperwork the Postal Service needs for a formal review of our request.

We understand that there may be an unused or underused zip code number which is **87003.** We also understand that 273 of 360 zip codes in New Mexico are under 4,000 population; and 180 of 360 zip codes in New Mexico have a population under 1,000 people.

In the meantime, in response to your letter dated March 23, 2023, we have enclosed both a hard copy and USB stick with addresses in the City of Rio Communities that we show provided in 2022 and you show not received.

With these addresses, we respectfully request that these addresses have a default municipal designation under the Preferred Last Line (PLL) of Rio Communities.

We look forward to a meeting (**online or telephone is okay**) in the near future and a resolution to our need for recognition (with our own zip code) as a distinct incorporated city by New Mexico residents, businesses, and government.

J	oshua Ramsell, Mayor	
Margaret R. Gutjahr, Mayor Pro-tem/Councilor	Arthur Apodaca, Councilor	
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