## AlbuquerqueGreen

## What is AlbuquerqueGreen?

<u>AlbuquerqueGreen</u> is a place where the well-being of current and future citizens is supported by a vibrant economy and a self-renewing, healthy environment – a true reflection of sustainability.

In practice, this means day-to-day recognition that economy, society, and environment are interconnected, and that Albuquerque must demonstrate leadership by making wise and innovative choices to ensure Albuquerque is a sustainable community.

You might be surprised to learn what Albuquerque has already done to ensure life in the Rio Grande Valley is sustainable for future generations. Albuquerque's Mayor Martin J. Chávez has been a longtime leader in the drive to create a vibrant economy and a self-renewing, healthy environment. Here are some highlights of his leadership efforts:

- The U.S. Chamber of Commerce and Siemens honored The City of Albuquerque with a Sustainable Community Award in the Large Community category for AlbuquerqueGreen, a comprehensive sustainability plan backed by Mayor Martin J. Chávez that provides the vision and tools for energy conservation, clean energy production and use, and conservation technologies.
- The City of Albuquerque has been selected as the winner of the inaugural Siemens Sustainable Community Award.
- Mayor Cited as a Cool Mayor by the <u>Mayors for Climate Protection</u> Mayor Chávez is cited as "The Visionary" for his sustainable water vision, Urban Forestry program, and Albuquerque's world class bike paths.
- Albuquerque won a World Leadership Award for its efforts to secure a sustainable water supply.

Of particular note is the fact that the <u>Albuquerquegreen</u> initiative placed first at the 2007 U.S. Conference of Mayors inaugural Climate Protection Awards.

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