



# Tesuque CASINO

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## **Tesuque Casino Temporarily Closed**

**Pueblo of Tesuque, New Mexico:** The Pueblo of Tesuque Development Corporation (POTDC), the primary business entity for the Pueblo of Tesuque, has announced the temporary closure of Tesuque Casino, effective November 5, 2020.

The decision to pause operations was made as a precautionary measure after a casino employee tested positive for COVID-19. This is the first known positive case among Tesuque Casino employees. Since the casino originally reopened in September, POTDC has required all employees to observe strict safety protocols based on CDC guidelines, and regularly report on the state of their health and the health of household members.

The safety and wellbeing of guests and employees is paramount to POTDC. The decision to close temporarily was made out of an abundance of caution, with the best interests of the community in mind, and in an effort to help mitigate the spread of COVID-19 throughout New Mexico.

A reopening date will be chosen in the coming days. The casino will conduct a thorough cleaning and sanitizing effort during the closure so guests and employees can return without concern for their personal welfare. Additionally, all employees must be tested for COVID-19 and receive a negative result before returning to work.

From the early days of the coronavirus pandemic, the Pueblo of Tesuque has remained committed to guest and employee safety. A comprehensive health and sanitation plan put in place for the casino's September reopening includes protocols for entering and exiting the casino, wearing personal protective equipment (PPE), practicing physical distancing, cleaning and sanitizing procedures, and more. The full plan, which is available on Tesuque Casino's [website](#), will continue to be enforced after the current hiatus.

For more information, contact Tesuque Casino at 800-462-2635 or [info@tesuquecasino.com](mailto:info@tesuquecasino.com).

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**About The Pueblo of Tesuque:** A federally recognized tribe that follows a traditional form of government, the Pueblo of Tesuque has a history rich in culture and customs preserving their way of life.