

ATTENTION



The Alamosa Police Department has received numerous bear sightings over the last several days in neighborhoods close to the river. City officials are advising residents to contain all trash in closed containers, bring in bird feeders, monitor small pets and children. Officials also advise against attempting to feed or approach the bear. Any sightings should be reported by calling 719-589-5807.

Things to Remember:

- Do not feed the bears. Black bears learn very quickly and those that come to associate food with people may become aggressive, and thereby dangerous.
- Take down bird feeders. If you feed cats or dogs outside, only do so during the day, and take the food and containers inside at night.
- Store your garbage in airtight containers, in an area away from doors to the garage. Wash trash containers weekly with a disinfectant solution to remove food odors.
- If you see a bear, remain calm and keep your distance. Alert the bear to your presence by clapping or talking. If the bear does not leave, slowly back away, avoiding eye-contact. From a distance, bang pots or use an air horn to scare the bear away.
- Main thing to remember DO NOT SHOOT AT THE BEAR in any manner.

Any questions should be directed to the Alamosa Police Dept. at 589-2548.