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Public Invited to Celebrate Completion of Bear Ridge Trailhead with Evening Hike Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony Set for September 3

WHO: City of El Paso
WHAT: Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony & FREE Community Hike
WHEN: 6 p.m. Thursday, September 3, 2026
WHERE: Bear Ridge Trailhead, Franklin Hills Street & Bear Ridge Drive

The City of El Paso invites the community to celebrate the completion of improvements to the Bear Ridge Trailhead with a ribbon-cutting ceremony followed by a free evening hike.

Tucked along the scenic foothills of the Franklin Mountains in West El Paso, the new trailhead provides an improved entryway for hikers, cyclists, and outdoor enthusiasts with new amenities and a welcoming starting point to explore the Bear Ridge Trail.

The approximately \$500,000 investment in the recreational public space includes:

- Convenient parking, pedestrian walkways, and ADA-compliant ramps and handrails
- A water fountain for visitors and pets
- A bicycle repair station for quick tune-ups
- An information kiosk to guide treks
- Rock-mulch landscaping, irrigation, and newly planted caliper trees
- A shaded picnic area with a table, benches and waste bin perfect for relaxing before or after hitting the trail

The project was funded through the voter-approved 2012 Quality of Life Bond.

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