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December Job Training Funds Announced

JTIP Supports 2,380 New Mexico Jobs in 2020

SANTA FE, N.M. – The Job Training Incentive Program (JTIP) Board approved funding for eight businesses in support of a total of 87 employees in December, (71 trainees and 17 interns), Economic Development Department Cabinet Secretary Alicia J. Keyes announced today.

Each month the board convenes in order to review applications from businesses all over New Mexico who wish to get funding in order to help train new employees or up-skill current ones. JTIP funding encourages businesses to continue to move to or expand business in the state and continue growing jobs for New Mexicans.

The total JTIP funding awarded in 2020 was \$20.7 million in support of 2,380 New Mexican jobs – 29% of that total for rural jobs and 71% for urban. The average wage in 2020 was \$18.61 an hour, over \$38,000 a year.

“New Mexico’s nationally recognized job training program is going to be a vital tool to support businesses as they create jobs and retrain employees in the coming months,” Cabinet Secretary Keyes said. “We are grateful to the governor and lawmakers who support JTIP and see job training as integral to the state’s recovery.”

Companies funded this month hail from Albuquerque, Las Cruces, and Santa Fe. Trainee wages run from \$19 to \$57 per hour and intern wages from \$17.50 to \$22.50. The eight companies funded are a great representation of the diverse and high-tech industries that make our economy resilient and will help New Mexico weather the post-pandemic economic recovery.

December JTIP funding was provided to:

[Beck & Bulow Buffalo LLC](#), Santa Fe, 6 trainees. Beck & Bulow produces high quality meats and is expanding their manufacturing and productions to a new location in Santa Fe. The company has also leased 660 acres in San Miguel County, where they raise grass fed and finished bison without hormones, antibiotics, or steroids. This is the first JTIP award the company has received.

Award Amount: \$41,000.00; Average Salary: \$19.25

[The Boeing Company](#), Albuquerque, 34 trainees. Boeing is the world’s largest aerospace company and leading manufacturer of commercial jetliners, defense, space, and security systems.

Amount Awarded: \$1,113,112.40; Average Salary: \$57.08

[Indica Labs, Inc.](#), Albuquerque, 2 trainees and 5 interns. Founded in Corrales, NM, Indica Labs provides solutions that streamline the image analysis workflow for digital pathology. They have experienced significant growth as more pathologists and laboratories adopt digital pathology systems.

Amount Awarded: \$63,431.20; Average Salary: \$27.65; Average Intern Salary: \$22.12

[KiloNewton, LLC](#), Albuquerque, 4 trainees and 1 intern. KiloNewton is a unique service-based business providing technical and engineering analysis and software design for the renewable energy sector.

Amount Awarded: \$95,666.12; Average Salary: \$38.93; Average Intern Salary: \$17.50

[National Water Services](#), Santa Fe, 4 trainees. National Water Services manufactures, installs, and services FreshPureWaters purified water vending systems in 37 states nationally and in Canada. They continue to grow with Whole Foods, their primary customer, and with natural food co-ops and independent grocers.

Amount Awarded: \$35,640.00; Average Salary: \$19.63

[Systems Integration, Inc](#) (SSI), Albuquerque, 1 trainee. SSI is a provider of turnkey contact center and service desk services and solutions. In November 2019, they opened a contact center in Albuquerque to support a five-year contract with TSA.

Amount Awarded: \$11,700.00; Average Salary: \$22.50

[X2nSAT, Inc.](#), Las Cruces, 11 trainees and 7 interns. X2nSAT is a full-service satellite network operator at the forefront of satellite communications technology. Las Cruces is home to their second national operation center. They specialize in serving the specific industry needs and regulatory requirements for healthcare, utilities, oil and gas, enterprise, retail, distribution, telecommunications, and maritime.

Amount Awarded: \$160,650.00; Average Salary: \$23.18; Average Intern Salary: \$17.57

[X-Bow Launch Systems, Inc.](#), Albuquerque, 9 trainees and 3 interns. X-Bow is commercializing tactical launch capabilities for low-cost, rapid response access to space. They plan to create numerous positions throughout New Mexico over the next few years.

Amount Awarded: \$241,783.00; Average Salary: \$42.53; Average Intern Salary: \$22.50

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FreshPureWaters Dispenser. Photo courtesy of National Water Service

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