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Gov. Susana Martinez Announces 300 Well-Paying Jobs Coming to Albuquerque

Homegrown Albuquerque Business to Expand; More Than 2,000 New Jobs Announced in Recent Months

Albuquerque, **NM** -- Today, Governor Susana Martinez announced that Unity BPO, a homegrown Albuquerque business, will create 300 new well-paying health care industry jobs. The expansion comes on the heels of Governor Martinez announcing more than 2,000 new jobs in recent months.

"This is exciting news for Albuquerque," said Governor Susana Martinez. "Homegrown companies like Unity BPO are helping us continue to grow and diversify our economy, so we rely less on dysfunctional Washington DC and more on local job creators to make our state stronger."

The more than 2,000 jobs the Governor has announced recently include a broad and diverse group of industries including high-tech and traditional manufacturing, healthcare, information technology, and finance. Some are homegrown New Mexico companies; others are national leaders in their industries.

"New Mexico has an ideal business climate for growing our business," Stephen Wade, Unity CEO, said. "We could locate elsewhere, but places like Austin, Denver or Phoenix wouldn't provide incentives such as JTIP, LEDA or Rapid Workforce Development. These generous incentive programs help us grow our business and create more jobs in New Mexico."

Unity BPO will hire skilled clinical analysts that provide application support to doctors, nurses and other medical professionals. These are jobs that provide career advancement with annual salaries ranging from \$38,000 to \$90,000.

The NMEDD Job Training Incentive Program has awarded Unity BPO \$517,000 to help hire and train 70 health IT professionals with health domain understanding and IT skills by the end of the year. They will add more than 200 additional new employees within the next two years.

"Unity BPO is the kind of company we want to see grow and help diversify our economy," said Economic Development Secretary Jon Barela. "They are creating economic-base jobs, bringing new dollars to our state and expanding our private sector economy."

Unity BPO, a spin-off from the Kemtah Group, will provide business process outsourcing for healthcare professionals across the country under this new banner. Kemtah has successfully provided mission-critical IT services for science and engineering clients across the country since their founding in 1987.

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