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## NEW MEXICO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

# WEEKLY RESOURCE WRAP-UP

#### **January 18, 2022**

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### **EDD Webinars & Events**

Jan. 27 at 10 am EDD Overview: Updates on Programs and Resources

Join the staff at New Mexico Economic Development Department to go over updates to programs and resources.

#### February 16 at 9:30 am <u>Sustainable Economy Task Force</u> <u>Meeting</u>

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### **ARTICLES/LINKS**

<u>New Mexico Adds Smarter Tech into</u> <u>Rental Assistance Process</u>

Pattern Energy completes New Mexico

## **Recovery Resources**

### **NEW!** <u>Hotel Participation Program</u>

Through ERAP, the Hotel Assistance Program can provide renters affected financially, directly or indirectly, by the COVID-19 pandemic with up to three months of future hotel or motel costs. Eligible applicants will be able to choose from a list of participating hotels with current availability. Applicants must be receiving unemployment benefits or have experienced a reduction in household income and be at risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability. Eligible applicants may live in any county (excluding Doña Ana and Bernalillo) or within the Albuquerque city limits.

#### **NEW!** <u>American Rescue Plan Good</u> <u>Jobs Challenge</u>

Through the Good Jobs Challenge, EDA is allocating \$500 million to collaborative skills training systems and programs. EDA encourages efforts to reach historically underserved populations and areas, communities of color, women, and other groups facing labor market barriers such as persons with disabilities,

#### wind project

<u>State Supreme Court rejects</u> <u>constitutional challenge to Energy</u> <u>Transition Act</u>

Building equity into the renewable energy transition

Mayor Keller Announces New Director of Economic Development

<u>New Mexico launches incentive and</u> <u>training program to boost tourism</u> <u>workforce</u>

Santa Fe's Cottonwood Technology Fund raises more than \$75M for startup investments

For some emerging economies, new Covid wave spawns new thinking

<u>Survey shows New Mexico restaurants</u> <u>face troubling trends</u>

<u>Greenberg Set To Direct Office Of</u> <u>Science & Technology</u> disconnected youth, individuals in recovery, individuals with past criminal records and veterans and military spouses. **Deadline: February 10.** 

#### **NEW!** <u>American Rescue Plan Act</u> <u>Travel, Tourism, and Outdoor</u> <u>Recreation</u>

The Tourism NOFO is designed to provide a wide-range of financial assistance to communities and regions to rebuild and strengthen their travel, tourism, and outdoor recreation industry through various infrastructure and non-infrastructure projects. **Deadline: January 31.** 

#### **NEW!** <u>Pediatric Mental Health Care</u> <u>Access – New Area Expansion</u>

Through the American Rescue Plan Act, this program promotes behavioral health integration into pediatric primary care by supporting pediatric mental health care telehealth access programs. Eligible Applicants: Native American Tribal governments (federally recognized); Native American tribal organizations (other than federally recognized tribal governments); and state governments. **Deadline: April 5.** 

#### **Rural Innovation Stronger Economy**

RISE provides grants of up to \$2M to consortiums of local governments, investors, industry, institutions of higher education, and other public and private entities in rural areas. USDA is offering **priority points** to projects that advance key priorities to help communities recover from the pandemic, advance equity, and combat climate change. **Stakeholder announcement.** You may **submit a concept proposal** for review by the agency by February 18.**Deadline: April 19.** 

#### Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

LIHEAP provides New Mexico residents with a one-time, annual payment toward heating and electric bills. The funding pays a portion of energy costs determined by household size, income, and energy costs. The benefit is usually paid directly to the energy supplier.

#### **USDA Biofuel Producer Program**

Up to \$700 million is available to provide economic relief to biofuel producers and restore renewable fuel markets hit by the pandemic. **Deadline: Feb. 11.** 

No time to read the Wrap-Up every week? Join us each Monday at noon as we livestream a short recap of the weekly resources on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>YouTube</u>. Note: If Monday is a holiday - livestream will take place on the day we publish.

## **Business Resources**

#### **NEW!** Innovations for Healthy Living - Improving Minority Health and <u>Eliminating Health Disparities</u>

This Funding Opportunity Announcement invites small business concerns to submit Small Business

Innovation Research (SBIR) grant applications that propose to develop a technology, product, process, or service for commercialization to improve, reduce, and eliminate health disparities in one or more NIH-defined population groups. Appropriate technologies should be effective, affordable, and culturally appropriate. **Deadline: April 4.** 

#### **NEW!** <u>Technologies for Improving Minority Health and Eliminating Health</u> <u>Disparities</u>

This Funding Opportunity Announcement invites small business concerns to submit Small Business Technology Transfer (STTR) grant applications that propose to develop a product, process or service for commercialization with the aim of improving minority health and/or reducing, and ultimately eliminating, health disparities in one or more NIH-defined populations experiencing health disparities. Appropriate technologies should be effective, affordable, and culturally appropriate. **Deadline: April 4.** 

### **Request for Input for a Rural Minority Business Center Program**

The Minority Business Development Agency (MDMA) has the authority to create a Rural Minority Business Center Program. This program authorizes minority-serving higher education institutions that are more than 50 miles from a current MBDA center to apply for a grant to run a Rural Minority Business Development Center. MBDA is seeking input from rural small business owners and stakeholders to help design the program.

### **Grants for Arts Projects**

Grants support artistically excellent projects that celebrate our creativity and cultural heritage, invite mutual respect for differing beliefs and values and enrich humanity. **Deadlines: February 10 and July 7.** 

### **Challenge America**

Support for projects that extend the reach of the arts to underserved populations. Challenge America features an abbreviated application, a robust structure of technical assistance, and \$10,000 grants. **Deadline: April 21.** 

## **EDD Highlight: Open Calls for Proposals**

EDD has recently released several calls for proposals to support various efforts:

#### **Economic Development Division:**

- <u>FUNDIT Program Coordinator (FUNDIT Program</u>)
- Grants Coordinator

#### New Mexico Healthy Food Financing Fund

<u>Fund Manager</u>

#### **Outdoor Recreation Division**

- <u>Uplift</u>
- **<u>Pre-Proposal Conference for Uplift RFP</u>** Wednesday, January 19 at 11:30 am. (Contact Director <u>Axie Navas</u> more details and to submit questions in advance of the conference.)

More detailed information can be found <u>on our website</u> or contact <u>email Johanna</u> <u>Nelson</u> for assistance.

## **Community Resources**

### **NEW!** Tribal Practices for Wellness in Indian Country

The purpose of this funding opportunity is to improve cultural connectedness among American Indians and Alaska Natives. This opportunity offers support for the implementation of tribal practices and cultural traditions to build resiliency and connections to community and culture in order to improve physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual health and wellbeing. **Deadline: March 16.** 

#### **NEW! Native American Library Services Enhancement Grants**

This program is designed to assist Native American tribes in improving core library services for their communities. Eligible Applicants: Federally recognized Native American Tribal governments. **Deadline: April 1.** 

#### **NEW! BLM Recreation and Visitor Services Program**

The BLM's Recreation and Visitor Services Program oversees a broad and complex set of recreation related programs, which provide a multitude of recreation opportunities and experiences. These recreation resources and visitor services support strong local economies and public land conservation. **Deadline: May 30.** 

### **NEW!** <u>Women and Minorities in Science, Technology, Engineering, and</u> <u>Mathematics Fields Program</u>

The purpose of this program is to support research, education/teaching, and extension projects that increase participation by women and underrepresented minorities from rural areas in STEM. This program addresses educational needs within broadly defined areas of food and agricultural sciences. Eligible Applicants: State agricultural experiment stations; colleges and universities; university research foundations; other research institutions and organizations; federal agencies; national laboratories; and private organizations or corporations. **Deadline: March 31.** 

#### **NEW!** <u>Rural Business Development Grant (RBDG)</u>

The purpose of the grant is to promote economic development and job creation projects. Applications will compete in two separate categories, business opportunity grants and business enterprise grants, for use in funding various business and community projects that serve rural areas. **Deadline: February 28.** 

#### **NEW!** Hazard Mitigation Assistance

The Hazard Mitigation Assistance Notice of Funding comes through BRIC (Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities) which supports states, local communities, and tribes and territories as they undertake hazard mitigation projects, reducing the risks they face from disasters and natural hazards. **Deadline: Jan. 28.** 

#### **<u>T-Mobile Hometown Grant</u>**

T-Mobile is committing up to \$25 million to small town grants over the next five years. Apply for funding to support a community project, like revitalizing a town hall, a senior center, a local little league field, or any space where friends and neighbors gather. Grants are a one-time amount up to \$50,000. Spring applications opened in January. **Deadline for Spring: March 31.** 

#### Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Grant Program

The goal of the program is to fund sub-grant programs that support the rehabilitation of historic properties to foster economic development of rural communities. These sub-grant programs will fund preservation projects for historic sites to include architectural/engineering services and physical preservation. Grantees will create and administer their own sub-grant program and select multiple projects to fund through a competitive process. **Deadline: February 22.** 

## In Case You Missed It

**Recovery Resources:** 

- Downtown Storefront Activation Grant
- EDA Recovery Loans
- Farm and Food Workers Relief Grant Program Deadline: Feb. 8

#### **Business Resource:**

<u>Prestamos Prime Small Business Technical Assistance Program</u>

#### **Community Resources:**

- <u>NSF Scholarships in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Program</u> - Deadline: Feb. 22
- <u>Competitive State Wildlife Grant Program</u> -Deadline: Feb. 19
- <u>Choice Neighborhoods Implementation Grant Program</u> Deadline: Feb. 15
- <u>Department of Interior Bureau of Land Management Headquarters Recreation</u> and <u>Visitor Services</u> - Deadline: May 30
- <u>NM Energy\$mart Weatherization Program</u>
- <u>Clean Water Act Nonpoint Service Grant</u> Deadline: Jan. 27
- Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), Indian and Native American
  Programs Employment and Training Grants Deadline: April 12
- <u>Hispanic-Serving Institutions Education Grants Program</u> Deadline: Jan. 28

## **More Upcoming Webinars & Events**

Jan. 19 at 9 am <u>FDIC: New Mexico Community</u> <u>Development Opportunities</u>

January 25 - March 1 <u>MBDA & Albuquerque Hispano Chamber</u> <u>of Commerce present - Procurement</u> <u>Series</u> Runs for 6 weeks on Tuesdays from 3-5pm Jan. 25 at 12 pm <u>Get your First Federal Contract &</u> <u>Support your Recovery Efforts</u>

Jan. 31 - Feb. 4 <u>Certified Fiber Optic Technical</u> <u>Bootcamp</u> 8-5 pm daily - live classes in Santa Fe

> Feb. 1 at 11 am SBIR 101 Workshop

#### **Ongoing Webinars:**

- <u>NM Small Business Development Center Trainings and Webinars</u>
- <u>N.M. Tax and Revenue New Businesses and New Employers workshops</u>
- <u>US and Foreign Commercial Service Trade Events</u>
- <u>Albuquerque SCORE Webinars</u>

#### **On Demand NM SCORE Webinars:**

- Get Your Local Business on Google Search and Maps
- <u>Reach Customers Online with Google</u>
- <u>PPP Loan Forgiveness Application Requirements</u>
- <u>Economic Injury Disaster Loan</u>

## **Recent Webinar Recordings**

- <u>NM Recovery Series: NMFA's Business Recovery Grant Program</u> (11/17/21)
- <u>NM Recovery Series: SBA Updates and Q&A</u> (11/3/21)

Visit the EDD YouTube page to view previously recorded webinars.

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