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NEW MEXICO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

WEEKLY RESOURCE WRAP-UP

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The N.M. Wildfire Business Assistance Grant application portal is live! Scroll down to the highlight section below for more links and information or visit the <u>Disaster Recovery webpage</u> to learn more and apply.

EDD News & Events

C-PACE Financing

August 16 at 10:30 am

Learn about Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy (C-PACE) financing, an alternative financing that covers 100% of the cost of energy efficient, renewable energy, and resiliency projects.

Join our Team! EDD is hiring Regional Representatives - We're seeking five regional representatives to join our team. <u>Click here</u> for regions and job#.

Wildfire Business Impact Survey

If your business has been negatively impacted by the wildfires, please take a few minutes to fill out this survey. <u>Spanish version</u>.

Disaster Recovery Resources

Wildfire Resource Updates

Every Thursday at 11 am. <u>Click here to join the</u> webinar.

NEW! Full Service Debris Removal

This program allows wildfire debris on residential properties in Mora and San Miguel Counties to be collected, safely removed, and properly disposed of by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers with no out of pocket costs to property owners.

REMINDER: <u>N.M. Wildfires FAQs and</u> <u>Rumor Control</u>

FEMA works to support the ongoing response for

Please join us each Monday at noon for a livestream recap of the Weekly Wrap-Up on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>YouTube</u>. You can also catch up on pre-recorded livestreams <u>here</u>.

Articles/Links

<u>Transmission line and wind farm</u> <u>expected to create thousands of jobs in</u> <u>New Mexico</u>

U.S. Dept Of Commerce Invests \$678,128 in American Rescue Plan Funds for Trail Expansion to Boost Tourism in Santa Fe, New Mexico

<u>Clearinghouse CDFI Secures \$4 Million</u> <u>from United States Treasury to Finance</u> <u>Affordable Housing Development</u>

Two NM counties added to wildfire disaster declaration

<u>Curiosity Rover Provides Mars Data for</u> <u>Los Alamos National Lab Technology</u>

<u>Here's how the Inflation Reduction Act</u> <u>could save consumers money and</u> <u>protect the planet</u> the New Mexico wildfires.

NEW! <u>TrueGrit Growth Loan</u>

Offered by DreamSpring to covid-recovering businesses, this is a two-year unsecured loan of up to \$10,000 at 3% interest rate.

NEW! Changes to the NM Wildfires Presidential Disaster Declaration

- SBA: <u>Disaster Declaration # 17440</u> <u>and # 17441; NEW MEXICO Disaster</u> <u>Number NM-00080</u>
- FEMA: <u>DR-4652-NM, dated</u> <u>05/04/2022</u>

NEW! <u>SBA Disaster Loan-Physical</u> <u>Damage Deadlines</u>

- Physical Damage: September 6, 2022
- Economic Injury: February 6, 2023

NEW! <u>Re-Emerging Loan Fund (RELieF)</u>

Offered by RCAC to re-emerging businesses in rural areas. Funding up to \$25,000 at 3% interest rate. Financing terms are customized.

NEW! <u>Electric Vehicle Charging Station</u> (EVCS) Grant

Grants offered through ARPA funds for public, private, or tribal businesses interested in owning and maintaining an EVCS in prioritized rural and low-to-moderate income areas of New Mexico.

NEW! Community Wildfire Defense Grant

Assists at-risk local communities and Indian Tribes with planning and mitigating against the risk created by wildfire. **Deadline: Oct 7.**

Business Resources

NEW! Los Alamos Business Accelerator

Individuals accepted into the Los Alamos Business Accelerator program participate in a complimentary training program (Phase I), and then qualify to apply for a brick-and-mortar pop-up to test their concept (Phase II). The program also covers retail merchandising display costs, insurance, and marketing costs. **Deadline: August 30.**

NEW! <u>Small Business Innovation Research and Small Business Technology Transfer</u> <u>Programs Phase I</u>

USDA SBIR/STTR programs support small businesses in the creation of innovative, disruptive technologies and enable the application of research advancements from conception into the market. The STTR program aims to foster technology transfer through formal cooperative R&D between small businesses and nonprofit research institutions. **Deadline: Oct. 25.**

NEW! On-Farm Conservation Innovation Trials

Offered to stimulate the adoption and evaluation of innovative conservation approaches in partnership with agricultural producers.

NEW! Expert Connections

This program is open to businesses and startups in Santa Fe and surrounding areas. Each month, a

different business expert will host four free micro-consultations in their area of specialty.

NEW! New Mexico Vintage Fund (NMVF)

NMVF invests in early-stage and high-growth local companies, New Mexican entrepreneurs, and entities whose products and/or services can benefit our people. This generalist fund offers broad-based diversification by industry sector, company age, and investing vehicle.

Minding Your Business Podcast

A podcast and radio show to help you learn what it takes to start and grow your own business.

This Week's Highlight: N.M. Wildfire Business Assistance Grant Program

Eligible businesses can qualify to receive between \$5,000 and \$20,000.

The money available is repurposed from the EDD's Collateral Assistance Program (CAP), which utilizes federal funding.

Businesses that qualify for priority assistance must be inside the boundaries of the Presidential Disaster Declaration for the Big Hole, Calf Canyon/Hermit's Peak, Cooks Peak, and McBride fires. Those areas are Colfax, San Miguel, and Mora Counties, parts of Lincoln County (ZIP codes 88345 and 88312) and Valencia County (ZIP code 87002); and regions of Sandoval and Los Alamos Counties impacted by wildfire and evacuations.

Apply online.

The program will close when funds are exhausted or on Dec. 1, 2022.

- EDD Disaster Recovery Resources Webpage.
- <u>Frequently Asked Questions and Required Documents</u>
- Watch the recorded webinar to learn more.
- <u>Read the press release.</u>

Have more questions? Contact EDD.wildfiregrant@state.nm.us.

Community Resources

NEW! Continuum of Care Competition and Noncompetitive Award of Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Renewal and Replacement Grants

Promotes a community-wide commitment to ending homelessness; providing funding to quickly rehouse homeless individuals, families, persons fleeing domestic violence, and youth, while minimizing the trauma and dislocation caused by homelessness; and promoting access to, and effective utilization of, mainstream programs; and optimizing self-sufficiency. **Deadline: Sept 30.**

NEW! Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA) Tribal and Insular Area Grants

Promotes an array of diesel emissions strategies by working with manufacturers, fleet operators, air quality professionals, environmental and community organizations, and state and local officials to address the varying priorities of different regions and sectors. DERA supports environmental justice by prioritizing emissions reductions in areas receiving disproportionate impacts from diesel fleets to provide an environment where all people enjoy the same degree of protection from environmental and health hazards. **Deadline: Oct 26.**

NEW! <u>The Rural eConnectivity Program</u>

Provides loans, grants, and loan/grant combinations to facilitate broadband deployment in rural

areas. Deadline Oct 4.

NEW! Conservation Technical Assistance: Grazing Lands Conservation

The goal of this funding is to expand the delivery of conservation technical assistance to support grazing planning and conservation practice implementation and monitoring, conferences and other education, demonstrations, producer networks, workforce training, research, and outreach projects to improve agricultural resilience. **Deadline: Sept 22.**

NEW! Grid Hardening State/Tribal Formula Grant Program

DOE has built a \$2.3 billion grant program to strengthen and modernize America's power grid against wildfires, extreme weather, and other natural disasters that are exacerbated by the climate crisis. **Deadline: Sept 30.**

NEW! San Pedro Corridor Creative Placemaking Contest

Individuals with a personal connection to Albuquerque's San Pedro Corridor, between I-40 and Central Avenue, and the adjoining neighborhoods are invited to submit their ideas for celebrating and enhancing the corridor via inexpensive, small-scale placemaking projects.

NEW! Service-Disabled Veteran Entrepreneurship Training Program (SDVTEP)

This announcement invites proposals for funding eligible private and nonprofit organizations, state, local and tribal agencies, and institutions of higher learning to further build their capacity to market and deliver their existing entrepreneurship training program(s) to service-disabled veteran, veteran entrepreneurs, and Reserve Component members who aspire to be small business owners or currently own a small business. SBA anticipates making up to six awards, each valued between \$50,000 and \$150,000. **Deadline: Aug 18.**

Tribal Self-Governance Planning Cooperative Agreement Program

Provides resources to Tribes interested in entering the Tribal Self-Governance Program (TSGP) and to existing self-governance Tribes interested in assuming new or expanded programs, services, functions, and activities. **Deadline: Aug 31.**

Partnership to Advance Conservation Science and Practice

Supports conservation research that investigates organismal biology, ecology, and/or evolution and is designed to contribute to the development and implementation of evidence-based activities and/or technology solutions to advance biodiversity conservation. **Deadline: Oct 11.**

In Case You Missed It

Disaster Resources:

- <u>SBA Disaster Loan Assistance</u>
- Lodging Expense Reimbursement
- <u>All Together NM Fund Wildfire Response Grants</u>
- IEDC Whitepaper: "What We've Learned From COVID-19"

Business Resources:

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- Incfile's Entrepreneur Grant Deadlines: Sept 30 and Dec 31
- <u>SBA504 ALP Express Loan</u>

Community Resources:

- <u>Reconnecting Communities Pilot Program Planning Grants and Capital</u> <u>Construction Grants</u> - Deadline: Oct 13
- DOT Navigator
- <u>Credit Counseling, Homebuyer Education, Money Management Coaching</u>
- <u>Reconnecting Communities Pilot Discretionary Grant Program</u> Deadline: Oct 13
- <u>Bioproduct Pilot Program</u> Deadline: Aug 31
- Improving Undergraduate STEM Education: Hispanic-Serving Institutions

- Deadline: Sept 1

More Upcoming Webinars & Events

- Aug 16 | **Post-fire agricultural workshop in Mora** (in-person event)
- Aug 16 | <u>CDFA // BNY Mellon Development Finance Webcast Series: The Latest</u> Community Engagement Strategies for TIF

Aug 17 | Incentives Compliance Network Roundtable

Aug 18 | New Mexico Angels Quarterly Meeting in Santa Fe (in-person event)

Aug 23 | NM PTAC: Contract Ready Series Part V Contract Administration

Aug 26 | American Indian Business Enterprise Conference

Sept 1 | Government Procurement and the SBIR/STTR Linkage

Ongoing Webinars:

- <u>NM Small Business Association (NMSBA) Events</u>
- NM Small Business Development Center Trainings and Webinars
- <u>NM Tax and Revenue New Businesses and New Employers workshops</u>
- <u>NM Taxation and Revenue overview of business tax programs</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>

Recently Recorded Webinars:

<u>Rural Efficient Business Program Interview with Brew Lab 101 (7/14/22)</u>

Visit our YouTube channel to view previously recorded EDD webinars.

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