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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 [Disaster Recovery webpage](#) to learn more and apply.

EDD News & Events

[Centering Equity in HR](#)

August 30, 12-1 pm

Virtual workshop for HR professionals to gain tools to work toward creating new equitable systems in the workplace. Panel discussion features EDD's Shani Harvie and Amanda Armenta from Sandia National Laboratories. **\$25 fee to attend.**

[Conference on Economic Development](#) **September 26-27**

The Clyde Hotel in Albuquerque

Join us for a critical gathering of economic developers and community leaders for discussions regarding economic development strategies and best practices.

Disaster Recovery Resources

NEW! [Wildfire Business Assistance Grants](#)

Available to businesses who have been impacted by the wildfires. Accepting applications until funding is exhausted.

NEW! [Disaster Unemployment Assistance](#)

Available to New Mexicans whose employment or self-employment was lost or interrupted as a direct result of the 2022 wildfires. The deadline to apply was June 15, 2022. If your employment was impacted by the 2022 wildfires, and you have good cause to apply after the deadline, call 1-877-664-6984. **Deadline: Nov 5.**

[Outdoor Economic Conference](#)

(EDD/ORD sponsored)

October 5-7

Sagebrush Inn & Suites, Taos

The Outdoor Economics Conference features informative panel discussions, fun outdoor trips, quality networking, and an outdoor expo. **\$125 fee to attend.**

Join our Team! EDD is hiring Regional Representatives - We're seeking five regional representatives to join our team. [Click here](#) 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. [Spanish version.](#)

Please join us each Monday at noon for a livestream recap of the Weekly Wrap-Up on [Facebook](#) and [YouTube](#). You can also catch up on pre-recorded livestreams [here](#).

Articles/Links

[Governor announces proposals for Gold King Mine Settlement-related projects now being accepted](#)

[USDA Announces New Opportunities to Improve Nutrient Management](#)

[Biden-Harris Administration Announces \\$401 Million for High-Speed Internet Access in Rural Areas](#)

[What the Inflation Reduction Act does for green energy](#)

[Governor declares Rio Arriba County state of emergency to get state aid](#)

[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.**

[Small Business Innovation Research and Small Business Technology Transfer Programs Phase I](#)

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. **Deadline: Oct. 25.**

REMINDER: [Wildfire Resource Updates](#)

Every Thursday at 11 am. [Click here to join the webinar.](#)

[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 with no out of pocket costs to property owners.

REMINDER: [N.M. Wildfires FAQs and Rumor Control](#)

FEMA works to support the ongoing response for the New Mexico wildfires.

[SBA Disaster Loan-Physical Damage Deadlines](#)

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

Changes to the NM Wildfires Presidential Disaster Declaration

- SBA: [Disaster Declaration # 17440 and # 17441; New Mexico Disaster # NM-00080](#)
- FEMA: [DR-4652-NM, dated 05/04/2022](#)

[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! [NewSpace New Mexico NewSpace Ignitor](#)

NewSpace Ignitor is a purpose-built, first-of-its-kind incubator-like program designed to reduce barriers space companies face in moving their concepts beyond R&D. Selected companies will be notified by Oct 1. **Deadline Sept 1.**

[On-Farm Conservation Innovation Trials](#)

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

[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 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.

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.

- [EDD Disaster Recovery Resources Webpage.](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions and Required Documents](#)
- [Watch the recorded webinar to learn more.](#)
- [Read the press release.](#)

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

Community Resources

NEW! [Rural Pathway Program](#)

The grant component of the Rural Pathway Program provides up to \$50,000 in matching funds to eligible entities looking to implement tourism-related projects. Eligible project types may include museums, destination wayfinding, thematic trails, interpretive planning, and agritourism, among others.

NEW! [Landscape Scale Restoration Grant Program](#)

The purpose of this competitive grant is to encourage collaborative, science-based restoration of priority rural forest landscapes. The program supports high-impact projects that lead to measurable outcomes on the landscape, leverage public and private resources, and further priorities identified in science-based restoration strategies. **Deadline: Dec 15.**

NEW! [Conservation Innovation Grants \(CIG\)](#)

CIG funding is available to stimulate the development and adoption of innovative conservation approaches and technologies in conjunction with agricultural production. Projects should lead to the transfer of conservation technologies, management systems, and innovative approaches to agricultural producers through the development of technical manuals, guides, and practical instruction for the private sector. Everyone can apply except federal entities. **Deadline: Oct 11.**

[NEW! Conservation Technical Assistance: Grazing Lands Conservation Initiative \(GLCI\) Cooperative Agreements](#)

The goal of this funding opportunity 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 Oct 22.**

[NEW! Community Food Projects Competitive Grant Program](#)

This grant is intended to bring together stakeholders from distinct parts of the food system and foster understanding of national food security trends and how they might improve local food systems. **Deadline: Oct 7.**

[NEW! Partners for Places Mini Grants](#)

These grants are available to help local governments, place-based funders, and frontline community groups build relationships, align around project ideas, and ideally develop a proposal that centers on racial equity in water, sustainability, and/or climate action work. **Deadline: Sept 15.**

[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 re-house 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.**

[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.**

[The Rural eConnectivity Program](#)

Provides loans, grants, and loan/grant combinations to facilitate broadband deployment in rural areas. **Deadline Oct 4.**

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[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

- [Electric Vehicle Charging Station \(EVCS\) Grant](#)
- [SBA Disaster Loan Assistance](#)
- [Lodging Expense Reimbursement](#)
- [All Together NM Fund – Wildfire Response Grants](#)

Business Resources:

- [Minding Your Business Podcast](#)
- [Incfile's Entrepreneur Grant](#) - Deadlines: Sept 30 and Dec 31

Community Resources:

- [Reconnecting Communities Pilot Program – Planning Grants and Capital Construction Grants](#) - Deadline: Oct 13
- [DOT Navigator](#)

More Upcoming Webinars & Events

- Aug 23 | [NM PTAC: Contract Ready Series](#) Part V Contract Administration
- Aug 26 | [American Indian Business Enterprise Conference](#)
- Aug 29 | [Independent Retailer Roundtable](#)
- Aug 31 | [B Corps and Business with Impact: How to use business as a force for good](#)
- Sept 1 | [Government Procurement and the SBIR/STTR Linkage](#)

Ongoing Webinars:

- [NM Small Business Association \(NMSBA\) Events](#)
- [NM Small Business Development Center Trainings and Webinars](#)
- [NM Tax and Revenue New Businesses and New Employers workshops](#)
- [NM Taxation and Revenue overview of business tax programs](#)
- [US and Foreign Commercial Service Trade Events](#)
- [Albuquerque SCORE Webinars](#)

On Demand NM SCORE Webinars:

- [Get Your Local Business on Google Search and Maps](#)
- [Reach Customers Online with Google](#)

Recently Recorded Webinar:

- [Rural Efficient Business Program Interview with Brew Lab 101 \(7/14/22\)](#)

Visit [our YouTube channel](#) to view previously recorded EDD webinars.

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