



# EDD

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

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## NEW MEXICO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT RESOURCE WRAP-UP

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### EDD Announcements

#### [Central New Mexico STEM and Manufacturing Hiring Event](#)

Wednesday, May 10

Showcasing a wide array of Central New Mexico employers hiring at all education & skill levels. Registration open for job seekers and JTIP-eligible employers.

#### **EDD Job Openings:**

- IT End User Support II (closes March 28)
- Economist Intern (closes April 4)

[Learn more on our website at EDD.NewMexico.gov/careers](#)

### Articles/Links

[Arcosa Wind Towers Plans Belen, New Mexico, Wind-Tower Manufacturing](#)

### Business Resources

#### [Lobo Hackathon](#)

Teams can build or refine an idea that sets out to address a problem, utilize technology, or create something new. Collaborate on a team or join us for the final pitches where teams will present their ideas to a panel of judges for the chance to win cash prizes. **April 13 at 6 PM.**

#### [Goldman Sachs' One Million Black Women: Black in Business Program](#)

This free business education program is dedicated to reaching Black women entrepreneurs with the tools necessary to turn their business potential into business growth. Black women sole proprietors with a minimum of \$25,000 in revenue over the past twelve months and who have been operating within the US for at least one year are eligible. **Deadline: April 21.**

#### [Farm Business Management and Benchmarking Competitive Grants](#)

The purpose of this grant is to improve the farm

[Plant](#)

[Increased film incentives pass New Mexico legislature under omnibus tax bill](#)

[Inside the Innovation: Bioscience Center gives space for startups to grow – and then leave](#)

[Arts Hub and Keshet launch partnership](#)

[State Job Training Funds Awarded To UbiQD In Los Alamos And Four Other Companies Across New Mexico](#)

management knowledge and skills of agricultural producers by maintaining and expanding a national, publicly available farm financial management database. **Deadline: April 10.**

[Small Business Revolving Loan Program](#)  
Offers loans between \$20,000 and \$100,000 to small businesses, targeted at existing businesses in San Juan, McKinley, and Cibola Counties.

[SoGal Black Founder Startup Grant](#)  
\$10K and \$5K cash grants to Black women and nonbinary entrepreneurs. **Applications accepted on a rolling basis.**

## This Week's Highlight: Regional Farm to Food Bank Program



Using USDA funds, the New Mexico Association of Food Banks purchases locally and regionally produced foods to nourish New Mexicans in need. By offering fair prices to farmers, ranchers, and other food producers, the [Regional Farm to Food Bank \(RFFB\) program](#) strengthens local food systems while ensuring that New Mexicans who experience food insecurity gain critical access to healthy, fresh local foods.

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GROWN**

Participation is free and no producer is too small!  
Farmers, ranchers and other food producers are all welcome!

To sell to food banks, producers must be part of the New Mexico Grown Approved Supplier Program (ASP). The ASP helps New Mexico producers sell to food banks by assuring that their products are safe, traceable, and originate from farms or gardens using sound food safety and quality assurance practices.

## Community Resources

### [Clean and Beautiful Grant Program](#)

Provides grant funding to local governments for litter reduction and beautification projects. **Deadline: April 14.**

### [Visit Albuquerque Tourism Grant](#)

Sparks innovative ideas that contribute to Albuquerque's vibrancy and builds new, creative visitor and resident experiences. **Deadline April 28.**

### [Smith-Lever Special Needs Competitive Grants Program](#)

Supports innovative, education-based approaches to address disaster preparedness and responses related to disasters or disaster threats caused by natural, human-made, or technological hazards, or by other factors that contribute to the exposure or vulnerability of a community. **Deadline: April 6.**

### [Charging and Fueling Infrastructure \(CFI\) Discretionary Grant Program](#)

The purpose of this grant is to strategically deploy publicly accessible electric vehicle charging and alternative fueling infrastructure in the places people live and work and along designated Alternative

### **Rural Innovation Stronger Economies (RISE) Grant**

Provides financial assistance in support of innovation centers and job accelerator programs that improve the ability of distressed rural communities to create high-wage jobs, accelerate the formation of new businesses, and help rural communities identify and maximize local assets.

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### **Specialty Crop Block Grant Program**

Assists state departments of agriculture to enhance the competitiveness of specialty crops.

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### **FEMA's Public Assistance Program**

Provides supplemental grants to state, Tribal, territorial, and local governments, and certain types of private nonprofits so communities can quickly respond to and recover from major disasters or emergencies.

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### **Emergency Action Fund**

Proposals sought from organizations addressing housing stability and support, access to economic opportunities, and/or environmental restoration and reforestation. **Deadline April 14.**

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### **CDFA Community Facilities Technical Assistance Program for Tribal Communities**

CDFA and a dedicated team of development finance experts will provide targeted one-on-one technical assistance to Tribal communities for financing community facilities projects.

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### **Community Compass Technical Assistance and Capacity Building Program**

Community Compass helps HUD's customers navigate complex housing and community development challenges by equipping them with the knowledge, skills, tools, capacity, and systems to implement HUD programs and policies successfully and sustainably, and to provide effective administrative and managerial oversight of HUD funding. **Deadline: March 28.**

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### **J.M.K. Innovation Prize**

Identifies, supports, and elevates innovators who are spearheading transformative early-stage projects in the fields of the environment, heritage conservation, and social justice. Prize includes a cash award of \$150,000 paid over three years and \$25,000 in technical assistance funds for a total award of \$175,000. Informational webinar on March 28. **Deadline: April 28.**

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### **Tourism Event Growth & Sustainability Program**

Program provides technical assistance, marketing, and sponsorship to qualified tourism events. Secures marketing and advertising for events through a 2:1 matching investment marketing program. Awarded events select from a media menu up to an award amount of \$10,000. **Deadline: April 21.**

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### **Healthy Soil Program**

Grant funding for on-the-ground projects that focus on one or more of the five soil health principles: keeping the soil covered, minimizing soil disturbance on cropland, maximizing biodiversity, maintaining a living root, and integrating animals into land management. **Deadline: April 21.**

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### **Route 66 Corridor Preservation Program**

Program will fund the preservation, restoration, and rehabilitation of transportation-related historic properties on Route 66, as well as planning, research, and educational programming related to Route 66. Grants will range from \$5,000 to \$30,000. **Deadline: April 14.**

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## **More Upcoming Webinars & Events**

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March 30 | [Advanced Manufacturing Summit](#)

March 31 | [Using the Co-op Model to Address the Housing Crisis](#)

April 6 | [Building a Regional Economy | STEM and the Future of Workforce and Education](#)

April 13 | [NMDOT Star Opportunity Fair](#)

April 19 | [Youth Financial Literacy](#) (Session 3: Paying Bills and Budgeting/Saving and Investing)  
May 10 | [Central New Mexico STEM and Manufacturing Hiring Event](#)  
May 17 | [Youth Financial Literacy](#) (Session 4: Banking/Protecting Your Identity)

**Ongoing Webinars:**

- [NM Small Business Administration \(NMSBA\) 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](#)

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

Have a great resource you want to share with our community?

[Email your suggestions to our editor](#) by the Wednesday prior to when you want it to appear. Please be cognizant of dates and deadlines, as we publish the Resource Wrap-Up every other Monday.

Note: Some email platforms will not allow you to access the links in this newsletter.

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