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NEW MEXICO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

RESOURCE WRAP-UP

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EDD Announcements

<u>Central New Mexico STEM and</u> <u>Manufacturing Hiring Event</u> Wednesday, May 10

Showcasing a wide array of Central New Mexico employers hiring at all education and skill levels. Registration open for job seekers and JTIP-eligible employers. <u>View the flyer.</u>

Job Posting: **Public Information Officer** (Spaceport Authority - Las Cruces) Job ID 132861 \$56,357 - \$90,171 Annually <u>Read more on our careers page</u>

Articles/Links

<u>Governor Signs Package Of Broadband</u> <u>Bills Which Break Down Systemic</u>

Business Resources

NMDOT STAR Virtual Opportunity Fair A lively, virtual, fast-paced, tradeshow-style event. Register online. **Event date: May 2**.

THRIVE Emerging Leaders Training

An executive-level training series by the SBA designed to accelerate the growth of high-potential small businesses. **Deadline: April 30.**

2023 Mexico Food Service Inbound Mission to New Mexico and Colorado

Buyers will spend two full days in each state. WUSATA participants will have tailored business meetings to showcase products to potential buyers in the food service sector. **Event date: June 5-9.**

Sky's the Limit Small Business Grants

Monthly small business and startup grants of up to \$25,000 available.

Barriers To Better Internet In New Mexico

<u>USDA Invests \$6.6 Million to Deploy</u> <u>Renewable Energy Infrastructure</u>

Jobs, jobs, jobs: State program hailed as 'greatest incentive' in New Mexico

<u>\$1.25B grant targeted by New Mexico-</u> led hydrogen power project, using oil and gas areas

<u>New Mexico Marks 3rd Consecutive</u> <u>Quarter Of Record GRT</u>

Indigenous Entrepreneurs Podcast

Part of the New Mexico Tribal Entrepreneurship Enhancement Program, it aims to tell the story of the Entrepreneur's Journey, specifically the Indigenous entrepreneur, through candid conversations featuring successful Indigenous entrepreneurs from N.M. and elsewhere.

This Week's Highlight: StartNowNM

Central New Mexico Community College has put together a comprehensive list of resources for new and expanding small businesses, all in one place.

From training to education, funding to facilities, you can find it all through this resource site.

View the online resource at startnownm.org.

Community Resources

NMBSA Youth Council Interest List

The New Mexico Black Student Alliance (NMBSA) Youth Council will be a statewide advisory council comprised of 12 representatives ages 15-24. Make your voice heard and help Black students gain a better sense of belonging in New Mexico's public schools. Youth council members will provide direct input on how to best implement the NMBSA program to be culturally relevant for Black students.

STEM Talent Challenge

Program aims to build STEM talent training systems to strengthen regional innovation economies. The FY23 STEM Talent Challenge will award a total of \$4.5 million in grants to organizations that are creating and implementing STEM talent development strategies that complement their region's innovation economy. **Deadline is June 12.**

Regional Broadband Planning Meetings

As the State of New Mexico prepares for historic federal funding to support broadband infrastructure and digital equity, the Office of Broadband Access and Expansion (OBAE) is working with local partners to organize free regional broadband meetings, listening sessions, and community events to gather stakeholder input and collectively develop the New Mexico 5-year Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) Plan and the state's Digital Equity Plan.

- Thursday, **May 11** 9am-1pm in Springer Northeast Region 4 (Colfax, Guadalupe, Harding, Mora, Quay, San Miguel, and Union Counties)
- Friday, **May 12** 9am-1pm in Las Cruces Southwest Region 5 (Doña Ana, Catron, Grant, Hidalgo, Luna, Sierra, and Socorro Counties)
- Monday, **May 15** 9am-1pm in Farmington Northwest Region 1 (San Juan, Cibola, McKinley, and Sandoval Counties)
- Tuesday, **May 16** 9am-1pm in Hernandez North Central Region 2 (Rio Arriba, Los Alamos, Santa Fe, and Taos Counties)

Please pre-register online to attend.

Hart Family Fund for Small Towns

Grant funds encourage preservation at the local level by providing seed money for preservation projects in small towns with populations of 10,000 or less. These grants help stimulate public discussion, enable local groups to gain the technical expertise needed for particular projects, introduce the public to preservation concepts and techniques, and encourage financial participation by the private sector. **Deadline: May 3.**

Solid Waste Facility Grant Fund

This fund assists New Mexico solid waste facilities implement projects that help protect the health of the residents and the environment. **Deadline: April 28.**

DOE Announces \$50 Million for Tribal Clean Energy Projects

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) announced \$50 million in funding to support clean energy technology deployment on Tribal lands. This significant investment will strengthen Tribal energy sovereignty by bolstering ongoing efforts to lower energy costs, increase energy security and resilience, and provide electric power to unelectrified buildings. **Deadline: May 16.**

Visit Albuquerque Tourism Grant

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

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 Fuel Corridors (AFCs). **Deadline: May 30.**

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.

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.

CDFA Community Facilities Technical Assistance Program for Tribal Communities

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

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. **Deadline: April 28.**

More Upcoming Webinars & Events

April 26 | <u>Regional Development Corporation Micro-Grant Fund Webinar</u> May 5 | <u>How to Speak to The Media</u> May 10 | <u>Central New Mexico STEM and Manufacturing Hiring Event</u>

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May 17 | <u>Youth Financial Literacy</u> (Session 4: Banking/Protecting Your Identity)

Ongoing Webinars:

<u>NM Small Business Administration (NMSBA) Events</u>

- <u>NM Small Business Development Center Trainings and Webinars</u>
- <u>NM Tax and Revenue New Businesses and New Employers workshops</u>
- NM Taxation and Revenue overview of business tax programs
- US and Foreign Commercial Service Trade Events
- <u>Albuquerque SCORE Webinars</u>

On Demand NM SCORE Webinars:

- <u>Get Your Local Business on Google Search and Maps</u>
- <u>Reach Customers Online with Google</u>

Visit our YouTube channel to view previously recorded EDD webinars.

Have a great resource you want to share with our community? <u>Email your suggestions to our editor</u> 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.

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